



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

20 February 2022

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

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

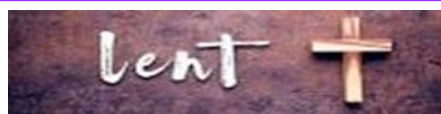
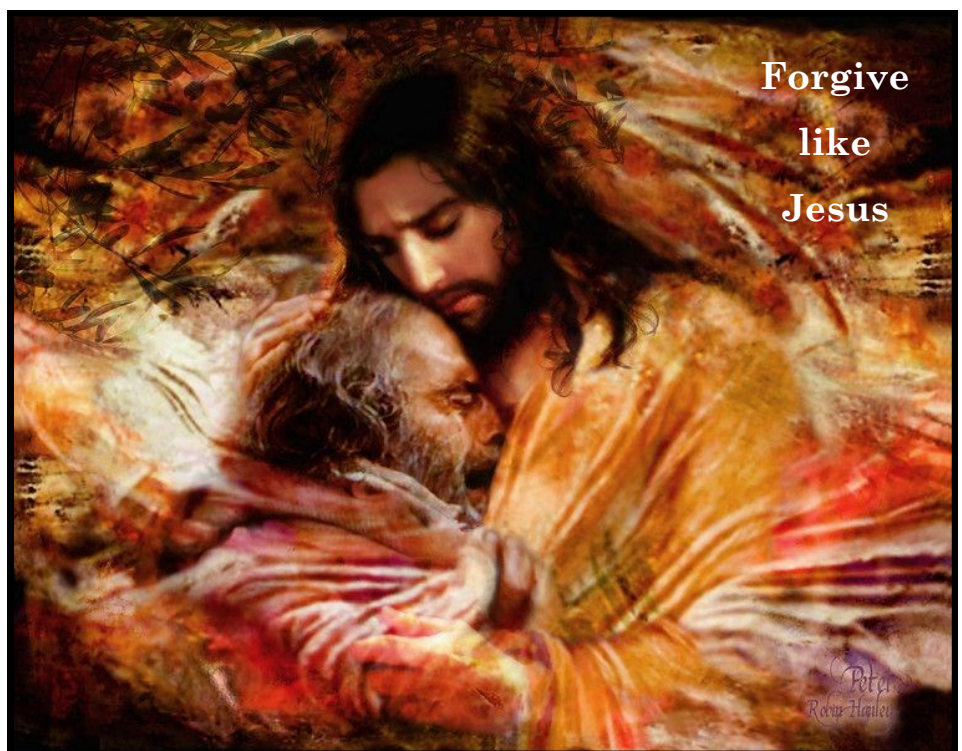
**ST ANTHONY'S
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
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OUR SICK: Vivien, Peter Torre, Glennys Smith, Alfredo Palo
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested).

RECENTLY DECEASED: Peter Torre, Francis Nyagah

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Valerie Patricia Young, Dorothy Taylor, Bette Rogers

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

Please bring back the blessed
Palm leaves and Olive branches
of last year ASAP



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

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

1Sm 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23; 1Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment; love one another as I have loved you. 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

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

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Income weekend 13 Feb

Church Stewardship	\$ 1,430
Presbytery Stewardship	\$ 685
Chaplaincy Appeal Sunday 13 Feb	\$ 645

Income for Jan-22

Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT	\$ 4,314
Venue Hire/Donations/Maintenance	\$ 8,376

Liturgy Roster (Readers)—Feb 19-20

Sat. 6pm—P Bates

Sun. 9am—C Collins & 11am—J Wong

Sun. 5pm—D Mitchell

Liturgy Roster (Readers)—Feb 26-27

Sat. 6pm—J D'Souza

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

Sun. 5pm—E Sebastian

Sunday School 10am—10.45am



For enquiries/enrolments,
please contact
Veronica Blair:
veronica.blair@cam.org.au

Pancake Sunday, Next Sunday.

Calling for Cooks, helpers, volunteers
before and after each Mass. Please contact
the Parish Office. Come One n All.
Enjoy & Encourage!



Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is seeking
new members.

This is a very rewarding
ministry. Welcome

Our next Curia Meeting will
be on Sat. 26 Feb. at 10.30am
in the Glen Hall



Lenten Reflection Sessions TBA

Parish Sacramental Program Coming Soon!

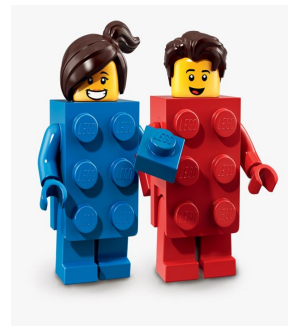
Project Compassion Boxes & Envelops Now available in Church Foyer

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 free for 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!



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

How to Apply online for a Working With Children Check

If you know you're doing child-related work in Victoria, you can now apply online from anywhere in Australia. The first step is proving your identity.

Log on to: <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/can-i-apply-for-a-check-fully-online>

This can be done online using a smartphone to take photos of your identity (ID) documents and your face.

