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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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Principal: Justin Hilton

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Principal: Simon Dundon

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Principal: Troy Rickard

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Principal: Chris Caldow

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Principal: Rose Connolly.

TWENTY- SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

28TH / 29TH SEPTEMBER 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: Numbers 11:25-29

The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders; and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied. Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp. They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent; yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. So, when a young man quickly told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp," Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses' aide, said, "Moses, my lord, stop them." But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!" **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 19:8,10,12-13,14

Response: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just.

Though your servant is careful of them, very diligent in keeping them, yet who can detect failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults!

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant; let it not rule over me. Then shall I be blameless and innocent of serious sin.

Response: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING: James 5:1-6

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like a fire. You have stored up treasure for the last days. Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter. You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous one; he offers you no resistance. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward. "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'" **THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.**

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



GOSPEL REFLECTION: The question of legitimacy of ministry is not a new one. There is a certain amount of tension between the institutional and the charismatic aspects of the church. To say that one is Spirit-driven and the other is not to misunderstand Jesus' promise to remain with the church until the end of time. God normally calls ministers through the structures of the community. The authorities of the church are usually the ones who make the ultimate decisions about the needs of the church, how these needs are to be met, and who is to meet them. That is one of the responsibilities of their office. However, God calls in other ways as well. A solid biblical tradition maintains that the Spirit is not confined to human structure or custom. We see this in the judges, the prophets, and even the early kings. The Pentecost story describes the coming of the Spirit upon all people – sons and daughters, young and old, slaves and free. When God calls it is up to us to recognise that call and to test its spirit. Perhaps the primary criterion we have for judging is the biblical measure: By their fruits you shall know them. Today we also see that those who benefit from exploitation of the vulnerable will reap the fruits of their sin. This warning stems from the belief in the justice of God. Just as we believe that God will not allow the righteous to go unrewarded, so we are confident that neither will the wicked escape punishment. **Dianne Bergant CSA**

PRAYER AT HOME: This week's opening collect is worth repeating often: *'O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.'*

VOCATION VIEW: Some people do not respond to God's call because they feel they are not worthy to do God's work. And they are not - nobody is! But still God calls. There is enough ministry for many more. Answer God's call.

ANNIVERSARIES: Margherita and Antonino Mandolino, Jozef Belkner

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Ryan Fitzgerald, Michael Edwards, Dr. Bong Lu, Nini Lu, Finda Daduya, Rosita Dizon, Alexander, Felipe and Anne, Tenorio and Franco Masalit, Paul Nguyen Thanh Long, Anna Huỳnh Phung Liên, Peter Fa'amau

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 (23rd to 28th September)

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
 7.00pm Our Lady of Fatima Novena Rosary,
 Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 and Benediction at 9.00pm
Sat: 9.00am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES (5th / 6th October 2024)

Sat: 5.30pm Our Lady of Fatima Novena Rosary
 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am
 4.30pm Our Lady of Fatima Novena Rosary,
 5.00pm Mass
 5.00pm Tamil Community Mass – Penola Hub

MASS AT THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES

We focus on parishioners who are ill or elderly. Please let us know if you or your loved ones are in hospital or at home. Please be informed that we have Masses in our hospital and in all our nursing homes.

Estia Health Werribee

1st Wednesday at 11.00am

Baptcare Wyndham Lodge Community

1st Thursday at 11.00am

Uniting AgeWell Manor Lakes Community

2nd Tuesday at 11.00am

Werribee Mercy Hospital

2nd Thursday at 2.30pm

Mercy Place Wyndham

3rd Tuesday at 11.00am

Manor Court Werribee Aged Care

4th Thursday at 10.30am

St. Vincent's Aged Care

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Friday at 2.00pm



REMINDER: DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME



will start this Sunday,
 6th October 2024 at 2am.
 Remember to turn clocks
 forward one hour.



SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP AFTER 11AM MASS - Come and meet our *new* Assistant Priest Fr. James Baptist, new and regular parishioners, this Sunday, 29th September 2024. Tea, coffee, cake, biscuits and cookies will be served. Please come and join us in this friendly gathering. You are most welcome to bring a plate to share. Everyone is welcome. See you all there!!! **(Weather Permitting)**



Novena to our Lady of Fatima

Friday, 4th October to
Saturday, 12th October 2024



WE INVITE YOU TO OUR OCTOBER NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA. THE NOVENA WILL BE HELD AT ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH, 105 Greaves St. Nth., Werribee. WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO BRING FLOWERS FOR OFFERING TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY DURING THE NOVENA.

