



Northcote & Thornbury
Catholic Parishes



**PARISH OF HOLY SPIRIT
AND ST ANTHONY'S**

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Reconciliation Times

10.30am Saturdays— St. Mary's
4.30pm Saturdays — Holy Spirit
5.00pm Saturdays - St. Joseph's
11am Sundays—St. Anthony's

MASS TIMES

St. Mary's Thornbury

Sunday: 10.00am English/Italian
5.30pm English

Weekdays: Wednesday, 9.15am
Italian

St. Joseph's Northcote

Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday: 11:00am Eng/Italian

Weekdays: Tuesday, 9.15am English

Holy Spirit Thornbury East

Saturday: 5.00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

Weekdays: Thursday, 9.15am Italian

St. Anthony's Alphington

Sunday: 9.00am Italian

11.00am English

Weekdays: Friday, 9.15am English

FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK

28 August: St. Augustine

29 August: The passion of St. John the Baptist

Recently Deceased

Olga Piovesan; Rosa Di Mauro

Carmelina Italiano (1mth)

Rosina Poci (1mth)

Primo Pilatti (1mth)

Anniversaries

Ivana Sanelli (1yr); David Reginato(1yr);

Grazia Nasrici; Roberto Raffaele Villa;

Carolina Filippin; Tony Galati; Enrico &

Stella DeLuca; Luciana Sposaro;

Molly Ahern; Grazia Mafriaci

Columban Calanders 2024 are now available for purchase from back of the churches or via Parish Office. \$10 each

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ST. JOSEPH'S NORTHCOTE

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PARISH OF HOLY SPIRIT AND ST ANTHONY'S

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21 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

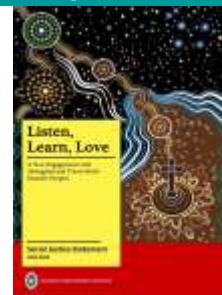
26/27 August 2023

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

With a tradition stretching back to 1940, the Australian Bishops Conference contributes to the development of local Catholic Social Teaching by releasing a major social justice statement each year in the lead up to Social Justice Sunday, which this year falls on Sunday 27 August. These statements encourage the Catholic community to reflect and act on the social, economic and ecological aspects of the Church's mission.

The title of the Social Justice Statement 2023-24 is ***Listen, Learn, Love: A new engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples***. It includes experiences and views shared by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) and calls for the Church – and society more widely – to listen to, engage and address the pain of First Nations Peoples in new ways, in order to bring an end to centuries of injustice. The Bishop's Social Justice Statement discusses the upcoming referendum regarding Indigenous Constitutional recognition through a Voice to Parliament as an important moment for Australia as we listen to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander brothers and sisters on this important decision. The Statement encourages Catholics and wider Australia to seek out and carefully consider information about the proposal, with special reference to the hopes and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. The contribution of NATSICC to the Statement includes these comments: ***Australians have an opportunity to begin a new chapter this year with the referendum on the Voice to Parliament... We, NATSICC, feel that the referendum is too important to fail. The consequences for our people and the whole nation would be devastating.***

NATSICC in 'Listen, Learn, Love'



Congratulations

Welcome to the Table of the Lord

Congratulations to all the children who will make their First Communion this weekend at St. Anthony's and Holy Spirit Parishes.

May the children be nourished by Jesus the bread of life and always come to know and love him as their friend and guide. Thank you to the teachers, Catechists and parents for preparing them for this special day.



Masses of Anointing of the Sick

Friday 1 September 9.15am-St. Anthony's, Alphington

Tuesday 5 September 9.15am - St. Joseph's, Northcote

Wednesday 6 September 9.15am - St. Mary's, Thornbury

Thursday 7 September at 9.15am -Holy Spirit, Thornbury

This parish has a commitment to ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable people in our community.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 22:19-23

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office,
I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 137

**R: Lord, your love is eternal:
do not forsake the work of your hands.**

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which
excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.

**R: Lord, your love is eternal:
do not forsake the work of your hands.**

SECOND READING Romans 11:33-36

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my church; the gates of the underworld will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets'.

'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said 'the Son of the living God'.

Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next week's readings: 22 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A.

Jer 20:7-9 Psalm: 62:2-6,8-9 Rom12:1-2 Matt 16:21-27

Prima lettura Is 22,19-23

Dal libro del profeta Isaia

Così dice il Signore a Sebna, maggiordomo del palazzo: «Ti toglierò la carica, ti rovescerò dal tuo posto.

