

The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

27 February 2022

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

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Shobha Thomas

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COORDINATOR
MUSIC & CATECHESIS

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tue, Thu & Fri: 10am-2pm

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday: 9am, 11am, 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Saturday: 9.15am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.45am-10.10am and 5.30pm—5.50pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Saturday 9.45am -10.15am

Adoration, Rosary & Novena

Wednesday 6.40pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS,

Contact the Parish Office preferably by email

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Priest/Office

TONY'S CAFE

Take away meals only Tuesdays: 12.30pm—1.30pm Thursdays: 3pm—5.30pm

VENUE HIRE

Contact the Parish Office

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

☑ office@santglen.catholic.edu.au ☐ santglen.catholic.edu.au **OUR SICK:** Vivien, Glennys Smith, Alfredo Palo, Merlynn Roman, Selvyn Pereira, Archie Baines

(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Juanito Hao

Anniversaries & Remembrances: Noel Mendis, Bernadetta Arathoon,

Carmel McGrath, Ferdinand Fernandez.

PLEASE RING/EMAIL THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THE PARISH NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL OR WOULD LIKE A SICK, DECEASED OR ANNIVERSARY OF A FAMILY MEMBER MENTIONED IN OUR NEWSLETTER



ASH WEDNESDAY
2 MARCH

MASSES: 9.15AM AND 7PM

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETAL HELP 6.40PM TO 7PM.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS On Fridays of Lent

After 9.15am Mass and after 7pm Mass.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. We consider the safety and wellbeing of all persons to be our highest priority. For further information on Safeguarding please visit:

https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

Today's Readings

Sir 27:4-7; 1Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! .Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

Next Sunday's Readings

Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Baptism Preparation Change of Dates for Lent only

During Lent, we will be having Masses on Fridays at 7pm followed by Stations of the Cross. As a result our upcoming Baptism Preparation dates for March and April will now be:

> Wednesday 9 March @ 7.30pm Wednesday 6 April @ 7.30pm

We will resume to our normal Baptism Preparation dates (second Friday of every month) from the month of May onwards



Project Compassion Boxes and Envelopes now available in Church Foyer

Liturgy Roster (Readers)—Feb 26-27

Sat. 6pm—J D'Souza

Sun. 9am-Y Jo-Sumarna & 11am-K Campitelli

Sun. 5pm—E Sebastian

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Income weekend 13 Feb

Church Stewardship	\$ 1,130
Presbytery Stewardship	\$ 635

Income & Expenditure for January 2022

Income

Maintenance Donation	\$ 2,247
Rental Income	\$ 5,579
Thanksgiving Income	\$ 8,800
Other	\$ 995
TOTAL INCOME	\$17.621

Expenses	
Administration	\$ 3,426
Cleaning	\$ 1,726
Electricity, Gas, Water	\$ 1,946
Flowers and Lenten Program Book	\$ 121
Insurance	\$ 3,121
Printing	\$ 556
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 318
Security	\$ 55
Telecommunications	\$ 50
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 422
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$11,742

Deferred Archdiocesan Levies to be paid \$12,570 Current CDF Loan Balance \$19,338



Net Surplus

Legion of Mary

We are seeking new members. This enables us to use our talents with home visits and prayers. Please contact Gladys Zill or the Parish Office.

Liturgy Roster (Readers)—Mar 5-6

Sat. 6pm–N Mudalige

Sun. 9am–M Dwyer & 11am—C Hampson

Sun. 5pm—D Mitchell



LEGO Day for Children, 20 March 2022

St Anthony's Parish Hall 12pm—3pm

This event is an initiative by some of our young parishioners, for our Parish.

Please help to make this a success.

Entrance fee of \$10 per child. (This comes with a door gift!). Free for accompanying parents and children under 3 years old. Food and drinks will also be available. All proceeds will go towards our Parish.

Please come to help make this a success!

The activity is called Lego Day, for kids to come together to build Lego as a community. There will be Lego displays (exhibition) and other Lego activities on the day. Entrance fee will go towards our Parish Maintenance. More details to follow. All Welcome!



\$ 5,880



SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS (PLEASE COMPLY)

In order to be compliant with the Safeguarding Requirements, all our Volunteers, Employees and Clergy, need to provide our Parish Office with their Signed copy of the Code of Conduct, Working With Children Check, and for some Police Check.

