



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

29 January 2023

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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**

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OUR SICK: Rosalba Germano, Remedios Patawaran, Mary D'Cruz, Jennifer Grace

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Jennifer Didalo, Clarito Castillo

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Chloe Wu, Fr. Terence Arendtsz, Maria C Magpayo,

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<p>The poor in spirit are blessed, for the kingdom of heaven is theirs.</p> 	<p>Those who mourn are blessed, for they will be comforted.</p> 	<p>The gentle are blessed, for they will inherit the earth.</p> 	<p>Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness are blessed, for they will be filled.</p> 
<p>The merciful are blessed, for they will be shown mercy.</p> 	<p>The pure in heart are blessed, for they will see God.</p> 	<p>The peacemakers are blessed, for they will be called sons of God.</p> 	<p>Those who are persecuted for righteousness are blessed, for the kingdom of heaven is theirs.</p> 

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

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

Today's Readings

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12

Responsorial Psalm

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; Your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

Next Sunday's Readings

Is 58:7-10; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Liturgy Roster Jan 28-29

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	L Pereira	P Bates	J Aranha
Sun 9am	C Collins	Y Jo-Sumarna	R Meneaud
Sun 11am	M Anthony	K O'Sullivan	A Francis
Sun 5pm	E Sebastian	J Kirkham	TBA

Liturgy Roster Feb 4-5

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	L Pereira	P Bates	J Aranha
Sun 9am	C Collins	Y Jo-Sumarna	B Meneaud
Sun 11am	K O'Sullivan	K Campitelli	S Heuberger
Sun 5pm	E Debastian	J Kirkham	N/A

Sunday School

Sunday School for all ages resumes Sunday 12 February 10—10.45am (rear of 74 Grange Rd)

**Last Week's Stewardship Collections
(loose & envelopes)**

Church Stewardship \$1,520
 Presbytery Stewardship \$1,080
Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT, Venue Hire, Donations & Maintenance Income will be reported once a month

Welcome back to the School

St. Anthony's School resumes on Monday 30 Jan. We wish all our school staff and students the very best in this new school year. We wish the same for those going to other schools as well.

Pancake Sunday 19 February

On Saturday 18 Feb we will be baking pancakes in preparation for Pancake Sunday 19 Feb. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Veronica or the Parish Office.

World Day of Prayer Friday 3 March

This year, St Anthony's Parish will host The World Day of Prayer. This is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. The motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action" is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the 1st Friday in March. The theme of the WDP is based on Eph 1:15-19, the letter sent to a faith community to express gratitude. The prayer has been prepared by the women of Taiwan. If you or someone you know, comes from Taiwan, please let them know about this service. If they would like to take an active part, please contact Veronica.



'Month's Mind' Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral for **Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI** will be celebrated by Archbishop Comensoli at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sun. 29 Jan. at 6.30pm. (approximately one month after his death)

Sacre Coeur Prayer Group

The prayer group resumes weekly from Friday 3 February at 7.30pm in the Glen. All welcome.



Candlemas on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord

Thursday, 2nd Feb. Mass at 9.15 am.

All enter the church with blessed/lighted candles in memory of the Presentation of Baby Jesus in Jerusalem Temple. (bring candles, if possible).

Blessing of throats, the next day.

Thursday, 3rd Feb. Mass 9.15 am.

On the occasion of the Feast of St. Blasé, our throats are blessed with the two candles that are blessed on the previous day, on the occasion of the Candlemas

**Pontifical Funeral Mass for
Cardinal George Pall**

will be celebrated
at St Mary's Cathedral,
Sydney
on Thursday 2 February 2023
at 11.00am
by Archbishop
Anthony Fisher



**Memorial Mass for the soul of
Cardinal George Pell**

will be celebrated
at St Patrick's Cathedral,
Melbourne
on Friday 3 February 2023
at 6.30pm
by Archbishop
Peter A. Comensoli.

Come Home to the Catholic Church

People leave the Catholic Church for many different reasons. Maybe you were raised Catholic but never got going as a Christian adult. Maybe you were hurt or feel angry with the Church, or a priest or a parish community. You may have been away for a few years or almost a lifetime.

You are loved by God and your life is unique and precious. We want to listen to your story and reconnect you with the sacraments and the joy of a relationship with Jesus and the Church.

Whatever your Catholic journey has been, if you are wanting to explore a new start, if you feel a yearning that draws you back to the Catholic Church, we would love to welcome and support you.

Our Parish community is made up of many different people united by a common bond of love for neighbour and Jesus.

If you would like help, contact Fr Leenus or email/contact the parish office. We would love to hear from you.

'Jesus Christ loves you; he gave his life to save you; and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you.'

