

# The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

## Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B

# 2 May 2021

**PARISH PRIEST** Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

> PARISH STAFF Shobha Thomas Sue Leong

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

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** Saturday 9.45am -10.15 am.

ADORATION, ROSARY & NOVENA Wednesday 6.45pm

**BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS,** Contact the Parish Office preferably by email

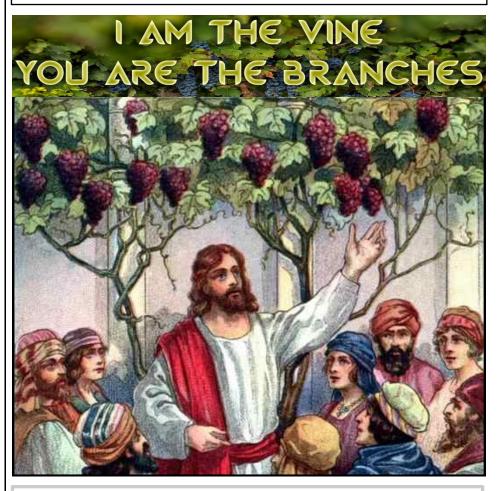
**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK** Contact the Parish Priest/Office

**TONY'S CAFE** Take away meals only Tuesdays: 12.30pm—1.30pm Thursdays: 3pm—5.30pm

VENUE HIRE Contact the Parish Office

OUR SICK: Thomas Arokiasamy, Francisco Tiongson, Calixto Llamas RECENTLY DECEASED: Neil Clarke ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Bob Carey, Henry Collins

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



#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

TODAY'S READINGS Acts 9: 26-31; 1John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8 RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R. v.26 I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

St Anthony's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing & dignity of all children, young people & vulnerable adults in our community. Clergy, employees & volunteers are required to sign the Code of Conduct on an annual basis.

To read and sign the Code of Conduct Form, please visit: https://melbournecatholic.org/uploads/documents/Safequarding-Children-and-Young-People-Code-of-Conduct-Declaration.pdf

Liturgy Roster 8-9 May 2021			
Mass	Reader	Commentator	Communion
6.00pm	N Mudalige	L Aranha	N/A
9.00am	D D'Souza	C Collins	R Meneaud
11.00am	L Nguyen	L Korniadi	J Ferguson
5.00pm	L Shelton	E Sebastian	N/A

## LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP COLLECTIONS

Church Stewardship (loose & envelopes) \$2,025 Presbytery Stewardship (loose & envelopes) \$1,685

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



**PLANT SALE NOVEMBER 2021** We would like to organise a "Plant Sale" in November. If you would like to start propagating plants and help to Fundraise for our Parish, please contact/email the Parish Office

# MASS COUNT MAY 2021

It's a yearly feature that the National Centre for Pastoral Research/Australian Catholic Bishops Conference conduct a National Count of Mass Attendance at each Church over the first 4 weekends of May.



Volunteers please remember to take count of all the attendees at each Masses of the following weekends of May 1/2, 8/9, 15/16 and 22/23. Thank you.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL BBQ SUNDAY 23 MAY 12PM

St Vincent de Paul will be holding a BBQ after 11am Mass on Sunday 23 May.

They do a lot of good work for the poor and needy. If you can volunteer your time, please contact dao.kim2010@gmail.com

### THANK YOU FROM THE PAGE FAMILY

Rosa, Louisa and Phillip Page wish to pass on their gratitude and thanks to Fr Leenus, Mgr Diamond and St Anthony's Church community for all their support, love and prayers on the passing of their much loved husband and father Michael Page.



#### LITURGY COMMITTEE, FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE, SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE.

Please let our Parish Office know of your readiness to join these committees.
You may email. ring or leave a message.
Finance Committee is House Full. Thank you all.

# SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

Sunday, 20th June at 11am Mass.

## MOTHER'S DAY BOOK

The Book is located on the Altar rail in front of Our Lady's statue.

Please write in the book the names of all mothers for whom you would like prayers offered on Mother's Day.

There will be a special blessing for mothers at Masses of weekend 8 & 9.

#### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE CODE OF CONDUCT

Inspections/audit by the Commissioner for the Commission for Children & Young People (CCYP) will be undertaken during May/June this year.

In order to be compliant, Clergy, Employees and Volunteers are required to sign the Code of Conduct on an annual basis.

Please contact the Office Staff or Father before engaging in any ministries in our parish.

This is a requirement from the Child Safety Department of the Victorian Government.

Copies of the Code of Conduct forms are available in our church foyer. This can also accessed via the link at the bottom of the first page of this newsletter. Thank you.

# <u>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</u>



The devotion to "Our Lady of Perpetual Help" is a very popular devotion. By this title what we usually mean is that, Our Lady is helpful 'always', 'continually', and that her help is 'unfailing' no matter 'what time' we call on her.

"Perpetual" could also mean, no matter 'what place' we are praying from, could be from home, church, shrine or from our work-place, hospitals or Nursing Homes, she is of help. From anywhere and everywhere we can call on Our Lady and she is able to help us.

