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ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

Incorporating the Communities of
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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
Principal:
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Principal: Joanne Webster

Our Lady of the Southern Cross Primary School – Ph. 9974 8500
Principal: Justin Hilton

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Principal: Simon Dundon

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Principal: Troy Rickard

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Principal: Chris Caldwell

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Principal: Rose Connolly.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 20TH / 21ST APRIL 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: Acts 4:8-12

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said: "Leaders of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple, namely, by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 118:1,8-9,21-23,26,28,29

Response: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD. I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his kindness endures forever.

Response: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-2

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

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

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



GOSPEL REFLECTION: This Sunday is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Two major themes emerge from the readings: an image of the one who saves; and the power of salvation itself. The one who saves is not a mighty warrior who comes in military array. In fact, he is the one who was rejected, who was hunted down, humiliated, tortured, and hung naked on a tree, there to die in shame. The one who saves is the cornerstone of the building, holding it together, forming a firm foundation so that the structure will not collapse. The one who saves is a lowly shepherd, entrusted with sheep, not with the affairs of state. The one who saves is an unlikely Savior. This characterisation should

give us pause. Is it possible that we have been looking for a Savior in the wrong places? God's saving power flows from steadfast covenant love. It broke open the world in the death and resurrection of Jesus and it overflows as healing grace. The saving power in the name of Jesus, a name that itself means 'Savior' (cf. Matt 1:21), is for all people, even for those sheep who do not yet belong to this fold. Furthermore, it is for all time; God's mercy endures forever. Through our baptism we can bring the saving grace of God to a world in desperate need of healing. We can do this in our families, in our local communities, in the workplace, in so many situations of our lives. **Dianne Bergant CSA**

PRAYER AT HOME: Use the opening lines of Psalm 23 this week: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. By quiet waters he leads me to revive my soul.

VOCATION VIEW: This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs worthy leaders, Good Shepherds of the 21st Century, caring unselfishly for the needs of God's people. Please, pray for Vocations.

RECENT DEATH: Agata Ravaneschi, Nella Parma, Iris Durdin

ANNIVERSARIES: Marcelino Cataquian, Manuel Cataquian, Wanda Swiadek, Arnaldo DeMuri, James Jewel, Leon Germaine, Felicitas Cerdana

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

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 Office

WEEKDAY LITURGY (22nd to 27th April 2024)

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

WEEKEND MASSES (27th and 28th April 2024)

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

Wyndham Vale Community Mass
on Sunday, 21 April 2024
at 10.00am
Our Lady of Southern Cross
Primary School

All are welcome to join!!!

For more information please call the Parish Office on 9741 4144

YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER

Mothers' Day

BAKE SALE & GIFT STALL

DONATIONS OF BAKED GOODS & NEW GIFTS NEEDED FOR OUR

MOTHER'S DAY BAKE SALE & GIFT STALL

PLEASE CONTACT

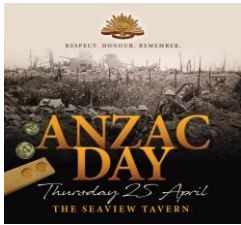
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MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN 1st NATIONAL CONFERENCE AUSTRALIA

"Walking The Path To Holiness" – 27th April 2024, 8.30am – 5.30pm at Catholic Leadership Centre Melbourne Why join us? Being a praying Mother is never giving up on your children. Accepting the mission to evangelize them, being attentive to their spiritual needs, and placing yourself as an unceasing intercessor at the feet of the Lord.

Register at Trybooking.com





*They shall grow not 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 – Thursday, 25th April 2024

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.

