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ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

Incorporating the Communities of
Werribee Central, Wyndham Vale, Werribee South,
Werribee North,
Tarneit West, Upper Point Cook
and Little River

EASTER SUNDAY – YEAR C – 20TH April 2025

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand, the Wathaurong People. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name." **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23

Response: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD."

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

Response: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

SEQUENCE: VICTIMAE PASCHALI LAUDES

Christians, to the Paschal Victim, Offer your thankful praises! A Lamb the sheep redeems; Christ, who only is sinless, Reconciles sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal. Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw, wayfaring. "The tomb of Christ, who is living, The glory of Jesus' resurrection; bright angels attesting, The shroud and napkin resting. Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you." Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.



‘By his wounds, we are healed’ Archbishop Comensoli’s 2025 Easter message

When Jesus stood among his disciples after the resurrection, he showed them his wounds, the marks of his crucifixion.

Those marks were not just proof of what he had suffered; they were proof of what he had done. Jesus wanted his disciples to see, with their own eyes, that he had taken their wounded lives into his own body.

St Peter, who was there that day, never forgot this. Later he would write, ‘By his wounds, you have been healed’ (1 Peter 2:24).

In his crucifixion, Christ carried the full weight of our failures, our hurts, the injuries done to us, and the damage we have done to ourselves and others. He did so knowing we could not heal them alone.

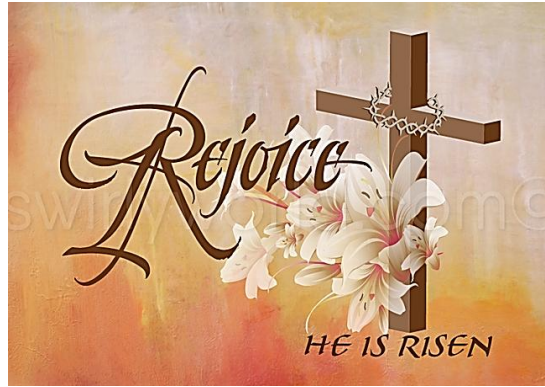
In his resurrection, he stood before his friends with a body bearing our wounds, yet gloriously alive. The resurrection of Christ was a declaration: nothing we carry is beyond his power to redeem. No injury too deep. No past too broken. No heart too far gone.

The wounds we bear can feel like the end of our story. They threaten to define us, to trap us. They try to tell us there is no way ahead.

But Easter speaks another word: a healing word, a forgiving word. Easter tells us that our wounds are not where the story ends. Easter shows us there is a path to healing, and a vista onto a new dawn.

The risen Christ, bearing his crucifying marks, is the sign of hope we need. He entered fully into the depths of our brokenness, so that we might emerge with him, healed.

This is the promise of Easter: that in him, our wounds do not have the final word. Life does. For we are healed in the crucified and risen Christ.



Easter Message From Your Priest Brothers

My Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

With joy and grateful hearts, we are celebrating the Passion and Death of Jesus culminated in His Resurrection. This year being a Jubilee Year we are called to be the pilgrims of HOPE. Easter is the ultimate event of our faith and the reason for our hope. On the one hand the passion and the death of Christ were seen as the triumph of the leaders of the Jews and scribes who wanted to get rid of Him and on the other was a total disappointment and failure to others. It was the resurrection that gave all who believed in Jesus the victory and hope. His resurrection gave a positive meaning even to His passion and death. Death has become not an end but the pathway to rise again.

We celebrated the festival of lights at Christmas that the light has come into the world and now we are celebrating the festival of light again at the culmination of the victory of that Light over all evil when Jesus completed His mission by conquering all evil including death.

These events we celebrate give us the strength and hope even when we go through the struggles and challenges of our own lives assuring that there is always victory with Jesus. He not only died and rose again but also promised to be with us till the end.

Let this Easter celebration not be filled just with easter eggs, bunnies and parties but remind us the ultimate love our God has for us that He died for us and the ultimate victory of our God that He rose for us. Let us be the people of Hope for our brothers and sisters and the whole world.

May you all have a Blessed Easter – Hope in Christ our Lord.

*-Your Brothers in Christ,
Fathers An, James & Albert*

RECENT DEATH: Kelly Jennings, Salvatore Buccheri

ANNIVERSARY: Manuel Cataquian, Marcelino Cataquian, Leon Germaine

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Hilda Koster Koerntjes, Edith and Alwin Salagubang, Panakal Auso Raphael, Julie Horkings, Crispin De Zilva, Artemio Santos, Paula Quimson

REMINDER: Parishioners, please note that names for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries etc. to be included in the Sunday Bulletin must indicate the time of Mass you will be attending for name to be mentioned, and request must be at the Parish Office no later than Wednesday afternoon and please address envelopes to the Admin Staff.

WEEKDAY LITURGY (21st – 26th April 2025)

Mon: Liturgy of the word with Communion followed by Divine Mercy Novena
Tues: 9.00pm Mass followed by Divine Mercy Novena
Wed: 9.00am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Novena
Thurs: 9.00am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Novena
Fri: **ANZAC DAY**
 9.00am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Novena
Sat: 9.00am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Novena

WEEKEND MASSES (26th and 27th April 2025)

Sat: 6.00pm Mass
Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am, **NO 5.00pm Mass**
2.30pm Feast of Divine Mercy Mass

FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY



SUNDAY
27th APRIL 2025

St. Andrew's Church
105 Greaves Street North
Werribee

St. Faustina and
St. Pope John Paul II
Pray for us

2.30pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
3.00pm – Chaplet of the Divine Mercy,
Benediction followed by Divine Mercy Festive Mass
Followed by fellowship at the Presbytery Veranda

All are Welcome!

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They shall not grow old
 as we that are left grow old:
 Age shall not weary them,
 nor the years condemn.
 At the going down of the
 sun and in the morning,
 we will remember them.

ANZAC DAY – Friday, 25th April 2025

Prayer of Remembrance

Today we remember with thanksgiving those who made the supreme sacrifice for us in time of war. We pray that the offering of their lives may not have been in vain. Today we dedicate ourselves to the cause of justice, freedom and peace; and for the wisdom and strength to build a better world.

THE NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANCE (MASS COUNT) -

The count is conducted over the first four consecutive Sundays (and Saturday evenings) in May. This will start next weekend 3rd and 4th May 2025. Could collectors please see Priest prior to Mass. This annual count taken in May is important for our pastoral planning activities and allows for comparisons to be made across the years.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 26th / 27th April 2025

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 26th / 27th Apr	Nicola Fernando	Kevin McGuane	Lea Arida	Natasha Krishnakumar	NO MASS
MUSIC 26th / 27th Apr	Philu and Co	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	St. Andrew's Choir	Ensemble of Faith Choir	NO MASS
Communion Minister 26th / 27th Apr	Desiree Galea Anson John Nolene Keogh	Lillian Jilbert Jude Disanayaka Anna Obieta	Charles Mei Sherine Raphael John Faranda	Katrina Gauci Graeme Roberts Dominic Thiep	NO MASS
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)	This week: Next week:		Mon 21 Apr: C. Ilagan Mon 28 Apr: M. H. Chong		
CLEANER	Cleaning: Vacuuming:		Mon 21 Apr: C. Camilleri, G. Iaria Fri 25 Apr: A. Ucala, R. Nykuy Mon 21 Apr: Volunteer		
ALTAR CLOTH	This week: Next week:		Sun 20 Apr: J. Francisco Sun 27 Apr: O. Lesoa		
OUR LADY'S STATUE	This week: Next week:		Sun 20 Apr: C. Ilagan Sun 27 Apr: P. Chapman		

St. Andrew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.