In quel giorno avverrà che io chiamerò il mio servo Eliakim, figlio di Chelkia; lo rivestirò con la tua tunica, lo cingerò della tua cintura e metterò il tuo potere nelle sue mani.

Sarà un padre per gli abitanti di Gerusalemme e per il casato di Giuda.

Gli porrò sulla spalla la chiave della casa di Davide: se egli apre, nessuno chiuderà; se egli chiude, nessuno potrà aprire.

Lo conficcherò come un piolo in luogo solido e sarà un trono di gloria per la casa di suo padre».

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio**Salmo Responsoriale** Sal 137**R: Signore, il tuo amore è per sempre.**

1. Ti rendo grazie, Signore, con tutto il cuore:
hai ascoltato le parole della mia bocca.
Non agli dèi, ma a te voglio cantare,
mi prostro verso il tuo tempio santo.

2. Rendo grazie al tuo nome per il tuo amore e la tua fedeltà:
hai reso la tua promessa più grande del tuo nome.
Nel giorno in cui ti ho invocato, mi hai risposto,
hai accresciuto in me la forza.

3. Perché eccelso è il Signore, ma guarda verso l'umile;
il superbo invece lo riconosce da lontano.
Signore, il tuo amore è per sempre:
non abbandonare l'opera delle tue mani.

R: Signore, il tuo amore è per sempre.**Seconda lettura** Rm 11,33-36

Dalla lettera di san Paolo apostolo ai Romani

O profondità della ricchezza, della sapienza e della conoscenza di Dio! Quanto insondabili sono i suoi giudizi e inaccessibili le sue vie!

Infatti, chi mai ha conosciuto il pensiero del Signore?

O chi mai è stato suo consigliere?

O chi gli ha dato qualcosa per primo tanto da riceverne il contraccambio?

Poiché da lui, per mezzo di lui e per lui sono tutte le cose.

A lui la gloria nei secoli. Amen.

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio**Canto al Vangelo.** Mt 11,25

Alleluia, alleluia.

Tu sei Pietro e su questa pietra

edificherò la mia Chiesa e le potenze degli inferi non prevarranno su di essa.

Alleluia.

Vangelo Mt 16,13-20

+ Dal Vangelo secondo Matteo

In quel tempo, Gesù, giunto nella regione di Cesarèa di Filippo, domandò ai suoi discepoli: «La gente, chi dice che sia il Figlio dell'uomo?». Risposero: «Alcuni dicono Giovanni il Battista, altri Elia, altri Geremia o qualcuno dei profeti».

Disse loro: «Ma voi, chi dite che io sia?». Rispose Simon Pietro:

«Tu sei il Cristo, il Figlio del Dio vivente».

E Gesù gli disse: «Beato sei tu, Simone, figlio di Giona, perché né carne né sangue te lo hanno rivelato, ma il Padre mio che è nei cieli.

E io a te dico: tu sei Pietro e su questa pietra edificherò la mia Chiesa e le potenze degli inferi non prevarranno su di essa. A te darò le chiavi del regno dei cieli: tutto ciò che legherai sulla terra sarà legato nei cieli, e tutto ciò che scioglierai sulla terra sarà sciolto nei cieli».

Allora ordinò ai discepoli di non dire ad alcuno che egli era il Cristo.

Parola del Signore

Tutti: Lode a te o Cristo.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for 4 weeks, then a new request is required.

Laura Xuereb; Vittoria Caladonna; Seamus Bradley; Dion Cassar

HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Presbytery on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin or Fr. Dixon.

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATE O CONFINATE A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto contact Parish Offices **9484 2907**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Every Thursday at Holy Spirit Parish Office room at 10-11am ALL WELCOME!

Contact: Mirella at Thornbury@cam.org.au

BAPTISMS: by appointment only

- 1 Sunday of the month - St. Mary's at **12.30pm**
- 2 Sunday of the month - Holy Spirit at **9.30am**
- 3 Sunday of the month - St. Anthony's at **11am**
- 4 Sunday of the month - St. Joseph's at **11am**

First Wednesday of the month.

St. Joseph's: Baptism Preparation by appointment only.

St. Mary's: By appointment only please call parish Office

St. Anthony's and Holy Spirit: Baptism prep session 1st Saturday of the month 10am with Kevin and Katrina Jansz.

