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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

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Principal: Justin Hilton

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Principal: Chris Caldwell

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Regional College -

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Principal: Rose Connolly.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B - 3RD / 4TH FEBRUARY 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: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Job spoke, saying: Is not man's life on earth a drudgery? Are not his days those of hirelings? He is a slave who longs for the shade, a hireling who waits for his wages. So I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me. If in bed I say, "When shall I arise?" then the night drags on; I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they come to an end without hope. Remember that my life is like the wind; I shall not see happiness again.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Response: Praise the Lord, who heals the broken-hearted.

Praise the LORD, for he is good; sing praise to our God, for he is gracious; it is fitting to praise him. The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; the dispersed of Israel he gathers.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He tells the number of the stars; he calls each by name.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit. The LORD sustains the lowly; the wicked he casts to the ground.

Response: Praise the Lord, who heals the broken-hearted.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Brothers and sisters: If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! If I do so willingly, I have a recompense, but if unwillingly, then I have been entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my recompense? That, when I preach, I offer the gospel free of charge so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible. To the weak I became weak, to win over the weak. I have become all things to all, to save at least some. All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. Christ took away our infirmities and bore our diseases. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them. When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose, have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

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:

Today we see three snapshots from the photo album of life. Suffering comes to everyone. It can take such a hold of us that the happiness of the past is swallowed up, the beauty of better days is forgotten, and the hope of a brighter future is imperilled. Life ceases to be an adventure and takes on the guise of drudgery. At such times suffering appears to be our permanent fate, and life seems too short for suffering to run its course. If we become identified with our distress, we will be tormented. Jesus knew the harshness of life, because he was one of us. He saw it in the lives of those he loved, and he was touched by their torment. He came to release people from the demons that possess them, from the illness that undermined their lives. He came to bring the reign of God, the reign of peace and fulfilment. He came to heal the brokenhearted, to bind up their wounds. Paul was a messenger of this gospel of salvation and fulfilment. He was so committed to his mission that he empathised with all those who heard his preaching – the slaves, the weak, the brokenhearted, all those who knew well the harshness of life. Now it is our turn. We are the disciples who must bring the good news to the brokenhearted, to those who are enslaved, to those who are weak. We are the ones who will then share in the blessings of this good news.

Dianne Bergant CSA

PRAYER AT HOME: Recite the Reponse of Psalm daily this week: ***Praise the Lord, who heals the broken-hearted.***

VOCATION VIEW: The afflicted Job in the Old Testament thinks that his life is like dust in the wind; his restlessness depicting the sorrow and sadness afflicting society today. Are we prepared for the task ahead? To heal the broken-hearted, to bind up all their wounds? How do you choose to respond?

RECENT DEATH: William Kenny, Mario Bellistiri, Ricarda Montuya, Pat Callahan

ANNIVERSARIES: Michael Cipriano, Avelina Nunez-Ison, Gregorio D'Abaco

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege,

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 Staff.

WEEKDAY LITURGY (5th to 10th February 2024)

Mon: 9.00am Liturgy of the word with Communion

Tues: 9.00am Mass

Wed: 9.00am Mass

Thurs: ***Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita***

9.00am Mass.

Fri: 9.00am Mass

Sat: 9.00am Mass followed by confession

WEEKEND MASSES (10th / 11th February 2024)

Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 5pm Mass

2.00pm Burmese Community Mass

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=bDZuUEJpWVp6bUFVMkI6bkpRQ0xoZz09>

Meeting ID: 276 465 5672

Password: 9rGLKz

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

ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA



**Wednesday,
8th February 2023**

*"Be good,
love the Lord,
pray for those who
do not know Him.
What a great grace
it is to know God!"*

LEGION OF MARY - *Praesidium: Immaculate Heart of Mary* - Every Tuesday from 7.30pm to 8.30pm at Penola Hub. For more information please call the Parish Office 9741 4144.

OUR LADY'S STATUE ROSTER

for our Lady's Statue for 2024 is available at the Altar Steps. If you would like to have the statue at your home please fill provide your name and phone number on the roster sheets. Thank you.

If you want to subscribe for St. Andrews Parish Take Away Sheet please follow the link below
<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/subscription?id=0012w00000LOj75AAD®=subscribe>
or check our website.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS – All volunteers are required to sign the St. Andrew's Code of Conduct. If you have not done it yet, please sign 2 copies, one for you to keep and one to be submitted to the parish office. Copies of the booklet are available at the Altar steps or at the Parish Office.
Thank you – St. Andrew's Safeguarding Committee

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 4th to 12th Feb. 2024

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 10 th / 11 th Feb.	Vic Valencia	Kevin McGuane	Anuki Pandithakoralege	Powlin John	Peter Cullen
MUSIC 10 th / 11 th Feb.	Philu and Co.	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	Padre Pio Choir	South Sudanese Choir	St. Andrew's Children's Choir
Communion Minister 10 th / 11 th Feb.	Philo Fernandes Noelene Keogh Mei Charles	John Hennessy Lillian Jilbert David Cox	Jen Climie Anson John Titus Lizardo	Clare Taylor Eric Demate Cora Demate	Judy Anderson Genni Douglas Stephen Hart
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)	This week: Next week:	Mon 5 Feb: J. Hennessy Mon 12 Feb: M. Chong			
CLEANER	Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 5 Feb: C. Camilleri, G. Iaria Fri 9 Feb: A. Ucala, R. Nykuy, A. Majok Mon 5 Feb: Volunteer			
ALTAR CLOTH	This week: Next week:	Sun 4 Feb: O. Lesoa Sun 11 Feb: C. Demate			
OUR LADY'S STATUE	This week: Next week:	Sun 4 Feb: M. Parba Sun 11 Feb: C. Ilagan			

YOU'RE INVITED TO ALPHA.

