



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

19 February 2023

PARISH PRIEST
Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

PARISH STAFF
Shobha Thomas
Sue Leong

**COORDINATOR
MUSIC & CATECHESIS**
Veronica Blair

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Tue, Thu & Fri: 10am-2pm

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

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday-Saturday: 9.15am

RECONCILIATION
Half an hour before all Masses
and Saturday 9.45am-10.10am

EUCCHARISTIC 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**
Principal: Margaret Carlei
☎ 9563 6780

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OUR SICK: Rosalba Germano, Remedios Patawaran, Mary D'Cruz, Jennifer Grace, Ethan Chan, Unborn baby boy
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Shailendra Jayasooriya

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Dorothy Taylor, Peter Torre, Bernadette Arathoon, Junus Linggo

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LENT



"Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me."

Psalm 51:10

At St Anthony's Glen Huntly

Ash Wednesday

Mass at 9.15 am (with the whole school and all)

Novena Prayers at 6.40pm, Mass at 7pm.

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

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me

Today's Readings

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is kind and merciful

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Whoever keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

Next Sunday's Readings

Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

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| Church Stewardship | \$1,704 |
| Presbytery Stewardship | \$ 887 |
| Pastoral Care Appeal | \$1,070 |
| WYD 2023 Raffle | \$2,130 |

January 2023 EFT and Credit Card Collections

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| Church Stewardship | \$3,049 |
| Presbytery Stewardship | \$ 880 |

Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT, Venue Hire, Donations & Maintenance Income will be reported once a month

World Day of Prayer

Friday 3 March, 10.30—11.30am



This event will be hosted by our parish on Friday 3 March at 10.30am in our church. This is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. The motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action" is celebrated annually in over 170 countries.

The prayer has been prepared by the women of Taiwan. If you or someone comes from Taiwan, please inform them of this service and if they would like to take an active part, please contact Veronica Blair.

Liturgy Roster Feb 19-20

| Mass | Lector | Commentator | Sp Minister |
|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Sat 6pm | S Pflieger | L Pereira | J Aranha |
| Sun 9am | F De Marte | C Collins | R Meneaud |
| Sun 11am | L Nguyen | L Kornadi | A Francis |
| Sun 5pm | E Sebastian | J Kirkham | N/A |

Liturgy Roster Feb 25-26

| Mass | Lector | Commentator | Sp Minister |
|----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Sat 6pm | P Bates | L Pereira | R Aranha |
| Sun 9am | C Collins | F De Marte | T Ho |
| Sun 11am | K Campitelli | J Wong | S Heuberger |
| Sun 5pm | J Kirkham | E Sebastian | N/A |

Income & Expenditure January 2023

Income

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|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Maintenance Donations | \$ 584 |
| Rental Income | \$ 5,747 |
| Service Fees | \$ 500 |
| Piety Stall | \$ 125 |
| Thanksgiving Income | \$10,817 |
| Other | \$ 1,428 |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$19,201 |

Expense

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| Administration | \$ 2,725 |
| Candles, Flowers & Hosts | \$ 410 |
| Cleaning | \$ 1,139 |
| Electricity, Gas, Water | \$ 1,819 |
| Gardening | \$ 1,260 |
| General Expenses | \$ 224 |
| Motor Vehicle Expenses | \$ 807 |
| Insurance | \$ 3,744 |
| Printing, Postage & Stationery | \$ 293 |
| Repairs & Maintenance | \$ 1,881 |
| Security | \$ 117 |
| Telecommunications | \$ 56 |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | \$ 84 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$ 14,559 |
| Net Profit | \$ 4,642 |

SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS

In order to be compliant with Safeguarding Requirements, all Volunteers, Employees and Clergy, need to do the Mandatory Online Training Module Face to Face on Monday 27 March at 7pm at the Glen Hall.

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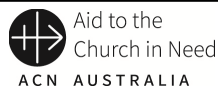
If you prefer individual online training, click on the link below:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training-and-upcoming-events/safeguarding-training-modules/>

We are expecting to be audited anytime soon! Please comply!! contact us via email on glenhuntly@cam.org.au



Aid to the Church in Need Help Syria



Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Australia is a Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

Aid to the Church in Need has launched an emergency appeal for the people in northern Syria desperate for help following the devastating earthquakes.

ACN is begging for funds to support their long-time local project partners on the ground in Syria. To read more about what ACN is doing and to make an offering please visit: aidtochurch.org/syriaearthquake



or scan the QR code

St Anthony's School Open Days

Tours will be available on the following dates, or families can simply book an alternative time by calling the School Office 9563 6780.

Wednesday 1 & 8 March 9.15am -11.00am

Monday 20 March 9.30am -11.00am

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Children's Liturgy has begun at the 11am Mass. The Gospel is read and taught in a way they can understand along with an activity to take home.

