



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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4th Sunday of Easter Year A

3 May 2020

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/Guidance-for-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

PARISH SECRETARY

Shobha Thomas

ST ANTHONY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

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PARISH ACCOUNTANT

Bernard Negline

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

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

☎ 9563 6780

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CHILD ONLINE SAFETY

esafety.gov.au offers a number of free webinars for parents and carers for guidance and help with our children's online communications. With all of us spending so much time isolated or at home these webinars give families support in protecting all of us from harmful online content, relationships and harassment. Children can learn good habits around privacy, security and safety.

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

ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH

The foundation stone of St Anthony's Church was laid on 30 March 1919. The church was consecrated to the worship of God on 1 May 2004. Each day Mass is offered and the red sanctuary light continues to burn before the tabernacle.

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 rate-payers, 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.

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.

Current parish expenses include:

AGL Electricity	\$598
Red Energy - Gas	\$221
Gardens & Grounds	\$396
Catholic Church Insurance	
<i>April 2020 Instalment</i>	\$ 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-Policy
cam.org.au/Commitment-to-the-safety-of-children-and-young-people

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Good Shepherd Sunday—World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Readings: Acts of the Apostles 2: 14, 36-41; 1Peter 2:20-25; John 10:1-10

Holy Gospel

Jesus said "In all truth I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but climbs in some other way, is a thief and a bandit. He who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out all those that are his, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They will never follow a stranger, but will run away from him because they do not recognise the voice of strangers.' Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he was saying to them. So Jesus spoke to them again: In all truth I tell you, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All who have come before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: such a one will go in and out and will find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full."

Meditation

The Greek word for Church is "ekklesia" those who are called forth. All of us who are baptised and believe in God are called forth by the Lord. Together we are the Church. Christ is, as Paul says, the Head of the Church. We are his body.

When we receive the sacraments and hear God's Word, Christ is in us and we are in him—that is the Church. The intimate communion of life with Jesus that is shared personally by all the baptised is described in the Sacred Scripture by a wealth of images: Here it speaks about the People of God and in another passage about the Bride of Christ; now the Church is called Mother, and again she is God's family, or she is compared with a wedding feast. Never is the Church a mere institution, never just the "official Church" that we could do without. We will be upset by the mistakes and defects in the Church, but we can never distance ourselves from her, because God has made an irrevocable decision to love her and does not forsake her despite all the sins of her members. The Church is God's presence among us men. That is why we must love her.

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The Church is a sheepfold, the sole and necessary gateway to which is Christ. It is also the flock of which God himself foretold that he would be the shepherd, and whose sheep, even though governed by human shepherds, are unfailingly nourished and led by Christ himself, the Good Shepherd and Prince of Shepherds, who gave his life for his sheep. *Catechism of the Catholic Church 754*

Prayer to Our Lady

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God;
despise not our petitions in our hour of need,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin Mary. Amen

*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.*

General Intercessions

The Lord is the shepherd who knows each one of his flock by name. Let us offer our prayers to God, trusting in his personal love for us.

1. That the holy Catholic Church may extend the victory of the risen Christ by serving those who walk in the valley of darkness.
2. That the Lord will raise up more priests to be shepherds of God's People.
3. That our young people "may have life and have it to the full" through fidelity to the Good Shepherd.
4. That the sick will experience new life, the gift of Christ our healer and shepherd: Peter Murphy, David 'Mick' Darman ...
5. That the dead may pass through the "gate of the sheepfold" and rejoice with the shepherd and guardian of their souls: Joseph Roosevelt Pereira

Most gentle Father, you guide us along the right path; your Son is always there, beside us. Comfort us by granting these prayers, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Priests and Vocations

*Pray for each intention personally
and recite the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory be*

- For Archbishop Comensoli, our bishops, priests and deacons
- For our 32 seminarians in Melbourne and Rome
- For St Anthony's Parish and St Anthony's School
- For our Parish families and young people
- For the blessing of many vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life

O God who chose the apostles to make disciples of all nations, and who by Baptism and Confirmation have called us to build up your Holy Church, we implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests and religious who will love you with their whole hearts and will gladly spend their lives to make you better known and loved by all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood and religious life. Let your example and that of your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let your grace sustain them. Amen