



Parish Priest: Fr Shabin Kaniampuram IVDei
Parish Secretary: Fran Adamopoulos (Tue-Thu 9am-2pm)
Financial Administrator: Margaret Harrington (Mon/Fri 9-2pm)

Assistant Priest: Fr Peter Nguyen
Pastoral Worker: Pauline Egan
Email: adminANT@cam.org.au

Supporting Priests: Fr Brendan Hayes
Email: financeANT@cam.org.au

ST MARY'S THORNBURY

1 Rossmoyne Street, Thornbury 3071
Principal: Mary Kearney | Ph: 9484 5333

ST JOSEPH'S NORTHCOTE

140 Westbourne Grove, Northcote 3070
Principal: Mary Kearney | Ph: 9481 7166

Mission Prayer: Loving God, guide us as we build a joyful and inclusive community. May your Holy Spirit lead and inspire us to be the Good News of Jesus Christ by serving others and caring for all. Amen.

PARISH OF HOLY SPIRIT & ST ANTHONY'S

45 Railway Pl, Alphington VIC 3078

Principals: Rob Costin, Holy Spirit Primary School,
197 Clarendon Street, Thornbury East | Ph: 9480 0391

James Casey, St Anthony's Primary School,
Tania Bennett, Acting Principal
52 Austin Street, Alphington | Ph: 9489 7936

Partnership Parish Office Address

45 Railway Place Alphington
P.O.Box 85 Fairfield 3078

Office Number: 9484 2907

Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-2pm

Email: adminANT@cam.org.au

www.melbcatholic.org/s/hosan

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram



Reconciliation Times

10.30am Saturdays — St Mary's

4.30pm Saturdays — Holy Spirit

5.00pm Saturdays — St Joseph's

MASS TIMES

St Mary's Thornbury

Sunday: 10:00am English/Italian
5:30pm

Weekday: Wednesday, 9:15am
English/Italian

St Joseph's Northcote

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 11:00am

Weekday: Tuesday, 9:15am

Holy Spirit Thornbury East

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

Weekday: Thursday, 9:15am
English/Italian

St Anthony's Alphington

Sunday: 10:30am, English/Italian

Weekday: Friday, 9:15am

FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK

Sept 15: Our Lady of Sorrows

Sept 16: Saints Cornelius, pope, martyr,
and Cyprian, bishop, martyr

Sept 20: Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn,
priest, martyr, Paul Chŏng
Ha-sang & companions, martyrs

Recently Deceased

Agnes Cutinha, Fouad Elzain Taouk and
Fouard El Zein.

Anniversaries

Clement Naiken, Lovre Lesic,
Hanna Moussa Fakhry,
Youssef Roumanos Sassine,
Malek Younis, Effie Noutsos Taouk,
Antonios Youssef Safa Fakhry and
Pompilio Carinci.

To update parish details, please visit
our official parish website:
www.melbcatholic.org/s/hosan



The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Year C

13-14 Sept 2025

Northcote & Thornbury Catholic Parishes
+ Parish of Holy Spirit & St Anthony's

Combined Parish Community SPRING BBQ



FOOD - FUN - LUCKY DRAW PRIZES

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE JUBILEE YEAR AS ONE COMMUNITY
BBQ SAUSAGES & PULLED PORK SLIDERS PROVIDED
+ BASIC DRINKS (TEA COFFEE & CORDIAL)
BRING ALONG ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO EAT & SHARE

SUNDAY
5
OCTOBER

FROM 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
59 AUSTIN ST, ALPHINGTON 3078

rsvp 28 september
parish office: 03 9484 2907 or email: adminANT@cam.org.au

First Reading Numbers 21:4-9**A reading from the book of Numbers**

On the way through the wilderness the people lost patience. They spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt to die in this wilderness? For there is neither bread nor water here; we are sick of this unsatisfying food.'