We are expecting to be audited shortly. Contact us via email on glenhuntly@cam.org.au

St Anthony's Parish Primary School Now taking Enrollments for 2023

SCHOOL TOURS 9AM-11AM

Tues 1 March 2022 Wed 9 March 2022 Tues 15 March 2022

OR BY APPOINTMENT

Please ring 95636780 to make a booking for a school tour.
Principal@santglen.catholic.edu.au
Website: www.santglen.catholic.edu.au

World Day of Prayer Friday 4 March at 1.30pm

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. The movement aims to bring together women of various races, cultures and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year.

This year our local service will be held at Coatesville Uniting Church, 1050 North Road, Bentleigh East at 1.30pm. The prayer has been prepared by the women of England, Northern Ireland and Wales and focusses on the verse "I know the plans I have for you." Jeremiah 29:11. All welcome.

Good Friday Appeal fundraiser and Lenten Walk

The Good Friday Appeal Fundraiser is in the planning.

Preparations for our usual Lent Pilgrimage Walk are under way.

This will probably take place in early April.

More details for both these events coming soon.

St Anthony's Choir

The choir and band are looking for more members, for Sundays and especially for Easter. Feel free to come along to a practice on Wednesday nights at 7.30 or contact Veronica:

veronica.blair@cam.org.au

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Monday 11 April @ 7pm

Lenten Regulations 2022

Available in the Church Foyer

Lenten Reflection Sessions

6 consecutive Mondays, commencing 28th Feb at 7pm at St Anthony's Church. All Welcome!



LENT: What are our Lenten obligations?

In Australia and New Zealand, the strict obligations for Lent are:

- 1. Catholics aged 18-59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- 2. Catholics aged 14+ must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday.
- 3. Catholics aged 14+ must abstain from meat on every Friday of the year, including Lent, or substitute with another form of penance, either in prayer, fasting or almsgiving.

Taking up some form of voluntary penance throughout the season of Lent is also expected.

What is the difference between fasting and abstinence?



On a day of fasting, Christians are permitted only to have one normal-sized meal and two "snacks" (or "smaller meals") that cannot, put together, equal a full meal.

On a day of abstinence, Christians are asked to abstain from meat. This does not include seafood (although, feasting on magnificently prepared, gourmet seafood probably infringes

upon the penitential nature of days of abstinence!).

Why do we have obligations?

According to the Catechism, the Church lays down precepts and obligations to serve the moral and spiritual life of the faithful. The purpose is to make plain 'the very necessary minimum in the spirit of prayer and moral effort, in the growth in love of God and neighbour'. Basically, the *lowest bar we have to meet* to grow in the spiritual life.

This should really make us wonder at the heights of greatness to which God calls us, if we complain at the lowest bar!

In Australia and New Zealand, 'the law of the common practice of penance' (such as Fridays and the Lenten season) is fulfilled by doing any *one* of three things: a form of prayer, fasting, or almsgiving. Theoretically, you could get up to pray on Sunday morning *and* relax one of your food restrictions, and *still* have fulfilled the penitential expectation of the season. Since penances undertaken outside of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are voluntary anyway, it is not deemed sinful to relax one of them. But ultimately this is a matter of individual conscience (i.e. between you and God).

Should Lent be harsher?

Every Lent, some people like to make a point of emphasising how strict Lent *used* to be, at a time when it was comparable, if not harder than, the Islamic season of Ramadan. The point is generally to critique how loose and indifferent we are to things like prayer, fasting and almsgiving today. It should be noted, however, that the *strictness* of a practice does not determine its *value*, nor does it determine the holiness of the person doing it. In his famous hymn to love, St Paul takes up a radical position, stating that *love* is what measures the value of an action. Even if we were to perform the most heroic act of all – martyrdom – it would be a waste if it were not an act of love (1 Corinthians 13:3).

An urgent call has been made by Pope Francis for the Church to pray and fast for the situation in Ukraine. At his general audience on Wednesday 23 February, he said that despite the efforts of world leaders, 'increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up.'

To those in positions of political authority, Pope Francis pleaded to 'examine their consciences seriously before God, who is the God of peace and not of war, who is the Father of all, not just of some, who wants us to be brothers and not enemies.'



Ash Wednesday, 2 March 2022, Pope Francis has declared to be a Day of Fasting for Peace: