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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

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY) 1ST / 2ND NOVEMBER 2025

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: A reading from the book of Isaiah (Isaiah 25:6-9)

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 26:1. 4. 7-9. 13-14. Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall, I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple.

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

SECOND READING: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans (Romans 5:5-11) Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely, we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

reconciliation. THE WORD OF THE LORD.

Alleluia, alleluia! This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 7:11-17)

Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a considerable number of the townspeople were with her. When the Lord saw her, he felt sorry for her. 'Do not cry,' he said. Then he went up and put his hand on the bier and the bearers stood still, and he said, 'Young man, I tell you to get up'. And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God saying, 'A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.' And this opinion of him spread throughout Judaea and all over the countryside. **THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.**



GOSPEL REFLECTION:

If we are honest we will have to admit that though we have died with Christ to sin and risen with him to new life, we do not fully die to sin. In fact, there are many times in our lives when we live in sin, when we actually cling to sin. What happens to those who die in such a state? They may not have turned completely away from the goodness of God, but they have not been faithful either. The remnants of sin cling to them, making them somewhat unfit to stand before the face of God. Are they lost? Or

are they saved? In God there is mercy in abundance. Jesus is not willing to lose anyone. Therefore, the power of Jesus and the strength of his promises give us hope that even after death there is the possibility of purification and pardon. We have no idea of when this might happen or how it will happen. All we know is that the loving kindness of God far surpasses any infidelity of which we might be guilty. The feast of All Souls is not a feast of sadness, but one of great hope and confidence. It invites us to entrust our dead to God, because we know that they are really God's dead. We know that if we have loved them, God has loved them more. They are in God's care, and like a good shepherd God will lead them to peace. *Dianne Bergant CSA*

<u>PRAYER AT HOME</u>: Memorise and pray this prayer for the dead often this week, remembering your own loved ones: "Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen."

VOCATION VIEW: As the Church-year comes to a close, may the Lord Jesus strengthen your heart for every good work and word. May you live your vocation

RECENT DEATH: Fr. Barry Moran, Fr. Peter O'Rouke, Josefina Roque, Resureccion Clunn, Jamrych Gagni, Carmela Bertone

During the month of November, due to large numbers of names only the names of the recently departed will be placed in the Take Away Sheet and Prayers of the faithful.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Hilda Koster Koerntjes, Panakal Auso Raphael, Julie Horkings, Crispin De Zilva, Lynne Worsley, Dorothy Rayner, Maria Trang Nguyen, Peter Tho Huynh, Saraswathy Govindasamy, John Hassett, Rustico Socorin, Cecilia Maria, Teresa Goegan, Dinah Elly, Eutiquio Valenzuela, Tony Grech, William Harris, Annette Landicho Manicad Lapworth, Charlie (Carmel) Restall, Italio Tautunu, Alfredo Landicho Manicad

WEEKDAY LITURGY (3rd to 8th November 2025)

Mon: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

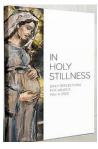
Tues: 9.00am Mass Wed: 9.00am Mass Thurs: 9.00am Mass Fri: 9.00am Mass Sat: 9.00am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES (8th and 9th November 2025)

Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11am and 5pm Mass 2.00pm Burmese Community Mass

ADVENT REFLECTION A 26-day reflection resource for Advent 2025



- Reflections written by Lisa McKerr, Chair of the Advisory Council for the Australian Catholic Bishops' Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry
- Designed for individual reflection and Advent small groups
- Sunday reflections include prompts for small group hosts
- Small group instructions to assist with preparation
- A small book that is easy to carry, and read, at home or in a small group context (21cm x 14.8cm)

 Cost \$5 (+gst) with bulk discounts available. If you are interested, let the parish office know so we can order in bulk by 15 Nov 2025. Email werribee@cam.org.au or call 03 9741 4144 (Tue Fri, 9AM 4PM).

NOVEMBER MEMORIAL MASSES



As usual we will have our memorial Masses for our departed loved ones during the month of November. Masses will be offered by

priests privately. All the names and Mass offerings received will be placed at the Altar during our weekend Masses. Please make use of the special envelopes in your Thanksgiving package or place the names of your loved ones and your offering in an ordinary envelope and drop them either at the Parish Office or Presbytery letter box. During the month of November, due to large numbers of names only the names of the recently departed will be placed in the Take Away Sheet and Prayers of the faithful. Thank you

STATUES REPAIRS AND REPAINTING

Thank you to all generous people who contributed to this project. St. Joseph statue has been taken for repair and repaint. This project will continue, and statue will be taken one by one.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE PARISH, PLEASE SEE FLYERS ON THE NOTICE BOARD.



