



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

28 June 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

12noon Mass Monday to Saturday
Fatima Centre 205 Poath Rd
Murrumbena

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 10AM – 2PM

Tuesday 30 June
Tuesday 7 July
Thursday 9 July

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 from 6 June

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

☎ 9563 6780

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is open 10am—2pm

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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 and your name & surname

COVID19

St Anthony's School advises that access to school grounds remains restricted during school holidays. School gates (Grange Rd and Neerim Rd) are locked. The Glen, Mary Garden, Memorial Garden, Padua Pavilion and playground are closed. This is in accordance with current school policies and to contain sanitization in all school areas until further notice, with direct advice from the Chief Health Officer and Victorian Government.

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 the Corona virus 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.

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Thanks to all who continue supporting St Anthony's with regular Stewardship. Many are now making their contribution electronically, while others are dropping their envelopes into the letterbox at the front door of the Parish House. This letterbox is emptied daily.

At this time our 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.

Tuesday 30 June is the end of the quarter when priests receive their stipend. The Presbytery account also provides support for:

Archbishop Comensoli & bishops 5%

Priests Remuneration Fund 12.5%

Priests Retirement Foundation 12.5%

The Priests Remuneration Fund supports priests in parishes where the people cannot provide the minimum stipend. The Priests Retirement Foundation provides for retired and sick clergy.

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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-Policy
cam.org.au/Commitment-to-the-safety-of-children-and-young-people

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Readings: 2Kings 4:8-1, 14-16; Romans 6:3-4; Matthew 10:37-42

You cannot have forgotten that all of us, when we were baptised into Christ Jesus, were baptised into his death. So by our baptism into his death we were buried with him, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glorious power, we too should begin living a new life.

Romans 6:3-4

What is Faith?

Faith is the power by which we assent to God, acknowledge his truth, and commit ourselves personally to him. Faith is the path created by God leading to the truth that is God himself. Because Jesus is "the way, and the truth, and the life" this faith cannot be merely an attitude or "confidence" about something or other. On the one hand, the faith has definite contents, which the Church professes in the Creed (profession of faith), and it is her duty to safeguard them. Anyone who wants to accept the gift of faith, in other words, anyone who wants to believe, acknowledges this faith, which has been preserved constantly through the ages and in many different cultures. On the other hand, part of faith is a trusting relationship to God with heart and mind, with all one's emotional strength. For faith becomes effective only through charity, practical love. Whether someone really believes in the God of love is shown, not in his solemn affirmation, but rather in charitable deeds. *n307*

What is Hope?

Hope is the power by which we firmly and constantly long for what we were placed on earth to do: to praise God and to serve him; and for our true happiness, which is finding our fulfilment in God; and for our final home: in God. Hope is trusting in what God has promised us in creation, in the prophets, but especially in Jesus Christ, even though we do not yet see it. God's Holy Spirit is given to us so that we can patiently hope for the Truth. *n308*

What is Charity?

Charity is the power by which we, who have been loved first by God, can give ourselves to God so as to be united with him and can accept our neighbour for God's sake as unconditionally and sincerely as we accept ourselves. Jesus places love above all laws, without however abolishing the latter. Therefore St Augustine rightly says, "Love, and do what you will." Which is not at all as easy as it sounds. That is why charity, love, is the greatest virtue, the energy that inspires all the other virtues and fills them with divine life. *n309*

What is the Pope's responsibility?

As successor of St Peter and head of the college of bishops, the Pope is the source and guarantor of the Church's unity. He has the supreme pastoral authority and the final authority in doctrinal and disciplinary decisions. Jesus gave Peter a unique position of preeminence among the apostles. This made him the supreme authority in the early Church. Rome—the local Church that Peter led and the place of his martyrdom became after his death the internal reference point of the young Church. Every Christian community had to agree with Rome; that was the standard for the true, complete, and unadulterated apostolic faith. To this day every bishop of Rome has been, like Peter, the supreme shepherd of the Church, whose real head is Christ. Only in this capacity is the Pope "Christ's Vicar on earth". As the highest pastoral and doctrinal authority, he watches over the transmission of the true faith. If need be, he must revoke commissions to teach doctrine or relieve ordained ministers of their office in cases of serious failures in matters of faith and morals. Unity in matters of faith and morals, which is guaranteed by the Church's Magisterium, or teaching authority, with the Pope at the head, is one reason for the remarkable resilience and influence of the Catholic Church. *n141*

General Intercessions

Without grace, we could not take up the cross of Jesus and follow him. But we are baptised, sharers in divine life. We can pray with confident faith in the God who loves us.

1. For Pope Francis, vicar of Christ and servant of the servants of God.
2. For all people who have been baptised into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
3. For leaders of nations who seek truth, justice and reverence for human life.
4. For those Christians who have given up everything in following the call of Christ.
5. For the spirit of welcome, encouragement and support for our pastors.
6. For the eternal glory of those who have died.

Father through the new life of baptism, we are your sons and daughters. Hear the prayers of your adopted children, and give us the grace to follow your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Sts Peter and Paul June 29

Died as martyrs at Rome under Nero, between 64-67. This pre-eminent feast day of the city of Rome has been observed on this date since the mid-third century. It commemorates the martyrdoms of Peter the 'chief of the apostles' and Paul the 'apostle to the Gentiles'. Remembered for their faith, their courage, and their leadership during the difficult days of the birth of the Church. On the feast of the great apostles Peter and Paul, the Gospel focuses our attention on the "confession" of Peter at Caesarea Philippi. For the greatness of all apostles is rooted in their coming to know and to profess Jesus as "the Messiah ... the Son of the living God." This knowledge is a supreme gift: "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father." Therefore, we marvel at the sensitive openness of Peter towards God which enables Peter to receive this blessed revelation from the Father. St Paul's original obstinacy towards the Christian faith went as far as persecuting the Church. But when Jesus reveals himself to Paul on the road to Damascus, Paul is able to accept him because he first sees the truth about himself. That conversion is symbolized by the scales that blind the eyes of Paul – scales that are removed once Paul enters into the embrace of the Church. Therefore, as we celebrate the Church's great apostles today, we are reminded of the greatness to which we are called. And yet, we realise that greatness in our lives only if first we humbly acknowledge our own emptiness and weakness before God. Christ reveals man to himself. In order to answer the Lord's critical question, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" we must be willing to acknowledge who Christ is revealing ourselves to be. We can be guaranteed that, no matter the particulars of what Christ reveals to us, our identity in Christ will point to our inescapable need for Jesus to be our Messiah. Christ reveals the truth of our imperfection to us only to inspire our trust and confidence in his infinite desire to heal us, to elevate us, to transform us, to sanctify us, to save us. This explains the magnificent promises Christ makes to his apostle. As weak as he may feel, because of Jesus, Peter will remain forever the "Rock". As we unite ourselves to this Rock, the foundation of the Church, we will never be assailed by the sins and weaknesses that seek to undo us. "The power of death shall not prevail" against the Church. But for those who profess the divinity of Jesus Christ, the Church is not simply a place of refuge from evil. Rather, the Church is a true home, a place of creativity and regeneration. Because of the faith filled knowledge that convicts the apostle Peter, Christ entrusts to him the keys of the Kingdom of heaven. Who better to administer the divine mercy of the Trinity than the one who throws himself upon that mercy in his most desperate hour?

Fr Peter John Cameron OP