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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

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: Rose Connolly.

TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

21ST / 22ND SEPTEMBER 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: Wisdom 2:12,17-20

The wicked say: Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us; he sets himself against our doings, reproaches us for transgressions of the law and charges us with violations of our training. Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him. For if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience. Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 54:3-4,5,6,8

Response: The Lord upholds my life.

O God, by your name save me, and by your might defend my cause. O God, hear my prayer; hearken to the words of my mouth.

For the haughty men have risen up against me, the ruthless seek my life; they set not God before their eyes.

Behold, God is my helper; the Lord sustains my life. Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O LORD, for its goodness.

Response: The Lord upholds my life.

SECOND READING: James 3:16-4:3

Beloved: Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." **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: Who are the righteous? This is a question that holds little interest today. We are more concerned with the successful and the famous. We want people to be honest, at least in their dealings with us, but we are more apt to applaud those who are clever. We commend people for making a good deal, for knowing how to get ahead or striking it rich. We extol the beautiful, the strong, the self-assured, those who have made a name for themselves, those who entertain us. We encourage people to be ambitious. Seldom is popularity based on righteousness. Yet righteousness is a pillar of the reign of God. Those who would enter that reign must be gentle and merciful, faithful and sincere, lovers of peace. They must be willing to take the last place, to be the servant of all. The righteous are not often held in high regard. They are often ridiculed and even persecuted. When they are considered a reproach to the standards of society, they may even be put to death. There are times when we might be inclined to envy and resentment, not wanting to feel morally inferior, and we might relish the opportunity of putting the virtue of others to the test. We may say that we want to draw forth their strengths, when we really hope their weaknesses will be revealed and they will prove to be no better than we are. Sometimes the righteous have nowhere else to turn but to Jesus, whose life they are following and into whose death they have been plunged. **Dianne Bergant CSA**

PRAYER AT HOME: This week's psalm makes a suitable prayer: *'O God, save me by your name; by your power uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. The Lord upholds my life.'*

VOCATION VIEW: When Jesus says, "If you wish to rank first, you must remain the last one of all and the servant of all," many people could immediately turn and walk away. Are you willing to serve as Jesus did?

RECENT DEATH: Pasquale Todaro

ANNIVERSARIES: Marcello Brunato, Giuseppe Adornetto, Salibindla Showreddy

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Ryan Fitzgerald, Michael Edwards, Dr. Bong Lu, Nini Lu, Finda Daduya, Rosita Dizon, Alexander, Felipe and Anne, Tenorio and Franco Masalit, Paul Nguyen Thanh Long, Anna Huỳnh Phung Liên

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.

WEEKDAY LITURGY (23rd to 28th September)

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

WEEKEND MASSES (28th / 29th September 2024)

Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 5.00pm Mass

PLEASE PRAY FOR GLENN MUGAVIN

the Deputy Principal / Religious Education Leader at St Andrew's Primary who was privileged to be selected to participate in the Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) 'Inspired to Lead', pilgrimage to Rome, Siena & Assisi. He is bringing our prayers with him on this spiritual encounter.

LEGION OF MARY MEETING SCHEDULE

Praesidium: Immaculate Heart of Mary is inviting you to join our meeting every Tuesday from 6.30pm to 7.30pm at Penola Hub. For more information, please call the Parish Office 9741 4144.
All are welcome to join.

MASS AT THE HOSPITAL AND 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 11.00am

Baptcare Wyndham Lodge Community

1st Thursday at 11.00am

Werribee Mercy Hospital

2nd Thursday at 2.30pm

Uniting AgeWell Manor Lakes Community

2nd Tuesday at 11.00am

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – Our 9.30am

Children's Liturgy is looking for volunteers who can assist us as "Main Facilitator" or a "Volunteer Guide". If you are interested, please contact call the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or email kemp.vinson@cam.org.au



THANKSGIVING MASS FOR FR. HUY – Everyone is invited to Fr. Huy's thanksgiving mass this Sunday, 22nd September 2024 at 11am in the church followed by a fellowship at the Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street Werribee. This is our opportunity to wish him well as he moves to continue his priestly ministry in his new parish in Mordialloc and Aspendale effective from 24th September 2024. Please bring a plate to share. See you all there.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 22nd to 30th September 2024