- Pope Francis

Choir Practice

Choir practice resumes
Wednesday 1 February at 7.30pm
in the Church.



All welcome.

**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



WORLD YOUTH DAY

**LISBON, PORTUGAL
AUGUST 1-6, 2023**

The Parish is glad to announce three of our youth (Gabriella Voges, Natasha Coutinho and Vincent Macasa) have registered with our Archdiocese to be part of the
WYD, Lisbon 2023.

At all the Masses of this Weekend they will introduce themselves to the congregation, and there will be a

**Special Collection at each Mass of
this weekend to support them.**

They will organise other fundraising activities to support the cause.

Please be generous in supporting these young people in participating at WYD 2023.



*They have organised a
St Valentine's Day Raffle
as their first Fundraising activity.
3 prizes suitable for all age groups.*

*The draw will be held on 12th Feb.2023.
Calling one and all, especially the Youth !
We seek your help as the pilgrims embark on
this journey.*

*They need your help and support.
Please speak to them after the Mass to
express your interest.*

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Blessed are those who weep!



Dear brothers and sisters, good morning! We have embarked a journey to the Beatitudes and today we dwell on the second: Blessed are those who weep, for they will be comforted.

In the Greek language in which the Gospel was written, this beatitude is expressed with a verb that is not passive – in fact the blessed do not suffer this weeping – but active: "they grieve"; they grieve, but from within.

It is an attitude that has become central to Christian spirituality and that the fathers of the desert, the first monks of history, called "penthos", that is, an inner pain that opens up a relationship with the Lord and with ones neighbour; a new relationship with the Lord and with those near us.

This weeping, in the scriptures, can have two aspects: the first is for someone's death or suffering. The other aspect is tears for sin – for one's own sin – when the heart bleeds in the pain of having offended God and our neighbour.

The first aspect. Someone who is dear to us and we suffer because we lose them or because they are sick or we have made them suffer. These are people who remain distant. It is therefore a question of loving the other in such a way as to hold on to them or until we share his or her pain. There are people who remain distant, one step back; instead it is important that others make inroads into our hearts.

I have often spoken of the gift of tears, and how precious it is. Can you love coldly? Can you love for function, by duty? Certainly not. There are afflicted people to console, but sometimes there are also people to console to grieve, to awaken, who have a heart of stone and have unlearned to weep. There is also to awaken people who do not know how to be moved by the pain of others.

Mourning, for example, is a bitter road, but it can be useful to open our eyes to the life and sacred and irreplaceable value of each person, and at that moment one realizes how short the time is.

There is a second meaning of this paradoxical beatitude: weeping for sin.

Here we must distinguish: there are those who are angry because they have made a mistake. But that's pride. Instead there are those who weep for the evil done, for the good omitted, for the betrayal of the relationship with God. This is weeping for not having loved, that flows from having the life of others at heart. Here we mourn because we do not correspond to the Lord who loves us so much, and we are saddened by the thought of the good not done; that's the meaning of sin. They say, "I have hurt the one I love," and this grieves them to tears. God be blessed if these tears come!

This is the subject of one's mistakes to be addressed, difficult but vital. Let us think of the weeping of St Peter, which will lead him to a new and much truer love: it is a weeping that purifies, that renews. Peter looked at Jesus and wept: his heart was renewed. Unlike Judas, who did not accept that he had made a mistake and, poor man, committed suicide. Understanding sin is a gift from God, it is a work of the Holy Spirit. We alone cannot understand sin. It is a grace we must ask for. Lord, may I understand the evil I have done or can do. What have I done. This is a very great gift and after understanding this, comes the cry of repentance.

One of the first monks, Efreem the Syrian says that a face washed by tears is unspeakably beautiful (cf. Ascetic Speech). The beauty of repentance, the beauty of crying, the beauty of contrition! As always, Christian life has its best expression in mercy. Wise and blessed is the one who welcomes the pain of love, because he will receive the comfort of the Holy Spirit, which is the tenderness of God who forgives and corrects. God always forgives: let us not forget this. God always forgives, even the ugliest sins, always. The problem is within us, that we get tired of asking for forgiveness, we close ourselves in ourselves and we don't ask for forgiveness. That is the problem; but He is there to forgive. If we always bear in mind that God "does not treat us according to our sins and does not repay us according to our faults" (Psalm 103:10), we live in mercy and compassion, and love appears in us. May the Lord allow us to love in abundance, to love with a smile, with closeness, with service and even with tears.

Pope Francis 12.02.2022



A rich miser is walking home carrying a bag full of money. Suddenly a robber jumps in front of him and raising a dagger above him demands, 'give me your money or else I will take your life'. The rich miser replies 'You take my life, I keep my money'.