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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

### THIRTY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B 9<sup>TH</sup> / 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024

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 Kings 17:10-16

In those days, Elijah the prophet went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the entrance of the city, a widow was gathering sticks there; he called out to her, "Please bring me a small cupful of water to drink." She left to get it, and he called out after her, "Please bring along a bit of bread." She answered, "As the LORD, your God, lives, I have nothing baked; there is only a handful of flour in my jar and a little oil in my jug. Just now I was collecting a couple of sticks, to go in and prepare something for myself and my son; when we have eaten it, we shall die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid. Go and do as you propose. But first make me a little cake and bring it to me. Then you can prepare something for yourself and your son. For the LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the LORD sends rain upon the earth." She left and did as Elijah had said. She was able to eat for a year, and he and her son as well; the jar of flour did not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, as the LORD had foretold through Elijah. **THE WORD OF THE LORD**.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 146:7,8-9,9-10

Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!

The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free.

The LORD gives sight to the blind. The LORD raises up those who were bowed down; the LORD loves the just. The LORD protects strangers.

The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia. *Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!* 

### SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter into a sanctuary made by hands, a copy of the true one, but heaven itself, that he might now appear before God on our behalf. Not that he might offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters each year into the sanctuary with blood that is not his own; if that were so, he would have had to suffer repeatedly from the foundation of the world. But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. Just as it is appointed that human beings die once, and after this the judgment, so also Christ, offered once to take away the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to take away sin but to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.** 

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Alleluia. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia, Alleluia.

### GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

In the course of his teaching Jesus said to the crowds, "Beware of the scribes, who like to go around in long robes and accept greetings in the marketplaces, seats of honor in synagogues, and places of honor at banquets. They devour the houses of widows and, as a pretext recite lengthy prayers. They will receive a very severe condemnation." Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood." **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** Israel was called by God. To what was Israel called? To what were the crowds who followed Jesus called? To what are we called? To a covenant relationship with the Lord who is God, the one who is Lord alone. We have been invited into an intimate personal relationship with the creator of the universe, the one who plays with black holes and white dwarfs and at the same time with infinite interest has numbered the very hairs on our head (cf. Matt 10:30). We have heard this so often that it may have become commonplace. The marvel of it may escape our attention, because it has become just a part

of our religious language. It is well that once in a while we are shaken to our senses, 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord is your God, the Lord alone!' It is not marvel enough that this mysterious God has created us; we have also been redeemed. As victim-priest Jesus has offered himself on our behalf. He is the sacrifice that sealed the covenant; his blood was the expiation for our sins; he is our rock, our fortress, our deliverer, our shield, our stronghold. Only one thing is asked of us in return: that we open ourselves to him and cling to the covenant, that we proclaim with all our hearts 'The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!' We are to love with all our heart and all our soul and all our strength; we are to love God and to love others. *Dianne Bergant CSA* 

<u>PRAYER AT HOME</u>: Pray today's opening collect this week 'Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours.'

**VOCATION VIEW**: Jesus says when we give alms we "do not sound a trumpet before [us]" According to St. Ambrose, 'God does not consider what one gives but what one keeps.' Could it be that we give too little and keep too much?

#### RECENT DEATH: Noel Nealon, Leo Lê Tiêń Duñg

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Ryan Fitzgerald, Michael Edwards, Dr. Bong Lu, Nini Lu, Rosita Dizon, Alexander, Felipe and Anne, Tenorio and Franco Masalit, Paul Nguyen Thanh Long, Anna Huynh Phung Liên, Julie Horkings, Kelly Jennings

The names for Prayers for the Sick will be kept for two months. If you want to renew or add any names, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or send email to werribee@cam.org.au

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 <u>Wednesday</u> afternoon and <u>please address envelopes to the Admin.</u>

### WEEKDAY LITURGY (11<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> November 2024)

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 followed by confession			

#### WEEKEND MASSES (16th /17th November 2024)

Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 5.00pm Mass 10.00am Wyndham Vale Community Mass



#### 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 the November Mass Offering Envelopes available in the brochure racks at each entrance of the Church. You can also place the names of your loved ones with your name and your offering in an ordinary envelope. You can put it in the collection during mass or in the basket near the Memorial Book or drop them either at the Parish Office or Presbytery letter box. *MEMORIAL BOOK* will be placed at the front of the Altar from Friday, the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024. *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.* 

#### MASS AT THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES

We focus on parishioners who are ill or elderly. Please let us know if you or your loved ones are in hospital or at home. Please be informed that we have Masses in our hospital and in all our nursing homes.

#### Estia Health Werribee 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday at 10.30am

Baptcare Wyndham Lodge Community 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 11.00am

Uniting AgeWell Manor Lakes Community 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 11.00am

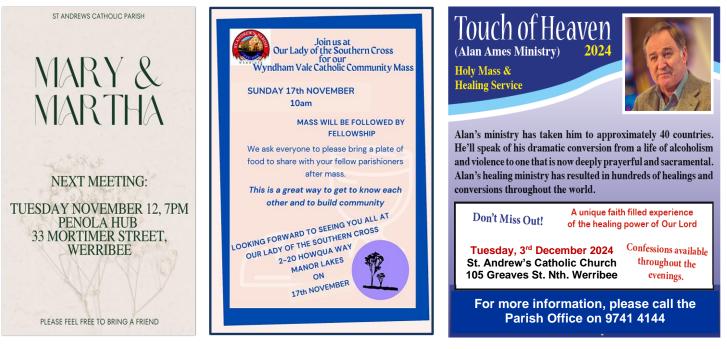
> Werribee Mercy Hospital 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 2.30pm

Mercy Place Wyndham 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 11.00am

Manor Court Werribee Aged Care 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 10.30am

St. Vincent's Aged Care 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday at 2.00pm

**PASTORAL CARE APPEAL 2024** – There will be a *Third Collection on all Masses this weekend, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024* for CatholicCare **Victoria's annual Pastoral Care Appeal.** Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes, so that the vital work of the Catholic Chaplains can continue. Please give generously. You can donate using the envelopes available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.



# ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 10th To 18th November 2024

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm	
LECTORS 16 <sup>th</sup> / 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Gloria Udorly	Anna Obieta	Lea Arida	Katrina Gauci	Youth Group	
MUSIC 16 <sup>th</sup> / 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Philu and Co	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	St. Andrew's Choir	Joseph the Dreamer Choir	Youth Choir	
Communion Minister 16 <sup>th</sup> / 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Kristine Ventura Noelene Keogh Desiree Galea	David Cox John Hennessy Nelly Bautista	Charles Mei Sherine Raphael John Faranda	Eric Demate Cora Demate Clare Taylor	Susanne Sweeny Nadia Richards Maria Parba	
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 11 Nov: C. Ilagan Mon 18 Nov: S. Rafael			
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 11 Nov: M. Tong, N. Chol Fri 15 Nov: A. Ucala, R. Nykuy Mon 11 Nov: Volunteer			
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:	Sun 10 Nov: C. Ilagan Sun 17 Nov: M. Galea			
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 10 Nov: V. Manansala Sun 17 Nov: V. Manansala			

<u>ST ANDREW'S PARISH SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION/TRAINING SESSION</u> - for all our Volunteers on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December after the 11am Mass in Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. We kindly request *all our volunteers* to attend the session as you will be guided through an Induction Process. The purpose of this is to familiarise you with the processes, policies and procedures that will make your time volunteering in our parish safe and rewarding. We encourage you to ask questions and discuss the information to enable you to have a better understanding of your rights as a volunteer and also what is required of you as a volunteer assisting the parish. Thank you for your generosity in offering to be a volunteer in our parish community. *Please RSVP before Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024, by calling the parish office on 9741 4144 during office hours from Tuesday to Friday from 9am-4pm or email to werribee@cam.org.au and confirm your attendance*. Light Refreshments will be provided.

## ARCHDIOCESAN CELEBRATION – JOURNEY TO JUBILEE 2025 SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2024



As we anticipate the opening of the Year of Jubilee 2025, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli extends an invitation to parishes and communities to an Archdiocesan Celebration on Sunday 24 November 2024 at St Patrick's Cathedral to begin the Archdiocese of Melbourne's journey towards the Jubilee Year 2025 (which will be formally inaugurated on 29 December). Each parish and community are invited to send representatives to the 11.00am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral in which they will be commissioned to return to their community and share the joy of the upcoming Jubilee Year. Mass will be followed by a Festival in the Cathedral grounds which will mark 'one year to go' until Australian Catholic Youth Festival that will be held in Melbourne next year. Enquiries: proclaim@cam.org.au

**ST. ANDREW'S PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)** - will be held on March in the Penola Hub. we are asking all Parish Groups to submit a report on last year's activities (one A4 page as a guideline) to be included in the AGM Booklet, as part of Parish accountability to one another. To enable the Parish Office staff to collate the reports and produce the booklet, *PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR GROUP'S REPORT NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025.* Please email your report if possible to werribee@cam.org.au or drop it into the Parish Office. We are hoping to see at least two representatives of your group attending the AGM. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance. Exact date and time of the AGM will be confirmed later date.

<u>ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS APPEAL</u> - Our parish is supporting the St Vincent de Paul Society's Christmas Appeal. Each year, our Christmas Appeal plays a vital role in enabling the good works of the Society and, with your support, we hope to achieve a strong result so we can continue serving the community. Parishioners are encouraged to donate generously to help continue the Society's work of helping those most in need. There will be a third collection at Masses on 30<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December. Non-perishable food or gift cards can be left in the Vinnies basket in the church. *Please note we are unable to accept donations of clothing.* These should be dropped off at the Vinnies Shop, Costa Drive, Hoppers Crossing.

**ELSHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** - Join us as we lift our voices in songs of praise and worship. We invite you for the Life in the Spirit Seminar 'THE WILD GOOSE' for 8 weeks every Tuesday, starting 15<sup>th</sup> October to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 1pm – 2.30pm at Penola Hub followed by tea and coffee. Deepen your relationship with Jesus, through praise and worship, prayer and reflection. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Susanne on 0438 372 952

**<u>RINNOVAMENTO NELLO SPIRITO SANTO ITALIANO</u>** Ricorda l'incontro settimanale del mercoledi mattina dale 10am alle 12noon nella Penola Hub 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Unitevi a noi in preghiera, siete tutti benvenuti.

**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.

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



### <u>COMBINED CHOIR</u> <u>TO CELEBRATE</u> ST. CECILIA'S FEAST DAY

Members of all choirs and music groups in St. Andrew's Parish and anyone who loves to sing is invited to form a combined choir to sing at a mass to celebrate *St. Cecilia's Feast Day on Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024 at 7pm* in St. Andrew's Church, followed by supper. Bring a plate to share.

St. Cecilia is the Patron Saint of Singers and Musicians, and it would be wonderful to have a big choir leading the singing for this special mass. We will have a **choir practice on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7pm** in St. Andrew's Church for everyone who is available to take part. All are welcome!

**Choir leaders** – please contact me via the Parish Office to advise how many singers/musicians from your choir will be taking part. We are looking for musician/s to play for the combined choir. I can email the list of hymns we will be using and the sheet music if required to anyone who is happy to accompany the choir for the mass. Looking forward to a great response for this celebration. Birgit Minness



#### 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.

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