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Saturday 9.30am and 5pm

PARISH TEAMS

Pastoral Team:

Fr. Albert Yogarajah PP
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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

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 24TH FEBRUARY 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 : 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

In those days, Saul went down to the desert of Ziph with three thousand picked men of Israel, to search for David in the desert of Ziph. So David and Abishai went among Saul's soldiers by night and found Saul lying asleep within the barricade, with his spear thrust into the ground at his head and Abner and his men sleeping around him. Abishai whispered to David: "God has delivered your enemy into your grasp this day. Let me nail him to the ground with one thrust of the spear; I will not need a second thrust!" But David said to Abishai, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the LORD's anointed and remain unpunished?" So David took the spear and the water jug from their place at Saul's head, and they got away without anyone's seeing or knowing or awakening. All remained asleep, because the LORD had put them into a deep slumber. Going across to an opposite slope, David stood on a remote hilltop at a great distance from Abner, son of Ner, and the troops. He said: "Here is the king's spear. Let an attendant come over to get it. The LORD will reward each man for his justice and faithfulness. Today, though the LORD delivered you into my grasp, I would not harm the LORD's anointed." **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13

Response : The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

Response : The Lord is kind and merciful.

SECOND READING : 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Brothers and sisters: It is written, *The first man, Adam, became a living being*, the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven. As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL : Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount. But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. "Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." **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 The radical teaching that was begun in last week's gospel as the beatitudes and woes is continued in this week's challenge to be forgiving, compassionate and generous in the same way that God expresses abundant love. As with the blessings and curses of the Beatitudes passage, this teaching continues the challenge to act against cultural and social expectations. Who would be surprised if you were to express hatred for an enemy or for someone who hates you or treats you badly? But Jesus tells his disciples to *love* their enemies and to *do good* to those who hate them. His instruction is contrary to the 'normal' way of doing things – and that's exactly the message Jesus wanted to convey! Rather than a spiteful, vengeful God who keeps score and punishes wrongdoing, Jesus presents a compelling image of a God of unbounded compassion and abundant generosity.

Greg Sunter

VOCATION VIEW: If you love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you and pray for those who maltreat you, realise that God has already called YOU.

RECENT DEATH: Grant eternal peace, O Lord to: Antonella Colasante (Venezuela, Tony Bucci's niece), Barry Alder

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY: Desmond John Toulmin (Family attending 9.30 am Mass)

ANNIVERSARIES: Lucia Lentini, Micheal Mifsud, Carmelo Attard,

REMINDER: 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 Wednesday afternoon and please address envelopes to the Admin Staff. 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.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Eugene Xavier, Philomina Ciby, Greg Puls, Frank Fazio, Karen Hutchenes, Helen Kelly, Raywin Roberts, Maria Antoinette Bucod, Longino Tagarda, Peter Ashford

COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY: 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: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Tues: 9.00am Mass

Wed: 9.00am Mass

Thurs: 9.00am Mass

Fri: 9.00am Mass

7.30pm Rosary

8.00pm Mass, Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

Sat: 9.00am Healing Mass

9.30am Confessions

5.00pm Confessions

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

PARISH COMMUNITY MASSES – 10AM

Wyndham Vale Community Sun, 3rd Mar.

OLSC Primary School

Bethany Community Sun, 10th Mar.

Bethany Primary School

Little River Community Sun, 10th Mar.

St. Michael's Church

Werribee Cenrtral/South Sun 17th Mar

Chapel of St.Mary of the Cross,MacKillop Colllege

Tamil Mass Sun 17th Mar

Penola Hub

5 pm

Tarneit West Community Sat, 23rd Mar.

St. John the Apostle PS

5pm

Little River Community Sun, 24th Mar.

St. Michael's Church

South Sudanese Mass Sun, 24th Mar.

St. Andrew's Church

2pm

*All parishioners and school families
welcome to attend.*

Core Youth Ministry Camp - Some of our youth members are attending the Core Camp at, 52–62 Dromana Parade, Safety Beach from Friday the 22nd to Sunday the 24th. Please keep them in prayer so that they learn to be more like Christ and share their zeal with our parish community.

Healing Mass - Shalom Media Australia is organising a healing Mass at St. Peter's Apostle Mission Parish, Hoppers crossing on 27th February Wednesday from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. All parishioners are welcome.

