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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

PARISH TEAMS

Pastoral Team:

Fr. Albert Yogarajah PP
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PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Andrew's Primary School – Ph. 9741 3686
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Corpus Christi Primary School – Ph. 9741 8440
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Principal: Rose Connolly.

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B 15TH / 16TH JUNE 2024

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: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I, too, will take from the crest of the cedar, from its topmost branches tear off a tender shoot, and plant it on a high and lofty mountain; on the mountain heights of Israel, I will plant it. It shall put forth branches and bear fruit and become a majestic cedar. Birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it, every winged thing in the shade of its boughs. And all the trees of the field shall know that I, the LORD, bring low the high tree, lift high the lowly tree, wither up the green tree, and make the withered tree bloom. As I, the LORD, have spoken, so will I do.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 92:2-3,13-14,15-16

Response: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praise to your name, Most High, To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.

The just one shall flourish like the palm tree, like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. They that are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

They shall bear fruit even in old age; vigorous and sturdy shall they be, Declaring how just is the LORD, my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

Response: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Brothers and sisters: We are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will live forever. Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds: "This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how. Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." He said, "To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it. Without parables he did not speak to them, but to his own disciples he explained everything in private.

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

LEGION OF MARY NEW MEETING SCHEDULE - *Praesidium: Immaculate Heart of Mary* – will be meeting from **6.30pm to 7.30pm every Tuesday** at Penola Hub. For more information, please call the Parish Office 9741 4144. All are welcome to join.

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



GOSPEL REFLECTION: The readings today remind us that poetic imagery is an apt way of describing the mysterious presence of God in our midst. The cedar began as a seedling that takes years to grow into a magnificent tree. The same is true of the mustard tree. It too requires time to develop its trunk and branches. The development of moral integrity in a human being is just as gradual. Rooted in God, it flourishes in God's presence and it produces fruit even into old age. Although God is present in all things, sustaining them and allowing them to follow their natural courses, God really transcends all things. Metaphorical language may be the best means for speaking about God and the things of God. It enables us to live in the tension that both reveals something about God and conceals God's real nature. The

reign of God also begins in very ordinary circumstances, and it matures gradually until it has spread itself far and wide. Although the mystery of the reign of God unfolds within human history, we need eyes of faith to recognise it. Like the cedar and the mustard seed, it grows within the concreteness of human experience. Just as the life force that thrusts the branches of the trees further and further out cannot itself be seen, so the reign of God is mysterious, even incomprehensible. Still, it is there, inviting us, urging us to move forward, transforming our world.

Dianne Bergant CSA

PRAYER AT HOME: Use today's gospel acclamation as your prayer this week: *The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever.*

VOCATION VIEW: Through the gift of the Holy Eucharist and by the Word of God we are nourished and continue to grow towards fuller maturity. Like the Church, we are the potential to be like a growing tree, bearing fruit and giving comfort, but always open to further growth.

RECENT DEATH: Fr. Brendan Michael Dillon PE, Antonino Perino. Salvatore La Rocca

ANNIVERSARIES: Salvatore Scifo, Ajit Prasad, Zenaida Ilagan, Danilo Favaro, Lotte Varga, Mick Russo, Maryann Domingo,

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Ryan Fitzgerald, Michael Edwards, Dr. Bong Lu, Nini Lu, Finda Daduya, Rosita Dizon

The names for Prayers for the Sick will be kept for two months. If you want to renew or add any names, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or send email to werribee@cam.org.au

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.

WEEKDAY LITURGY (17th to 22nd June 2024)

Mon: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Tues: 9.00am Mass
Wed: 9.00am Mass
Thurs: 9.00am Mass
Fri: 9.00am Mass
Sat: 9.00am Mass followed by confession

WEEKEND MASSES (22nd and 23rd June 2024)

Sat: 5.00pm Tarneit West Community Mass
 St. John the Apostle Primary School
 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 5.00pm Mass,
 10.00am St. Michael Church – Little River
 2.30pm South Sudanese Community Mass

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP 'Fellowship after Mass'

to meet and greet new and regular parishioners. This Sunday, 16th June 2024 after each Mass is

The Sausage Sizzle Fundraising For Our Youth

who will be going to

IGNITE CONFERENCE IN SYDNEY.

