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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

13 May: Our Lady of Fatima
14 May: St Matthias, Apostle
18 May St John 1, Pope

Recently Deceased

Mary Costin; Carmel Murphy; Andrew Sinn; Rosa Fonti Iacono (in Italy)
Rosa Guadagnolo (in Italy)

Anniversaries

Mario & Angela Alessio; Hanna Najib Sukkar; Gibran Antoine Khoury Taouk; Antoine Hanna Rahme; Emile Ibrahim Fakhry; Addie Rushton.

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Northcote & Thornbury Catholic Parishes



The Ascension of the Lord

12 May 2024

Happy Mother's Day

'Blessed art thou among women'



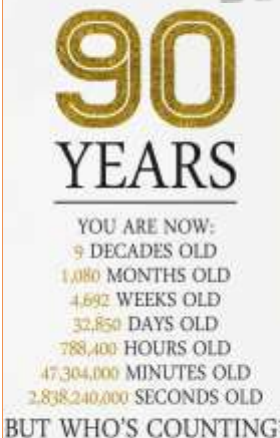
As we gather with hearts full of gratitude and cherishing love this weekend dedicated to our mothers, it is worth reflecting on this beautiful scripture from the book of Proverbs that so eloquently captures the essence of a mother. *Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the day to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.* (Proverbs 31:25-29)

Mothers are indeed a wonderful embodiment of strength, wisdom, kindness, and unwavering love. They are the nurturing bonds that hold our families together, the enduring light that guides us through life's darkest hours. Therefore, it is only fitting that we honour them, not just today on Mother's Day, but every day, for their boundless sacrifices and ceaseless love.

Fr. Tony Majellan Media

Happy 90 Birthday Mons Tom!

90 years young!



Congratulations and best wishes to our beloved **Monsignor Tom Doyle** for a very Happy 90 Birthday! *Many birthday wishes are sent your way, knowing you will have a wonderful day, surrounded by people you hold most dear, gathered to celebrate one more year. A joy-filled day is wished for you that will last the whole year through. You're one of the those people and today is one of those times when you need to be reminded again of what are blessing you are and how much you are loved.*

God bless you on your birthday!

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

FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.' The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 46:2-3. 6-7. 8-9. R. v.6

**R: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

1. All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth.

2. God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

3. God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

**R: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

SECOND READING

Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 28:19.20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 16:15-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven, and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world, proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.'

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next week's readings: Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11 Psalm 103:1,24,29-31, 34.

Gal: 5:15-25 Jn15: 26-27; 16:12-15

Prima lettura At 1,1-11

Dagli Atti degli Apostoli

Nel primo racconto, o Teòfilo, ho trattato di tutto quello che Gesù fece e insegnò dagli inizi fino al giorno in cui fu assunto in cielo, dopo aver dato disposizioni agli apostoli che si era scelti per mezzo dello Spirito Santo. Egli si mostrò a essi vivo, dopo la sua passione, con molte prove, durante quaranta giorni, apparendo loro e parlando delle cose riguardanti il regno di Dio. Mentre si trovava a tavola con essi, ordinò loro di non allontanarsi da Gerusalemme, ma di attendere l'adempimento della promessa del Padre, 'quella – disse – che voi avete udito da me: Giovanni battezzò con acqua, voi invece, tra non molti giorni, sarete battezzati in Spirito Santo'.

Quelli dunque che erano con lui gli domandavano: 'Signore, è questo il tempo nel quale ricostituirai il regno per Israele?'. Ma egli rispose: 'Non spetta a voi conoscere tempi o momenti che il Padre ha riservato al suo potere, ma riceverete la forza dallo Spirito Santo che scenderà su di voi, e di me sarete testimoni a Gerusalemme, in tutta la Giudea e la Samaria e fino ai confini della terra'. Detto questo, mentre lo guardavano, fu elevato in alto e una nube lo sottrasse ai loro occhi. Essi stavano fissando il cielo mentre egli se ne andava, quand'ecco due uomini in bianche vesti si presentarono a loro e dissero: 'Uomini di Galilea, perché state a guardare il cielo? Questo Gesù, che di mezzo a voi è stato assunto in cielo, verrà allo stesso modo in cui l'avete visto andare in cielo'. Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.**Salmo responsoriale** Sal 46**Rit: Ascende il Signore tra canti di gioia.**

1. Popoli tutti, battete le mani!
Acclamate Dio con grida di gioia,
perché terribile è il Signore, l'Altissimo,
grande re su tutta la terra.
2. Ascende Dio tra le acclamazioni,
il Signore al suono di tromba.
Cantate inni a Dio, cantate inni,
cantate inni al nostro re, cantate inni.
3. Perché Dio è re di tutta la terra,
cantate inni con arte.
Dio regna sulle genti,
Dio siede sul suo trono santo. .

