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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

8 April: The Annunciation

11 April: St. Stanislaus

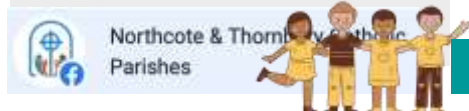
Recently Deceased

Francesco Vavalà

Anniversaries

Frank Franklin; Gabrielle Varrado;
Chrissie Murphy; Chafic Moussa Fakhry;
Hani Moussa Hajj; Youssef Geryes;
Nassima Fakhry and Antonio Ghastine Fakhry.

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2 Sunday of Easter Year B

7 April 2024



Pope Francis at Regina Coeli: **Seek the Risen One in the community**

Pope Francis insists on the need to remain within the Church in order to find Jesus, while calling on the faithful to open our arms to all those who are wounded by life, excluding no one from God's mercy.

There's more to the Apostle St Thomas than his famous doubts about Jesus' Resurrection. The Pope began his reflection on the day's Gospel by noting that "Thomas was not the only one who struggled to believe." But unlike his fellow Apostles, who closed themselves inside the Upper Room, Thomas "showed he was courageous," he "went out, running the risk that someone might recognize, report, or arrest him." When the other Apostles told Thomas that Jesus had appeared to them, he struggled to believe them, saying he will believe only when he can see and touch the wounds of Jesus.

Thomas, "wants an extraordinary sign – to touch the wounds. Jesus shows them to him, but in an ordinary way, coming in front of everyone, in the community." Jesus makes Himself known in the community, and it is in the presence of the community that He shows the Apostles His wounds, "the proof of his love, the ever-open channels of His mercy."

We, like Thomas, are invited to "seek the Risen One" not in "some spectacular or amazing religious manifestation, only at the emotional or sensational level," but within the community of believers, the Church. "Despite all its limitations and failures, which are our own limitations and failures, our Mother Church is the Body of Christ, and it is there, in the Body of Christ, that the greatest signs of His love can be found, impressed, now and forever."

And he invited us to ask ourselves if, "in the name of this love, in the name of Jesus's wounds, whether we are willing to open our arms to those who are wounded by life, excluding no one from God's mercy, but welcoming everyone – each person like a

FIRST READING

Acts 4:32-35

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 117

Response : Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.'
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die.
3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.

Response : Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

SECOND READING

1 John 5:1-6

A Reading from the first letter of John

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is—keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not

difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world -our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness -since the Spirit is the truth.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you,'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book.

These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name. The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Next week's readings: 3 Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Psalm 4:2, 4,5,9

1 John:2:1-5 Luke 24: 35-48

Prima Lettura

At 4:32-35

Dagli Atti degli Apostoli

La moltitudine di coloro che erano diventati credenti aveva un cuore solo e un'anima sola e nessuno considerava sua proprietà quello che gli apparteneva, ma fra loro tutto era comune.

Con grande forza gli apostoli davano testimonianza della risurrezione del Signore Gesù e tutti godevano di grande favore.

Nessuno infatti tra loro era bisognoso, perché quanti possedevano campi o case li vendevano, portavano il ricavato di ciò che era stato venduto e lo deponevano ai piedi degli apostoli; poi veniva distribuito a ciascuno secondo il suo bisogno.

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio**Salmo responsoriale** Sal: 117**R: Rendete grazie al Signore perché è buono: il suo amore è per sempre.**

1. Dica Israele:

«Il suo amore è per sempre».

Dica la casa di Aronne:

«Il suo amore è per sempre».

Dicano quelli che temono il Signore:

«Il suo amore è per sempre».

2. La destra del Signore si è innalzata,
la destra del Signore ha fatto prodezze.

Non morirò, ma resterò in vita

e annuncerò le opere del Signore.

Il Signore mi ha castigato duramente,
ma non mi ha consegnato alla morte.

3. La pietra scartata dai costruttori

è divenuta la pietra d'angolo.

Questo è stato fatto dal Signore:

una meraviglia ai nostri occhi.

Questo è il giorno che ha fatto il Signore:

rallegriamoci in esso ed esultiamo!

R: Rendete grazie al Signore perché è buono: il suo amore è per sempre.**Seconda lettura** 1Gv 5,1-6

Dalla prima lettera di san Giovanni apostolo
Carissimi, chiunque crede che Gesù è il Cristo, è
stato generato da Dio; e chi ama colui che ha
generato, ama anche chi da lui è stato generato.

