



# The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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## The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ , Year B

6 June 2021

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**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 -10.15 am

**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  
☎ 9563 6780

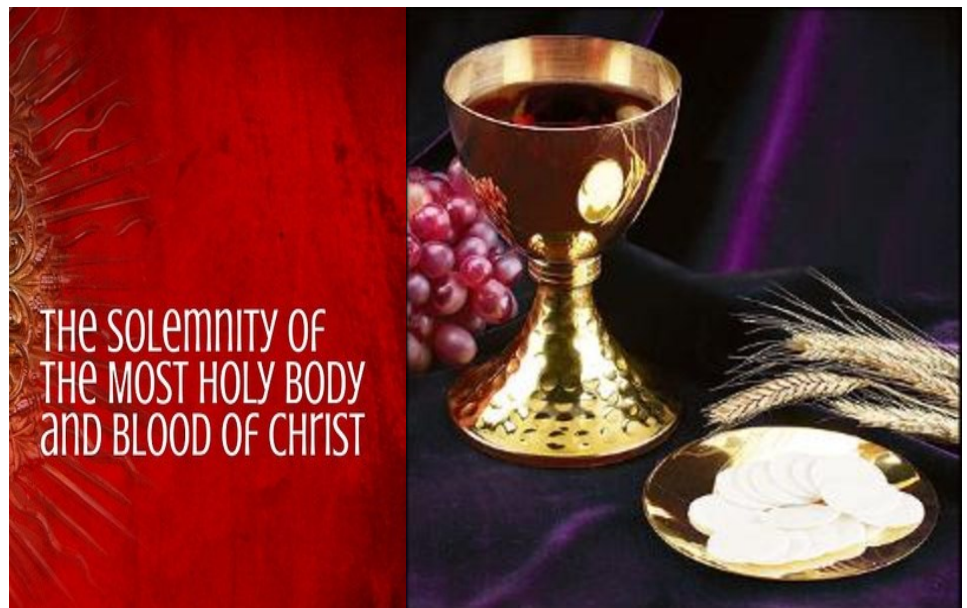
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**OUR SICK:** Joselito Ortiz, Bro Laurence King FSC, Vivien,  
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested).

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES:**

**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**



**On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) we are called to strengthen our faith in the Holy Eucharist, the True and Living Bread come down from Heaven. O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, all Praise and all Thanksgiving be every moment Thine.**

**The Eucharistic Body of Christ, filled with the immense Divine Glory is given to us as Divine Food in the Holy Communion. Whenever we receive the Holy Communion, let's receive Him with much devotion and with grateful hearts.**

**During these lockdown days we may receive him intentionally and in spirit. Let's remain united in prayer.**

**Church Closed  
until further Notice.**

**Staying Apart Keeps Us Together.**

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**

#### **Today's Readings**

Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 115:12-13. 15-18. R. v.13

I will take the cup of salvation,  
and call on the name of the Lord

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven,  
says the Lord; whoever eats this bread  
will live for ever. Alleluia!

#### **Next Sunday's Readings**

Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

### **SAFEGUARDING DOCUMENTS/VIDEOS**

The Professional Standards Unit (PSU) will shortly be translating into 11 community languages the following documents:

Criminal History Check

Safeguarding Responsibilities V1.1

Code of Conduct Declaration

Code of Conduct

Safeguarding Children & Young People Policy

Working With Children Check

These documents will be available via the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne's website.

#### **Responding to & Reporting Abuse**

##### **e-Learning Video Series**

An e-Learning video series on Responding to and Reporting Abuse is available. This e-learning series provides an overview of the definitions of abuse, responding to disclosures and reporting these disclosures. The videos are designed for all clergy, staff and all volunteers of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. The e-Learning videos are presented over three 30 minute videos for your convenience allowing access to the training at any time on any device. The videos are located on the Safeguarding Training and Upcoming Events page of the CAM website <https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training-and-upcoming-events/safeguarding-e-learning-videos/>

### **Confirmation Classes**

Students of Grade 6 and above, who wish to be Confirmed on Friday, 8th Oct. 2021, and are not attending a Catholic School, need to enroll themselves to our Sunday School immediately. The preparatory online classes have begun.

To enroll, please email [glenhuntly@cam.org.au](mailto:glenhuntly@cam.org.au) or [veronica.blair@cam.org.au](mailto:veronica.blair@cam.org.au) ASAP.