Rit: Ascende il Signore tra canti di gioia.**Seconda lettura** Eb 9,24-28; 10,19-23

Dalla lettera agli Ebrei

Cristo non è entrato in un santuario fatto da mani d'uomo, figura di quello vero, ma nel cielo stesso, per comparire ora al cospetto di Dio in nostro favore. E non deve offrire se stesso più volte, come il sommo sacerdote che entra nel santuario ogni anno con sangue altrui: in questo caso egli, fin dalla fondazione del mondo, avrebbe dovuto soffrire molte volte.

Invece ora, una volta sola, nella pienezza dei tempi, egli è apparso per annullare il peccato mediante il sacrificio di se stesso. E come per gli uomini è stabilito che muoiano una sola volta, dopo di che viene il giudizio, così Cristo, dopo essersi offerto una sola volta per togliere il peccato di molti, apparirà una seconda volta, senza alcuna relazione con il peccato, a coloro che l'aspettano per la loro salvezza. Fratelli, poiché abbiamo piena libertà di entrare nel santuario per mezzo del sangue di Gesù, via nuova e vivente che egli ha inaugurato per noi attraverso il velo, cioè la sua carne, e poiché abbiamo un sacerdote grande nella casa di Dio, accostiamoci con cuore sincero, nella pienezza della fede, con i cuori purificati da ogni cattiva coscienza e il corpo lavato con acqua pura. Manteniamo senza vacillare la professione della nostra speranza, perché è degno di fede colui che ha promesso.

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.**Canto al Vangelo**

Mt 28, 19.20

Alleluia, alleluia.

Andate e fate discepoli tutti i popoli, dice il Signore, ecco, io sono con voi tutti i giorni, fino alla fine del mondo. Alleluia.

Vangelo

Dal Vangelo secondo Marco

In quel tempo, Gesù apparve agli Undici e disse loro: «Andate in tutto il mondo e proclamate il Vangelo a ogni creatura. Chi crederà e sarà battezzato sarà salvato, ma chi non crederà sarà condannato. Questi saranno i segni che accompagneranno quelli che credono: nel mio nome scacceranno demòni, parleranno lingue nuove, prenderanno in mano serpenti e, se berranno qualche veleno, non recherà loro danno; imporranno le mani ai malati e questi guariranno».

Il Signore Gesù, dopo aver parlato con loro, fu elevato in cielo e sedette alla destra di Dio. Allora essi partirono e predicarono dappertutto, mentre il Signore agiva insieme con loro e confermava la Parola con i segni che la accompagnavano. 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, Rose Walker, Wafa Ibrahim
Jerom Gorges, Korkes Yousif and Suhalia 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. Peter.

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 Meditation on Thursdays at 10.30am 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.**

Mass of Anointing of the Sick

9.15am Mass of Anointing of the Sick will take place in the first Friday of the month at St. Anthony's Alphington.

"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



Holy Spirit Feast Day Mass Pentecost Sunday, 19 May

9.30am Mass followed by morning tea.
Please bring a plate of food to share.



St. Anthony's Feast Day Mass 16 June at 10.30am.
Lunch to follow on Sunday 23 June at the Furlan Club.
More details to follow soon.

Melbourne to embark on a weekend of prayer, 31 May to 2 June.

Churches across the Archdiocese of Melbourne will open their doors for a weekend of prayer from Friday 31 May to Sunday 2 June. Dubbed **Fiat**—inspired by Mary's 'yes' to the Lord—the weekend coincides with the feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi).

The weekend is an opportunity for local communities to unite in prayer during this **Year of Prayer in preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025**. St Augustine's to host Fiat opening event. Fiat opens on Friday night at St Augustine's Church on Bourke Street, with different youth groups and communities leading prayer at various times during the evening. There will also be live music, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and various priests present to offer the sacrament of Reconciliation.

There will also be an element of outreach, with parishioners inviting those visiting the city area to **'come and see'**. The evening is based on an international initiative called Nightfever, which was started by a group of young people following World Youth Day 2005 in Cologne, Germany. Nightfever has since taken place in more than 80 cities around the world, providing an opportunity to invite people to encounter God's love and mercy in prayer, even welcoming in passers-by who may be far from the faith.

We seek to walk with Christ, praying for peace, expressing gratitude and lifting up our community in prayer.

Parishes around Melbourne are invited to host similar prayer opportunities for locals to participate in. Last year's Fiat included parishes offering 24 hours of adoration, Stations of the Cross, morning Masses, and talks hosted by various members of each parish.

Weekend to conclude with Eucharistic procession

This year, Fiat will conclude with the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) on 2 June, and to mark the occasion, Corpus Christi College, the regional seminary for Victoria and Tasmania, has partnered with St Patrick's Cathedral to offer an afternoon of prayer and a Eucharistic procession from Carlton to East Melbourne.

The day will commence at 1pm with Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Carlton, followed by a Eucharistic procession to the Cathedral (from 2.30pm). Upon arrival at the Cathedral, Solemn Vespers and Benediction will be offered.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: We congratulate the Confirmation Candidates from St Joseph's School who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday night at St. Joseph's church. We thank the teachers, parents, and Bishop Terry Curtin for making this evening so special for everyone.



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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

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