Tea and coffee will be served.

Please come and join us in this friendly gathering for a cost.

Everyone is welcome.

See you all there!!!



SUPPORT OUR YOUTH
GOING TO IGNITE

ONLY 1 WEEK TO GO

SAT 22 JUNE

PIZZA NIGHT
& TRIVIA!!

TICKETS ARE LIMITED!
Book Now on trybooking

Penola Hub
33 Mortimer St
Werribee

Time 7pm - 11pm
Adults = \$30
Kids 5 yrs to 12 yrs = \$20
Children 4 years and under = Free

CONTACT - SUSANNE 0438 372 952

<https://www.trybooking.com/CSHJZ>

PIZZA NIGHT tickets will be available on sale during morning masses outside the church on Sunday, 16th June 2024. Let us support our Youth who will be going to IGNITE CONFERENCE.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 16th to 24th June 2024

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 22 nd / 23 rd June	Gerry Ilagan	Red Dubier	Titus Lizardo	Natasha Krisnakumar	Angelo Moreira
MUSIC 22 nd / 23 rd June	Philu and Co.	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	St. Andrew's Choir	Ensemble of Faith	St. Joseph Vaz Choir
Communion Minister 22 nd / 23 rd June	Kristine Ventura Philu Fernandes Noelene Keogh	Jude Disanayaka Anna Obieta Alfred Obieta	Maria Malanyaon Mary Nguyen Jen Climie	Eric Demate Graeme Roberts Sheridan Fevaleaki	Stephen Hart Nadia Richards Katerine Canet
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 17 Jun: S. Raphael Mon 24 Jun: J. Hennessy		
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 17 Jun: Z. Prasad Fri 21 Jun: A. Ucala, R. Nykuy Mon 17 Jun: Volunteer		
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:	Sun 16 Jun: O. Lesoa Sun 23 Jun: C. Ilagan		
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 16 Jun: S. Raphael Sun 23 Jun: P. John		

ROSTER FOR LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FROM JULY 2024 TO JANUARY 2025 - was emailed last Friday, 14th June 2024. If you haven't received it via email or if you want to have a hard copy of the Rosters, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or send an email to werribee@cam.org.au Thank you for your continuous support to St. Andrew's Parish.



YOU'RE INVITED TO ALPHA.

Fr. Huy

I started my priestly vocation in 2010 in Nha-Trang, Vietnam and moved to Australia in 2015. I was ordained a priest in 2022. I love reading books, playing table tennis and fishing.

Alpha is a fantastic venue where you can open yourself up in exploring the faith, asking life's big questions and experiencing the life-changing power of God's love.

If you never try, you'll never know.

ALPHA @ ST. ANDREW'S
STARTS ON 17 JUL 2024
7PM TO 9PM | PENOLA HUB

COME AND SEE.



BECOMING A MISSIONARY PARISH!
St. Andrew's Werribee



Karaoke - Dinner Dance Night



Saturday, August 17, 2024
6.30pm to 11.30pm
Italian Sports Club of Werribee
601 Heaths Road, Werribee

Adult - \$60.00
Child (5-12 yrs. old) - \$30.00
Attire - SMART CASUAL
*Drinks at bar Prices
*Tea and Coffee Station



Contacts: Vic Valencia - 0430 181 920
Steven Carvalho - 0414 683 111
Cora - 9741 4144

Unsold tickets not returned on or before August 5, 2024 are CONSIDERED SOLD.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK - calling the attention of all Leaders of Parish Group and Ministry (Music Ministry, Ministry of Care, Lectors and Extraordinary ministers of Communion, Altar Sacristans, Church Cleaners, Prayer Group, Children's liturgy, Community Mass Committee, Finance Committee) make sure that all your members have a **Valid Working With Children Check. Please contact Parish Office on 9741 4144 for more information.**

WINTER APPEAL

Vinnies St Andrew's Conference is creating food hampers for members of our community who are struggling with the current cost of living challenges and have approached us for assistance.



We are asking for your support by donating the suggested items.

