



# The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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## Baptism of the Lord Year C

9 January 2022

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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**  
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**  
Principal: Margaret Carlei  
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**OUR SICK:** Vivien, Philomena Liew, John Leonard, Claire & Bryan Rashad  
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested).

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES:** Giovanna (Nina) Torre. Paul Blair

**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**



**“This is My Beloved Son...Listen to Him”**

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

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased

### Today's Readings

Is 40:1-5. 9-11; Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16. 21-22

### Responsorial Psalm

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon

Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

### Next Sunday's Readings

Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

## Parish Office Closure

(24 Dec.—24 Jan.)

For urgent enquiries please ring the Parish Office 9401 6336. Messages will be checked frequently.

Thank You

## Tony's Cafe

Tony's Café is in recess at the moment and will reopen on Tuesday 1st February. All volunteers should enjoy a well-earned rest.

## Sunday School

Sunday School will resume in February. Sunday School provides a general Catholic Education for all children, including Sacramental preparation. Starting date TBA.

## Liturgy Roster—January 8-9

Sat. 6pm—N Mudalige

Sun. 9am—TBA & 11am—C Hamson

Sun. 5pm—E Sebastian

## Liturgy Roster—January 15-16

Sat. 6pm—P Bates

Sun. 9am—Y Jo-Sumarna & 11am—L Kornadi

Sun. 5pm—E Sebastian

# CORONAVIRUS: PRAYER FOR HEALING

Father God,

I come before you today to seek  
mercy and healing.

Have mercy on your children who are  
infected with coronavirus.

You alone can restore their health.

Heal them and make them whole again.

Give them the strength to carry on.

Comfort them in these scary times of their life.

I dedicate doctors and nurses to you,

Lord, Help them in all their doings

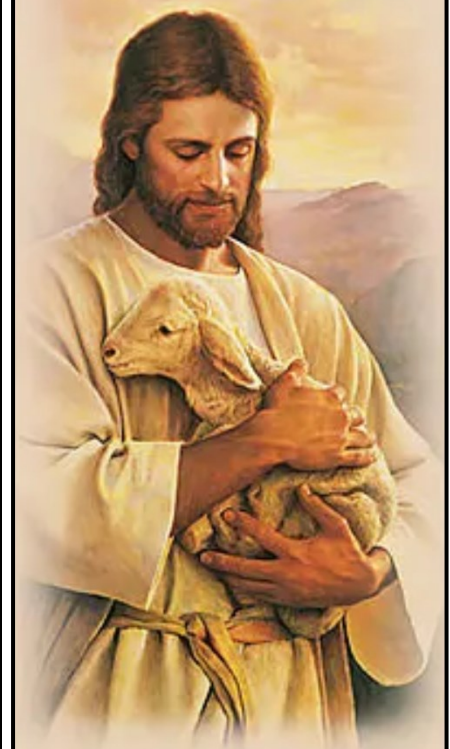
Protect them from this disease.

And give them the heart to continue  
taking care of the sick.

In Jesus name.

Amen

THE BLISSFUL CHAPTER



When I am afraid,  
I put my trust  
in you.

## Feast of St. Vincent Pallotti at Kew All Welcome

The Feast of St. Vincent Pallotti occurs each year on 22 January.  
St. Vincent Pallotti is the founder of the Religious Congregation called  
'The Society of the Catholic Apostolate' (SAC),  
popularly known as the Pallottines.

Fr. Leenus is a member of the Pallottines.

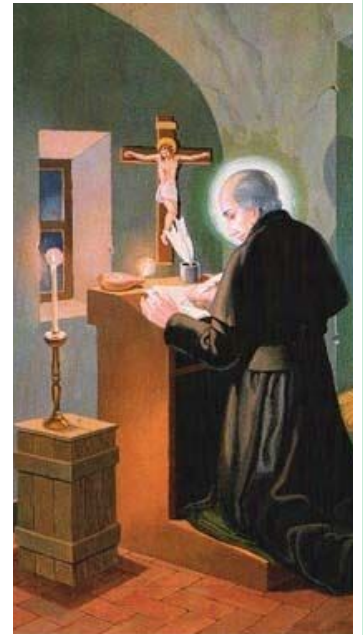
The Festal Mass will be celebrated at the Pallottine Community House,  
85 Studley Park Rd, Kew.

On Saturday, 22 Jan.2022 at 11.30am followed by Barbecue Lunch.

All are invited to join in.

