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ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

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Tarneit West, Upper Point Cook
and Little River

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Principal: Rose Connolly.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B – 10TH / 11TH AUGUST 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 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death saying: "This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat. Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again, but the angel of the LORD came back a second time, touched him, and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9

Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

Glorify the LORD with me, let us together extol his name. I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy. And your faces may not blush with shame. When the afflicted man called out, the LORD heard, and from all his distress he saved him.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them. Taste and see how good the LORD is; blessed the man who takes refuge in him.

Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2

Brothers and sisters: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

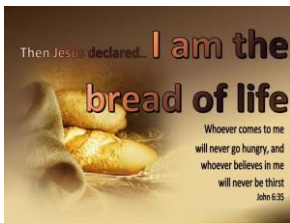
Alleluia, Alleluia. I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever. Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 6:41-51

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets: They shall all be taught by God. Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

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:

There are times God seems to ask too much of us. We labour for others, but do not see the fruits of our labour. Our families take us for granted, and we are exploited at work. This is particularly trying when we only wanted to be of service to others, to help them wherever we could. What's the point of giving of oneself when it only seems to be futile? In this we are like Elijah. There are other times when we are challenged to change our way of thinking and to accept what seems to make extraordinary demands on us. A new way of understanding church may call us to be open to the cultural diversity within the community. Or it might claim that we have a

responsibility toward the poor and homeless in our midst. New biblical insights make us question our familiar understanding of God or of Jesus or of ourselves. In this we might be like the Jews who murmured against Jesus. We want evidence to substantiate these radical new claims. But the evidence that Jesus offered could only be accepted in faith. And so it is with us. When we ask God for some kind of sign that will assure us that this new challenge is what God wants, the answers received must themselves be accepted and understood in faith. The only assurance we have is rooted in faith, and those who are not open in faith will not understand. God does indeed ask a great deal from us.

Dianne Bergant CSA

PRAYER AT HOME: Use today's Psalm response this week: ***Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.***

VOCATION VIEW: To taste and see the goodness of the Lord means to be drawn closer to God. "Try, then, to imitate God as children of His that He loves and follow Christ by loving as He loved you." Be a presence of God's love in the world today. Do what you can to bring to life God's love.

RECENT DEATH: Vito Palma, Cullen Love

ANNIVERSARIES: Giuseppe Ioppolo, Maria Bonanno, Johnny Bonanno, Maria Di Raco, Gian Antonio Savio

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Nimal Pandithakoralege, Ryan Fitzgerald, Michael Edwards, Dr. Bong Lu, Nini Lu, Finda Daduya, Rosita Dizon, Alexander, Felipe and Anne

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 werrabee@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 **Wednesday** afternoon and **please address envelopes to the Admin.**

WEEKDAY LITURGY (12th to 17th August 2024)

Mon: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Tues: 9.00am Mass

Wed: 9.00am Mass

Thurs: ***The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary***
9.00am Mass

Fri: 9.00am Mass

Sat: 9.00am Mass followed by confession

WEEKEND MASSES (17th and 18th August 2024)

Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sun: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 5.00pm Mass
10.00am – Wyndham Vale Community Mass
at Our Lady of Southern Cross Primary School

VICTORIAN PARLIAMENT TO RETAIN LORD'S PRAYER

It is pleasing that both major political parties in Victoria are now agreed on retaining the practice of reciting the Lord's Prayer in the Victorian Parliament each sitting day. Following the letter to parliamentarians that I signed together with religious leaders of various faiths in May, nearly 11,000 people from communities across Victoria signed a petition calling on Parliament not to remove the Lord's Prayer. With this support, the petition qualified for a debate in the Legislative Council, which took place on 31 July. It was clear from the debate that the message about the importance of the Lord's Prayer and its value to the community was heard loud and clear. Thank you to all who signed the petition and wrote to their local representatives.

(taken from the Statement of Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli - on Prayer in Parliament).