At this God sent fiery serpents among the people; their bite brought death to many in Israel. The people came and said to Moses, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you. Intercede for us with the Lord to save us from these serpents.' Moses interceded for the people, and the Lord answered him, 'Make a fiery serpent and put it on a standard. If anyone is bitten and looks at it, he shall live.' So Moses fashioned a bronze serpent which he put on a standard, and if anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked at the bronze serpent and lived.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 77:1-2, 34-38

R. Do not forget the works of the Lord!

L_ Give heed, my people, to my teaching;
turn your ear to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable
and reveal hidden lessons of the past. **R.**

L_ When he slew them then they would seek him,
return and seek him in earnest.
They would remember that God was their rock,
God the Most High their redeemer. **R.**

L_ But the words they spoke were mere flattery;
they lied to him with their lips.
For their hearts were not truly with him;
they were not faithful to his covenant. **R.**

L_ Yet he who is full of compassion
forgave their sin and spared them.
So often he held back his anger
when he might have stirred up his rage. **R.**

Second Reading Philippians 2:6-11**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians**

The state of Jesus was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names

so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you,
because by your cross you have redeemed the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel of John 3:13-17**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'No one has gone up to heaven
except the one who came down from heaven,
the Son of Man who is in heaven;
and the Son of Man must be lifted up
as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost
but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world
not to condemn the world,
but so that through him the world might be saved.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



www.vaticannews.va

Readings Next Week—25th Sunday in OT: 21 Sept 2025

1st Rdg: Amos 8:4-7

2nd Rdg: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Gospel: Luke 16:10-13

Prima lettura Nm 21,4-9**Dal libro dei Numeri**

In quei giorni, il popolo non sopportò il viaggio. Il popolo disse contro Dio e contro Mosè:

«Perché ci avete fatto salire dall'Egitto per farci morire in questo deserto? Perché qui non c'è né pane né acqua e siamo nauseati di questo cibo così leggero».

Allora il Signore mandò fra il popolo serpenti brucianti i quali mordevano la gente, e un gran numero d'Israeliti morì.

Il popolo venne da Mosè e disse:

«Abbiamo peccato, perché abbiamo parlato contro il Signore e contro di te; supplica il Signore che allontani da noi questi serpenti».

Mosè pregò per il popolo.

Il Signore disse a Mosè:

«Fatti un serpente e mettilo sopra un'asta; chiunque sarà stato morso e lo guarderà, resterà in vita».

Mosè allora fece un serpente di bronzo e lo mise sopra l'asta; quando un serpente aveva morso qualcuno, se questi guardava il serpente di bronzo, restava in vita.

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Salmo responsoriale Sal 77

Rit. _ Non dimenticate le opere del Signore!

L. Ascolta, popolo mio, la mia legge, porgi l'orecchio alle parole della mia bocca. Aprirò la mia bocca con una parabola, rievokerò gli enigmi dei tempi antichi. **Rit.**

L. Quando li uccideva, lo cercavano e tornavano a rivolgersi a lui, ricordavano che Dio è la loro roccia e Dio, l'Altissimo, il loro redentore. **Rit.**

L. Lo lusingavano con la loro bocca, ma gli mentivano con la lingua: il loro cuore non era costante verso di lui e non erano fedeli alla sua alleanza. **Rit.**

L. Ma lui, misericordioso, perdonava la colpa, invece di distruggere.

Molte volte trattenne la sua ira e non scatenò il suo furore. **Rit.**

**Seconda lettura Fil 2,6-11****Dalla lettera di san Paolo apostolo ai Filippesi**

Cristo Gesù, pur essendo nella condizione di Dio, non ritenne un privilegio l'essere come Dio, ma svuotò se stesso assumendo una condizione di servo, diventando simile agli uomini. Dall'aspetto riconosciuto come uomo, umiliò se stesso facendosi obbediente fino alla morte e a una morte di croce. Per questo Dio lo esaltò e gli donò il nome che è al di sopra di ogni nome, perché nel nome di Gesù ogni ginocchio si pieghi nei cieli, sulla terra e sotto terra, e ogni lingua proclami: «Gesù Cristo è Signore!», a gloria di Dio Padre.

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Canto al Vangelo

Alleluia, alleluia.

Noi ti adoriamo, o Cristo, e ti benediciamo, perché con la tua croce hai redento il mondo. **Alleluia.**

Vangelo Gv 3,13-17**Dal Vangelo secondo Giovanni**

In quel tempo, Gesù disse a Nicodèmo:

«Nessuno è mai salito al cielo, se non colui che è disceso dal cielo, il Figlio dell'uomo. E come Mosè innalzò il serpente nel deserto, così bisogna che sia innalzato il Figlio dell'uomo, perché chiunque crede in lui abbia la vita eterna.

