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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

# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019

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: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

The Lord God took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. He then said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." "O Lord GOD," he asked, "how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He answered him, "Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." Abram brought him all these, split them in two, and placed each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him. When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give his land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14.**

Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?

Hear, O LORD, the sound of my call; have pity on me, and answer me. Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks.

Your presence, O LORD, I seek. Hide not your face from me; do not in anger repel your servant. You are my helper: cast me not off.

I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait for the LORD with courage; be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.

Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

#### **SECOND READING: Philippians 3:20- 4:1 (Shorter version)**

Brothers and sisters: Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, beloved.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

#### **GOSPEL ACCALAMATION**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

#### **GOSPEL:** Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: The Second Sunday of Lent celebrates the epiphanies of God, the ways in which God's divine presence is revealed. The first divine epiphany is the manifestation of God as one who initiates a covenant, an intimate relationship with human beings. Not only does God initiate this agreement, but God also seals it with blood, making it official. Although we ritualise our relationship with God in a religious setting, the call to enter into the covenant can come in the ordinary events of life. The important thing to remember about this covenant is that God enters into our lives and initiates the relationship. No life is too simple; no life is too busy. Human history in all of its contours is the setting for the encounter with God. The glory of God is revealed in the transfigured Jesus, the one who discussed his suffering and death with Moses and Elijah. Lent is a time for us to enter into this suffering, not merely though reflection, prayer and penance, but concretely, by sharing in the suffering of the body of Christ. We see this suffering all around us. God is revealed through women and men who live lives of Christian commitment. In those whose integrity strengthens us, in those whose religious sentiments inspire us, in those whose endurance gives us confidence. God is revealed in those who get involved in bettering the lives of others. God is revealed in very ordinary ways, if we but open our eyes to see. Dianne Bergant CSA

<u>PRAYER AT HOME</u>: Use today's collect as your prayer this week: O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly with your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory.

**<u>VOCATION VIEW</u>**: After the transfiguration, Peter, John and James wanted to stay up the mountain. But Jesus said, "Move," with the knowledge that ships are safe in harbours, but not meant to stay in harbours.

**RECENT DEATH: Grant eternal peace, O Lord to**: Eugene Xavier, Marlene Micallef (Fr. Frank Buhagiar's niece)

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Giovanni Trifilo, Josepina Struzzo, Ivor Carlton James, Michael Palmieri, Maria Muscolino, John Ballentine, Felice Piccolo, Julianne Katunga, John Mailey, Joseph Mailey, Margaret Johnston, Maria Mazza, Domenic Antonio Callea and Angela Barberi (Sita), John and Carmen Barbara, Nell Rowe

<u>REMINDER</u>: Parishioners please note that names for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries etc. to be included in the Sunday Bulletin must be at the Parish Office no later than <u>Wednesday</u> afternoon and <u>please address envelopes to the Admin Staff</u>. The names for Prayers for the Sick will be deleted at the beginning of each year. If you have a name you would like included, please contact the Parish Office.

<u>PRAYER FOR THE SICK</u>: Philomina Ciby, Greg Puls, Frank Fazio, Karen Hutchenes, Helen Kelly, Raywin Roberts, Maria Antoinette Bucod, Peter Ashford, Carmen Farrugia, William Squires, Eileen Squires, Robert Giarrusso

<u>COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY</u>: We try to be aware of all who through illness or disability are unable to attend Mass regularly. If you know of anyone who would benefit from Communion being brought to them, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144.

#### **LITURGY THIS WEEK: ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH**

Mon: Feast of St. Patrick

9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Tues: Feast of St. Joseph

9.00am Mass 7.00pm Rosary 7.30pm Mass **Wed:** 9.00am Mass

Thurs: 9.00am Mass
Fri: 9.00am Mass
Sat: 9.00am Mass

9.30am Confessions 5.00pm Confessions

# ST. JOSEPH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION Come and Join in the Celebration!



19<sup>th</sup> March 2019
St. Joseph Chapel in Penola Hub
33 Mortimer Street, Werribee
7.00pm Rosary
7:30pm Holy Mass
Followed by a fellowship.
Please bring a plate to share.
Everyone is welcome.

## PARISH COMMUNITY MASSES - 10AM

Tarneit West Community Sat, 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar.

St. John the Apostle PS 5pm

Little River Community Sun, 24th Mar.

St. Michael's Church

South Sudanese Mass Sun, 24<sup>th</sup> Mar.

St. Andrew's Church 2pm

All parishioners and school families welcome to attend.

#### SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION

St. Andrew's is a special parish where many people faithfully come for Sacrament of Reconciliation. The numbers are larger especially during this time of Lent when we prepare to celebrate the Holy Week. While encouraging you in your spiritual way of life, we advise that the Sacrament of Reconciliation for children be celebrated outside the confessionals. So when you bring your child/children for their confession, please inform the priest in the confessional so that he will come out to help your child/children celebrate this sacrament. Thank you

22nd March 2019 Friday STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND MASS AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCHB IS CANCELLED -

Parishioners are invited to attend the Confirmation Mass of St. Andrew's Primary School students at 7pm at the St. Andrew's Primary School Sports Centre.