"Perpetual" could also mean that 'anyone' can get her help, no matter who you are, a believer or a non-believer, rich or poor, healthy or sick, saint or a sinner, doesn't matter what you are or how you are, Mary can be called upon for your or anyone's sure help.

The word 'Perpetual' could also mean in 'any need'. In Spiritual needs as well as in physical, temporal, emotional, in great or small need, she is of sure help.

Let's be aware, that all the help she **foll** gets for us, come from God, the Holy Trinity, who is pleased to answer her intercessions.

Novena has resumed (All Wednesdays). Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary at 6.40pm followed by Novena

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help** 

Fr. Leenus

### **CONSIDER JOINING SEMINARY IN VIEW OF BECOMING A PRIEST?**

The annual Enquiry Day at Corpus Christi College is on Saturday 22 May. It is an opportunity for men to visit the seminary, hear from the students and staff, and to celebrate Evening Prayer with Archbishop Peter and join him for a BBQ dinner. Forms are available in the foyer for you to suggest any men (over 18) you would like to invite. Please forward this form to the Vocations Office, and then a letter of invitation from the Archbishop will be sent to the men, inviting them to the Enquiry Day. Thanks to those who have already submitted names, and taken up the '1+1+1' challenge of Archbishop Peter!



There may be some young men in your young adult groups, or other service or prayer groups whom you could suggest. If each of us suggested one name each year, we would see a huge difference. Thank you for your support of vocations in Melbourne.

Rev Jerome Santamaria, Vocations Director, Archdiocese of Melbourne.

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# Feast of St Anthony Saturday 13 June 2021.

The Feast of St Anthony of Padua falls on Saturday 13 June. Please email/phone the Parish Office with any suggestions as to how to celebrate the feast day of our Patron Saint in the most fitting way as possible for us.

Best known as the patron saint of lost items, Saint Anthony is invoked for many other needs as well. Saint Anthony of Padua is also known as Saint Anthony the Wonder-Worker, and so it is no surprise that Catholics often turn to him with their requests.

"The devil is afraid of us when we pray and make sacrifices. He is also afraid when we are humble and good. He is especially afraid when we love Jesus very much. He runs away when we make the Sign of the Cross". St Anthony of Padua

# **5th Sunday of Easter, Year B**

A newspaper reporter went to interview a successful small ar business owner. "How did you do it?" he asked. "How did you bra make all this money?"

I am the Vine, you are the branches.

"I'm glad you asked," the businessman said. "It's a great story. When my wife and I married, we started out with a roof over our heads, some food in our pantry, and five cents between us. I took that nickel, went down to the grocery store, bought an apple, shined it up, and sold it for ten cents. "

"What did you do then?" the reporter asked. "Well," he said, "I bought two more apples, shined them up, and sold them for twenty cents." The reporter thought this would be a great human interest story, so he asked excitedly, "Then what?" The businessman replied, "Then my father-in-law died and left us \$20 million".

The businessman prospered not because of his own ingenuity, but because he was connected. What does it mean to be connected? Well, it means three things. First, it means that we have power. When we say we have connections, it means that we have access to power and wealth. It means that we can get things done. When we are connected to each other through our faith in Jesus, it means that we are strong and can get things done. Our faith gets nourishment and strength from both Christ and our fellow believers. As our faith strengthens, it bears fruit in the form of bringing benefit to ourselves and to the lives of others while doing God's work in the world.

Secondly, being connected means is that we have a presence. We are not alone. Someone shares our lives. Someone is there for us, just like all of you are here for each other. If we abide with Christ, it means that we have a close, daily relationship with him. Thus, we become a branch of the vine called Christianity-a branch that bears fruit. As such, our wants will be his wants, we will pray according to his words, and he will be pleased with our prayers.

Finally, being connected means is that we will live a productive life. A vine and its fruit point to the giftedness of discipleship while also indicating the substance that will sustain new branches and abundant fruit. The relationship between the vine and the branches, as well as the connection between source and fruit, lies in the love between God and Jesus, and between Jesus and us. In other words, we are to love one another as Christ has loved us

We can only be grafted to Christ by cutting our attachment to our way of life and its creature comforts just like a gardener prunes bushes to make then grow better. The useless branches have to be removed in order to save and strengthen the stronger ones, much like a surgeon cuts off a person's diseased limbs in order to save his or her life. Only then can we truly be fruitful and multiply. Anonymous author

### Mother's Day Gift

A young man was pondering what to give his mother for Mother's Day gift. He thought it would be nice to give his mother a parrot as a companion for Mother's Day. Since she now lives all alone; he thought this would be the perfect gift for her, because she can keep talking to the parrot daily, and she won't be bored. After a few days the son rang his mother and asked "how did you like the parrot"? She said, "It was okay". Just okay? asked



did you like the parrot"? She said, "It was okay". Just okay? asked the son. Mother replied, "It was okay but to tell the truth, it kind of tasted like chicken"!