Children will be taken to the school after the welcome at Mass and return for the Eucharistic Prayer. Parents are welcome to come along with their children.

Sunday School

Sunday School for all ages has resumed.

Every Sunday (except school holidays) from 10am —10.45am (entrance from rear of Parish House, 74 Grange Rd).

Contact Veronica Blair or the Parish Office.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday of Lent starting Fri 24 February after 9.15am and 7pm Masses. All Welcome.

Lenten Pilgrimage Walk

Preparations for our usual Lenten Pilgrimage is on Sunday 5 March. Details to follow.

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Monday 3 April @ 7pm at St Anthony's Church

Lenten Regulations 2023

Available in the Church Foyer Notice Board.



WORLD YOUTH DAY

LISBON, PORTUGAL
AUGUST 1-6, 2023

Our parish WYD 2023 participants are Gabriella Voges, Natasha Coutinho and Vincent Macasa.

Phung Tran will be joining WYD as a Volunteer at the events at Lisbon.

WYD candle has been blessed and a prayer card displayed in our church. Please pray.

Please use the link below to donate and help them participate at WYD 2023 at Lisbon:

Natasha Coutinho

worldyouthday.cdfpay.org.au/details?id=133

Gabriella Voges

worldyouthday.cdfpay.org.au/details?id=124

Vincent Macasa

worldyouthday.cdfpay.org.au/details?id=131

Your support to our youth on this pilgrimage would be a big inspiration to them.

Please place your orders for hot cross buns!

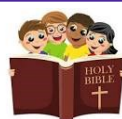


Choir Practice

No choir practice on Ash Wednesday 22 February.

Pancake Sunday 19 February

Pancakes available after all Masses. Donations welcome.



Lenten Reflection

Every Tuesday during Lent starting from 21 Feb. at 7pm at

St Anthony's Church. All Welcome!



Good Friday Appeal

The **Good Friday Appeal Fundraiser** is in the planning.

Details to be published soon.



Project Compassion

Project Compassion boxes and envelopes now available in the Church Foyer.



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Love your Enemy



Dear friends in Christ, Many years ago someone said to me, 'I'm ready to go to hell, but will not ever forgive so and so who hit and wounded me'. I knew who that person was talking about, and I knew that the incident occurred more than a year before. Meanwhile, the wound had already been healed; and so, I thought that it was a forgotten incident. But after hearing about it again, I realised that the person's feelings of hurt and anger were still fresh.

Maybe, if I were in that person's place, I too would have reacted the same way. I was just reminded of it by today's gospel which says about loving one's enemies. Loving one's enemies necessarily involves forgiving and reconciling. To cherish unforgiving attitudes is not Christian. Even in the Old Testament we read, "Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against anybody". Vengeance and bearing grudges are ungodly qualities".

Elsewhere in the Old Testament, it is also said that hating one's enemy is alright'. There are also other religious scriptures and religions which advocate hatred and vengeance. According to some religions vengeance is a must. Such an understanding is so un-Christian and totally unacceptable to us. Grudge and retaliation, even to its slightest degree is not welcome. On the contrary, as followers of Christ we are called to love and pray for the person who persecutes or harms us in any way.

Just like there are many examples of unforgiving people, there are also many examples of forgiving people. One of the many examples is that of Sister Rani Maria, who used to be a well known social worker in India. One day as she was travelling by bus, she was stabbed to death. Naturally there were reactions by the Christians, who took out processions and agitated and demanded justice. And eventually the murderer was jailed. But the family members of Sr Rani Maria visited him in the prison and forgave him. They requested the authorities that the man maybe pardoned and released. This big gesture of forgiveness opened the eyes not only of the murderer, but millions of people who believe in vengeance. They were also deeply touched. Later, when the murderer was released, he visited the family members of Sr Rani Maria, asked for pardon and became their family friend. He also attended Charismatic retreats with them, and now he is a well-known witness to Christ.

We may not have had such incidents in our lives that we too express our willingness to forgive and be friends again. But surely in the lives of each and every one of us there must have been at-least small incidents when we could have shown Christ-like forgiveness; "Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing".

Even according to the medical science, unforgiven incidents have negative impact on our physical and emotional wellbeing; and according to Jesus it has a negative impact on our spiritual wellbeing as well. The greatest of the examples of a forgiving person is Jesus himself, who died for us even when we were still sinners. As followers of Jesus let us follow his example and forgive each and every one who may have hurt us in any way, even to the highest or least degree. Most of all let's pray for them. Have a great day!

A mother was cooking pancakes for her two sons, Johnny aged three and Jimmy aged five. The two were arguing 'who should get the first pancake'. The mother thought it's a good opportunity to teach her sons a lesson. So, she said 'if Jesus were in your place, he would have said 'give the first pancake to my brother'. Immediately, little Johnny turns to his brother and says 'Jimmy, you be Jesus'.