## MINISTRY ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND OF 23rd / 24th March 2019

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5pm
LECTORS	Gerry Ilagan	Anthony Tran	Minhha Nguyen	Sandy Henderson	Susanne Sweeny
MUSIC	Phillu & Co.	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier	St. Andrew's Choir	Ensemble of Faith	St. Joseph Vaz Choir
COUNTERS	This Week: Sun 17 Mar: Team 8: N.Jewell, J.Luttick, W.Jennings, P.Stapleton Next Week: Sun 24 Mar: Team 1: B. Richards, B. Sandford, D. Keogh, M. Watson				
CHURCH CLEANING	Cleaning: Mon 18 Mar: Team 3: C. Camilleri, G. Iaria Fri 22 Mar: Team 4: L. Cook Vacuuming: Mon 18 Mar: Team 3: S. Carvalho, S. D'Silva				
ALTAR CLOTHS	11110 1100111				
OUR LADY'S STATUE		Sun 17 Mar: Green Family Sun 24 Mar: Marie Massey, 6 Burley Court, Manor Lakes, 0407 642 823			



# EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

PASSION OF CHRIST PLAY

Inviting all young people to attend the information session.
Details and info would be provided

Sunday march 17, 2019

# 1-3PM PENOLA HUB

Please register your interest ASAP by calling the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or by sending email to werribee@cam.org.au

# ST. ANDREW'S PARISH FAIR COMMITTEE POSITIONS 2019

Dear Parishioners and Friends, at our recent Parish Fair Committee AGM, a number of Committee Positions were unable to be filled due to various circumstances.

Everyone is invited to attend the next Fair Committee Meeting on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.30pm in the Penola Hub to discuss the future of the Parish Fair and hopefully fill some more of the vacant positions. An injection of fresh blood and new ideas would be fantastic, so if you think you could contribute in any way, please come along! We also need General Fair Committee members to support the Committee in its endeavours.

The Fair Committee consists of the following positions:

President: Carlo Vimercati

Vice President: Vacant
Treasurer: Vacant
Assistant Treasurer: Vacant
Secretary: Vacant
Assistant Secretary: Vacant
Site Management Team: Roger Climie (needs another 1 or 2 people)

Stalls Coordinator: Vacant

Advertising Coordinator: Linda McDougall

Entertainment Coordinator: Vacant

Rides Coordinator: Tupou Pirangi

## ALL WELCOME!

ONE VOICE CHOIR – One Voice Choir practice for Holy Week and Easter will be held in St. Andrew's Church on Tuesday, 20th March 2019 at 7.30pm. All welcome, especially everyone who is part of St. Andrew's Parish Music Ministry! Come and join a group of wonderful people who enjoy singing.

<u>CHILDREN'S STATION OF THE CROSS</u> - We are inviting all children to join us in the Stations of the Cross at our St. Andrew's Parish on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7pm. The children will be leading the congregation in the Stations of the Cross followed by the Holy Eucharist (Mass). This will be a wonderful opportunity for the children in this lent season to grow in their faith and to join the other parishioners in our parish in this Lenten journey.



#### Project Compassion





Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia. She is a mother of three who was earning an income working in a local rubber plantation. Since taking part in eco-tourism training with Caritas Australia and its partners, Tati can now afford to send her children to school.

With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family. Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home. Lives change when we all give 100%.

You can donate through Parish boxes and nvelopes, by visiting <a href="www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion">www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion</a> or phoning 1800 024 413.

#### **CARPET STEAM CLEANED!!!**

Our church looks great. Few Parishioners came forward to steam clean the carpets and the chairs in our church. We sincerely thank them for their generosity. We also thank all the volunteers for taking care of this Parish. May God bless them and their loves ones.

#### **DEAR PARISHIONERS**

**THANK YOU** for your financial support to the farmers in Queensland who have been badly affected by floods. We have raised \$1,588.00. May God continue to bless you for your great generosity.

#### **OLIVE WOOD ARTISTIC HANDICRAFTS FOR SALE**

next weekend 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> March 2019 after Mass.

**EL SHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** will continue with the Lenten Program 2019 on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019 from 1pm – 2.30pm. *Theme: 'Free to Follow' Luke 9:28-36.* We meet at the Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. For all enquiries or a lift, please call Frances via the Parish Office on 9741 4144. All welcome.

<u>RINNOVAMENTO CARISMATICO CATTOLICO</u> Ricorda che il gruppo di preghiera continua ogni Mercoledi` dalle ore 10.00am – 12.00pm nella Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Per informazione telefonare Luisa 9741 1498. Tutti benvenuti.

<u>MARIA PELLEGRINA</u> si trova a casa di F. Cucinotta tel 9741 8857 e la prossima settimana sara' a casa di M.Bonanno tel 9741 3057. Tutti benyenuti.

**PEONIES CRAFT GROUP** is a friendly group, which meets every Thursday at the Penola Hub from 10.00am until midday. 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.

**<u>DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP</u>** is on every Friday in the Church except 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday (Mercy Place Wyndham, 39 Deutgam St, Werribee VIC 3030) after the 9am mass. After prayers, all are welcome for fellowship at the Penola Hub. Please call Philomin Fernandes for enquiries on 8742 3520

**LENTEN PROGRAM** is continuing on Thursday at 12pm and evening group at 7pm in the Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St, Werribee. All are welcome. If you are interested, please register your name at the Parish office.



#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - FOOD DONATIONS FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS & REFUGEE FAMILIES

The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to ask for your help to make a difference to Asylum Seekers and Refugee families in our local community who are struggling with basic needs. Donating non-perishable items such as tinned goods, pantry staples, toiletries would be greatly appreciated. Please leave donations in the basket provided near the altar.



On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019 there will be Forum for Parishes "**Helping our Refugee Families and Friends**" at Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne, from 9.30am-1.00pm. The Forum, a periodic service from the Welcome the Asylum Seeker program at Catholic Social Services Victoria, will review the current situation facing asylum seekers and potential changes in 2019. *See flyers on the notice board.* 

NOTICE BOARDS - Please check flyers for various notices.

#### **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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