SENIORS

After the Thursday Italian Mass 9.15am at Holy Spirit Parish Hall.

- Dopo messa Bingo e carte nella sala, si offre caffè e biscotti. Tutti benvenuti
After Mass, Bingo and cards in the hall, with Coffee and biscuits offered). All Welcome.

Last Friday of the month

St. Joseph's Seniors Mass every last Friday of the Month at 10.30am in the church.

Parrochiani anziani di San Giuseppe sono invitati a partecipare alla **Santa Messa ultimo Venerdì del mese alle 10.30am.**

Masses of Anointing of the Sick

9.15am Mass of Anointing of the Sick will take place in the first week of the month at all Parishes at respective weekday Mass time.

"Telephone Prayer meeting"

When: Every Tuesday at 11.30am
Dial: **07- 5660 6012** (call from home)
Access code: **722762 #**

Cost: Cost of a local call. Open to all.

Catholic Religious Education

St. Mary's: Sundays at 9.45 am. R.E Classes in preparation for Sacraments. Please contact Mirella 9484 2907.

St. Anthony's and Holy Spirit: Sacramental program 5pm to 6pm in meeting room St Anthony's, six weeks before the Sacrament is received.

Safeguarding Children, Young

People and Vulnerable People Committee

Contact Person: Moses El-Fakhri via Parish Office.

Parish Notices

ASYLUM SEEKER SUPPORT GROUP

Hello everybody. Just a week to go before the Dinner. Dinner is fully booked
A reminder to bring some cash along, including gold coins.

We are asking for sweet things again this year. We don't want a dessert, such as a pavlova or a pudding - it needs to be something that can be picked up and eaten. If you are able to provide something please ring the office and you will be given details of when to drop your goodies off at the hall on the day of the dinner. Hope to see you at the dinner



This year the Thornbury St Vincent de Paul (Vinnies) conference celebrates its 100th year. We will formally mark this milestone at the St Mary's 10am Mass on the 17th of September. In the weeks leading up to this date we will share some details of our story.

Week 4. Who we support. One of the great features of Vinnies is that we support anyone, from any faith or cultural background who calls on us for our assistance.

The people requesting assistance contact the head office call centre (in Box Hill) and the calls for the Thornbury area are directed to our conference. The reasons for people seeking our assistance are many and often complex. These can range from people with mental or physical health issues, people with addictions (gambling, alcohol or substance), refugees/asylum seekers, people recently released from prison, people fleeing domestic violence, unemployed people or people who are simply finding it difficult to manage their funds..

While we have the sometimes difficult task of deciding what level of support to provide we do our best not to be judgemental of people's life decisions or personal situations and always endeavour to uphold their dignity and privacy.



Happy Birthday greetings to Fr. Shabin as he celebrated his birthday on Wednesday 23 August. May the Lord's Fullest blessings be upon him. May he have a joy filled year ahead.



Sacrament of Baptism

We welcome Josh and Jessica Smith as they present **Quinn Andrewartha** for his baptism at St. Joseph's on Sunday. We welcome them into the Christian Community. We congratulate the family and pray for their spiritual growth and wellbeing in the Lord.



Tea and coffee will be served after all Masses next weekend! Please stay back and enjoy one another's company.

Special Collection for Priests Retirement fund next weekend. Please give generously to support our retired Priests'



- ♦ Would you like to know more about the catholic faith?
 - ♦ Would you like to become a member of the Catholic Community through Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation?
- Please call with Mirella at the parish Office or Come and see.....**

**Inquiry Night, Thursday 31 August at 7pm
St. Anthony's Meeting Room- 45 Railway place Alphington**



How can you contribute to our parishes

This QR code is unique to St Anthony, Alphington and Holy Spirit, Thornbury East and will give parishioners direct access to our CDF pay web page. To make a payment, parishioners simply scan our CDF pay QR code with their mobile phone and follow a few easy steps.

If you would like to donate via Tap and Go please use the terminal located in the foyer. The limit is \$5. All you need to do to make a donation is tap the terminal with your credit card/ debit card/smart phone smart watch - donations will go straight in to our Church

account. **Church Account: Holy Spirit and St Anthony's Account: BSB 083 347 Account 573502200**

Presbytery Accounts: St Mary's & St Joseph's BSB 083 347 Account 857260792

Church account St. Mary's: BSB: 083 347 Account: 557931064

Church account: St. Joseph's: BSB: 083 347 Account: 663182650