MARY & MARTHA WOMEN'S MINISTRY

If you are searching for a welcoming community of women who share your faith and values, Mary & Martha Women's Ministry provides a safe and loving environment to connect, share scripture and life experiences, and form lasting friendships. Join us for an information afternoon at The Penola Hub at 2 pm on Saturday 25th May. Light refreshments will be provided. For further information contact Monique - mngmei@gmail.com



This Sunday we celebrate
Good Shepherd Sunday
The World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Pope Francis tells us: *There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.*

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

A PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Jesus, we thank you for the great gift of your priesthood in the Church. We pray for all priests and those in formation for the priesthood. Form their hearts to be more like your own, the Heart of the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep. Draw them to your Heart and bless them with courage and zeal as they serve you and your people. Give them great joy as they proclaim the Good News of your resurrection, wisdom, and trust as they discern your will. We ask this with great confidence in you. Amen. **St John Vianney**

INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE - ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. **COME & SEE!** An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on 4 May 2024 Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne. For more information: Visit: Archdiocese of Melbourne permanent diaconate webpage

<https://vocations.melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate>

Read More: [Brochure] <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357 (Email) diaconate@cam.org.au

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 21st and 29th April 2024

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 27th / 28th Apr.	Josephine Fernando	Kevin McGuane	Perpetua Gitau	Luca and Lorna Pilkington	Stephen Hart
27th / 28th Apr.	Philu & Co.	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	St. Andrew's Choir	Ensemble of Faith	St. Joseph Vaz Choir
Communion Minister 27th / 28th Apr.	Philu Fernandes Desiree Galea Kristine Ventura	Jude Disanayake Anna Obieta Alfred Obieta	Charles Mei Anson John Maria Malanyaon	Cora Demate Graeme Roberts Eric Demate	Katerine Canet Maria Parba Francesca Etta
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)	This week: Next week:		Mon 22 Apr: C. Ilagan Mon 29 Apr: J. Hennessy		
CLEANER	Cleaning: Vacuuming:		Mon 22 Apr: M. Tong, N. Chol Fri 26 Apr: P. Palamara, A. Majok, N. Deng Mon 22 Apr: Volunteer		
ALTAR CLOTH	This week: Next week:		Sun 21 Apr: C. Ilagan Sun 28 Apr: C. Demate		
OUR LADY'S STATUE	This week: Next week:		Sun 21 Apr: P. John Sun 28 Apr: P. John		

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 contact kemp.vinson@cam.org.au or call the parish office at 9741 4144

Children's Liturgy

Good news! We are now extending 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 also attend Mass on certain Sundays. You can either be a "Main Facilitator" or a "Volunteer Guide". Please [contact kemp.vinson@cam.org.au](mailto:kemp.vinson@cam.org.au) if you are interested.

PARISH NEWS

ST ANDREWS PARISH WERRIBEE

Few copies of the **parish newsletter** are made available to those who are not able to access the parish updates we have shared in our Facebook page. This newsletter is published monthly and aims to highlight parish events that transpired in the previous month. If you are interested to be part of this, call the parish office at 9741 4144 or email kemp.vinson@cam.org.au

PARISH HISTORY COMMITTEE

We are forming a parish history committee that will serve as a group that will gather data, summarise and tell the story of our parish life from 1980 onwards. The main output is to publish a material that captures the highlights of the parish from 1980 onwards. If you are interested, please contact kemp.vinson@cam.org.au or call the parish office at 9741 4144.

COME AND VISIT OUR PARISH LIBRARY



Some books from our **parish library** are posted in our Parish Facebook page for reference purposes. If you are interested in borrowing those books, please contact the parish office on 9741 4144

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.

MACKILLOP COLLEGE OPEN DAY - Wednesday 1 May 2024 4.00pm – 6.30pm Final Tour at 5.45pm All welcome to attend and tour the College. For further information regarding the College please visit the College website: www.mackillop.vic.edu.au Enrolments for Year 7 2026 Applications close on Friday 16 August 2024



Catholic Theological College
Sign up for one of 9 online sessions.
Engaging Your Faith
May 2024

*Theology, Scripture, Meditation,
Spirituality, Science & Faith.*

Choose what interests you from \$25 per session.

For more information and to register:
ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/

***IGNITE CONFERENCE 2024 IN SYDNEY* - RISE UP!** - Ignite is a large Catholic Youth Conference run by the Emmanuel Community. *Ignite is OPEN TO ALL AGES* A DEPOSIT of \$300 is required by April 25th to secure flights and accommodation. DATES - Thursday 26th - Sunday 29th Sept - SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Entry to Ignite - \$305 (including lunch and dinner meals and snacks for Friday and Saturday and Sunday) Please contact Susanne 0438 372 952 for more information. <https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney>

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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