



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Second Sunday of Lent Year A

5 March 2023

PARISH PRIEST
Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

PARISH STAFF
Shobha Thomas
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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
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**
Principal: Margaret Carlei
☎ 9563 6780

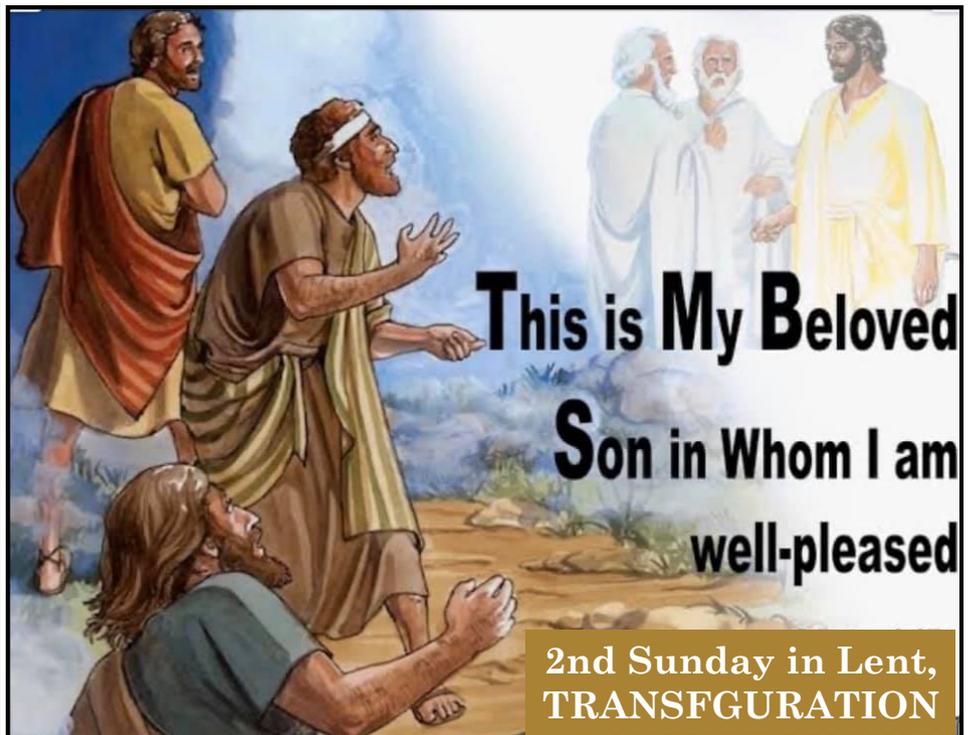
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OUR SICK: Rosalba Germano, Remedios Patawaran, Mary D'Cruz, Jennifer Grace, Ethan Chan, Unborn baby boy, Jesudass Sebastian, Chrishanti Pereira
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested)

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Dorothy Elias

PLEASE CLICK ON THE BELOW LINK FOR FREE SUBSCRIPTION TO OUR NEWSLETTER:
WWW.MELBCATHOLIC.ORG/S/SUBSCRIPTION?ID=0012W00000LOJ5DAAT&REQ=SUBSCRIBE



Bishop Tony Ireland's Report

Copies of Summary Report from Bishop Tony Ireland on our Parish after his Pastoral visit are available in our Church foyer. Please take a copy! A Big Thank You to Bishop Tony.

Stations of the Cross: on Fridays of Lent At St Anthony's, Glen Huntly

In the Morning after 9.15am Mass

In the Evening after 7pm Mass

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

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me

Today's Readings

Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tm 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Next Sunday's Readings

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Church Stewardship \$1,650
Presbytery Stewardship \$ 927

Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT, Venue Hire, Donations & Maintenance Income will be reported once a month

Educators Commissioning Mass 11am this Sunday

St. Anthony's Primary School and Sunday School Staff will be commissioned during the 11am Mass this Sunday 5 March 2023.
All Welcome!

World Day of Prayer

Many thanks to everyone who attended on Friday and helped in any way.
Please keep the women of Taiwan in your prayers!

