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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

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

15TH / 16TH NOVEMBER 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: *A reading from the prophet Malachi (Malachi 3:19-20)*

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 97:5-9*

Response: *The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.*

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord.

Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord.

For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness.

Response: *The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.*

Second Reading: *A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12)*

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 21:5-19)*

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?' 'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

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:

It is the age between our Lord's first coming and His last. We live in the new world begun by His life, death, Resurrection, and Ascension, by the sending of His Spirit upon the Church. But we await the day when He will come again in glory. "Lo, the day is coming," Malachi warns in today's First Reading. The prophets taught Israel to look for the Day of the Lord, when He would gather the nations for judgment (see Zephaniah 3:8; Isaiah 3:9; 2 Peter 3:7). Jesus anticipates this day in today's Gospel. He cautions us not to be deceived by those claiming

"the time has come." Such deception is the background also for today's Epistle (see 2 Thessalonians 2:1–3). The signs Jesus gives His Apostles seem to already have come to pass in the New Testament. In Acts, the Epistles, and Revelation, we read of famines, earthquakes, and the Temple's desolation. We read of persecutions believers imprisoned and put to death, testifying to their faith with wisdom in the Spirit. These "signs," then, show us the pattern for the Church's life both in the New Testament and today. We too live in a world of nations and kingdoms at war. And we should take the Apostles as our "models," as today's Epistle counsels. Like them we must persevere in the face of unbelieving relatives, friends, forces, and authorities hostile to God. As we do in today's Psalm, we should sing His praises and joyfully proclaim His coming as Lord and King. The Day of the Lord is always a day that has already come and a day still yet to come. It is the "today" of our Liturgy. The Apostles prayed maranatha "O Lord come!" (see 1 Corinthians 16:22; Revelation 22:20). In the Eucharist He answers, coming again as the Lord of Hosts and the Sun of Justice with its healing rays. It is a mighty sign and a pledge of that Day to come. **Scott Hanhs**

PRAYER AT HOME: Use today's communion antiphon this week: ***"To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord."***

VOCATION VIEW: You know that at the end of earth-time, everything will be stubble. Be sure there is a monument to your earth-love in heaven. Listen to Jesus.

RECENT DEATH: Joanna Duffy, Francesca Montalto, Giovanni Bertone

During the month of November, due to large numbers of names only the names of the recently departed will be placed in the Take Away Sheet and Prayers of the faithful.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Hilda Koster Koerntjes, Panakal Auso Raphael, Julie Horkings, Crispin De Zilva, Lynne Worsley, Dorothy Rayner, Maria Trang Nguyen, Peter Tho Huynh, Saraswathy Govindasamy, John Hassett, Rustico Socorin, Cecilia Maria, Teresa Goegan, Dinah Elly, Eutiquio Valenzuela, Tony Grech, William Harris, Annette Landicho Manicad Lapworth, Charlie (Carmel) Restall, Italo Tautunu, Alfredo Landicho Manicad

WEEKDAY LITURGY (17th to 22nd November 2025)

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
Feast of St. Cecilia for the choir

WEEKEND MASSES (22nd / 23rd November 2025)

Sat: 5.00pm Tarneit West Community Mass at St. John Primary School
 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11am and 5pm Mass
 10.00am Mass – St. Michael - Little River
 2.30pm South Sudanese Community Mass



Members of all choirs and music groups in St. Andrew's Parish and anyone who loves to sing is invited to a special

mass to celebrate **St. Cecilia's Feast Day on Saturday, 22nd November 2025 at 9.00am** in St. Andrew's Church, followed by a morning tea at the veranda. Bring a plate to share. St. Cecilia is the Patron Saint of Singers and Musicians.

All welcome to join.

NOVEMBER MEMORIAL MASSES



As usual we will have our memorial Masses for our departed loved ones during the month of November.

Masses will be offered by priests privately. All the names and Mass

offerings received will be placed at the Altar during our weekend Masses. Please make use of the special envelopes in your Thanksgiving package or place the names of your loved ones and your offering in an ordinary envelope and drop them either at the Parish Office or Presbytery letter box. During the month of November, due to large numbers of names only the names of the recently departed will be placed in the Take Away Sheet and Prayers of the faithful. Thank you



We are delighted to share the wonderful success of the Archbishop's Campaign and extend our heartfelt thanks for your generosity and support. **Together, parishes across the archdiocese have raised over \$1.1 million, including \$4,539.80 contributed by St Andrew's Parish, Werribee.** These funds will strengthen key mission areas across our Archdiocese, including the Priests Retirement Foundation, the John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, Corpus Christi College, Catholic Theological College, and the Archbishop's Evangelisation Initiatives. Thank you for your commitment to this important mission and for expressing your faith through your generous response.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 2nd to 10th November 2025

