



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Fourth Sunday of Lent Year C

27 March 2022

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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 -10.15am

**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

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OUR SICK: Vivien, Merlynn Roman, Selvyn Pereira, Archie Baines, Bev Chandler, Christine Mannix, Joel Saray, Jason Yu
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested)
RECENTLY DECEASED: Maureen Goodey, Gerard Dalmau
ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Arthur Menezes

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



2nd Rite of Reconciliation Monday, 11 April @ 7pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Fridays of Lent

After 9.15am Mass and 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

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast

Today's Readings

Jos 5:9-12; 2Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3. 11-32

Responsorial Psalm

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I will rise and go to my Father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

Next Sunday's Readings

Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Income

Church Stewardship	\$ 1,360
Presbytery Stewardship	\$ 560

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

Plant Sale in Spring



Start raising your seedlings now for a nice display in Spring.

Empty pots welcome but after Easter please.

More details to follow.

Liturgy Roster (Readers)—Mar 26-27

Sat. 6pm—N Mudalige

Sun. 9am—M Dwyer & 11am—K Campitelli

Sun. 5pm—E Sebastian

Liturgy Roster (Readers)—Apr 2-3

Sat. 6pm—P Bates

Sun. 9am—Y Jo-Sumarna & 11am—L Kornidi

Sun. 5pm—D Mitchell

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary has reinstated the circulation of the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Parishioners are most welcome to submit their names and contact number to Gladys Zill 0450 917 655 if they wish to have Our Lady's statue visiting their homes. As a parish we join in prayer with the Wijayacooch family whilst the pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima is in their home.



12 Disciples for Washing of Feet

Please volunteer and register your names with Fr Leenus ASAP, preferably from different age groups above 18, men/women from different cultural backgrounds.

St Anthony's Choir

We are looking for new members for Sundays, especially for Easter. Feel free to come to a practice on Wednesday nights at 7.30pm. Contact Veronica: veronica.blair@cam.org.au

Cake-Stall Fundraiser for Royal Children Hospital

On Sunday 10th April there will be a cake stall and small sale table after the morning Masses. All money raised and collected will go to the Children's Hospital Appeal. Donations of cakes and slices for sale would be appreciated and can be brought on the day.

Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal St Anthony's Youth

The young people are starting their Good Friday collection early this year with their virtual tin shake.

Just click on the link and add your donation to give them a helping hand and support the Royal Children's Hospital Appeal.

<https://www.virtualtinshake.com.au/fundraisers/StAnthonysYouthGroup>



Lenten Reflection Sessions

Every Monday during Lent at 7pm at St Anthony's Church. All Welcome!





Child Safety—Your Responsibility

As parents or family, it is your responsibility to care for and supervise your children:

- When attending Mass
- Within any church facilities
- At morning tea after Mass
- At special events in the parish
- In the carpark
- In the playground

Lenten Walk Sunday 3 April, after 11am Mass

This year we will travel to the Shrine of Our Lady of Ta Pinu, located near Bacchus Marsh 1 hour from Melbourne. Our time is booked from 2-5pm and will include a walk around the National Shrines, Stations of the Cross and time in the Adoration Chapel. Please wear sensible footwear and carry some water.

For COVID Safety, only a limited number can travel in the Parish Van. Please let us know early enough if you need transport or if you can help by taking another person/s in your car.

Ring Parish House/Office: 9401 6336, Sign the Clipboard in church foyer.

email: glenhuntly@cam.org.au OR veronica.blair@cam.org.au

All Welcome!

LEGO® Day. What a GREAT Day.

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE YOUNG ORGANISERS

Thank you everyone for your contribution and support! Over 200 people came on Sunday, over 60 LEGO sets were exhibited, the Cafe was packed the whole time, more than 80 kids had fun building their LEGO® door gift and LOTS of little ones enjoyed the kids art zone - it was indeed a very fun day! And we sold over 500 raffle tickets! A huge shout out to all the 47 volunteers (too long a list to name !) and to everyone who made this event possible. And thank you for your prayers! We are very blessed to have a very supportive community at St Anthony's! Altogether we raised \$4,360.00 for our parish.

Raffle prize winners: 1st E. Buick. 2nd T. Kunjan. 3rd T. Kunjan.

4th D. Tesoriero. 5th T. Ho. 6th J. Gomez. 7th Butler. 8th Noelene. Congratulations!

Once again a big thank you to all those who made our parish \$4,360.00 richer!.

St Anthony's Giant Easter Raffle

Kicks off this weekend. \$2.00 a ticket available in the main porch.

Holy Week Timetable & Divine Mercy Novena Timetable

Hardcopies of these timetables are available in our church foyer.



Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

by Pope Francis at Vatican

(Sat 26 March, 3am Melbourne Time)

On our part we shall use the text of Consecration Prayer at
this Saturday Morning Mass
and at all the Masses of this Weekend.

Fourth Sunday in Lent Year C

Return of the Prodigal Son



Once, a preacher held out a new, crisp and clean \$20 note and asked the congregation if anyone wanted it; all hands went up. Then he wrinkled the \$20 note within his palm and then asked if anyone still wanted it; again all hands went up. Then he threw the dollar note down, trampled it under his feet, soiled it and then picked it up and asked, if there was anyone who still wanted it. Again all hands went up. No surprise.

That is how we see the value of a dollar note irrespective of its cleanliness/uncleanliness. And that is how God looks at each of us irrespective of our sinfulness. God our Father does not disown us because of our holiness/sinfulness; we continue to be his dear sons and daughters, no matter what. But unfortunately that is not how we see one another, especially when the other is known to be a sinful person.

For this reason, Jesus taught us the parable of the Prodigal Son. But it is still hard for us to accept that the sinners are forgiven and are taken back into the community. The parable invites us to change our attitude towards those whom we label as sinners. Jesus wants us to have compassionate and understanding hearts like that of the father in this parable.

Even though the father's eyes were full of tears of joy, yet he could see through his tears that his son was hungry and therefore gets ready with a sumptuous meal. He could see that his son was exceedingly sorry and therefore he gives his son a forgiving hug. The father could see that the son was in rags, therefore needed new cloths; sandals all worn out therefore needed new shoes. He could see that the son was down cast, needed to restore his dignity. In that one seeing, the father could see all about his son's present as well as the past; and the father in that one seeing planned out a bright future for his repentant son.

All these, because the father was a compassionate person. He did not disown his son once he ran off. It is true that his going away had caused lots of worry and anxiety to the father. It had brought upon the father real shame. It was all the fault of the son; the son on his return deserved a rough treatment. But there was absolutely no anger in the heart of the father. He did not have even a tiny bit of resentment. He did not reason out to see who was right and who was wrong. So, instead of a rough retreat, the father showers on his son his generous blessings.

The father kissed the son eagerly and tenderly. By this kiss the father meant to convey to the son that his coming back has brought back manifold blessings upon the father too. Probably, afterwards, he kissed him in the presence of the household, that they also might know that he is accepted back as a son; no one should doubt that he was his father's child.

I often wonder, what would have happened if the younger brother happened to meet his older brother before he could meet the father. Or what would have happened if the younger had overheard all the arguments of the older? Or, if the younger had known what the older brother thought and said? I suppose, he would have run off again, even if it meant misery, hunger and death. It's our good will towards one another that holds us together.

And now the father is out there with the older son, entreating him to be considerate. The father does not want to lose one in order to have the other. The father goes down on his knees requesting the older to see as the father sees. There is no celebration without both. Both are loved deeply by God the father. Both have sinned, but in different ways. Father is compassionate towards both. So must we be to one another, **no matter what.**