



PARK ORCHARDS & WARRANDYTE

Parish of St. Gerard + St. Anne

Celebrating  
50 YEARS

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 10 Aug 2025



### The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne

Parish Priest: Fr. Arsenio Tuazon  
Pastor Emeritus: Fr. John Dupuche

St Anne's 54 Knees Road, Park Orchards 3114  
St Gerard's McCulloch Street, Warrandyte 3113

#### Mass Times: St Gerard & St Anne

**Sundays 10.30am**

Third Sunday of each month St Anne's Park Orchards  
All other Sundays St Gerard's Warrandyte

**Tuesdays 9.00am**

St Gerard's Warrandyte

#### Mass Times: Holy Spirit Ringwood North

Wednesday 9.15am Mass

Friday 9.15am Mass

Saturday 6.00pm Mass

Sunday 9.00am Mass

Sunday 5.00pm Mass (*in the Chapel*)

**St Anne Parish Office** 54 Knees Road, Park Orchards

**Phone:** 7064 3922

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#### Sacraments

Please contact the parish office for:

**Baptisms:** Every 2nd Sunday at St Anne's Chapel

**Reconciliation:** Holy Spirit Church, Nth Ringwood

**Weddings:** By appointment

#### St Anne's Primary School

Principal: Michael Edmonds **Ph:** (03) 9876 1533

**Child Safe Committee:** Private Mailbox  
[parkorchards.safeguarding@cam.org.au](mailto:parkorchards.safeguarding@cam.org.au)

### First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom

*Just as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious  
by calling us to you.*

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that,  
once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in,  
they would joyfully take courage.  
This was the expectation of your people,  
the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies;  
for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes  
you made us glorious by calling us to you.  
The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret  
and this divine pact they struck with one accord:  
that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike;  
and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

### Responsorial Psalm

**R.** Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.

They are happy, whose God is the Lord,  
the people he has chosen as his own. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

## Second Reading

*(Short form)*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*We will look for the city designed and built by God.*

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.



## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*See that you are prepared.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.'

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.'

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.'

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'



## NEWS FROM ST GERARD'S/ST ANNE'S PARISH

*Reaching out in Prayer, Hospitality and Action*

**Committed to a Child Safe Environment**

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*The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of this land.*

### **EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK: 10 August to 17 August**

|      |            |         |                                                          |
|------|------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Sun  | 10 Aug     | 10:30am | Mass at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte                   |
| Tues | 12 Aug     | 9:00am  | Mass at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte                   |
| Fri  | 15 Aug     | 11:50am | Mass at St Anne's Church, Park Orchards                  |
|      | <u>AND</u> | 6:00pm  | Mass at Holy Spirit Chapel, North Ringwood               |
|      |            |         | <b>Feast of the Assumption, a Holy Day of Obligation</b> |
| Sun  | 17 Aug     | 10:30am | Mass at St Anne's Church, Park Orchards                  |
|      |            |         | <b>First Eucharist Commitment Mass</b>                   |

### **ROSTER: August 2025**

| Date                      | Reader        | Commentator          | Morning Tea       | Welcomers         | Flowers              |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 3-Aug                     | Saskia Harris | Anne-Marie Stevenson | Therese Chapman   | Wilma Bouchier    | Anne-Marie Stevenson |
| 10-Aug                    | Carmel Murphy | Paul Moritz          | Anita Lynch       | Barbara Young     | Ellen Holmes         |
| <b>17-Aug<br/>St Anne</b> | Nada Whittle  | Volunteer required   | Caterina Brouwer  | Elaine Macpherson | Ellen Holmes         |
| 24-Aug                    | Anita Lynch   | Saskia Harris        | Elaine Macpherson | Lorraine Rath     | Elaine Macpherson    |
| 31-Aug                    | Paul Moritz   | Cathy Morell         | Ellen Holmes      | Michelle Kearney  | Elaine Macpherson    |

### **Experience Mass in the peace and beauty of Warrandyte.**

We warmly welcome everyone to join us for

**Mass at St Gerard's in Warrandyte every Tuesday morning at 9:00am.**

Set in beautiful surroundings, Mass at St Gerard's is an inspiring way to start your day so please come along and share the experience with us. St Gerard's, 3 McCulloch Street, Warrandyte.

### **InterChurch Council Dinner—Save the Date!**

**When:** Friday 29th August, 2025

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Venue:** Now and Not Yet, 148-150 Yarra Street, Warrandyte

**Speaker:** Nicole Werner, MP, Member for Warrandyte

**RSVP:** To Michelle no later than 3:00pm Friday 22nd August 2025

**Ph:** 7064 3922 or [parkorchards@cam.org.au](mailto:parkorchards@cam.org.au)

### **National Vocations Awareness Week, 3rd to 10th August 2025**

Please pray for our priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in our community. Please pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that the saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from our community.

## Trading Table—a “Thank You” from Mary McKillop Today

Just wanted to say thank you to you and the parishioners of St Gerard's and St Anne's Parish for your generous donation to support our work.

We truly appreciate the generosity today that allows those we support to build a better tomorrow and flourish.

If you would like to speak to us or have any questions, please do get in touch any time on 02 8912 2763.

Thank you again so much.

Kind regards,

Fiona [Jones]

## POWER GROUP

The next POWER Group meeting is 12:30pm on Wednesday, 13th August, 2025 at Cherry Hill.  
All welcome!

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

A huge thank you from the Parish to all of you who so cheerfully (and in some cases, with much persistence) obtained or renewed your Working with Children Check.

A Safeguarding Audit has just commenced within the Archdiocese. This is concerned with policies, procedures and practices intended to keep vulnerable persons—not just children—safe. It will become clear in the next week or so if our Parish is one of the 25 Parishes randomly selected to be audited, along with the various functions at, and agencies of, the Archdiocese.

There is a need for all who volunteer to do the online safeguarding training every three years. I'll be in touch with all those required to do the training shortly. Arrangements can be made for those who do not have access to a computer.

*Michelle*

## The Jubilee of Youth. “You’re a pilgrim, not a tourist.” Pope Leo XIV

120,000 attended the opening Mass and over a million the final Mass at which Melbourne's Fr Jude Johnson was a concelebrant.