Lenten Prayer & Music

Gen Bryant Wed 15 Mar 7—8.30pm Holy Trinity Parish. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/cgjil

Tony's Café at Parish Hall

Take Away meals and groceries
Tue 12.30—1.30pm and Thu 3—5.30pm

Liturgy Roster Mar 4-5

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	P Bates	S Pflieger	J Aranha
Sun 9am	P Rashad	C Collins	T Ho
Sun 11am	K O'Sullivan	M Anthony	J Ferguson
Sun 5pm	E Sebastian	J Kirkham	N/A

Liturgy Roster Mar 11-12

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	S Pflieger	L Pereira	R Aranha
Sun 9am	C Collins	Y Jo-Sumarna	R Meneaud
Sun 11am	K O'Sullivan	L Kornadi	S Heuberger
Sun 5pm	J Kirkham	E Sebastian	N/A

Improve or learn English

Would you like to improve or learn English? We are holding free classes on Tuesdays in the Parish Hall from 10am until 12pm.

Contact Gwen Fitzgerald through the Parish Office or in the Church after 11am Mass on Sundays. All welcome.

St Anthony's School Open Days



Tours will be available on the following dates, or families can simply book an alternative time by calling the School Office 9563 6780.

Wednesday 8 March 9.15am -11.00am

Monday 20 March 9.30am -11.00am



SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS

In order to be compliant with Safeguarding Requirements of the Archdiocese, all Volunteers need to do the Mandatory Online Training Module
Face to Face on Monday 27 March at 7pm at the Glen Hall.
OR

If you prefer individual online training, click on the link below:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training-and-upcoming-events/safeguarding-training-modules/>

All St Anthony's volunteers must complete the training. Any questions please contact us via email on: glenhuntly@cam.org.au



Lenten Scripture Reflection Sessions

Every Tuesday of Lent
from 7pm to 8pm at our church.
All Welcome!



Good Friday Appeal
The **Good Friday Appeal Fundraiser** is in the planning for Sunday 26 March.



Project Compassion
Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are now available in the Church Foyer.



Children's Liturgy takes place during the 11am Mass on Sundays.

The Gospel is presented in a way children can understand along with an activity to take home.

Children will be taken to the school after the welcome at Mass and return for the Eucharistic Prayer. Parents are welcome to come along with their children.

Draft Holy Week Timetable

A Copy of it is displayed on church foyer window. Please have a good look at its details and send your feedback to the Parish office ASAP

Sunday School

Sunday School takes place every Sunday (except school holidays) from 10am — 10.45am (entrance from rear of Parish House, 74 Grange Rd).

Contact Veronica Blair or the Parish Office.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday of Lent after 9.15am and 7pm Masses. All Welcome.



Choir Practice

Every Wednesday @ 7.30pm at the Church. All Welcome. We need more musicians and singers!

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Monday 3 April @ 7pm at St Anthony's Church

Lenten Regulations 2023

Available in the Church Foyer Notice Board.



WORLD YOUTH DAY

LISBON, PORTUGAL
AUGUST 1-6, 2023

Our parish WYD 2023 participants are Gabriella Voges, Natasha Coutinho and Vincent Macasa.

Please pray for them and **use the link below to donate and help them with their expenses.**

Natasha Coutinho

worldyouthday.cdfpay.org.au/details?id=133

Gabriella Voges

worldyouthday.cdfpay.org.au/details?id=124

Vincent Macasa

worldyouthday.cdfpay.org.au/details?id=131

Phung Tran will be joining WYD as a Volunteer at the events at Lisbon.

WYD FUNDRAISING

Hot Cross Buns

Place your order at the church foyer by completing the order form with the volunteer there. All orders and payments must be finalised before Sunday 26th March (cash or card). Collect your Hot Cross Buns after Mass on 1st or 2nd April.

1st Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings (Chadstone)

Sunday 12th March. We need volunteers from 9am to 4pm to work 2 hour blocks. Please complete the volunteer form in the church foyer to register your interest/availability.