In questo conosciamo di amare i figli di Dio: quando
amiamo Dio e osserviamo i suoi comandamenti. In

questo infatti consiste l'amore di Dio, nell'osservare i suoi
comandamenti; e i suoi comandamenti non sono gravosi.
Chiunque è stato generato da Dio vince il mondo; e questa
è la vittoria che ha vinto il mondo: la nostra fede.

E chi è che vince il mondo se non chi crede che Gesù è il
Figlio di Dio? Egli è colui che è venuto con acqua e sangue,
Gesù Cristo; non con l'acqua soltanto, ma con l'acqua e
con il sangue. Ed è lo Spirito che dà testimonianza, perché
lo Spirito è la verità. Parola di Dio.

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio**Canto al Vangelo** (Gv 20,29)

Alleluia, alleluia.

Perché mi hai veduto, Tommaso, tu hai creduto;
beati quelli che non hanno visto e hanno creduto!

Alleluia.

Vangelo

Gv.20:19-31

Dal Vangelo secondo Giovanni

La sera di quel giorno, il primo della settimana, mentre
erano chiuse le porte del luogo dove si trovavano i
discepoli per timore dei Giudei, venne Gesù, stette in
mezzo e disse loro: «Pace a voi!». Detto questo, mostrò
loro le mani e il fianco. E i discepoli gioirono al vedere il
Signore.

Gesù disse loro di nuovo: «Pace a voi! Come il Padre ha
mandato me, anche io mando voi». Detto questo, soffiò e
disse loro: «Ricevete lo Spirito Santo. A coloro a cui
perdonerete i peccati, saranno perdonati; a coloro a cui
non perdonerete, non saranno perdonati».

Tommaso, uno dei Dodici, chiamato Didimo, non era con
loro quando venne Gesù. Gli dicevano gli altri discepoli:
«Abbiamo visto il Signore!». Ma egli disse loro: «Se non
vedo nelle sue mani il segno dei chiodi e non metto il mio
dito nel segno dei chiodi e non metto la mia mano nel suo
fianco, io non credo».

Otto giorni dopo i discepoli erano di nuovo in casa e c'era
con loro anche Tommaso. Venne Gesù, a porte chiuse,
stette in mezzo e disse: «Pace a voi!». Poi disse a
Tommaso: «Metti qui il tuo dito e guarda le mie mani;
tendi la tua mano e mettila nel mio fianco; e non essere
incredulo, ma credente!». Gli rispose Tommaso: «Mio
Signore e mio Dio!». Gesù gli disse: «Perché mi hai veduto,
tu hai creduto; beati quelli che non hanno visto e hanno
creduto!».

Gesù, in presenza dei suoi discepoli, fece molti altri segni
che non sono stati scritti in questo libro. Ma questi sono
stati scritti perché crediate che Gesù è il Cristo, il Figlio di
Dio, e perché, credendo, abbiate la vita nel suo nome.
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.

Anita Zacchingia; Mitchell Ponza; Pasquale Spano

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.**

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

SINCERE THANKS TO EVERYONE

who assisted in making the Holy Week and Easter liturgies such memorable celebrations.

Your support and help has been greatly appreciated.

May you and your families have a joy-filled Easter!



Sacrament of Baptism



We welcome into the Christian Community **John Michael and Angela Lee** as they present **Rosemary June Chaplin and Jackson Timothy and Anna as they present Thomas Andrea Cooper** for baptism at St. Mary's on Sunday.

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

"How do you raise up an army of leaders that can unleash change in your parish? Come and Listen to Dan O'Rourke and Barb Conlon.

It might be one of the most daunting questions to ask in parish renewal. Join us for a transformative experience designed to inspire, connect and equip parish leaders with the insights and tools needed to ignite parish renewal, by diving into the crucial area of raising up leaders in your parish

Thursday, 11 April 2024; Holy Trinity Church; 62A Everingham Rd., Altona Meadows at 6pm-9pm; \$15 per Ticket.



Auguri di Buon 90mo compleanno

Angela Rombiolo

Tutte le benedizioni di Dio scenda su di te per il tuo compleanno e ti arrechi solo giorni sereni pieni di pace e tranquillità. Auguri infiniti da Fr. Shabin, Fr. Peter e tutta la comunità di Santa Maria.

ANNUAL PARISH VISIT

If you would like Fr. Shabin or Fr. Peter to visit your home for a home blessing, a family visit, or to anoint a sick family member. Please contact the parish Office Tuesdays to Fridays on 9484 2907 to make an appointment.



Please remember to return your Projects compassion boxes to the Partnership Parishes.



Refreshments will be served after all Masses Today.

Please stay and meet new parishioners

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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

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