For catering purposes you may please register your attendance with  
Fr. Leenus, personally or call/message on 0448037333 or  
email [Leenus.Neetany@cam.org.au](mailto:Leenus.Neetany@cam.org.au) Or [leenusneetany@gmail.com](mailto:leenusneetany@gmail.com)  
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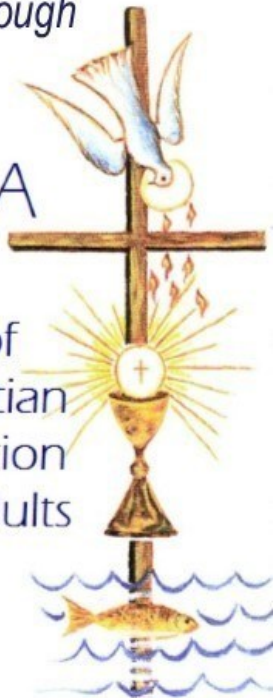
There will also be a Fundraising Appeal by 'Passing on the Hat' at 2pm  
for an Orphanage at Keshero (Congo, Africa).



## Becoming a Catholic through

RCIA

Rite of  
Christian  
Initiation  
of Adults



## Baptism of Adults

### According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

"Since the beginning of the Church, adult Baptism is the common practice where the proclamation of the Gospel is still new.

The Catechumenate (Preparation for Baptism) therefore occupies an important place.

This initiation into Christian faith and life should dispose the Catechumen to receive the gift of God in Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist".

### Our RCIA Program.

If you or anyone else you know, want to become a Catholic through our RCIA Program, please let us know, preferably by an email to our Parish Office .

If we get candidates for our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program we would like to begin the sessions in July this year, and they could receive Baptism at Easter Vigil Mass next year.

### Volunteers for RCIA Team invited

Our Parish do not yet have a RCIA Team to prepare the adult candidates for their Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

If you would like to be part of the 'team' please let our Parish Office know

## Baptism of Infants

### According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

"Born with a fallen human nature and tainted by original sin, children also have the need of the new birth in Baptism to be freed from the power of darkness and brought into the realm of the freedom of the children of God, to which all are called..."

### Baptism Preparation Sessions

Our Parish has a team to prepare the parents and godparents before their children could be baptised. The Preparation Sessions are usually held on 2nd Friday of each month.

(during Lent because of the Stations of the Cross, on another suitable day).

Parents need to email our Parish Office to receive the Registration Form for Baptism and for further details.



## Baptism of Our Lord. Year C

### Sunday 9 Jan. 2022

*Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus,*

A frequent question asked about baptism is ‘why do we get baptised?’ There are more than one reason to get baptised. One of them is, ‘in order to wash away our sins; personal sins as well as original sin’. Then immediately another question follows, ‘if so, why did Jesus get baptised?, He neither had original sin nor personal sins’.

In fact, not only about his Baptism we could ask ‘Why at all?’ One may also ask ‘Why at all did Jesus incarnate?’ Why at all did he live in poverty? Why at all did he face the temptations? Why at all did he have to suffer, why at all did he die a terrible death? Couldn’t he save us without going through these?

John the Baptist too had the same question. He refused at first to baptise Jesus, for John did not understand why Jesus had to receive the ‘baptism of repentance’ which was meant for the sinners.

We read that in everything Jesus identified himself with humanity, except sin. It was not necessary for God to become a human, yet he chose to. It was not necessary for him to face temptations, yet he chose to, it was not necessary for him to live in poverty, suffer humiliations, even or to undergo death, yet he chose to. In the same way, his reception of baptism was not necessary. yet he chose to. It was a voluntary act out of love, same as his act of becoming one of us

The baptism of Jesus marks his solidarity with humanity He takes upon himself by this act our frail condition. The significance of the baptism of Jesus is explained by Paul: "He who knew no sin became sin for us in order that in him we might become the righteousness of God" (II Cor. 5:21).

The reason Jesus was baptised was: a) To “fulfil all righteousness”. b) To set us an example that we should follow. c) To reveal himself as to belonging to God and being the Christ, the Lamb who takes away our sins.

In coming to John our Lord virtually said, "Though sinless, and without any personal taint, yet in my public or official capacity as the ‘Sent of God,’ I stand in the room of many, and bring with me the sin of the world, for which I am the propitiation" The administration of the rite of baptism was also a symbol of the baptism of suffering. In thus presenting himself for his baptism Jesus prepares himself for death, for the people with whom he identifies, and makes the identification complete”

Now if Jesus, who was without sin, insisted on being baptised, then we, who are His sinful followers must be baptised as well. If there was anyone who did not need baptism, it was Jesus Christ. But Jesus himself submitted to baptism; so should we. **Keep well, everyone.**