Your support to our youth on this pilgrimage would be a big help for them to reach the Birth Place of Our Parish Patron.

Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver

Book & Plant Sale Sat 18 March 9a—2p, 154 Cotham Road Kew. Proceeds for the needs of the missions. queries: 9817 3715.

The Lenten Pilgrimage Walk

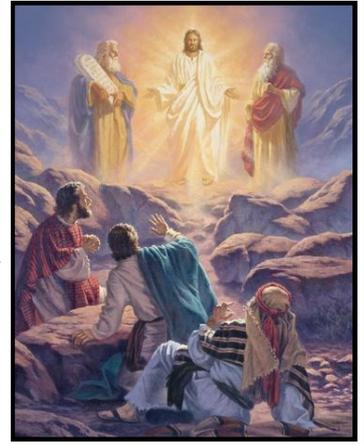
Sunday 5th March after 11 am Mass.

We will leave the church carpark at 12.45pm and travel by bus and car to Altona to walk the 100 steps to Federation, then continue to Bacchus March for Stations of the Cross at the Shrine of Our Lady of Ta Pinu. Wear sensible footwear and carry your lunch and water. Please let us know if you can help with or need transport. Sign the clipboard in the church foyer or email veronica.blair@cam.org.au. All welcome.

Second Sunday of Lent

Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus,

We know people can easily give up on God. Anyone, we ourselves included, when faced with hardships may tend to question the very existence of God. The sufferings we see all around us also make us raise the same question. The series of natural disasters, the Covid19 pandemic, the ongoing war etc make many people lose their faith or at least weaken their faith in God. These are not any fictions, but are so real in the lives of the people of even our own times. Anyone may question the role of God in all these. These are also opportunities for atheists to laugh at those who believe in God.



While very many people may lose their faith in God because of whatever misfortune, sorrow, grief or otherwise, there are also very many people who even in worse circumstances still hold on to God and not let their faith be shaken. Some times the hardships are the very reason why even an atheist may turn toward God and cling to him.

We all may have come across people who once were so vehemently preaching against the existence of God, but now are full pledged preachers of the love and mercy of God. So, it is not so much that we have sad or joyful times; not even that we are believers or non believers; irrespective of all these, in every person there is a longing for God, a thirst that cannot be quenched until one sees the face of God and finds rest in him.

Jesus too, had his joyful and sorrowful times; glorious and luminous times. In all sorts of situations he was strong in his believes and remained united with his Father. Last week we heard about his hard times of trails and temptations when he refused to give up on God. This Sunday we hear about his joyful, luminous and glorious time of transfiguration; when too he remains so united with God the Father, and does not declare his independence.

Later he would be denied, betrayed and deserted by his own disciples, yet he would remain one with his Father. In bad times and in good his trust in his Father could never be shaken; and in turn, God the Father would reiterate his intimacy with his beloved Son, Jesus.

The transfiguration of Jesus is a reminder of the faithfulness of God. It's also an invitation for us to remain faithful to him. The appearance of Elijah and Moses by the side of Jesus shows that Jesus does not stand in isolation from the people of olden times. The fact that Jesus took his disciples with him shows that he does not stand in isolation from the people of his time either; and there should be no reason whatsoever, to think that Jesus would stand in isolation from the people of our own times or of any time. So, no matter what your experiences maybe, cling to the God who clings to you.

Peter, John and James were fearful disciples. During the transfiguration of Jesus their eyes were opened to see the intimacy of God. The memory of it kept them strong in faith all through their lives, in times of persecutions and other hardships, even to the point of death.

This Season of Lent is yet another opportunity for all of us to turn towards God, with a thirst to see the face of God and be satisfied. We are called to be bright shining like the sun, as Jesus showed us in his transfiguration.

God be with you, now and always!



With our own eyes we saw his
true greatness
2 Peter 1:16c

Matthew 17:2 There he
was transfigured before
them. His face shone like
the sun, and his clothes
became as white as the
light.