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 28 th / 29 th Sept	Reuben Charles	Lillian Jilbert	Lea Arida	Clare Taylor	Peter Cullen
MUSIC 28 th / 29 th Sept	Philu and Co.	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	Powlin John	Ensemble of Faith	Volunteer
Communion Minister 28 th / 29 th Sept	Desiree Galea Gerry Ilagan Phillu Fernandes	Peter Walters David Cox John Hennessy	Mary Nguyen Charles Mei Sherine Raphael	Graeme Roberts Dominic Theip Eric Demate	Katherine Canet Nadia Richards Maria Parba
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 23 Sept: M. Chong Mon 30 Sept: M. Chong		
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 23 Sept: C. Camilleri, G. Iaria Fri 27 Sept: N. Deng, A. Majok Mon 23 Sept: Volunteer		
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:	Sun 22 Sept: J. Francisco Sun 15 Sept: O. Lesoa		
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 22 Sept: S. Raphael Sun 29 Sept: S. Raphael		



Novena to our Lady of Fatima

Friday, 4th October to
Saturday, 12th October 2024



WE INVITE YOU TO OUR OCTOBER NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA. THE NOVENA WILL BE HELD AT ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH, 105 Greaves St. Nth., Werribee
WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO BRING FLOWERS FOR OFFERING TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY DURING THE NOVENA.

Novena Times and Dates

October 04 Friday	7:00pm*
October 05 Saturday	5:30pm**
October 06 Sunday	4:30pm***
October 07 Monday	7:00pm
October 08 Tuesday	7:00pm
October 09 Wednesday	7:00pm
October 10 Thursday	7:00pm
October 11 Friday	7:00pm
October 12 Saturday	5:00pm

*followed by First Friday Mass, Exposition and Benediction

**followed by 6:00pm mass

***followed by 5:00pm mass

A PROCESSION AROUND THE CHURCH GROUND FOLLOWED BY 6:00pm MASS WILL BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE LAST DAY. THERE WILL BE A FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE MASS. YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO BRING A PLATE TO SHARE.

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 20th December 2024. 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.

Enrolments close 20th December 2024.
Thank you - Benita

FOR THE ACTIVITIES IN THE PARISH AND THE NEIGHBOURING PARISHES, PLEASE SEE FLYERS ON THE NOTICE BOARD.

DAILY ROSARY ON ZOOM

Please join us via Zoom Meeting every night at
6.55pm for 7.00 pm start

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2764655672?pwd=bDZuUEJpWVp6bUFVMkY6bkpRQ0xoZz09>

Meeting ID: 276 465 5672

Password: 9rGLKz

*Let us continue to pray together for each other.
Stay safe and God bless you all.*

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.



*March
for the Babies*

MELBOURNE

SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER, AT 1PM

MEETING AT TREASURY
GARDENS, CORNER OF SPRING
ST AND WELLINGTON PDE,
MELBOURNE.

We are marching in loving
memory of the babies lost in
abortion in Victoria and to help
end abortion in Victoria, and for
better supports for pregnant
women.

*Please wear pink and/or blue
for the babies!*



CATHOLIC MISSION thanks, the parish of St Andrew's for your support of this year's Propagation of the Faith Appeal. Your generosity has empowered Church workers across 1047 mission dioceses, allowing them to spread the message of hope and love within their local communities. Your contribution of \$1,101.65 has been most gratefully received. Through your partnership with Catholic Mission, Cardinal Giorgio Marengo from Mongolia can continue providing life-saving treatment and essential resources for health, education, as well as spiritual and physical well-being. Your gift not only transforms individual lives but also fuels mission programs globally, reaching out to those in need. Many thanks!



HAVE YOU BEEN ENCOUNTERED? A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND IS FOR YOU

Every married couple deserves this very special weekend. Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from daily distractions. The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep the passion alive. While the weekend is based around Catholic values, couples of all faiths are welcome.

Come along to your special weekend: Where: St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South When: October 4 – 6th 2024 (Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday ~ 4:30pm. Accommodation and meals are provided) No group sharing is required.

For further details, please contact: Mercy & James Bvirakare
Phone: 0409 183 676 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au
Or visit wwme.org.au

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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