



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Fifth Sunday of Easter Year A

7 May 2023

PARISH PRIEST
Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

PARISH STAFF
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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
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

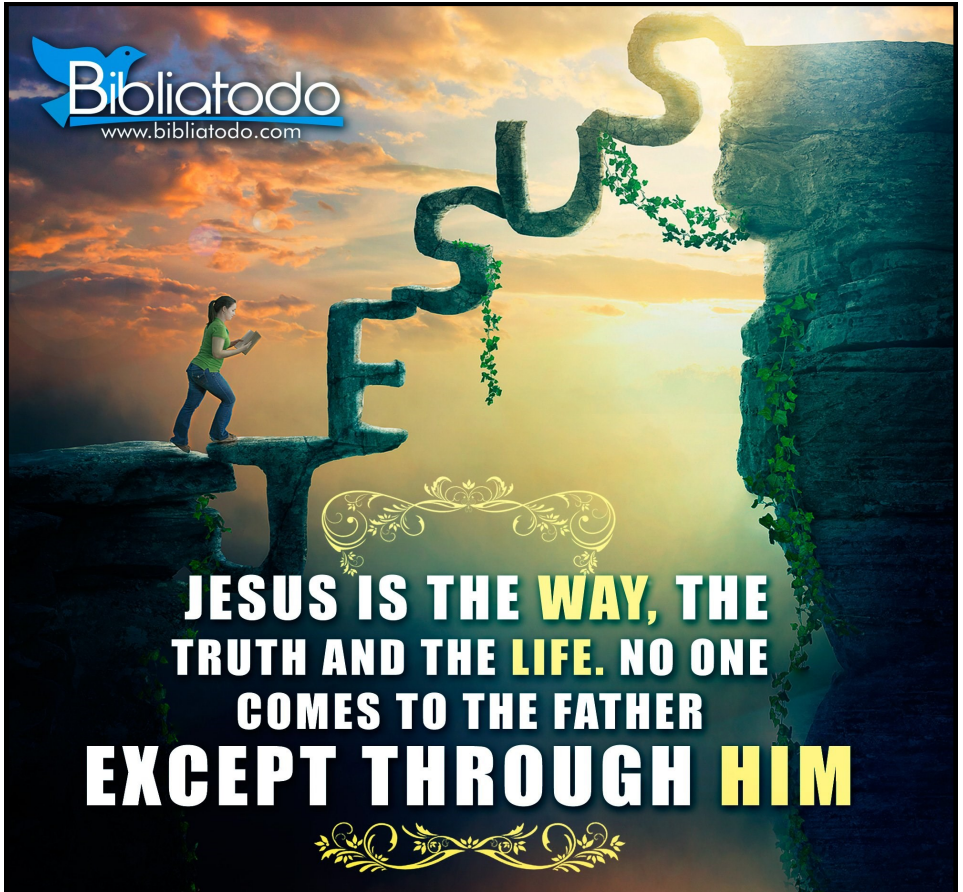
VENUE HIRE
Contact the Parish Office

**ST ANTHONY'S
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Principal: Margaret Carlei
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OUR SICK: Michael Tomlinson, Patricia Rashad, Christine Fernandez
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested)
RECENTLY DECEASED: Victor Boyce, Ilona Classen, Fr Davis Edassery SAC.
ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES:

PLEASE RING/EMAIL THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THE PARISH NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MGR DIAMOND WHO WILL BE CELEBRATING
HIS BIRTHDAY ON 12 MAY**

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

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

Today's Readings

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

Responsorial Psalm

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 8:5-8. 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Church Stewardship \$1,315
Presbytery Stewardship \$1,025

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

Information Session for the Permanent Diaconate

In the middle of the pandemic, Pope Francis outlined his prayer for vocations that "deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church." He asks everyone to pray for permanent deacons, who live their vocation in and with their family.

