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MASS TIMES

St. Mary's Thornbury

Sunday: 9.00am English/Italian
5.30pm English
Weekdays: Wednesdays only
during August: 9.15am
No Mass of Anointing of the Sick
this week.

St. Joseph's Northcote

Saturday: 5.30pm
Sunday: 10:30am Eng/Italian
Weekdays: Tuesdays only during
August: 9.15am

Holy Spirit Thornbury East

Saturday: 5.00pm
Sunday: 10:00am
Weekdays: Thursdays only during
August: 9.15am

St. Anthony's Alphington

Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 9.00am Italian
11.00am English
Weekdays: Fridays only during
August: 9.15am

FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK

29 August: The passion of John the Baptist.
3 September: St. Gregory the Great

Recently Deceased

Luisa Zadro; Pietro Tancredi

Anniversaries

Antonino Galati; Stella DeLuca;
Terry Moroney; Antonino Fonti;
Roberto Villa; Sarda Khalil; Nabiha
Kairouz; John Kattar; Elvira & Habib
Georgette Abougarmra; Sharfika
Kahilil; Carmen Scopelliti; Lidia
Filonzi; Mario Christofis, Tony
Zabboughi, Italina Zuliani, Eileen Ada
Doyle and Therese Catherine Geagea

22 Sunday in Ordinary Time

27/28 August 2022



This year's Social Justice

Statement, Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse, invites us to engage with a complex and confronting social reality.

It explores the roots of violence and abuse, honours the voices of victims, offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of

violence, especially against women and children, and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives 'marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control.' We welcome this urgent call from our Church to deepen our faith through full and frank discussion and dialogue, advocacy and action.

In their Social Justice Statement for 2022-2023, *Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse*, the Australian Bishops add their voice to global campaigns to confront and call out destructive attitudes and behaviors that lead to life-limiting and long-lasting impacts on many vulnerable members of our families, churches, and society. The bishops invite us to investigate the scope, drivers, and enablers of abuse. They invite us to familiarize ourselves with programs that promote the transformation of individuals and structures and to 'take responsibility for changing the cultural factors in our Church and society that have allowed violence against women and children to flourish.' (p10)

The voices of victims and survivors of violence and abuse are woven together with scripture, social research, and our rich Catholic social justice teachings. This theological reflection also invites us to contemplate the ways in which themes within our Christian tradition can be misused to justify, legitimise, or normalise violence, such as forgiveness, submission, and leadership.

Catholic families, communities and organisations are encouraged to engage with the challenging material in the Social Justice Statement. The Statement needs to be read slowly and reflectively, individually, and collectively for its potential to be maximised. We pray that possibilities for response and action will become apparent when the Statement is considered in an open and supportive context. We invite you to practice self-compassion and awareness of the needs of those in our midst who are struggling as the implications of the Statement flow from your prayerful and purposeful deliberations.

If the content of the Statement raises issues or concerns for you, please refer to the Getting Help page in the Statement for a list of support channels, or speak to a trusted friend, your GP, your parish priest or parish pastoral worker.

Access the Statement <https://bit.ly/SJS22-23>. More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace,

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

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FIRST READING: Sirach 3:17-20. 28-29

A reading from the book of Sirach

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.
The greater you are, the more you should behave
humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord;
for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts
the homage of the humble.

There is no cure for the proud man's malady,
since an evil growth has taken root in him.
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,
an attentive ear is the sage's dream.
The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 67

**R: *God, in your goodness, you have made a home
for the poor.***

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom.
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
when your people were starved you gave them new
life.
It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor.

**R: *God, in your goodness, you have made a home
for the poor.***

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-19. 22-24

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
What you have come to is nothing known to the
senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total
darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the
great voice speaking which made everyone that
heard it beg that no more should be said to them.
But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the
city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where
the millions of angels have gathered for the festival,
with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-
born son' and a citizen of heaven.

You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and
been placed with spirits of the saints who have been
made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a
new covenant.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Mt. 11.29

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly of heart.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL Luke 14: 1. 7-14

A reading from the Holy Gospel according the Luke

Now on a sabbath day he had gone for a meal to the
house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched
him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because
he had noticed how they picked the places of honour.
He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding
feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour.
A more distinguished person than you may have been
invited, and the person who invited you both may come
and say, "Give up your place to this man". And then, to
your embarrassment, you would have to go and take
the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your
way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when
your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up
higher". In that way, everyone with you at the table will
see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will
be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be
exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a
dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or
rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by
inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite
the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they
cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate,
because repayment will be made to you when the
virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Week's Readings

Wisdom 9:13-18
Psalm 89: 3-6, 12-17, 17
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke 14: 25-33

Prima Lettura: Sir 3,19-21.30-31

Dal libro del Siràcide

Figlio, compi le tue opere con mitezza,
e sarai amato più di un uomo generoso.
Quanto più sei grande, tanto più fatti umile,
e troverai grazia davanti al Signore.
Molti sono gli uomini orgogliosi e superbi,
ma ai miti Dio rivela i suoi segreti.
Perché grande è la potenza del Signore,
e dagli umili egli è glorificato.
Per la misera condizione del superbo non c'è
rimedio, perché in lui è radicata la pianta del male.
Il cuore sapiente medita le parabole,
un orecchio attento è quanto desidera il saggio.
Parola di Dio.

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Salmo Responsoriale: - Sal 67

R: Hai preparato, o Dio, una casa per il povero.