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 22 nd / 23 rd Nov	Nicola Fernando	Kevin McGuane	Franklin and Alex Ochi	Katrina Gauci	Katherine Canet
MUSIC 22 nd / 23 rd Nov	Joyful Voice Choir	St. Anthony's Choir	St. Andrew's Choir	Ensemble of Faith Choir	St. Joseph Vaz Choir
Communion Minister 22 nd / 23 rd Nov	Aroon Sequeira Wilson Monteiro Gerry Ilagan	Kevin McGuane Alfred Obieta Lillian Jilbert	Charles Mei Stella Onos Jen Climie	Maria Teofilo Graeme Roberts Sheridan Fevaleaki	Judy Anderson Genni Douglas Katherine Canet
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 17 Nov: M. H. Chong Mon 24 Nov: S. Raphael		
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 17 Nov: C. Camilleri, G. Iaria Fri 21 Nov: P. Palamara Mon 17 Nov: Volunteer		
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:	Sun 16 Nov: C. Demate Sun 23 Nov: J. Francisco		
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 16 Nov: J. Siu Sun 23 Nov: J. Siu		



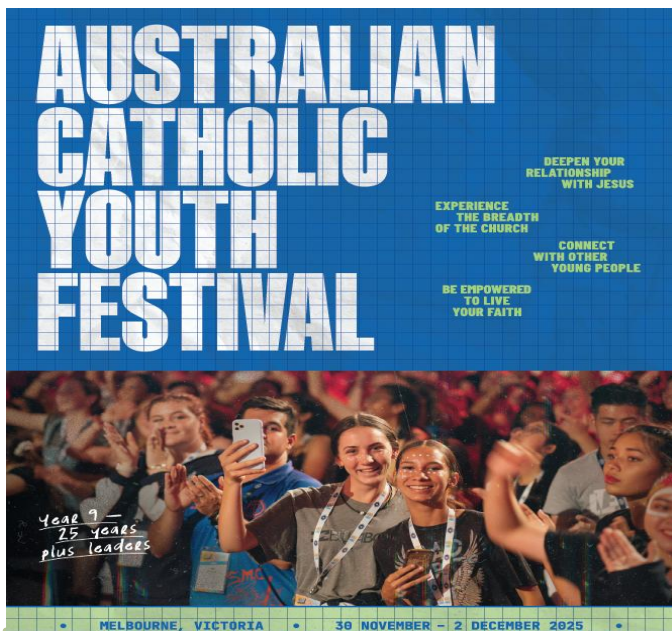
Philippines Emergency Appeal: Typhoon Tino (Kalmaegi)

You may have seen Australian media reports about *Category 4 Typhoon Kalmaegi (locally known as Typhoon Tino)* impacting Cebu in the Philippines. What is not being widely reported is the devastation on the neighbouring island of **Negros**, where our Good Samaritan ministries are based. The inland community, including the Sisters of the Good Samaritan Kinder School, has also been impacted, with families losing loved ones, facing significant damage, displacement, and loss of essential resources.

We will be having a special collection next weekend to raise funds to help families rebuild and to restore safe shelter, meals, and support.

CALLING ALL NEW AND EXISTING LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS - There will be a training session to held on Tuesday 25th November 2025 at 7.30pm and on Saturday 29th November at 10.30am in St. Andrew's Church. You are expected to attend the training session for you to be added on the next year 2026 parish rosters. Anyone interested, please register by calling the Parish Office on 9741 4144. Thank you for your generous support to St. Andrews Parish.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE PARISH, PLEASE SEE FLYERS ON THE NOTICE BOARD.



The Australian Catholic Youth Festival will start on Sunday, 30th November to Tuesday, 2nd December 2025. Please keep our young people and all the young people attending the ACYF. Let us ask for Christ's guidance and support, for them to grow in faith, and to be inspired to share the joy of the Gospel with others.

MASS AT THE HOSPITAL & 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 10.30am

Baptcare Wyndham Lodge Community
1st Thursday at 11.00am

Uniting AgeWell Manor Lakes Community
2nd Wednesday 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

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 2026 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 2025.

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 2026. 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. Enrolments close 20th December 2025. *Thank you - Benita*



Develop community self-reliance and create lasting change!

Discover How you can get involved in Palms International Volunteering

Discover Palms International Volunteering online in these two special sessions where you'll hear how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities in our Southeast Asian region.

Explore our **GAP YEAR opportunities** for (18-25yo) Year 12 graduates and university students, that could shape your future.

Date: Thursday 4 December 2025
Time: 6pm or 9pm AEDT (NSW/VIC/ACT/TAS)

Join our **TIMOR-LESTE ENCOUNTER** Information session for those who would like a short taste and tour of Palms placements to Timor-Leste from 14-27 May 2026.

Date: Monday 8 December 2025
Time: 7.30pm-8.30pm AEDT (NSW/VIC/ACT/TAS)
Venue: ONLINE-Scan the QR code or register at palms.org.au/events
02 9560 5333, palms@palms.org.au

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RED NOVEMBER: PRAY FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS - *Aid to the Church in Need* invites all Catholics to remember, pray for and support persecuted Christians throughout **Red November**. Please pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Nigeria, Sudan and the Middle East, where Christians are facing grave danger right now. Watch the official video and download your Red Rosary prayer card by scanning the QR code or visiting www.rednovember.org

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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