"They are dedicated to the service of the poor, who carry within them the face of the suffering Christ. They are the guardians of service in the Church"

An Information Session will be held on Saturday 3 June from 10– 11.45am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information:

[vocations.melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate](https://melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate)

Liturgy Roster May 6-7

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	N Mudalige	C Hampson	J Aranha
Sun 9am	P Rashad	Y Jo-Sumarna	T Ho
Sun 11am	K O'Sullivan	K Campitelli	S Heuberger
Sun 5pm	E Sebastian	J Kirkham	N/A

Liturgy Roster May 13-14

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	P Bates	L Pereira	R Aranha
Sun 9am	Y Jo-Sumarna	C Collins	R Meneaud
Sun 11am	L Shelton	M Anthony	J Ferguson
Sun 5pm	J Kirkham	E Sebastian	N/A



Sunday School & Children's Liturgy

Our Sunday School and Children's Liturgy have resumed. There will be NO Sunday School on Mother's Day, 14th May.



St Anthony's School Playgroup & Enrolments for 2024

St Anthony's School Playgroup for preschool and toddlers operates on Wednesdays during the school term from 9–10.30am.

School enrolments for 2024 are now open. Please contact the school for a tour.

Contact: 9563 6780

Mass Count May 2022

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne conducts a Mass Count Attendance every year over the first 4 weekends of May:

7-8, 14-15, 21-22 and 28-29.

Volunteers are requested to take count of all the attendees at each of the Masses.

Thank you.



SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS

In order to be compliant with Safeguarding Requirements of the Archdiocese, all volunteers need to do the

Mandatory Online Training Module

Please click on the link below to complete this training

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

All St Anthony's volunteers must complete the mandatory training.

If you have any questions please contact the parish office: glenhuntly@cam.org.au



The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Among Catholics, May is most well-known as “Mary’s Month,” a specific month of the year when special devotions are performed in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



The month of May is rich in tradition and a beautiful time of the year to honour our heavenly mother. Honouring the Blessed Virgin Mary in the month of May is an ancient tradition, going back hundreds of years. Among the numerous devotions that developed over time was the custom of visiting a Marian shrine, a church or a grotto.

Marian shrines around the world receive a flock of pilgrims each year during this month. In particular, the shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal is one of the most popular during May, coinciding with the first apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary on May 13.

Pope Francis visited the shrine of Our Lady of Fatima on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Cova da Iria, Portugal 12-13 May 2017.

The Catechism highly regards this practice as a way to boost prayer life. May Pilgrimages don’t have to be extraordinary or involve traveling around the world. It could be as simple as traveling to the nearest church dedicated to Mary or finding a local shrine or grotto, however small. The goal is to make it a deliberate event by which you honour Mary in some way.

In the month of May when we celebrate Mother’s Day, it would be nice to make an extra effort to honour our spiritual mother.

Tony’s Café

Even though there is roadwork disruption on Neerim and Grange Roads, Tony’s Café is still operating as usual:

Tuesdays: 12.30p—1.30p

Thursdays: 3p—5.30p

Tony’s Café is in need of empty egg cartons, please save and deliver them to the parish office or Tony’s Café.

Choir Practice

Choir practice has resumed. Practice every Wednesday @ 7.30pm. New members most welcome. Once singing, twice praying!



WYD FUNDRAISING



May Dinner Dance

Date: Saturday 27 May 2023, 6pm-10.30pm
Venue: St Anthony’s Parish Hall
Tickets available at the church foyer and with volunteers!
Adult: \$50, Aged 10-15: \$30, Under 10: Free.
BYO Drinks!

Hoyts Movie vouchers

Valid till 2025

Adult: \$20 each
Child (15 and under): \$15 each
Tickets on sale from 29 April!

**No Public Holidays. Redeemable for one (1) general admission ticket for any session (excluding public holidays) at HOYTS Cinemas in Australia. Upgrade fees apply for any D-BOX, 3D and/or Xtremescreen movie session.*

Upcoming Glen Huntly, Neerim & Grange Road Closures/Disruption

There will be traffic disruptions during May and June. For this weekend, **entry to the church car park will be via Neerim Road.** We need volunteers to direct car flow into and out of the car park before and after each Mass.