Our Sunday School is open for other classes as well. During the lockdown, it's online. Contact us on the above mentioned email IDs. Thanks.

**All Volunteers, Members of Committees & Groups**, Please be advised that before further engaging in any ministry, one must comply with the requirements and get his/her WWCC, and sign the Code of Conduct.



### **Our Parish Day: Next Sunday, 13 June 2021.**

#### **Only a week to go for the great big day,**

even so, we continue to be in uncertainty about what the restrictions or easing of restrictions would be like by then. We hope and pray that the virus subsides as soon as possible, and that we will be able to gather together as a large family and celebrate the Feast of our Parish Patron, St. Anthony in a fitting manner. The Mass-Prayers and the Readings will be those of the Sunday. The Hymns and the Homily could be focused on St. Anthony and our Parish.

### **Lookout for any announcement re. Easing of Restrictions.**

**As and when it happens**, and if we are permitted to celebrate public Masses and other services, even if only for a small limited number of attendees, we shall go for it.

**Please note**, to start with, we shall have 'first come first checked in' policy.

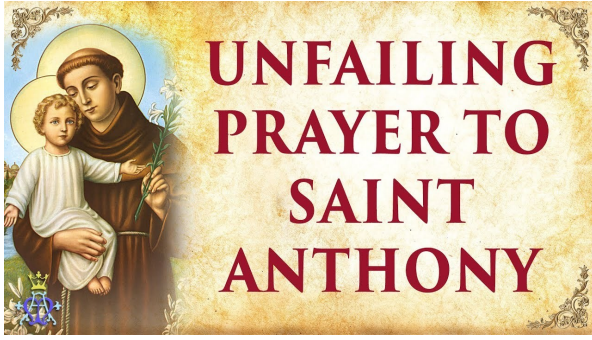
Advance booking maybe introduced at a later stage.

**By rule**, we are supposed to shut the doors of the church from inside when the maximum permitted number of people have checked in, and in any case before the Mass begins.

**Checking in** by scanning the QR Code will be mandatory.

**Most importantly** Keep Well, Keep Safe, Take Care, and God bless.





## "Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints"

O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and Charity for His creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me/us (*mention your intention: that the Covid situation may improve throughout the world*). O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen.

*(If possible, kindly pray this prayer for the next 9 consecutive days, everyday at the same time).*

## **Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: on following Friday.**

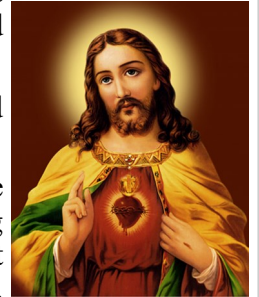
**It's celebrated each year on Friday following the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.**

**Both these solemnities have a lot to do with each other, for, the Flesh and Blood of Christ is of His Most Sacred Heart.**

When we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we are acknowledging and honoring God's love for us. Heart is the Symbol of Love. Therefore the devotion to the Most Sacred Heart Jesus can be called the devotion to the Love of God.

It is in the 11th century that we find the first indications of the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion arose in the Benedictine and Cistercian monasteries first.

In the 12th century St. Gertrude had a vision on the feast of John the Evangelist. She was resting her head near the wound of the Savior's side, being able to hear the beating of the Divine Heart, she asked St. John if on the night of the Last Supper, he had felt these delightful pulsations, and if so, why he had never spoken about it in the Gospel. St. John replied that this revelation had been reserved for subsequent ages when the world, having grown cold and indifferent, would have need of it to rekindle its love for God and one another. *(Not only in the history of the church that we see God's love being revealed gradually through centuries, but even in the lives of individuals we see that we learn of God's love gradually. When we were little, we knew very little of God's love, but as we kept growing up, through our many experiences, God revealed His Love clearer).*



From the 13th to the 16th century, the devotion was practiced in private and individually. From the 2nd half of the 16th century, the devotion took an onward leap. The devotion to the Sacred Heart developed further during the 17th century. The devotion was greatly supported by the visions of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. She had a vision of Christ's Heart on the feast of St. John that was similar to that of St. Gertrude. Jesus permitted her to rest her head upon His Heart, and then disclosed to her the wonders of His love, telling her that He desired to make this known to mankind and to diffuse the treasures of His goodness, and to be honored under the figure of His Heart of Flesh, encourage frequent Communion, Communion on 1st Friday of each month and the observance of Holy Hours. In another vision, on the feast of Corpus Christi 1675, St Margaret Mary reported that Jesus told her, "Behold the Heart that has so loved people ... instead of gratitude I receive from the greater part of mankind only ingratitude".

