



Northcote & Thornbury
Catholic Parishes



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

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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

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

5 Feb: St. Agatha
6 Feb: St Paull Miki & Companions
8 Feb: St. Jerome Emiliani
8 Feb: St Josephine Bakhita
10 Feb: St. Scholastica

Recently Deceased

Anniversaries

Youssef Moussa El-Fakhri; Therese
Butros Bechara Taouk;; Ann Elizabeth
Fakhry; Youssef Boutros Malkeh Taouk;
Mtonios Suffa Fakhry; Peter Reid

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5 Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

3/4 February 2024



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Closing of the Centenary Year & Opening of the School year Mass

with the Commissioning of the School Staff
and installation of school captains and Leaders.

10am on 11 February 2024.

Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Peter Comensoli

followed by Blessing and unveiling of Centenary Plaque
Procession with Our Lady of Lourdes
and refreshments in the school Hall.

ALL WELCOME

PLEASE BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO SHARE

You are invited to
**ST MARY'S TWILIGHT
CENTENARY
CONCERT WITH:**

Friday 16 February 2024

6.30pm St. Mary's School Grounds

Entry by Donation per person
Featuring St. Mary's Students
past and present.

Come along to a night of music,
and bring your friends.

ALL WELCOME!

Gen Bryant



**BYO: FOOD, DRINK, PICNIC RUGS &
CHAIRS**

**SNACKS & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR
PURCHASE**

ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

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

FIRST READING: Job 7:1-4.6-7n

A reading from the book of Job

Job began to speak:

'Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery?

Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief.

Lying in bed I wonder, "When will it be day?"

Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'

Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.

Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind.

Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 146:1-6. Rv.3

R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken hearted

1. Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving:
to him our praise is due.

2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name.

3. Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust

R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken hearted

SECOND READING 1 Cor. 9:16-19. 22-23

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my reaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessing.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 1: 29-39

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped, her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.'

And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ

Next week's readings: 11 February 2024

6 Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lev:13:1-2, 44-46 Psalm 31:1-2, 5, 11;

1 Cor:10:31-11:1 Mark 1: 40-45

PRIMA LETTURA

Gb 7,1-4.6-7

Dal libro di Giobbe

Giobbe parlò e disse:

«L'uomo non compie forse un duro servizio sulla terra e i suoi giorni non sono come quelli d'un mercenario?

Come lo schiavo sospira l'ombra e come il mercenario aspetta il suo salario, così a me sono toccati mesi d'illusione e notti di affanno mi sono state assegnate.

Se mi corico dico: "Quando mi alzerò?".

La notte si fa lunga e sono stanco di rigirarmi fino all'alba.

I miei giorni scorrono più veloci d'una spola, svaniscono senza un filo di speranza.

Ricòrdati che un soffio è la mia vita: il mio occhio non rivedrà più il bene».

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.**SALMO RESPONSORIALE** Sal 146**R. Risanaci, Signore, Dio della vita.**

1. È bello cantare inni al nostro Dio,
è dolce innalzare la lode.
Il Signore ricostruisce Gerusalemme,
raduna i dispersi d'Israele.
2. Risana i cuori affranti
e fascia le loro ferite.
Egli conta il numero delle stelle
e chiama ciascuna per nome.
3. Grande è il Signore nostro,
grande nella sua potenza;
la sua sapienza non si può calcolare.
Il Signore sostiene i poveri,
ma abbassa fino a terra i malvagi.

R. Risanaci, Signore, Dio della vita.**SECONDA LETTURA** 1Cor 9,9:16-19. 22-23

Dalla prima lettera di san Paolo apostolo ai Corinzi
Fratelli, annunciare il Vangelo non è per me un vanto, perché è una necessità che mi si impone: guai a me se non annuncio il Vangelo!

Se lo faccio di mia iniziativa, ho diritto alla ricompensa; ma se non lo faccio di mia iniziativa, è un incarico che mi è stato affidato. Qual è dunque la mia ricompensa? Quella di annunciare gratuitamente il Vangelo senza usare il diritto conferitomi dal Vangelo.

Infatti, pur essendo libero da tutti, mi sono fatto servo di tutti per guadagnarne il maggior numero. Mi sono fatto debole per i deboli, per guadagnare i deboli; mi sono fatto tutto per tutti, per salvare a ogni costo qualcuno. Ma tutto io faccio per il Vangelo, per diventarne partecipe anch'io.