Dio infatti ha tanto amato il mondo da dare il Figlio unigenito, perché chiunque crede in lui non vada perduto, ma abbia la vita eterna.

Dio, infatti, non ha mandato il Figlio nel mondo per condannare il mondo, ma perché il mondo sia salvato per mezzo di lui».

Parola del Signore

Tutti: Lode a Te O Cristo.



WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for **2 weeks**, then a new request is required.

Max Gomez, Phoenix Toma, Onyx Toma, Tina Marangoni, Angela Di Benedetto, Charlie (Carmel) Restall and Silvia Simoni.

HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following:

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin or Fr Peter.

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATI O CONFINATI A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto Parish Office **9484 2907**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Meditation on Thursdays at 10:30am at Holy Spirit Parish. ALL WELCOME.

BAPTISMS: By Appointment Only

1st Sunday of the month—St Mary's

2nd Sunday of the month—Holy Spirit

3rd Sunday of the month—St Anthony's

4th Sunday of the month—St Joseph's

Please call the Parish Office 9484 2907 or go to our website at

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/hosan>

SENIORS

After the Thursday 9:15am Mass at Holy Spirit Parish Hall.

- Dopo messa Bingo e carte nella sala, si offre caffè e biscotti. Tutti benvenuti.

After Mass, bingo and cards in the hall, with coffee and biscuits offered. All Welcome.

Last Friday of the month

St Joseph's Seniors Mass every last Friday of the Month at 10:30am in the church.

Parrocchiani anziani di San Giuseppe sono invitati a partecipare alla **Santa Messa ultimo Venerdì del mese alle 10:30am.**

Mass of Anointing of the Sick

9:15am Mass of Anointing of the Sick will take place on the first Friday of the month at St Anthony's Alphington.

"Telephone Prayer meeting"

When: Every Tuesday at 11:30am

Dial: **07- 5660 6012** (call from home)

Access code: **722762 #**

Cost: Cost of a local call. Open to all.

Catholic Religious Education Classes for children attending government schools in preparation for the Sacraments

Please call the Parish Office 9484 2907 or go to our website at

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/hosan>

Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable People Committee

Contact Person via the Parish Office:

Moses El-Fahkri

Parish Notices



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM—We welcome into the Christian Community **Leo Rametta** who is presented for his baptism by his parents **Mario** and **Alanna** at **Holy Spirit** on Sunday. We congratulate him and his family and pray for his spiritual growth and wellbeing in the Lord.



Archbishop's Campaign 2025

3rd Collection this weekend for The Archbishop's Campaign annual appeal supporting vital Archdiocesan ministries. Campaign envelopes will be in the pews.



For more information please visit: melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign



Today, on Safeguarding Sunday, we reflect on our call to protect the vulnerable. Scripture urges us to pursue justice, show compassion, and speak for those without a voice. As a Church, we strive to be safe, welcoming, and filled with hope. In daily life, let's stay attentive to those who are marginalized. God may be prompting you to stand up—through prayer, support, or action—as part of His work of justice.

Friday 19 Sept—Seniors Mass 10:30 am—at St Joseph's Northcote

The Anointing Mass in September, will be held on **Friday 19th September**, as the usual last Friday of the month (26th September) falls on a public holiday. Mass will be followed by Morning Tea in the church. All Welcome.



Save with CDF Community Fund – it's in everyone's best interest—When you open a savings or term investment account with CDF Community Fund, you not only get a great return on your savings, but you will also help build new parishes for growing communities, classrooms for students, hospitals for the sick, aged care homes for the elderly, and social service facilities for the poor and vulnerable. With competitive interest rates across a range of accounts, **including 4.55% p.a.* on a 6-month Term Investment**, it's a way to save while doing good. Open an account today – it's in everyone's best interest. Visit www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund, scan the QR code, or speak to us on 1800 134 135.

*Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the CDF website.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival—Registration Now open



acyf.org.au ACYF 2025 is a three-day national youth festival celebrating faith, community, and connection. **Interested in joining our parish group?** Scan the QR code to let us know, and we'll be in touch with more details! For more information please visit our **[website](http://www.melbournecatholic.org)**.

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA • 30 NOV - 2 DEC 2025

WWCC: Call the parish office (9484 2907) Wednesdays or Thursdays, **1–2pm** for help