With deep sadness, we convey the news that **Father Barry Michael Moran PE**, former of our Parish, passed away on Tuesday, 28 October 2025. Funeral details will be announced once finalised. May he rest in peace.

We thank God for all the contribution in our Parish.

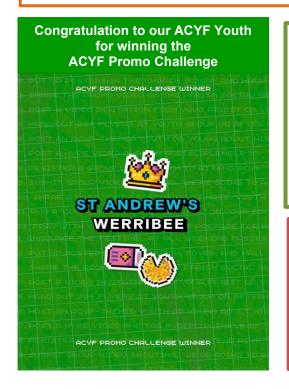
KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS ADMISSION CEREMONY

Next Thursday, 6th November, the Knights are conducting their Monthly Meeting which will include an Admission Ceremony following the recent successful Membership Drive. We invite our Fellow Parishioners to join us on this special occasion to learn more about our Organisation. 6th November, 7:30PM in Penola Hub. John Hennessy, 0418 517 396.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 2nd to 10th November 2025

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm	
LECTORS 8 th / 9 th Nov	Rhea Fernandes	John Hennessy	Rose Chu	Michelle Calafiore	Rosario Sweeny	
MUSIC 8 th / 9 th Nov	St. Carlo's Choir	St. Anthony's Choir	Padre Pio Choir	South Sudanese Choir	St. Andrew's Children Choir	
Communion Minister 8 th / 9 th Nov	Gerry Ilagan Rhea Fernandes Noelene Keogh	Lillian Jilbert Jude Disanayaka Anna Obietq	Jen Climie Rita Edemu Maria Malanyaon	Sheridan Fevaleaki Otilia Lesoa Katrina Gauci	Katherine Canet Nadia Richards Maria Parba	
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 3 Nov: S. Raphael Mon 8 Nov: C. Ilagan			
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 3 Nov: M. Tong, N. Chol Fri 7 Nov: A. Majok, N. Deng Mon 3 Nov: Volunteer			
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:		un 2 Nov: C. Ilagan un 9 Nov: M. Galea		
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 2 Nov: S. F Sun 9 Nov: Pri	•		

CALLING ALL NEW AND EXISTING LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS - There will be a training session to held on Tuesday 25th November 2025 at 7.30pm and on Saturday 29th November at 10.30am in St. Andrew's Church. You are expected to attend the training session for you to be added on the next year 2026 parish rosters. Anyone interested, please register by calling the Parish Office on 9741 4144. Thank you for your generous support to St. Andrews Parish.



HOME BASED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM AT ST. ANDREW'S PARISH WERRIBEE

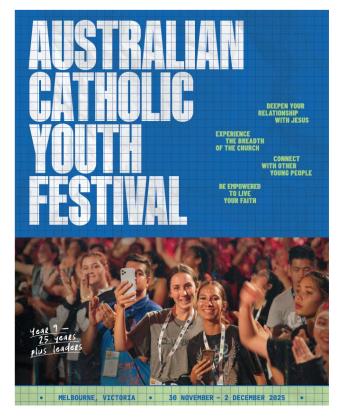
Parents of children attending *Non-Catholic Primary Schools* in the Werribee area who are interested in their child attending the Sacramental Program for 2026 are asked to leave their details at the Parish Office via email werribee@cam.org.au or call 9741 4144. The program is conducted for children in Grade 3 Pre-Sacrament, Grade 4 Reconciliation, Grade 5 Eucharist and Grade 6 Confirmation. Please note Enrolments close 20th December 2025. *Thank you. Benita, HBRE Coordinator.*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF STUDENTS - RCIS

St Andrew's Parish will be conducting workshops for Secondary Students residing within the Parish of St. Andrew's and wishing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist and/or Confirmation in 2026. Please contact the Parish Office at St. Andrew's Parish on Ph. 9741 4144 or werribee@cam.org.au for more information and to leave your details. Enrolments close 20th December 2025. *Thank you - Benita*











Mykola Cardinal Bychok, Ambassador for Red November, is encouraging all parishes to offer Masses this November to spiritually strengthen our persecuted brothers and sisters, and to honour today's martyrs, who have given their lives for Christ.

Mary MacKillop Spirituality Ministry, at St Joseph's by the Sea, Williamstown, the gentle rhythm of nature invites reflection, renewal and a deeper sense of connection to all life. A place to gather, to stay and to encounter the sacred, nurturing body, mind and spirit through the wisdom of ecospirituality. At the centre we offer, Reflection Days and Retreats, Conference Spaces and Accommodation.

Scan for more information or contact us on (03) 9397 6012 or admin.sjbts@sosjspirit.org.au



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 baptize 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.