



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Thirty first Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

31 October 2021

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Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

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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
☎ 9563 6780

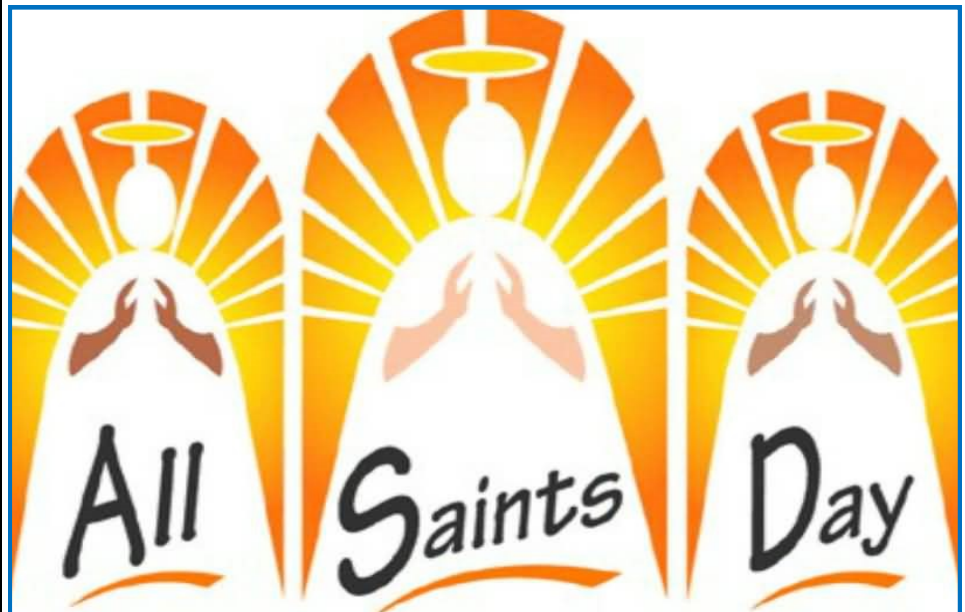
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OUR SICK: Vivien, John Leonard, Claire & Bryan Rashad, Conchita Palo
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested).

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Pat Straford, Allanson & Warren
Corteling, Peter Neetany, Elaine 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



All Saints Day 1st Nov. Monday.

Mass for fully Vaccinated at 9.15am and 7pm. Limit 130.
Mass for unknown-Vaccinated at 10am. Limit 30 people.

ALL SOULS DAY



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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

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

Today's Readings

Dt 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28-34

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R.v.2

I love you Lord, my strength.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

You will show me the Path of Life the fullness of joy in
your presence, O Lord.

Next Sunday's Readings

1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

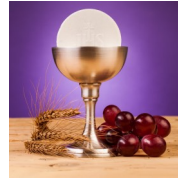
First Holy Communion.

For St. Anthony's School Children:

Sun. 14 Nov. 2pm.

Attendance by invitation only.

All COVID protocols to be followed.
Our parish is gladly united in prayer
with these children and their families
as they journey towards the big day.



Eight of our Sunday School children received their
First Holy Communion last Sunday.
Congratulations to each of them and gratitude and
appreciation to all who were involved in preparing
them for this memorable occasion.

Sacrament of Confirmation.

Thu. 25th Nov. 2021 at 7pm.

Children and families, please
lookout for more info from
your teachers re. practice
days, retreat days and the
logistics and COVID protocols.



You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Liturgy Roster—October 30-31

Mass for Vaccinated: Sat. 6pm—N Mudalige,

Sun. 9am—M Dwyer and 11am—J Wong

Mass for Unvaccinated: Sun. 5pm—P Bates.

November Plant Sale

Date to be confirmed.



Please support as proceeds go towards
repair & maintenance for our church.
Start potting your seedlings and cuttings.
Any enquiries, contact Veronica Blair at
the Parish Office and leave a message.

Baptism Preparation



Please email the Parish Office, well
in advance, if you would like your
child to be baptised.

Baptism Preparation Session is held every second
Friday @ 7pm at St Anthony's Church. A big thank
you to the Baptism Preparation Team

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Book of Remembrance at Marian Altar.

You may bring some flowers along.

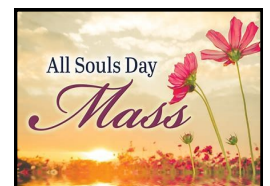
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SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS

We are in a Big Trouble! Help, Help!

In order to be compliant with the Safeguarding Requirements,
all our Volunteers, Employees and Clergy, need to provide our Parish Office with their
signed copy of the Code of Conduct, Working With Children Check,
Vaccination Information and for some Police Check, as well.

Please do not engage in any of our parish ministries without the above requirements.

These requirements originate from the Royal Commission and are
followed up by the Child Safety Department of the Victorian Government.

We are expecting to be audited shortly when we re-open. Everyone please do your bit by being compliant, so
that the Parish and you can avoid unaffordable fines.

Please comply!!! Contact us via email on glenhuntly@cam.org.au

ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH IS OPEN FOR MASSES FROM FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER 2021

Guidelines for the Current Stage of Restrictions (Directives from the Archdiocese of Melbourne and State Govt. of Victoria)

Face Coverings: to be worn unless an exemption applies

Booking: As of now, prior booking is not available for any Mass. First come first checked in.

Protocols: Must follow COVID protocols (including the use QR Code).

