

## The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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### **16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**

19 July 2020

#### COVID -19

The Bishops of the Province of Victoria have dispensed all Catholics in Victoria from their Sunday obligation until further notice. The Bishops encourage the Faithful to continue active participation in the life of the Church, eg. time in personal and family prayer, reflecting on the Scriptures, making a spiritual communion, or watching Mass online:

melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass wordonfire.org/daily-mass ewtn.com

#### **PARISH PRIEST**

Fr Gregory Pritchard

#### PARISH SECRETARY

Shobha Thomas

#### ST ANTHONY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Contact Veronica Blair for materials & details: veronica.blair@cam.org.au

### PARISH ACCOUNTANT

Bernard Negline

### **PARISH FINANCE OFFICER**

Sue Leong

### PARISH OFFICE

Tue & Thu: 10am—2pm

# BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office

**TONY'S CAFÉ** TEL: 0432 087 494 Tuesdays 12.30-1.30pm Thursdays 3-5.30pm Saturdays 12.30-1.30pm

### ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### ST MARY MACKILLOP ROSARY BEADS

Aid to the Church in Need have produced Rosary beads, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the canonisation of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Born in Melbourne in 1842, St Mary of the Cross is Australia's first saint.

These Rosary beads will be available in October. If you would like to order the special Rosary beads, please email your request to St Anthony's Parish Office. Payment \$40 can be made to St Anthony's Church account:

Bank: NAB Account Name: St Anthony's Church BSB: 083 347 Account: 657 570 315 Description: Rosary beads & your full name

#### COVID19

- The Victorian Government has announced further restrictions for the next 6 weeks. Our churches remain closed.
- Entry to St Anthony's school grounds remains restricted. School gates (Neerim Rd & Grange Rd) are locked. The Glen, Mary Garden, Memorial Garden, Padua Pavilion and playground are closed.
- · Heart of Life is offering a Retreat in Everyday Life - All Shall Be Well over five weeks, beginning Monday, 3 August and concluding 31 August. This at-home retreat, available via Zoom, invites you to spend some time in prayer at home each day pondering your experiences of the day, and to be accompanied by a prayer-companion on how God might have been present for you. To register your interest, please call 9890 1101 or email holsc@bigpond.com, no later than Monday 27
- Community Information & Support Glen Eira is a community based not for profit organisation funded by the Federal government and Council to provide information, advice and support to local residents. The service provides a range of supports for those who are experiencing financial hardship including food parcels and food vouchers, pharmacy scripts, Telstra and utility bills. A free information and referral service is run by friendly and confidential trained staff.

Call 9571 7644 Monday to Friday 10am-2pm.

#### ST ANTHONY'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Thanks to all who continue supporting St Anthony's with regular Stewardship.

Parish facilities are not being used or hired except for Tony's Café. We continue to rely on the generous support of St Anthony's parishioners in Parish Stewardship. Support for our priests and bishops ("Presbytery") can also be given electronically or placed in the Parish House letterbox. Please remember to use your Stewardship Envelope, or include your name and Stewardship number with all donations to St Anthony's Parish and Presbytery. This helps us to keep a record of giving for acknowledgement.

The current series of St Anthony's Parish Stewardship envelopes runs until September. Sincere thanks to all stewardship members for your faithful and regular support with envelopes and electronic giving. A Parish Finance Report to 30 June is in preparation.

#### MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE JUNE

Gardens & Grounds	\$1,051
Catholic Church Insurance	
June 2020 Instalment	\$ 957
AGL Electricity	\$ 259
Red Energy - Gas	\$ 320
Gutters & Downpipe Cleaning	
St Anthony's Church	\$2,670
Dawson's Pest Control	\$ 173
Telephone & Internet (Annual)	\$1,291

#### ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH ACCOUNT

Bank: NAB

Account Name: St Anthony's Church

BSB: 083 347

Account: 657 570 315

Description: Your Stewardship Number or Name

& Surname

#### ST ANTHONY'S PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

Bank: NAB

Account Name: St Anthony's Presbytery

BSB: 083 347

Account: 657 570 286

Description: Your Stewardship Number or Name

& Surname

St Anthony's Parish and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community and to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults in Melbourne.