These can be placed in a basket near Our Lady's Altar at St. Andrew's Parish, Werribee.

We truly appreciate your support and will need these items by 20th June.

THANK YOU.



SUGGESTED ITEMS

- Biscuits
- Tea & Coffee
- Milo, Milkshake flavors, Hot chocolate, Cocoa
- Pasta - dry packet variety
- Pasta Sauce
- Rice & Lentils
- Canned Vegetables / Tomatoes
- Fruits (beetroot / peas / carrots / potatoes)
- Canned Tuna / Salmon
- Breakfast cereal / Muesli Bars
- Long Life Milk / Juice
- Two Minute Noodles
- Toiletries - Shampoo, Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrush etc.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY WINTER APPEAL 2024

Thank you for your generous support of The Society's Winter Appeal special collection last week. We have collected \$1726.50. During June, a basket will be in the church for donations of non-perishable food, toiletries and other pantry items which will be collected by the Werribee Conference members and distributed to people in need in our local area. We are also seeking new members to assist with the work of the Society. If you would like to know more about becoming a volunteer, please contact Noelene on 0400 878 844. It is through your generosity that we can continue to help those less fortunate. THANK YOU.

DAILY ROSARY ON ZOOM

Please join us via Zoom Meeting every night at 6.55pm for 7.00 pm start

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2764655672?pwd=bDZuUEJpWVp6bUFVMkY6bkpRQ0xoZz09>

Meeting ID: 276 465 5672

Password: 9rGLKz

*Let us continue to pray together for each other.
Stay safe and God bless you all.*

ELSHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Join us as we lift our voices in songs of praise and worship. We meet every Tuesday at 1pm to 2:30pm in the Penola Hub - 33 Mortimer St Werribee followed by tea and coffee. Deepen your relationship with Jesus, through praise and worship, prayer and reflection. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Susanne on 0438 372 952

RINNOVAMENTO NELLO SPIRITO SANTO ITALIANO Ricorda l'incontro settimanale del mercoledì mattina dalle 10am alle 12noon nella Penola Hub 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Unitevi a noi in preghiera, siete tutti benvenuti.

PEONIES CRAFT GROUP – It is a friendly group, which meets every Thursday at 10.00am until mid-day at the Penola Hub. We meet for companionship, having a cup of tea or coffee together and sewing, knitting, crochet or whatever craft each person likes to do. Sometimes we just come along to meet with our friends. We welcome all ages and cultures. Please contact the Parish office for further details.

DIVINE MERCY GROUP - is on every Friday, after the 9am Mass in the church. Everyone is welcome to join.

Ministry of C.A.R.E.

Christ's Arms Reaching Everybody

We are looking for volunteers who want to give Holy Communion to those who cannot physically go to Mass. Please call the parish office at 9741 4144 or email kemp.vinson@cam.org.au

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR MEN

Saturday 6 July, 10am-4pm
Carmelite Monastery, Kew

The Vocations Office invites all men discerning a vocation to a day retreat. The day will include talks on the Priesthood and discernment as well as time for prayerful reflection.

RSVP by Wed 3 July at:
vocations@cam.org.au



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
OF MELBOURNE

Children's Liturgy

Good news! We have now extended our children's Liturgy to our 9:30 AM Mass starting April onwards. We thank a few parents who have said yes to minister to our children. We invite more parents to join so that our volunteers can be put on roster for a week or two. You can either be a "Main Facilitator" or a "Volunteer Guide". If you are interested, please contact kemp.vinson@cam.org.au.



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available across a range of accounts, including 5.35% p.a.* on a 12-month Term Investment or 5.05% p.a. on a 6 Month Term, it's a way to save while doing good. To find out more, visit www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer, scan the QR code, or speak to us on 1800 134 135. *Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the CDF website.

PRAYER OF WELCOME BEFORE BAPTISM - Dear Parents, as you prepare for your child's Baptism, the people of St. Andrew's rejoice that you have chosen to baptise your child, and we pray that in the coming years you and your family will continue to know and grow in the love of God that is everlasting.



We now have an official parish facebook page: **St. Andrew's Catholic Parish, Werribee**. This will be used to post announcements and other events in our parish. Please like and share our page.

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