MINISTRY ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND OF 2nd /3rd March 2019

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5pm
LECTORS	Ann -Marie Palmer	John Hennessy	Chiara Sweeny	Anthony Acciarito	Maryanne Pernice
MUSIC	Phillu & Co	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier	Chris & Margot O'Malley	Otilia Lesoa and Family	Sariling Tinig choir
COUNTERS	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 24 Feb: Sun 03 Mar:	Team 5; F Lombardo, S.Pante, K.McGuane, R.Fernandes Team 6: M.Bensted, D.Cox		
CHURCH CLEANING	Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 25 Feb: Fri 01 Mar: Mon 25 Feb:	Team 4: Miriam Tong, Nandeng Chol Team 1: Volunteer Team 4: Volunteer		
ALTAR CLOTHS	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 24 Feb: Sun 03 Mar:	Cora Demate Mary Galea		
OUR LADY'S STATUE	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 24 Feb: Sun 03 Mar:	Ann Jennings, Mob.No. 0416 712 653 Prabha Jose ,0410399196		

OUR LADY'S STATUE – Roster for our Lady's Statue for 2019 is now available in the Foyer. If you would like to have the statue at your home, please fill in the Roster Sheet or call the Parish Office on 9741 4144. Thank you



What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

Plenary Council 2020: What is God asking of us in Australia at this time? Our questions about and our hopes for the Church arise from hearts that listen to the Spirit. Having spent time in prayer over the past week, this week, we are inviting all our parishioners to share their hopes for the Church. Parish groups that gather during the week are encouraged to enter into a listening and dialogue process, responding to the question of 'What is God asking of us in Australia this time?' See www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au for more information.

INVITATION TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS

Plenary Council 2020 – Listen to what the Spirit is saying... A Plenary Council is the highest formal gathering of all local churches in a country. A Plenary Council, or synod, can discuss and legislate on a wide range of issues, including matters of faith, morals and discipline. Every community in every parish, Catholic primary and secondary schools, Catholic agencies, religious institutes and ecclesial movements are invited to participate. In addition, where possible we are encouraged to reach out to as many people in the Catholic community as possible to enable all to offer a response to the Plenary question: **WHAT IS GOD ASKING OF US IN AUSTRALIA AT THIS TIME?** The first phase of the Plenary Council 2020 is the Listening and Dialogue phase where together, we are on a journey of listening to God by listening to one another. Have your say! Visit the website for further details www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au **We are inviting everyone in our Parish to join in the Listening and Dialogue Session on Thursday, 28th February at 7.30pm in the Penola hub unless otherwise notified. It is a time to listen to God in prayer but also to listen humbly to others.**




St Andrew's Parishioners

Fr. Albert Yogarajah, Jennifer Poon & OLSC Staff invite you

To Help Us Celebrate 10 years as a School Community

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019

MASS - 7 PM

FORMALITIES & HISTORY WALK - 8.30PM

SUPPER 9.30PM



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION is on every 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.

'Let the Heart Listen' is a 15-week x 3 hour program for people involved in listening to and supporting others. Facilitated by Carole Carmody rsm, the program runs 9.30am-12.30pm on Thursdays from 28 Feb – 27 Jun 2019 at Heart of Life Spirituality Centre, Box Hill. Cost \$680. Bookings: Tel 9890 1101 or email holsc@bigpond.com

ASH WEDNESDAY – We would like to remind you all that 6th of March is Ash Wednesday. We will have mass at 9am and 7.30pm. That day will be fasting and abstaining from eating meat. During lent, every Friday we will have stations of the cross at 7pm followed by additional mass after the stations.

CHILD SAFETY SURVEY - The ACU & The Archdiocese are conducting a survey on child safety those who would like to participate please collect the information sheet from the foyer.

FUNDRAISER FOR PALM SUNDAY- Walk for justice for refugees. Please see notice board for more information

ELSHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP will meet on Tuesday 26th of February 2019, at 1pm – 2.30pm in Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Afternoon tea to follow. Theme ; “What do you think God is asking of us in Australia”. Everyone is welcome. For any information please call Frances via the Parish Office on 9741 4144. Thank you.

RINNOVAMENTO CARISMATICO CATTOLICO Ricorda che il grupo di preghiera continua ogni Mercoledì dalle ore 10am -12pm nella Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Per informazione telefonare Luisa 9741 1498. Tutti benvenuti.

MARIA PELLEGRINA si trova a casa di L. Boscolo tel 9741 1498 e la prossima settimana sara' a casa di A.Vincenzino tel 9741 1124. Tutti benvenuti.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP is on every Friday in the Church except 3rd 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.

JOSEPH'S CORNER - will be running 2 courses, The first is a Support Group for people living with family members who are struggling with drug or alcohol addiction. This will be held in Hoppers Crossing on Tuesdays from 19th February – 19th March 2019 at St. Peter Apostle Hoppers Crossing. The second is a group looking at Self Worth and how we might improve in that area. It will be at Joseph's Corner, Cnr Campbell and Bellin Streets, Laverton every Thursdays, from 21st February – 28 March 2019. Please see flyers on notice board.

CatholicCare invites refugee dads to bring along one of their children between the ages of 8–16 for a FREE fun weekend experience, which acknowledges and celebrates the importance of a father in a child's life. Registrations are now open for our next Refugee Dads and Kids Weekend which will be held from 22-24 March 2019 at Log Cabin Camp in Creswick. If you know a family who would benefit from this experience, or if you would like further information, please contact Leanne.McKenner@ccam.org.au Please see flyers on notice board.

NOTICE BOARDS – Please check flyers for various notices.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR FARMERS - This weekend we have a special collection for farmers in Queensland who have been very badly affected by the recent floods. In anticipation, we thank you for your generosity.

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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