

# The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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## **5th Sunday of Easter Year A**

#### COVID –19

The Bishops of the Province of Victoria have determined the following actions during this period:

• Immediate suspension of public liturgies, celebrations of the Mass, until further notice.

 All other gatherings are suspended. cam.org.au/Guidancefor-Parishes-COVID19

In light of this, all Catholics in Victoria are dispensed 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

PARISH PRIEST Fr Gregory Pritchard

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ST ANTHONY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL Contact Veronica Blair for materials & details : veronica.blair@cam.org.au

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PARISH FINANCE OFFICER Sue Leong

Parish Office Tue & Thu: 10am—12noon

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 Take away meals only

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Happy Mothers Day! Every best wish and blessing to all mothers and grandmothers today! Thank you for looking after your family during these difficult days!

#### AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

This is a Catholic charity dedicated to support persecuted and oppressed Christians , and to provide assistance in areas of great pastoral need. ACN is currently organizing a bouquet of Masses to be offered by priests in mission lands, that God will show his grace on our world, to all people in great need during this time. You can join this bouquet of Masses by providing a Mass offering: tel 1800 101 201 aidtochurch.org/coronavirus

#### TONY'S CAFÉ

Offers take away meals on Tuesdays 12.30-1.30pm and Thursdays 3-5.30pm from St Anthony's Hall. Meals are also delivered to 8 homes and 5 families receive a box of food, fruit and vegetables. About 60 people are attending Tony's Café and receiving takeaway meals.

Glen Eira Council provides tremendous support with large quantities of take away food boxes, hand sanitizer, etc. Application for a community grant has been submitted. Glen Eira news May 2020 announces Council support for ratepayers, community groups and other initiatives.

The *Entertainment Book* is now only available online. If you usually buy a book please visit entertainment.com.au to purchase your new digital copy. All proceeds go to Tony's Café.

#### HOLY ROSARY

For 20 years, during the month of May, a group of parishioners has prayed the Rosary together. This year all parishioners are invited to join their prayer, from the privacy of your home. Please pray the Rosary on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7.30pm, so that our prayer is united.

#### 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.

10 May 2020

Current parish expenses include:

AGL Electricity	\$598
Red Energy - Gas	\$221
Gardens & Grounds	\$396
Catholic Church Insurance	
April 2020 Instalment	\$ 957
Dawson's Pest Control	\$ 385
South East Water	\$ 709

At this time our Parish facilities are not being used or hired except for Tony's Café. This is impacting on Parish income. We continue to rely on the generous support of St Anthony's parishioners in Parish Stewardship. Support for our priests and bishops ("Presbytery") and the Easter offering can also be given electronically or placed in the Parish House letterbox.

#### **ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH ACCOUNT** Bank: NAB

Account Name: St Anthony's Church BSB: 083 347 Account: 657 570 315 Description: Your Stewardship Number or Name & Surname

#### **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 Office is open Tuesday and Thursday 10am—12noon. Tel: 9401 6336 Email: glenhuntly@cam.org.au

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

## 5th Sunday of Easter Vear A Mother's Day

Readings: Acts of the Apostles 6: 1-7; 1Peter 2:4-9; John 14: 1-12

## Holy Gospel

### General Intercessions

Do not let your hearts be troubled. You trust in God, trust also in me. In my Father's house there are many places to live in; otherwise I would have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you to myself, so that you may be with me where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going. Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: I am the Way; I am Truth and Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.

### Meditation

In all earthly liturgies, Christ the Lord himself is the one who celebrates the cosmic liturgy which encompasses angels and men, the living and the dead, the past, present and future, heaven and earth. Priests and believers participate in different ways in Christ's divine worship. When we celebrate the liturgy, we must prepare ourselves interiorly for the great thing that takes place in it: here and now Christ is present and, with him, all of heaven. There everyone is filled with unspeakable joy and at the same time with loving care for us. The last book of Sacred Scripture, Revelation, portrays in mysterious images this liturgy to which we here on earth join our voices. n 179

The original model of the deacon is the martyr St Stephen. When the apostles in the original Church of Jerusalem saw that they were overwhelmed by their many charitable duties, they appointed severn men "to serve tables", whom they then ordained. The first mentioned is Stephen: "full of grace and power", he accomplished much for the new faith and for the poor in the Christian community. Over the centuries the diaconate became merely a degree of Holy Orders on the way to the presbyterate, but today it is once again an independent vocation for both celibates and married men. On the one hand, this is supposed to reemphasise service as a characteristic of the Church; on the other hand, it helps the priests, as in the early Church, by establishing an order of ministers who take on particular pastoral and social duties of the Church. Diaconal ordination, too, makes a life long, irrevocable mark on the ordained man. n 255

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", (Jn 14:6) this faith cannot be merely an attitude of "confidence" about something or other. On the one hand, the faith has definite contents, which the Church professes in the Creed, 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 of 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 affirmations, but rather in charitable deeds. n 307 YOUCAT

Baptised, chosen as a priestly people, let us come to our Father on behalf of all our brothers and sisters, praying through Christ, "the Way, the Truth and the Life".

1. For God's chosen and consecrated people, that the Church may always offer prayerful and reverent worship.

2. For the rulers of nations, that they may recognise the service provided by the Church and so respect her rights and freedom.

3. For people stumbling on their search for faith, that they may come to God through Jesus Christ, the only way to the Father.

4. For ourselves as living stones in a spiritual house, that we may work with the energy and courage of the Holy Spirit.

5. For the dead, our mothers and grandmothers, that they may enter that place Christ has prepared for them.

We thank you, Father most holy, for the wonders of your generous care. Show again your love for us as we call upon you, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Prayer to Our Lady

Queen of heaven, rejoice, Alleluia! For he whom you were worthy to bear, Alleluia! Has risen as He said, Alleluia! Pray for us to God, Alleluia!

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!

R. For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia!

Let us pray O God, who through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, did vouchsafe to give joy to the world; grant, we beseech you, that through his Mother the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Blessing for Mothers

Almighty God, who willed that your only begotten Son be born of a woman, we pray for the mothers you have given us, whether they are alive or have died. We thank you for the lessons we have learnt from them, for the love and sacrifice that they have made for us; these things have taught us something of your own eternal love, and so we pray that you enfold our mothers in that same love, wherever they may be, and bring them one day to heaven. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Christian home is the place where children receive the first proclamation of the faith. For this reason the family home is rightly called "the domestic church," a community of grace and prayer, a school of human virtues and of Christian charity.

Catechism of the Catholic Church n 1666

### Spiritual Communion

Most Holy Trinity I adore you My God My God I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament

In 1916, Lúcia dos Santos and her cousins Francisco and Jacinta Marto were herding sheep at the Cova da Iria near their home village of Aljustrel in the parish of Fátima, Portugal. They were visited 3 times by the "Angel of Peace". He taught them prayers, to make sacrifices, and spend time in adoration of the Lord. On 13 May 1917 Our Lady appeared to them. These apparitions continued until 13 October 1917 when the children and an immense crowd witnessed the Miracle of the Sun. Mary identified herself as Our Lady of the Rosary. Jacinta died in 1918 and Francisco in 1919. They were canonized by Pope Francis in 2017. Lucia died in 2005, having written comprehensive memoirs of the apparitions and Our Lady's messages. Our Lady taught them the above prayer.