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## ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

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Werribee North,  
Tarneit West, Upper Point Cook  
and Little River

### PARISH TEAMS

#### Pastoral Team:

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### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C – 26<sup>TH</sup> / 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022

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: Joshua 5:9, 10-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you." While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover on the evening of the fourteenth of the month. On the day after the Passover, they ate of the produce of the land in the form of unleavened cakes and parched grain. On that same day after the Passover, on which they ate of the produce of the land, the manna ceased. No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan.

#### THE WORD OF THE LORD.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7.

**Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

Glorify the LORD with me, let us together extol his name. I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy, and your faces may not blush with shame. When the poor one called out, the LORD heard, and from all his distress he saved him.

**Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

#### SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Brothers and sisters: Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

#### THE WORD OF THE LORD.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I will get up and go to my Father and shall say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

#### GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So to them Jesus addressed this parable: "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."' So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve

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**St. Andrew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.**

**GOSPEL CONTINUES** . . . to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'"

**THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.**



**GOSPEL REFLECTION:** In the midst of Lent we are given a moment for rejoicing, Laetare Sunday. All of the readings provide us with reasons for rejoicing. The overarching theme is the prodigal goodness of God. The responsorial psalm sets the context for the reflections. The other readings show how needy people were showered with divine favour. Even in the midst of this rejoicing, we find a challenge. We must undergo a change of heart if we are to rejoice in God. The goodness of God is strikingly portrayed in the radically new image of father. This is a God who allows us to follow our own dreams, who is partial to no one, who faithfully and patiently waits for us to return, who gently corrects our misperceptions. God

longs to be reconciled with us even more than we long to be reconciled with God. The challenges placed before us set out some of the conditions required if we are to be a new creation. We are called to a profound and total reconciliation, first with God and then with each other. Christ was identified with sin so that we might be identified with God's righteousness. Reconciliation requires that we be open to giving and receiving forgiveness. It requires that we both remember and forget. We must always remember the causes of alienation, so that we not succumb to them again. However, we must forget the resentment that we felt so that we not allow it to influence our lives. **Dianne Bergant CSA**

**PRAYER AT HOME:** This line from the gospel is particularly apt during Lent, the time of repentance. Use it often this week: **Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. Forgive me.**

**VOCATION VIEW:** God welcomes us home with extravagant love. Let the call to holiness draw you home into a deeper relationship with God.

**RECENT DEATH:** Giuseppe Rigon, Everard Werakoon

**ANNIVERSARY:** Joseph George Vanspall, Joseph Vella, Carlo Battaglia, Salvatore and Rosaria Manera, Frank Buttigieg, Emanuel Xerri

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK:** Agata (Tina) Ravaneschi, Joseph Goegan, Joan Milburn

**The names for Prayers for the Sick will be deleted after 3 months. If you have a name you would like to include, please contact the Parish Office.**

**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 (28 March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022)**

- Mon:** 9.00am Liturgy of the word with Communion
- Tues:** 9.00am Mass
- Wed:** 9.00am Liturgy of the word with Communion
- Thurs:** 9.00am Mass
- Fri:** 9.00am Mass followed by Station of the Cross  
7.00pm Station of the Cross followed by Mass
- Sat:** 9.00am Mass followed by Confession

**WEEKEND MASSES (2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022)**

- Sat - 6.00pm Vigil Mass**
- Sun - 8.00am Mass, 9.30am Mass, 11.00am Mass  
and 5.00pm Mass**

**WORKING BEE**

**TO PREPARE FOR HOLY WEEK**

Let us all come together once again



on Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
from 10am till 1pm  
to prepare our church  
for Holy Week.

This is our church,  
let us take care of it and prepare  
it for the Lord and for all of us.

**DAILY ROSARY ON ZOOM** We are inviting you to join us to pray the Rosary at home with the family.

Please join us via Zoom Meeting every night at 6.55pm for 7.00 pm start

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2764655672?pwd=bDZuUEJpWVp6bUFVMkY6bkpRQ0xoZz09>

Meeting ID: 276 465 5672 Password: 9rGLKz

Let us continue to pray together for each other.

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NEXT SUNDAY, 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2022.**

**ADJUST YOUR CLOCK ONE HOUR BACKWARD AT 3.00AM (AUSTRALIAN EASTERN DAYLIGHT)**

## ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 28<sup>th</sup> March – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
<b>LECTORS</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> / 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	Josephine Fernando	Caroline Simoes	Powlin John	Clare Taylor	Andrew Canet
<b>MUSIC</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> / 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	Phillu and Co.	Tina D'Monte and Red Dubier	Volunteer	Missionary Families of Christ	Sariling Tinig Choir
<b>COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)</b>	This week: Next week:	Mon 28 Mar: Mon 4 Apr:	E. Demate C. Ilagan		
<b>CLEANER</b>	Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 28 Mar: Fri 1 Apr: Mon 28 Mar:	C. Camilleri, G. Iaria Volunteer Volunteer		
<b>ALTAR CLOTH</b>	This week: Next week:	Sun 27 Mar: Sun 3 Apr:	J. Francisco C. Demate		
<b>OUR LADY'S STATUE</b>	This week: Next week:	Sun 27 Mar: Sun 3 Apr:	P. John Priya		



### PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022



From her life as a child soldier in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rosalie is now a business owner, a community leader and a role model for other ex-combatants seeking to readjust to civilian life. Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope For All Future Generations. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.