Doors close when maximum permitted number is reached or
5 minutes before Mass-times, whichever is earlier.

If you are feeling unwell, get tested and stay at home.

Exclusively for **DOUBLE VACCINATED** with proof shown

Mass schedule for this week.

Weekend Masses: Sat. 6pm, Sun. 9am & 11am.

Mon. 1st Nov. 9.15am and 7pm; Tue. 2nd Nov. 9.15am and 7pm.

Maximum number of attendees at the above mentioned Masses is 130 people.

On all other days of this week the Masses will be open to all (see below).

MASS OPEN TO ALL (for vaccinated and non-vaccinated)

Mass schedule for this week.

Sunday 5pm. Mon.10am, Tue.10.30am, Wed-Sat. 9.15am.

Maximum number of attendees at these Masses is 30 people.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

continues to be via Zoom on Wednesdays at 6.40pm until further notice. Meeting ID: 93637042762, Passcode:123456.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Volunteers: All volunteers to submit a copy of their Double Vaccination Certificate (this can be done by email or hard copy delivered to the office)

Sanitizing: Sanitize your hands at the church foyer on arrival and before receiving Holy Communion.

Signage: Follow signage on doors, on floor, on noticeboards and on pews. Sit only on seats facing the 'yellow-labels' on pews.

Holy Communion: Those receiving Holy Communion on tongue may come last in line.

Dispensation: For the time being, all Catholics in Melbourne are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further directives from the Archbishop. We continue to carry the obligation to keep Sunday holy, whether we can attend Mass or not, and can do so by any kind of prayer with members of our household and parish, reading holy scripture, and encouraging one another in our faith. Prayerfully



Tony's Café

Tony's Cafe will be open even on All Souls Day, Tuesday, 2nd Nov.



All Souls Day

Indulgence

Archbishop Comensoli has granted a Plenary Indulgence for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day) which falls next Tuesday, 2 November.

November is a special time to pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, by visiting a church on 2 November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions

All Souls Book of Remembrance.

A book has been placed on the altar rail in front of Our Lady's statue. Please write the names of your deceased family and friends to be prayed for on All Souls' Day. Envelopes for the November offering for Masses for the faithful departed are available in the church porches. These can be placed in the weekend collections.

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B.

Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus,

Today we are commanded to love God and to love all. I often ask myself, can love be commanded or compelled? I always thought that love is something spontaneous and involuntary. Sometimes even when we do not want to love, we can't but love! if that's so, then what reward or credit can we take for loving anyone! So, Jesus is not talking about such easy sort of love, rather about the sort of love that takes our whole strength and all our will power; the sort of love that calls for sacrifice, selflessness and generosity. Jesus wants us to love God and others even when love is not so spontaneous or easy. We may have to struggle to make our hearts go out even to those who may not be so loving nor lovable. Remember, 'Jesus loved us and died for us, when we were still sinners'.



God not only 'loves', but 'he is Love'. God's love for us is not same as our love for God. We too 'love', but we 'are not love'. It may be a good idea to recall to our minds our good old days, when we were still preps or kindergarten kids, when we so innocently and without any questioning used to sing, with hands up in the air, the nursery rhyme, "God's love, is so wonderful (3 times), O wonderful love. So high, we can't get over it, so deep, we can't get under it, so wide, we can't get around it, so wonderful love (3 times). Many years have passed since then, and we seem to have grown out of it. Can we still think of God's love as being so wonderful, without any questioning or doubting?



I remember reading about a pastor, who (100 years ago) was preaching in the Americas about God's love. He always spoke in a loud and clear voice and with full conviction in God's love. All his hearers kept applauding. During one of his such speeches he received a message from his home country that his wife had a sudden death. He could not preach any further, but was in tears and left the stage. Then, he and his little son were returning home by the sea. That night the two secluded themselves from everyone else and were standing on the deck of the ship, now well into the ocean. The pastor, devastated as he was, could say nothing. His little son broke the silence and asked his dad, tell me dad 'how big is God's love?' After a few more moments of silence the pastor said in his choking voice, 'son, do you see the ocean! can you see its any end? Look ahead of you, look behind, look to your right and left, can you guess how vast is the ocean? No. God's love is so vast and even more; and now look up into the skies and try to measure its vastness and the distance of the stars; God's love is even bigger and extends far beyond; and now look down into the bottom of the ocean; do you get any idea of its depth? God's love is far deeper and exceeds all our understanding. As the pastor said this he lacked conviction in his voice. But his little son now shouted out in a clear and loud voice, if so then, dad, 'how wonderful it is for us to be right in the centre of God's love!'

I think, that's true also of each and everyone of us. No matter what we may be going through now, or have ever gone through before or will ever go through in future, it's time for us to know for sure that we are right in the centre of God's love. Despite all our sad and odd experiences we should be able to say clearly and loudly "God is Love and God Loves You and Me." There could be times when it is really hard to believe it's true. Easy love is not what God is looking for from us anyway. Even when we find ourselves right in the midst of total negativities, we are to reiterate our sincere love for God and one another. It would be challenging, yet most rewarding.



What about the millions of people who have never known God as a God of love; and those many millions who may have never experienced love, peace or joy? And what about those millions who look around and see the misery of the innocent people and so refuse to believe in a God of love and mercy? Preaching to them about God's love, will only meet with rejection, and not an applause. Rather than preaching to them, let's then share God's love with them all.

Praise you God, for your unconditional and everlasting love.

Fr. Leenus