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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

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY, YEAR C – 28TH / 29TH DECEMBER 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: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother. My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fails, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins - a house raised in justice to you.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

Response: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways! For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home; your children like olive plants around your table.

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD. The LORD bless you from Zion: may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

Response: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

SECOND READING: Colossian 3:12-21

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subordinate to your husbands, as is proper in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, so they may not become discouraged.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia

GOSPEL: Luke 2:41-52

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

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



Celebrations of the
Feast of Sto. Niño
THE HOLY INFANT JESUS
Saturday 11th January 2025

9.00am Holy Rosary

9.30am Sinulog and Procession

10.00am Holy Mass

Fellowship after Mass
All are Welcome



WEEKDAY LITURGY (30th Dec to 4th Jan 2025)
Mon: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Tues: 9.00am Mass
5.00pm Mass of Thanksgiving followed by Exposition of the Eucharist and Benediction.
Wed: Mary, the Holy Mother of God.
10.00am **New Year Day Mass**
Thurs: 9.00am Mass.
Fri: 9.00am Mass
7.00pm Rosary, Mass and Adoration.
9.00am Benediction
Sat: 9.00am Mass followed by confession.

WEEKEND MASSES (4th and 5th January 2025)
Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 5pm Mass
5.00pm Tamil Community Mass – Penola Hub

RECENT DEATH: Doris Borg

The names for Death Anniversary and Prayers for the Sick will not be listed on this Leave Here Sheet from this weekend and in the whole month of January.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 29th December 2024 / 6th January 2025

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 4 th / 5 th Jan	Ann Jennings	Anna Obieta	Maria Malanyaon	Aubrey Gantalao	Angelo Moreira
MUSIC 4 th / 5 th Jan	Philu and Co	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	Sariling Tinig Choir	Ensemble of Faith	Volunteer
Communion Minister 4 th / 5 th Jan	Desiree Galea Kristine Ventura	Lillian Jilbert John Hennessy	Charles Mei Sherine Rafael John Faranda	Cora Demate Clare Taylor Anthony Acciarito	Katherine Canet Nadia Richards Maria Parba
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)	This week: Next week:	Mon 30 Dec: M. Chong Mon 6 Jan: Communion Service – M. Chong			
CLEANER	Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 30 Dec: P. Palamara Fri 3 Jan: A. Ucala, R. Nykuy Mon 30 Dec: Volunteer			
ALTAR CLOTH	This week: Next week:	Sun 29 Dec: C. Demate Sun 5 Jan: J. Francisco			
OUR LADY'S STATUE	This week: Next week:	Sun 29 Dec: C. Ilagan Sun 5 Jan: C. Ilagan			



We thank all our parishioners who acknowledging this parish as their own and participated in the working bee to prepare the Church and the surroundings for the Lord's Nativity. Very special thanks to Joseph Vaz group who steam cleaned the church which was not done nearly 10years. May God bless you all in a very special way.



We, Frs. Anton, James & Albert and Deacon Willam would like to say sincere thanks from our hearts for your prayers, wishes, cards and gifts sharing your Christmas joy with us. You made us feel at home with you. We pray for God's special blessings upon each and every one of you.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity
and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

Francis



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS DURING CHRISTMAS TIME - Parish Office is closed for Christmas from Tuesday, 24th December 2024 and will re-open on Thursday, 2nd January 2025 at 9am

OUR LADY'S STATUE - Roster for our Lady's Statue for 2025 is available at the Altar Steps. If you would like to have the statue at your home please provide your name and phone number on the roster sheets. Thank you.

PARISH ROSTERS FOR 2025 - If you are currently on one of our rosters for Church Cleaning/Vacuuming, Reading, Music, Altar Cloths, Communion Service, etc. Please **confirm if you wish to continue** on the new roster for 2025, by sending an email to werribee@cam.org.au as soon as possible so this can be taken into account when the new rosters are drawn up. If we don't hear from you, we assume you are happy to continue on the roster. Thank you for your continued commitment and assistance in this matter.

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) will be held on March in the Penola Hub. we are asking all Parish Groups to submit a report on last year's activities (one A4 page as a guideline) to be included in the AGM Booklet, as part of Parish accountability to one another. To enable the Parish Office staff to collate the reports and produce the booklet, **PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR GROUP'S REPORT NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, 4th February 2025**. Please email your report if possible, to werribee@cam.org.au or drop it into the Parish Office. We are hoping to see at least two representatives of your group attending the AGM. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance. Exact date and time of the AGM will be confirmed later date.

**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 31st January 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 2025.

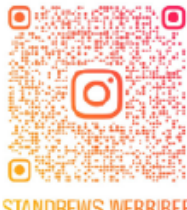
Please contact the Parish Office at St. Andrew's Parish on Ph. 9741 4144 or werribee@cam.org.au for more information and to leave your details.

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Thank you - Benita

A recording of our **PARISH SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION** held last 01 December 2024 has now been uploaded in our YouTube page and website. We encourage those who were not able to attend physically to watch this video in their own time. Thank you. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r_8FaVx4Sml

https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/articles/a19OI0_00000qpKfIAI/parish-safeguarding-induction-2024

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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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