



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

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On 26th January, especially as we celebrate the Australia Day, let us joyfully and with grateful hearts acknowledge all the goodness that the Lord has showered upon our land, people and nature.

Let us thank God and one another for the love, joy, peace and justice we enjoy here.

Let's continue to pray for the Gospel values to be learned, promulgated, respected and accepted by everyone here in this land and throughout the world.

Advance Australia Fair

Please note the changes

Weekend Masses in January: Saturday: 6pm; Sunday: 9am, 10.30am, 5pm.

From the first Sunday of February onwards the 10.30 am Sunday Mass will be shifted to 11 am.

The online booking link for January: trybooking.com/BNSXJ (Jan. 2021), or text Shanelle on 0405014902 before the preceding Saturday 8pm.

The online booking link for February: trybooking.com/BOEBC

The online booking is available only for Sunday Masses at - 9am, 11am, 5pm.

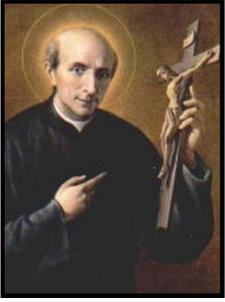
Saturday Vigil Mass has not been covered under trybooking due to the cut off time being 8pm on the preceding Saturday.

BOOKING FOR ALL MASSES WILL AUTOMATICALLY CLOSE AT 8PM THE PRECEDING SATURDAY SO AS TO BE ABLE TO FINALISE AND PRINT OUT THE LIST FOR THE NEXT MORNING.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday 9.15am.

Contact Tracing Details: The Weekend and Weekday Masses can be attended without online advance booking, but for contact tracing purposes all must register their contact details at least on arrival by using the QR Code or the manual register at the Foyer.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays after the Morning Mass, until 10am.



St. Vincent Pallotti

1795 - 1850. Rome.

**Founder of the Union of the Catholic Apostolate and
the Society of the Catholic Apostolate
“The Pallottines”**

Feast: 22 January.

St. Vincent Pallotti, born in Rome on 21 April 1795, was known as the apostle of the eternal city (Rome) at a difficult period of time in history. He had been raised up an apostle to undo the spiritual harm wrought by the Napoleonic wars.

Even from his early childhood, Vincent was known to be a little saint. His school mates and teachers said, ‘We have an angel among us’. His love for Mother Mary was obvious even as a toddler; he often knelt and with folded hands prayed, “Please Mother Mary make me a good boy”. Everyday before attending the Mass he would go to Confession. On his way to school and back he would enter the church and adore the Eucharist in the Tabernacle. From early childhood, Vincent practiced self mortification and penances combined with prayers. God paid him back with many miracles, spiritual ecstasies, bilocation etc.

All the same, he was poor at studies, until his mother asked him to do a Novena to the Holy Spirit, which he promptly obeyed. From then on, he stood first in the whole school. So much so, that many students of his senior classes came to him for learning and to clarify their doubts. Having excelled in his studies he received his Doctorates in Philosophy and Theology and engaged himself in imparting the knowledge to others. And it soon became clear that Rome possessed a Holy Priest.

He fully gave himself into preaching in the churches and the squares, giving retreats, visiting hospitals, prisons, orphanages, attending to the homeless, the poor and the unfortunate. He used to hear confessions into the late hours of night. He worked hard and whole heartedly. He used to say, “in heaven shall we rest”. Vincent’s zeal embraced the whole world and every need, spiritual and material. He did everything out of love for people and for the greatest glory of God.

To attend to whatever may be the need of the time and place he founded the Society of the Catholic Apostolate (for Fathers & Brothers), and Union of the Catholic Apostolate (which includes the Lay members). Pope Pius XI called him “a pioneer of Catholic Action”. His motto was “the Love of Christ urges us on”.

He died on 22 January 1850 aged only 55. He was Canonized on 20 Jan.1963, during the Second Vatican Council. His ideals of involving the laity in the life of the church was taken up by the Second Vatican Council. Thus, we can see its results in the universal Catholic church of today. St. Vincent’s body lies incorrupt in the church of San Salvatore in Rome.

St. Vincent, Pray for us.

10.30 am Sunday Mass will be shifted to 11am, from 7th Feb. 2021

From Sunday, 7th Feb. the 10.30am Mass will be celebrated instead at 11am.

Thus the Weekend Masses from February will be Sat. 6pm, Sun. 9am, 11am and 5pm.

Online Booking is possible only for Masses at 9am, 11am and 5pm.

Booking link and other details are on the front page of this Newsletter.

Booking closes on preceding Saturday 8pm.

Online booking is not a requirement. Please arrive early enough to register your contact details before attending the Mass.

“Godstart”

Volunteers needed.

The Team that follows up with the families of newly baptized children, need more volunteers. As of now, the Godstart “team” consists of just one member. We need 3 or 4 volunteers to join the team with an added task of organizing and conducting preparatory sessions for the parents and Godparents prior to the baptism of their children.