Parola di Dio

*Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.***CANTO AL VANGELO**

(Mt 8, 18)

Alleluia, alleluia.

Cristo ha preso le nostre infermità
e si è caricato delle nostre malattie.

Alleluia.

VANGELO Mc 1,29-39

Dal Vangelo secondo Marco

In quel tempo, Gesù, uscito dalla sinagoga, subito andò nella casa di Simone e Andrea, in compagnia di Giacomo e Giovanni. La suocera di Simone era a letto con la febbre e subito gli parlarono di lei. Egli si avvicinò e la fece alzare prendendola per mano; la febbre la lasciò ed ella li serviva. Venuta la sera, dopo il tramonto del sole, gli portavano tutti i malati e gli indemoniati. Tutta la città era riunita davanti alla porta. Guarì molti che erano affetti da varie malattie e scacciò molti demòni; ma non permetteva ai demòni di parlare, perché lo conoscevano.

Al mattino presto si alzò quando ancora era buio e, uscito, si ritirò in un luogo deserto, e là pregava. Ma Simone e quelli che erano con lui si misero sulle sue tracce. Lo trovarono e gli dissero: «Tutti ti cercano!». Egli disse loro: «Andiamocene altrove, nei villaggi vicini, perché io predichi anche là; per questo infatti sono venuto!». E andò per tutta la Galilea, predicando nelle loro sinagoghe e scacciando i demòni.

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.

Vittoria Calodonna; Julie Mamo; Austyn Velos; Wafa Ibrahim; Ibtsam Gorgees; Korges Yousif.

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

Christian Mediatiaon has commenced for 2024. Thursdays at 10am at Holy Spirit Parish. ALL WELCOME

BAPTISMS: by appointment only

- 1 Sunday of the month - St. Mary's
 - 2 Sunday of the month—Holy Spirit
 - 3 Sunday of the month - St. Anthony's
 - 4 Sunday of the month—St. Joseph's
- 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.

Parrocchiani 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-Fahkri via Parish Office.

Parish Notices

Have you ever wondered what's your purpose in life?

Explore

Life. Faith. Meaning

New Alpha Course Experience

for St Anthony's Alphington; Holy Spirit Thornbury East; St Mary's Thornbury and St Joseph's Northcote begins:

February 2024 (Tue) | 7pm - 9pm

Mary Mackillop Room, St Anthony's School,

45 Railway Pl, Alphington.

Contact : Mirella Pace on 03 9484 2907

Spaces are limited
Register NOW by
Scanning the QR
code



Alpha is a place where everyone
can have the chance to explore
the Christian faith, ask
questions and share their point
of view in a safe and honest
space.



Connection
Share a meal



Content
Watch a video



Conversation
Talk about anything



Sacraments 2024

If you would like your child to receive the

Sacraments during 2024 and they do not attend our parish primary schools, please contact the Parish Office **9484 2907**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) will be received in late March for Holy Spirit and St Anthony's schools and classes begin 5 February 2024. The Catechist Program prepares children for all Sacraments that will be celebrated at our four churches during 2024.

Margaret Harrington Catechist.



Ash Wednesday 14 February 2024 Mass Times

9:15am: **St. Mary's (School Mass)**

9:15am School Mass **St. Joseph's**

11:30am School Mass: **St. Anthony's**

11.30am School Mass: Holy Spirit

7:30pm Mass English: **Holy Spirit**

All invited

ASH WEDNESDAY is a day of fast and abstinence.

Please pick up your Project Compassion boxes from the church.

There will be a Lenten Reflection group held at Holy Spirit Parish in a Family home on Wednesdays during Lent at 7.30pm



Sacrament of Baptism.

We welcome into the Christian Community:

Damien & Erica Cattenazzi presenting **Nina Grace**

and Joseph & Zarah Runciman presenting **Rosemary Elizabeth** who will be baptised this weekend at St. Mary's.

We congratulate their families & pray for their spiritual growth and wellbeing in the Lord.



Refreshments will be served after all Masses this weekend.

Please stay and meet new parishioners.

Charity Account: BSN 083 347 Account Number: 140666074



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