Novena Times and Dates

October 04 Friday	7:00pm*
October 05 Saturday	5:30pm**
October 06 Sunday	4:30pm***
October 07 Monday	7:00pm
October 08 Tuesday	7:00pm
October 09 Wednesday	7:00pm
October 10 Thursday	7:00pm
October 11 Friday	7:00pm
October 12 Saturday	5:00pm

*followed by First Friday Mass, Exposition and Benediction

**followed by 6:00pm mass

***followed by 5:00pm mass

A PROCESSION AROUND THE CHURCH GROUND FOLLOWED BY 6:00pm MASS WILL BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE LAST DAY. THERE WILL BE A FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE MASS. YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO BRING A PLATE TO SHARE.



LET US MEET
AND WELCOME
FR. JAMES BAPTIST
our new
Assistant Priest

I grew up in the Southeast of Melbourne in the suburb of Bentleigh. After finishing my studies for the priesthood, I was ordained in 2020 & have served as an assistant priest in the Bayside Mission & Greater Box Hill Parish. I love playing sport when I can, especially baseball & I'm also a bit of a movie buff. Movie references may occasionally make their way into conversations or homilies! My greatest desire is to lead souls (especially our youth) to Christ through a love of the Blessed Eucharist, the Sacrament of Confession & Our Blessed Mother."

We would like to Congratulate
John and Tina Faranda
on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 29th September to 7th October 2024

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 5 th / 6 th Oct.	Nicola Fernando	John Hennessy	Maria Malanyaon	Powlin John	Andrew Canet
MUSIC 5 th / 6 th Oct.	Philu and Co.	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	Gracious Choir	Missionary Families of Christ	Sariling Tinig Choir
Communion Minister 5 th / 6 th Oct.	Noelene Keogh Desiree Galea Gerry Ilagan	Alfred Obieta Peter Walters David Cox	Jen Climie Mary Nguyen Charles Mei	Otilia Lesoa Graeme Roberts Dominic Theip	Gennie Dougla Katherine Canet Nadia Richards
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 30 Sept: Mon 7 Oct:	M. Chong M. Chong	
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 30 Sept: Fri 3 Oct: Mon 30 Sept:	M. Tong, N. Chol A. Ucala, R. Nykuy Volunteer	
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:	Sun 29 Sept: Sun 6 Oct:	O. Lesoa C. Ilagan	
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 29 Sept: Sun 6 Oct:	S. Raphael G. Ilagan	

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – Our 9.30am Children's Liturgy is looking for volunteers who can assist us as "Main Facilitator" or a "Volunteer Guide". If you are interested, please contact call the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or email kemp.vinson@cam.org.au

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=bDZuUEJpWVp6bUFVMkU6bkpRQ0xoZz09>

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.

**HOME BASED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
AT ST. ANDREW'S PARISH WERRIBEE**

Parents of children attending *Non-Catholic Primary Schools* in the Werribee area who are interested in their child attending the Sacramental Program for 2025 are asked to leave their details at the Parish Office via email werribee@cam.org.au or call 9741 4144.

The program is conducted for children in Grade 3 Pre-Sacrament, Grade 4 Reconciliation, Grade 5 Eucharist and Grade 6 Confirmation.

Please note Enrolments close 20th December 2024.
Thank you. Benita, HBRE Coordinator.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF
STUDENTS – RCIS**

St Andrew's Parish will be conducting workshops for Secondary Students residing within the Parish of St. Andrew's and wishing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist and/or Confirmation in 2025.

Please contact the Parish Office at St. Andrew's Parish on Ph. 9741 4144 or werribee@cam.org.au for more information and to leave your details.

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Thank you - Benita

HAVE YOU BEEN ENCOUNTERED? A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND IS FOR YOU

Every married couple deserves this very special weekend. Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from daily distractions. The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep the passion alive. While the weekend is based around Catholic values, couples of all faiths are welcome. Come along to your special weekend: Where: St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South When: October 4 – 6th 2024 (Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday ~ 4:30pm. Accommodation and meals are provided) No group sharing is required. For further details, please contact: Mercy & James Bvirakare Phone: 0409 183 676 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au or visit wwme.org.au

**THE SACRED ART OF TOMMY CANNING 2025 CALENDARS (FROM DIVINE MERCY PUBLICATION)
ARE FOR SALE AT THE PARISH OFFICE - Calendars: \$12.00 each**

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 baptize 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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