Alpha

Explore.

Join a one-of-a-kind,
open-ended,
open-minded,
open-hearted,
pressure free,
small group conversation.



COME AND SEE.

ALPHA @ ST. ANDREW'S
STARTS ON 21 FEB 2024
7PM TO 9PM | PENOLA HUB

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Alpha

Maria

I have three wonderful kids and a loving husband.

Alpha has allowed me to go deeper into my faith journey and to be closer to God.

I enjoyed the Alpha sessions and have met amazing people who share the same faith as I do.

Come join this journey with us!




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ALPHA at ST ANDREWS - We will start our Alpha Course on 21 Feb 2024 at 7PM. This is a good opportunity to invite non-Christian friends who may be interested about the BIG questions in life. Refer to posters on bulletin boards for the Alpha schedule. Please scan and register as slots are limited.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - After months of campaigning for volunteers and assessing if we have enough participants, our Children's Liturgy is back for all 11am Masses. Children aged 3 to 9 years old are invited to attend this during 11am Mass. One parent or guardian should accompany 3-year old children. We are looking for volunteers who can assist us with the 9:30am Masses as well. Please contact kemp.vinson@cam.org.au if you are interested. You can either be a "Main Facilitator" or a "Volunteer Guide".

MINISTRY OF CARE - We are looking for volunteers who want to give Holy Communion to those who cannot physically go to Mass. Please contact kemp.vinson@cam.org.au or call the parish office at 9741 4144.

ELSHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP - resumes this Tuesday, 6th February 2024. 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 che il primo incontro per 2024 si inizia con la santa messa Mercoledì delle ceneri il 14 Febbraio 2024 nella Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee dalle ore 10am alle 12.00pm con imposizione delle ceneri. 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.

PARISH ROSTERS FOR 2024

If you are currently on one of our rosters for Church cleaning or Vacuuming, Reading, Music, Altar Cloths, Communion Service, etc. Please confirm if you wish to continue on the new roster for 2024, please let the Parish Office know as soon as possible so this can be taken into account when the new rosters are drawn up. If we don't hear from you, we assume you are happy to continue on the roster. Thank you for your continued commitment and assistance in this matter.

ORDER OF MALTA LOURDES DAY MASS AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL - The Order of Malta invites you to the annual Lourdes Day Mass—an opportunity to pray for the sick and infirm, particularly those who would not otherwise have the possibility of visiting Lourdes. The Mass will take place at St Patrick's Cathedral, with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli as the principal celebrant. For further information, please call Sauro Antonelli on 0411 250 288.

THEOLOGY @ THE PUB: 'I HATE LENT BUT I'LL DO IT ANYWAY' WITH FR MICHAEL BUCK – Monday, 5th February 2024 at 6.00pm–8.30pm at The Crafty Squire, 127 Russell Street, Melbourne. Theology at the Pub is an opportunity for Catholics aged 18–35 (and religious of all ages) to meet, have great conversations over a meal and a drink, and listen to interesting talks by engaging Catholic speakers. The talk will be followed by a Q&A with Fr Michael and plenty of discussion with friends. Have a meal and a drink and meet new people from all over Melbourne. Priests and religious of all ages also welcome! *Doors open for dinner at 6pm. Talk starts at 7.30pm.* For more information, visit *Theology at the Pub*.

ASHES to EASTER



CONCERT with PETER KEARNEY

A prayerful sequence of songs, stories & reflections on Lenten and Easter themes.

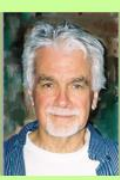
Hosted by St. James the Apostle Parish

Wednesday 28th February
7.30pm
St. James the Apostle Church
336 Derrimut Road
Hoppers Crossing North

Free admission

Peter Kearney has made music his full time work and ministry since 1982. His earliest songs 'Fill My House' and 'The Beatitudes' are internationally known. This is Our School' has been adopted as a school song by hundreds of Australian schools.

"The thoughtful way Peter told his stories, coupled with his skilled guitar playing and singing, helped us to enter more fully into the Lenten season". (Rita, Parish musician).



SIX30 HOLY HOUR AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL



Join with young Catholics from across The city for a time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, music and an opportunity for confession.

Thursday, 8th February 2024, 6.30pm – 7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne.

For more information, email udisciple@cam.org.au or call 9926 5677.

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 baptise 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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