Plant Sale

Before the weather gets too cold, start propagating for the annual Spring sale in November (no jade plants please). Donations of pots and potting mix welcome.

Happy gardening!

Update on Fr Joy’s visit

The Pallottine Provincial of Epiphany Province, India, who was to visit us this weekend, has postponed it due to the death of another Provincial Fr Davis Edassery SAC

Mother’s Day Book

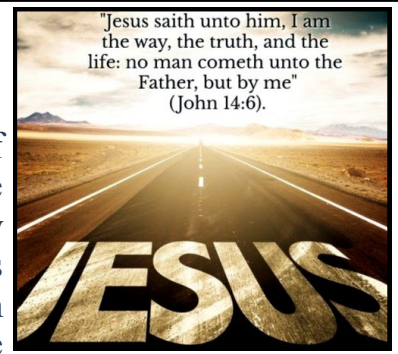
Our Mother’s Day Book is placed on the altar-rail in front of Our Lady’s Statue in the church.

Please write the names of all mothers for whom you would like prayers to be offered on Mothers Day.

There will be a special blessing for all mothers at the weekend Masses of 13 & 14 May.

Mothers are very SPECIAL PEOPLE

5th Sunday of Easter, Year A.
Jesus the Way



Once, a Catholic in his dream saw St Peter standing at the Gate of Heaven. The man was curious to know if there is anyone else other than Catholics in there. He asked Peter, 'more or less how many Muslims are there inside?' Peter answered 'No Muslims here': 'How many Hindus are there?' Peter answered 'not even one.' 'What about Jews?; 'not any' How many Protestants may be there? 'No Protestants either.' 'Anglicans?' 'None'. The man continued, 'So there are only Catholics in heaven?' The man asked; 'No Catholics either'. Said Peter. Then who are they? They are just "people" answered Peter.

The moral of the story is clear. Salvation does not so much depend on what religion one follows. Today in the Gospel we heard Jesus say that He is the Way. This saying of Jesus is often misquoted to mean that Christianity is the way. Christianity may be the safest way, surer way etc, but we cannot be fanatics and say that everyone else is doomed. In other words we cannot say that only Christianity/Catholics are saved or that all Catholics are saved. We cannot suppose that salvation is guaranteed to us just because we are Catholics.

One might find it difficult to accept that there is 'grace of God outside Catholic Church or outside Christianity; A kind of monopolising Jesus. The attitude of 'Jesus for all" should be our attitude. We are taught that, belief in Jesus and being baptised are essential for salvation, for He is the only Saviour. The only Truth, the only Way. It is true, yet we should be broad minded to pray that Jesus may save them too, somehow. Nothing is impossible with God. He is the father of everyone, all are His children. All are precious to Him. May He work miracles in everyone irrespective of their religion. We gladly say that God is everywhere, in every flower, every bird and so on. But at times we are reluctant to say God is in those who profess another faith.

It does not mean that all religions are equal. Or that, it does not matter as to which religion or denomination one belongs to. Faith in Jesus has a big role in one's salvation. Our Catholic faith must remain very dear to us. For we believe that the safest means to get to heaven is to belong to Catholic Church and be nourished by the Sacraments and lead good Christian lives.

According to Vatican II we are duty bound to proclaim our faith. Yet we cannot be religious fanatics or narrow minded. The word 'Catholic' means Universal. We are to be inclusive in our attitudes towards those belonging to other religions and denominations.

Let us pray that, everyone may believe in Jesus as the only saviour, that soon there may be one flock and one shepherd Jesus Christ. Pray also that those who do not believe may also be saved through Him who died for all. The whole world does not know of anyone else other than Jesus, who has paid for our debts. Then how can anyone say that there are other ways than this One Way, whom we call, Jesus? There are many ways; all these ways have to merge with the One Way leading up to heaven.