The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus reminds us that it was our sins that wounded His Heart. And that in spite of our having wounded him, He still loves us with an everlasting love. His Heart overflows with infinite love for every person on earth, unconditionally.

In the image of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we see the Crown of Thorns. How is it that the Crown of Thorns which was placed on His Head is seen surrounding His Heart? The Cross that was placed on His Shoulders, how is it that it is seen on His Heart? How is it that the Wound created by a spear on His right-hand side wounded His Heart that is on his left-hand side? Yes, in and through all these actions and more we hurt His Most Sacred Heart. We hurt His Feelings, We hurt Him emotionally far more than physically.



We see in the image of the Sacred Heart also a Flame of Fire. The Flame symbolizes His unquenchable Love for us. In spite of our grievous offences, His Heart still burns with True Love for us. This feast invites us to find shelter in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. His Heart rejects no one. So also, let our hearts not reject Him or anyone.

**The Solemnity the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is followed by the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on the very next day, Saturday.**

Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us "The Immaculate Heart of Mary is the precious Pearl of God the Father, the greatest of all His creations, far surpassing the greatness that is found in all of the angels and the saints". **To Jesus through Mary.**

## **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.**

*Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus,*

*Once, a missionary was distributing the copies of the Gospel among non-Christians. One day he came across a non-Christian in a train and offered him a copy of John's Gospel. The man took it, tore it into pieces and threw them on to the platform. That seemed the end of it, but it so happened that another man picked up one of those pieces and looked at it; and the words on it were, 'The Bread of Life'. The phrase attracted him; He had known many types of bread but never heard of the bread of life. He was overwhelmed by this strange phrase. He desired to read the book that contained this beautiful phrase and desired to know what it meant. After a long search he was told that it was from the Bible; and he was shown 'where in Bible the phrase appeared,' John 6:51, where it is written, 'I AM the Bread of Life'. This all the more surprised him that the Bread of life is not something but someone; now his question was no more 'what is the bread of life', rather 'who is the bread of life'. And he studied the Gospel and accepted Jesus as his Lord and Saviour.*



*Today as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we thank Jesus for having become for us the Bread of Life. Probably this phrase, 'bread of life' does not anymore overwhelm us nor fascinate us as it should. We may have got too used to it from our childhood that we take it for granted. Yet we know that the truth of the Eucharist is too wonderful to hold. The best of gift God could have given us; the Gift of Himself.*

*We call this Bread of Life by different names. Generally we call it the Holy Eucharist; when it is received we call it the Holy Communion. When it is given to the dying we call it the Viaticum; when it is in the Tabernacle or exposed for Adoration we call it the Most Blessed Sacrament; and truly it is the real Body and Blood of Christ, living and true.*

*Despite our unworthiness, we are given the privilege of receiving the Eucharist. For this reason, the angels seem to envy the human beings, Despite the angels being so holy they are not given this privilege. St. John Capisio once said, "If the angels could receive the Eucharist even once, they would spend the rest of eternity thanking God for the privilege".*

*If we were to be asked, 'what on earth is most valuable to you?' most of us would answer, "The Blessed Sacrament". The answer would vary from person to person. If the Americans were to be asked the same question, it seems, most of them would say, the Moon-Rocks: The pieces of rock from the moon that the Apollo-astronomers brought down to earth. The moon-rocks are displayed in the National Museum in Washington DC. They take pride in it, greatly value it. But for us Catholics the most valuable is not the rocks that are brought down from the moon, but the Bread that came down from heaven. Not only, we take pride in it, we also worship and glorify it, for it is infinitely valuable to us. It is more glorious and valuable than anything and everything in the whole universe; Most Adorable.*

*As we all know there have been very many instances when the Consecrated Host and the Wine have turned out to be flesh and blood in a visible and tangible way. And very many extensive scientific researches and tests have been done on such Consecrated Hosts and Wine. The results were always encouraging and reiterating our faith. Thus even scientifically it is proved that the Physical Presence of Our Lord in Blessed Sacrament is unmistakably and amazingly true. Therefore, in response to the words of Jesus, "I am the Bread of Life", we pray, "Lord, give us this Bread always." And whenever Jesus gives Himself as the Bread of Life, let us receive Him with so much reverence as if we were receiving Him for the first time, for the last time and the only time.*