The volunteers will have a meeting to discuss it further. Please let the parish office or Fr. Leenus know your interest.

Sunday School

Sunday School has had a place in the Parish of St Anthony from the very beginning, even before the actual parish was established. In

February 1911, an article in the Catholic paper The Advocate describes the growth of the Catholic population in Glen Huntly and the need for a church. Sunday School, however, had already started.

Enrollments for Sunday School 2021 will soon be open. Classes will be available for all ages. Details of time and place will be announced next weekend.

Music and Singing

Musicians of all ages are welcome to join the musical life of the Parish. The band practices every Thursday night at 7.30pm in the church. Singers are currently practicing using Zoom on Wednesday nights, but hopefully will be back in the church, as soon as it is safe. Anyone interested in playing music or singing in the church can email

veronica.blair@cam.org.au or speak with a member after 10.30 Mass.

“Once singing is praying twice”

Readers and Special Ministers of the Eucharist needed

Please email or contact the Parish Office.

Christmas Dinner—Thank You

We received the following letter from one of the guests. “Dear St Anthony’s, A big thankyou to all your helpers and everyone who donated things for us. The food was delicious and so were all the goodies.

Having takeaway was different but so organized. You are all angels for looking after us.” A full report on the Christmas Dinner will be available next week.

St. Anthony’s School reopens

A warm welcome to Staff and Students of our Parish School who return this week.

We wish them and all those going to schools, colleges and universities the very best for this scholastic year.

Rose petals wanted

It was overheard, “What are they going to do with the rose petals?” And the answer is... some young parishioners will make potpourri for Mother’s Day. So, please collect them before the Rose season runs out. You may bring them to the parish later on.

Happy birthday and Congratulations

St Anthony’s Parish family wishes Aileen Castillo God’s blessings on reaching 100 years.

RECENT DEATH: Ian Edward Hubery. Funeral Wed. 27 Feb. at 10.30am at St. Anthony’s, Glen Huntly. Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members.

Australia Day

On Australia day we love to celebrate everything we love about Australia: So, what is it that we love about Australia? A few years ago I was celebrating a Mass in a Nursing Home. it was a few days before 26th Jan. It was too early to celebrate the Australia day, even so I asked the elderly people in the Nursing Home if I could celebrate with them the Mass of Australia Day, and they readily agreed.

During the homily time I asked them if they could share with everyone about things that they loved about Australia. One of the first answers was 'Australia is great'. I asked, why do you call Australia great? Another said, for its size. The vastness of the land makes Australia great. Yes, everyone would agree with that. Australia is great for many more reasons than that.

Its greatness lies also in the fact that it's a vast land of diversity; geographically/physically it has a great variety of everything; Vast deserts, wild forests, fertile farming regions, long natural coastline. And having lots of natural resources beneath it. It's a beautiful land with a vast variety of native plants, flowers, birds, animals and fish. Its cities and towns are well laid out, well organized, kept clean and all facilities made available.

And most of all, Australia is great for its people. The people whether they are here as the original inhabitants for 70000 years, or people who have just come in. Australians are much appreciated for their broad-mindedness and for the good will they show; for their sense of a "fair go" for all, and for the political system of clean democracy.

Our country has been enriched by the customs and cultures that people from all over the world have brought with them. God has blessed Australia in many and various ways. Even though it is placed in a corner of the globe, we can truly say 'Australia is at the centre of the world'.

It is not just one or another event of the past that gives us a reason to celebrate the day like we do. It's also an occasion to come together as one nation to thank God, with one purpose, one in mind and heart. Australia Day is an excellent time to remind ourselves of all the blessings that we take for granted. We also make use of this opportunity to pray for Australia for we have many desperate needs.

As we celebrate Australia day we can also be proud of St. Mary MacKillop, the first saint of Australia. We can also be proud of and be hopeful of our next saints in the process of Canonizations, Eileen O' Connor and 15 or more others in the Queue. We can be assured of their prayers. We can also place our confidence in Australia's Patron saint 'Mary, Help of Christians'.

Through her intercessions, may the light of Christ shine over our land. May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace. Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens and to all who live in here.

We have many reasons to call Australia truly great,

Next Sunday: 31 January 2021. 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; **Second Reading:** 1Corinthians 7:32-35, **Gospel:** Mark 1:21-28

Roster for next Weekend, 30 & 31 January 2021

Mass time	Commentator/Reader	Special Minister	Registration Volunteer	Sanitization Volunteer
Sat. 6pm	S Dsouza	N/A	TBC	TBC
Sun 9am	M Dwyer	C Arendtsz	TBC	TBC
Sun 10.30	Karen, M Anthony	T Ho	TBC	TBC
Sun 5pm	E O'Keefe, E Sebastian	N/A	TBC	TBC