To get started, you **need to answer 3 quick questions** to make sure you have everything you need to apply for a Check fully online.

Question 1

You'll need 2 ID documents (One must have a photo)

- Australian passport (current or expired less than 3 years)
 - Current foreign passport (with linked visa)
 - Australian birth certificate
 - ImmiCard

Do you have any one the above identity documents?

Question 2

Your second ID document must be a:

- Current Australian drivers license
 - Medicare card (only if you don't have a drivers license)
- (Tip: The best combination is a passport and drivers license)*

The names on your two documents must match. If they don't, you must show a name change certificate or marriage certificate issued by an Australian Births, Deaths and Marriages registry. Documents must be in good condition. Damaged or worn-out documents won't work.

Question 3

Even if you start your application on a computer, you'll need a smartphone to prove your identity online. It doesn't matter what brand, as long as it's not too old.

You must be able to take a picture of yourself with your phone and upload it.

Do you have (or can you borrow) a phone less than 5 years old? There is a video on the website that tells you how you can prove your identity online.

The application is fairly simple and intuitive. If you are having problems there is a Working with Children information line 1300 652 879. They will walk you through the steps.

Make sure you put yourself down as a 'Volunteer' for St Anthony's Parish Glen Huntly

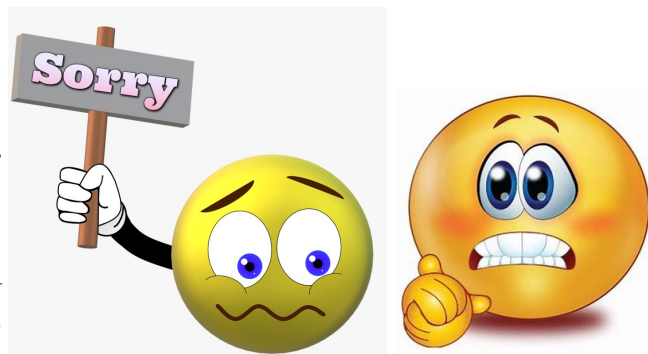
Good Luck and remember We're all in this together!



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

FORGIVE AND BE FORGIVEN

A few years ago someone told me that she was willing to go to hell, rather than forgive the one who had hit her and wounded her. I knew who she was talking about, and I knew that the incident had taken place more than a year before she was telling this to me. And meanwhile the wound on her head had already been healed. And I had thought that it was a forgotten story. But her decision not to forgive the person was a reminder that even though she was healed of her physical wound, it was still fresh in her heart and aching with the unforgettable incident, and according to her even “unforgivable”.



We are not the ones to judge her for her unforgiving attitude. If we were in her place, probably our own reaction would have been no different. Anyway, today's gospel says that to cherish unforgiving attitudes is not Christian. Even the Old Testament says, “Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against anybody”. Vengeance and bearing grudges are ungodly qualities, quite contrary to the kind of spirit the LORD wants his children to have.” The Lord commands us even to love our enemies, and loving necessarily involves forgiving and reconciling.

Elsewhere in the Old Testament it is also said that, hating one's enemy is alright'. There are also other scriptures and even religions which advocate hatred and vengeance. According to some religions vengeance is a must. For example, if a member of a family is murdered by someone, it is the duty of the living members of the family to take revenge upon the murderer. Such retaliation would help the soul of the deceased to be saved. 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 such is:...

Probably you have heard of Sister Rani Maria, who used to be a well known social worker in India. But some hard core fanatics of another religion planned out to murder her. One day as she was travelling in a bus, she was stabbed to death. Naturally there were lots of reactions from the Christians and others as well. They took out demonstrations and agitated and demanded justice not mercy. 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 may be pardoned and released. This big gesture of forgiveness opened the eyes not only of the murderer, but also of millions of people who believe in vengeance and revenge. They were deeply touched. Later when he was released, he visited the family members of Sr. Rani Maria, asked for pardon and became friends with them; attended Charismatic retreats with them, and now he has become a big witness of Christ.

We may not have had such big, sad incidents in our lives. But there may have been some sad incidents even though small and insignificant ones, which we can no longer remember. Sadly we have forgotten them without having forgiven those who were involved. How badly we have missed the opportunities to forgive and to be forgiven!!! Giving forgiveness and asking for forgiveness are both two sides of the same coin. Both are difficult to do, but both experiences are sweet and rewarding as well.



Could it be that always the other person was the offender and you are the one to forgive? Have you never been the offender? It takes humility to acknowledge one's own fault and ask for another's forgiveness. Anyway, which of these is harder for you, to forgive someone or to ask for forgiveness? And which of the two is a sweeter experience?

Even according to medical scientists and psychologists such unforgiven incidents have negative impact on our physical wellbeing. True forgiveness heals many of our ills. And according to Jesus un-forgiveness has negative impact on our spiritual well being as well.

The greatest example for a forgiving person is Jesus, who died to forgive us, that too 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 slightest or the highest degree. Let's be humble enough and not hesitate to ask for forgiveness and be friends once again.

Keep well, everyone !

Fr. Leenus