Further information can be found at:

cam.org.au/Safeguarding-Children-Young-People-and-Vulnerable-Persons/Safeguarding-Children-and-Young-People/Safeguarding-Children-and-Young-People Policycam.org.au/Commitment-to-the-safety-of-children-and-young-people

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Readings: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

## The Word of God

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness, for, when we do not know how to pray properly, then the Spirit personally makes our petitions for us in groans that cannot be put into words; and he who can see into all hearts knows what the Spirit means because the prayers that the Spirit makes for God's holy people are always in accordance with the mind of God."

### Meditation

The Bible says, "We do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words".

Praying to God is possible only with God. It is not primarily our accomplishment that our prayer actually reaches God. We Christians have received the Spirit of Jesus, who wholeheartedly yearned to be one with the Father: to be loving at all times, to listen to each other with complete attention, to understand each other thoroughly, to want wholeheartedly what the other person wants. This Holy Spirit of Jesus is in us, and he is speaking through us when we pray. Basically prayer means that from the depths of my heart, God speaks to God. The Holy Spirit helps our spirit to pray. Hence we should say again and again, "Come Holy Spirit, come and help me to pray."

### A-C-T-S

Christians often use a simple acrostic as a guide to prayer: A.C.T.S.

Each of the letters in this acrostic

stands for one of the key elements of prayer:

(A) Adoration (C) Confession (T) Thanksgiving (S) Supplication

But not only does this acrostic remind us of the elements of prayer, it shows us the priority we ought to give to each.

The first element of prayer should be **adoration**, or praise. The Psalms offer many examples of adoration. As we grow in the discipline and in the delight of prayer, it seems that we naturally spend more and more of our time on this first element.

Second, prayer should include **confession** of our sin; as we remember who we are when we come into God's presence, we see that we fall short of his holiness and have need of his forgiveness.

Third, when we pray, we should always give **thanks**, remembering the grace and mercy God has shown toward us, his many gifts, the blessings of life and our family, freedom and good health.

Fourth, prayer rightly includes **supplication** or petition, bringing our requests for the needs of others and ourselves to God

For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.

St Therese of Lisieux (+1897)

## General Intercessions

Jesus Christ has taught us how to enter the kingdom of heaven. Let us pray for the coming of that kingdom, knowing that the Holy Spirit is within us, helping us to pray.

- 1. That Pope Francis and Archbishop Comensoli may follow God's will and seek the good of those they serve.
- 2. That those entrusted with dispensing justice and interpreting the law may look to Christ as the source of wisdom.
- 3. That we may wait for God's harvest time and not pass harsh judgment on others.
- 4. That the sick and aged in our community may be sustained by our thoughtfulness and friendship.
- 5. That those who have died may be gathered into the harvest of the kingdom: Halina McCosh....

Lord of heaven and earth, hear and grant our petitions, the pleas of your people, expressed by the Holy Spirit. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Litany of the Holy Spirit I

Spirit of truth and wisdom, have mercy on us
Spirit of holiness and justice
Spirit of understanding and counsel
Spirit of love and joy
Spirit of peace and patience
Spirit of forbearance and meekness
Spirit of gentleness and goodness
Love substantial of the Father and the Son
Love and life of saintly souls
Fire ever burning
Living water to quench the thirst of hearts

## Prayer to St Joseph

St Joseph

you were receptive to God working in your life. Help us by your prayers at this time of trial. You kept Jesus and Mary under your watchful care: may your prayers assist our local Church to respond to those in need. You taught the Christ Child your trade and prayers: help us to follow his example of love. You were part of God's plan for all humanity: assist us to be vigilant and responsible this day. You spent your life in service: may we be mindful of others, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, caring for them in these difficult days. You trusted in the clear primacy of God over all history and every situation: help us to grow in faith and pray to the Father, Thy will be done. Archbishop Peter Comensoli

## For those seeking a cure for COVID19

Come, Holy Spirit,

enlighten the minds of women and men of medical science who are working to find a solution to this viral infection.

Guide their research and help them discover what you provide in creation, sure ways of control, protection, inoculation and healing.

Strengthen them in their tiring work and enrich in them the virtue of hope