#### FLOOD APPEAL SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The floods in Queensland and New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to support the long-term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society in Queensland and New South Wales, financial donations can be made either directly to either state through: [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au) - Flood appeal - St Vincent de Paul Society - Good Works ([vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au)) or by calling - Queensland - (07) 3010 1000 or New South Wales -(02) 9568 0262

#### CARITAS AUSTRALIA UKRAINE EMERGENCY APPEAL

The people of Ukraine are living through a crisis that will impact the country for years to come. Caritas Australia has launched an appeal to support Caritas Ukraine and other partners in the region. The appeal will support the provision of clean water, hygiene and food kits to vulnerable families, as well as safe collection centres for families on the move, emergency accommodation and support for distressed children and families.

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ukraine/> or contact 1800 024 413



#### *Thanksgiving Mass Celebrated by Fr. Alex Chow Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022 11.00am*

Fr. Alex Charles Chow came to our parish in June last year for a very short Pastoral experience between studies in Rome. But due to COVID his stay with us was extended until he was ordained Deacon. Now he is an ordained Priest and he is coming to offer a Thanksgiving Mass with us on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 11am. We welcome him with warm hearts. We will have a fellowship gathering in the Church grounds and we invite all to join. We welcome anyone who would like to bring a plate to share.

#### READERS AND SPECIAL MINISTERS FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER REQUIRED

If you are currently a Reader or an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and are able to assist for Holy Week and Easter, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or put your name and contact number on the roster on the Altar steps. Thank you.

**EL SHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** - continues on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022, at 1pm – 2.30pm in Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. *Theme "The Repenting" Luke 13:1-9.* Everyone is welcome. God bless you all and your loved ones.

**RINNOVAMENTO NELLO SPIRITO SANTO ITALIANO** - Ricorda a tutti I membri del gruppo di preghiera italiano che il nostro incontro settimanale continua alle ore 10am fino le 12pm nella Penola Hub 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Con la speranza di vedervi tutti.

**DIVINE MERCY GROUP** - is on every Friday, after the 9am Mass in the church. Everyone is welcome to join.

**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.

**LENTEN PROGRAM** - St. Andrew's would like to run a Lenten Program to help you get ready for Easter. We will use the program from the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong called Remember. The cost of the booklet is \$10. If you would like to be part of the program, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or Chrissie on 0419 501 725 and let us know which day suits you best. The day the program will run will depend on the majority.



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** - Minute taker required. If you have basic computer skills and are free for a couple of hours on the second Wednesday of each month from 7-9pm, you are the person I am looking for! I need a volunteer to take the minutes of the monthly Altona Regional Council meeting which I attend. No experience required. Please call Noelene on 0400 878 844 if you are interested.

**THE MARRIAGE KIT LEADER FORMATION** - April -June 2022 | Hosted by SmartLoving Online Gatherings: Wednesdays @7:30 pm | Apr 27, May 11, May 25, June 8, June 22. We are offering parishes the opportunity to invite 1 or 2 married couples to participate at no charge in the Marriage Kit Leader Formation Program which will take place just after Easter. This offer is open to any parish in Australia and the program will be conducted online. The Marriage Kit by SmartLoving is an online marriage enrichment course that couples access from home on their own timetable. It can also be run as a group experience in an Online Accompanied format with couples doing the course work privately and then joining a series of online gatherings with other participants. Enrolment includes:



1. Access to the Marriage Kit online course (Apr 1- June 30). The course is comprised of 5 lessons with each one taking approximately 2 hours to complete.
2. Access to Online Gatherings, community chat, file share, via MS Teams private group.

More Info & enrolment - Web: [smartloving.org/mk-leader-formation](http://smartloving.org/mk-leader-formation)

T: 0434 346 280 E: [info@marriagerc.org](mailto:info@marriagerc.org)

'Pondering Grief', Saturday 30 April 2022, 10am-3.30pm. Facilitated by qualified Counsellor/ Supervisor / Educator Linda Espie, this reflection day offers an invitation to reflect on and honour our inner life of change and transition. With creativity, space and gentle guiding support, this workshop offers a sacred place for the breadth of human experiencing and spirit to guide individual exploration. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern.



Cost \$80 (Materials provided, BYO lunch). Book and pay via [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne), or email [info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne) or tel 9890 1101.

### 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.



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