1. I giusti si rallegrano,
esultano davanti a Dio
e cantano di gioia.
Cantate a Dio, inneggiate al suo nome:
Signore è il suo nome.
2. Padre degli orfani e difensore delle vedove
è Dio nella sua santa dimora.
A chi è solo, Dio fa abitare una casa,
fa uscire con gioia i prigionieri.
3. Pioggia abbondante hai riversato, o Dio,
la tua esausta eredità tu hai consolidato
e in essa ha abitato il tuo popolo,
in quella che, nella tua bontà,
hai reso sicura per il povero, o Dio.

R: Hai preparato, o Dio, una casa per il povero.

Seconda Lettura: Eb 12,18-19.22-24

Dalla lettera agli Ebrei

Fratelli, non vi siete avvicinati a qualcosa di tangibile né a un fuoco ardente né a oscurità, tenebra e tempesta, né a squillo di tromba e a suono di parole, mentre quelli che lo udivano scongiuravano Dio di non rivolgere più a loro la parola.

Voi invece vi siete accostati al monte Sion, alla città del Dio vivente, alla Gerusalemme celeste e a migliaia di angeli, all'adunanza festosa e all'assemblea dei primogeniti i cui nomi sono scritti nei cieli, al Dio giudice di tutti e agli spiriti dei giusti resi perfetti, a Gesù, mediatore dell'alleanza nuova.

Parola di Dio.

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Canto al Vangelo: Matt. 11.29

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prendete il mio giogo sopra di voi, dice il Signore,
e imparate da me, che sono mite e umile di cuore.

Alleluia!

Vangelo: Lc 14,1.7-14

+ Dal Vangelo secondo Luca

Avvenne che un sabato Gesù si recò a casa di uno dei capi dei farisei per pranzare ed essi stavano a osservarlo. Diceva agli invitati una parabola, notando come sceglievano i primi posti: «Quando sei invitato a nozze da qualcuno, non metterti al primo posto, perché non ci sia un altro invitato più degno di te, e colui che ha invitato te e lui venga a dirti: "Cèdigli il posto!". Allora dovrai con vergogna occupare l'ultimo posto. Invece, quando sei invitato, va' a metterti all'ultimo posto, perché quando viene colui che ti ha invitato ti dica: "Amico, vieni più avanti!". Allora ne avrai onore davanti a tutti i commensali. Perché chiunque si esalta sarà umiliato, e chi si umilia sarà esaltato».

Disse poi a colui che l'aveva invitato: «Quando offri un pranzo o una cena, non invitare i tuoi amici né i tuoi fratelli né i tuoi parenti né i ricchi vicini, perché a loro volta non ti invitino anch'essi e tu abbia il contraccambio. Al contrario, quando offri un banchetto, invita poveri, storpi, zoppi, ciechi; e sarai beato perché non hanno da ricambiarti. Riceverai infatti la tua ricompensa alla risurrezione dei giusti».

Parola del Signore.

A: Lode a Te o Cristo.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for 4 weeks, then a new request is required. Maria Shahneen

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**

CHILDREN'S

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday, 5:30pm Mass during school terms. This is a way for school aged children to gather and understand the Gospel at their age level. **Cancelled until further notice**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Every Thursday will commence on 14 July, St. Anthony's meeting room at 10-11am **WEEKLY NOW ALL WELCOME!**
Contact: Mirella at Thornbury@cam.org.au

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: 7.00pm: Baptism Preparation meeting the church.

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

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.**

First Friday of the month

St. Mary's 2.00pm Mass of Anointing of the Sick first Friday of the month.

"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

Asylum Seekers Group: August Product of the Month

August is the month of cooking oil (olive, canola, vegetable etc) and the Myki card (with some credit on it). Please leave your donation in the box at the back of the Church and it will be collected and delivered.

If you would like to join our support network please contact Rosie Hoban at hobanrosie@gmail.com and Laxmi Fonseca osvaldo3644@gmail.com



Welcome to the Table of the Lord

Congratulations to all the children who will make their First Communion this weekend at Holy Spirit Parish.

May they be nourished by Jesus the bread of life and always come to be know and love him as their friend. Thank you to the teachers, Catechist and parents for preparing them for this special day. Please keep them in your prayers.



Next meeting of the parishioners for the planning of the **Centenary of St. Mary's Parish Thornbury** will be held on **Sunday 11 September at 10am.**

Please bring your ideas as we continue to work towards celebrating this milestone.



Sisters of the Good Samaritan Study and Mentoring (SAM) program offers financial assistance for women undertaking tertiary studies at a recognized theological institution. Core components of the program include opportunities for spiritual direction, mentoring and dialogue with like-minded women.

Applications are now invited for 2023. For further information please email: samleadership@goodsams.org.au Sr Mary Patricia Hickey sgs

Next weekend is Fathers Day so there will be a special collection for the Priests Retirement Fund.

This is an opportunity to thank our retired priests for the wonderful work they continue to do for us.



MASS TIMES SURVEY 2022

Thank you to all who filled the Mass survey out last weekend. We had a wonderful response. This weekend there is another opportunity for you to fill in the Mass survey. These will be collated and presented for discussion at the next Partnership Leadership team. The results will be communicated to you via email and Newsletter.



How can you contribute to the parish

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.

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Church account St. Mary's: BSB: 083 347 Account: 557931064

Church account: St. Joseph's: BSB: 083 347 Account: 663182650

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