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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 MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST YEAR C 21ST / 22ND JUNE 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 Genesis (Genesis 14:18-20)

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.' And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.** 

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 109:1-4

Response: You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord's revelation to my Master: 'Sit on my right: I will put your foes beneath your feet.'

The Lord will send from Zion your sceptre of power: rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains; from the womb before the daybreak, I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. 'You are a priest forever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

Response: You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

# **SECOND READING:** A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.** 

#### **SEQUENCE**: (shorter version) (everyone to read)

Behold the bread of angels, sent for pilgrims in their banishment, The bread for God's true children meant, that may not unto dogs be given: Oft in the olden types foreshowed; In Isaac on the altar bowed, and in the ancient paschal food, and in the manna sent from heaven. Come then, good shepherd, bread divine, Still show to us thy mercy sign; Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine; So may we see thy glories shine In fields of immortality; O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best, Our present food, our future rest, Come, make us each thy chosen guest, Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 9:11-17)

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing. It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected, they filled twelve baskets. **THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.** 

# Jesus taking the five loaves and two fish, and looking up to heaven . . .

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION:**

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology, for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present. The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfilment. Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet. Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink

on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present. **Dianne Bergant CSA** 

**PRAYER AT HOME:** This week's gospel acclamation makes a beautiful reflection. Pray it often: "I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; Whoever eats this bread will live forever."

**VOCATION VIEW:** Food usually becomes more when it is given than when it is taken - The more Jesus is given, the more we share Him, the more He increases.

**RECENT DEATH:** Artemio Santos, Wilma Tabone, Fr. Peter Kim Long, Nirmala Benedicta Thomas

ANNIVERSARY: Rowena Ilagan, Rohjin Joseph Park, Alan Rosenquist (Cairns), Ajit Prasad

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Hilda Koster Koerntjes, Edith and Alwin Salagubang, 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, Dorothy Rayner

#### WEEKDAY LITURGY (23rd to 28th June 2025)

**Mon:** Liturgy of the word with Communion

Tues: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist (Solemnity)

9.00pm Mass

**Wed:** 9.00am Mass **Thurs:** 9.00am Mass

Sat:

Fri: Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

9.00am Mass 9.00am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES (28th and 29th June 2025)

Sat: 5.00pm – Tarneit West Community Mass at St. John the Apostle Primary School

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am, 5.00pm Mass

#### **ORDERS FOR MEMORIAL PLAQUES**

We are now accepting orders for memorial plaque to be placed on the wall in our Sacred Garden are now being accepted. Order forms are available from the Parish Office. We have to wait until a number of orders have been received to be able to place the order with the supplier. Our current supplier has increased their price to \$300 plus. We are seeking an alternative supplier for a lesser cost while we are collecting your order. Payment can be made once we finalized the price. 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

1st Wednesday at 10.30am

Baptcare Wyndham Lodge Community

1st 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

3rd Tuesday at 11.00am

Manor Court Werribee Aged Care

4th Thursday at 10.30am

St. Vincent's Aged Care

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Friday at 2.00pm

#### MEMORIAL PLAQUE REPLACEMENT

We are inviting all families who have their loved one's memorial plaques stolen from our memorial garden to call and give details to the parish office as soon as possible. We will be replacing all the plagues that were stolen.

# OUR 2025 PARISH RENEWAL PROGRAM Welcome to the Engagement Weekend of our Renewal Program!

This week celebrates our commitment to being a *Mission* driven parish – helping all celebrate God's presence and expressing our faith through outreach, service, and justice. We all have a role to play – indeed a responsibility to use our gifts and talents for the benefits of others. So please be involved in one of our parish Groups or Ministries – either for the first time or in a continuing role – your involvement will be personally rewarding and a great contribution to our vibrant parish. Our Program Coordinator, Stephen Littleton will speak with us at each Mass and distribute copies of the special Ministries form.

A special thank you to the wonderful parishioners who spoke so beautifully at Masses last weekend as we launched the Program.

#### THOUGHTS FOR REFLECTION:

# Q: Why is it important to be actively engaged in parish Ministries?

"It is so important for the mission of our parish! When we engage, our faith becomes stronger, we help others, and we keep our community strong and vibrant. Engagement is faith in action!"

"To give back for all we have received – and by our example, encourage others to do the same. It is being community!"

POPE FRANCIS SAID
"It is not enough to say we are
Christians. We must live the faith,
not only with our words, but with
our actions."



Registrations for the Festival are officially open! Significant registration information, including pricing, methods of payment, terms and conditions and group types can be found via the Registration page of the ACY website:

#### www.acyf.org.au/registration.

Group and individual registrations will be open until 30 October 2025, unless capacity is met earlier, so I encourage you to begin registering your groups as soon as possible. I encourage you to visit the ACYF website for all the relevant details and to be in touch should you have any questions.

#### ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 22nd to 30th June 2025

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 28 <sup>th</sup> / 29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Martina Nettis	Kevin McGuane	Lea Arida	HBRE Student	Peter Cullen
MUSIC 28 <sup>th</sup> / 29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Philu and Co	St. Anthony Choir	Leituala Choir	Light of Jesus Choir	St. Andrew's Children Choir
Communion Minister 28 <sup>th</sup> / 29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Gerry Ilagan Desiree Galea Anson John	Lillian Jilbert Jude Disanayaka Anna Obieta	Charles Mei Sherine Raphael John Faranda	Eric Demate Cora Demate Clare Taylor	Sindhu Moreira Genni Douglas
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 23 June: S. Rafael Mon 30 June: J. Hennessy		
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 23 June: M. Tong, N. Chol Fri 27 June: A. Majok, N. Deng Mon 23 June: Volunteer		
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:	Sun 22 June: C. Demate Sun 29 June: J. Francisco		
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 22 June: M. Parba Sun 29 June: A. Layton		

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH DINNER DANCE - Everyone is invited to come to the Dinner Dance on Saturday, 19th July 2025 at 6.30pm onwards at the St. Andrew's Primary School Hall, corner of Stawell Street and Greaves Street North, Werribee. Adults - \$50.00, Child from 5 to 12 year old - \$25.00, and Child under 5 years old is free. Buffet and live music Tickets are now available at the Parish Office or you can book thru www.trybooking.com/DBEAO. Come!!! Let's enjoy the night while supporting our parish.

**EL SHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** - Join us as we lift our voices in songs of praise and worship. We meet every Tuesday at 1pm to 2:30pm in the Penola Hub - 33 Mortimer St Werribee 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.



**ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT** 

**ISLANDER SUNDAY** will be on July 6<sup>th</sup> 2025
It is an important day for the Australian Catholic
Church to celebrate the gifts of Australia's First
Peoples. The theme for this year is "Sent Forth in
Strength and Hope".

NAIDOC Week commencing on the same day, July 6<sup>th</sup> and continuing until July 13<sup>th</sup>.

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

PRAISE AND WORSHIP NIGHT (Every 1st Sunday of the month) 'I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears'. Psalms 34:4 Please join us to give thanks and praise to our God for his blessed assurance. 6 July 2025 at 6pm (after the 5pm mass) at St Andrew's Church Werribee.



Join with young Catholics from across the city for a time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, music and an opportunity for confession.

#### Thursday 26 June 2025, 6.30pm-7.30 pm

Please note that various venues will be used for Six30 Holy Hour throughout 2025. Please check venue details each week on the Events page of Melbourne Catholic. For more information, email udisciple@cam.org.au or call 9926 5677.

#### **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.

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



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.