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION

Thursday, 15th August 2024



Immaculate Virgin,
Mother of Jesus and our Mother,
we believe in your triumphant
assumption into heaven, where
the angels and saints acclaim
you as Queen. We join them in
praising you and bless the Lord
who raised you above all
creatures. With them we offer

you our devotion and love. We are confident that you watch over our daily efforts and needs, and we take comfort from the faith in the coming resurrection. We look to you, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. After this earthly life, show us Jesus, the blest fruit of your womb, O kind, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

Reminder: 15th August 2024 is a Holy Day of Obligation, please attend the Mass in honour of our Lady of Assumption. There will be only 9.00am Mass on this day. No evening Mass due to Corpus Christi Primary School's First Holy Eucharist.

This weekend the team going to **Ignite Conference** are hosting a fundraiser **SAUSAGE SIZZLE BBQ** after the morning masses. Ignite Conference is next month and we are so excited to represent our parish in Sydney!!



We thank our wonderful parish for your unfailing support.

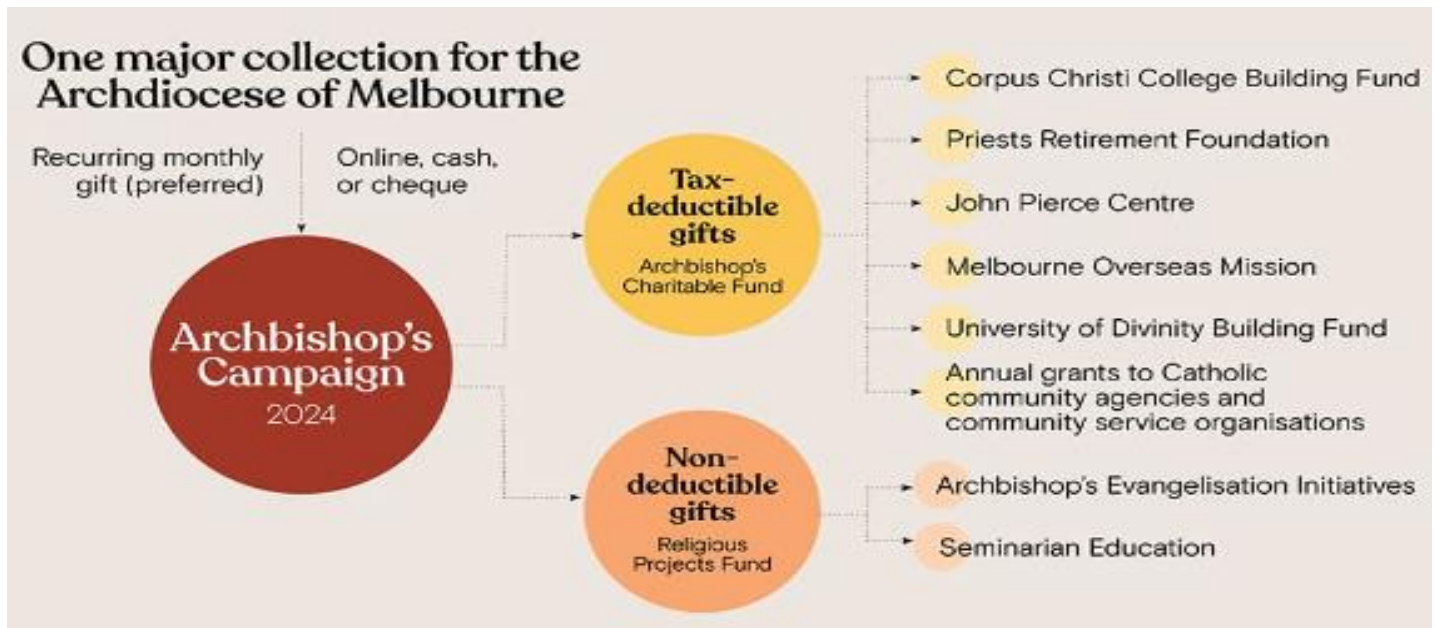
Sausage in Bread = \$3.50
Soft Drinks = \$2

Thank you for your support.

2024 ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN: SUPPORTING THE FUTURE OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

“Our priests walk with us through the most profound moments of our lives. They celebrate our joys—from baptisms and weddings to first Communions—and stand by us in our times of sorrow, offering comfort and guidance through the sacraments of Reconciliation, Anointing and more. Their unwavering dedication shapes our community and nurtures our faith.”

Make a single pledge for the purposes of the Archdiocese through a recurring monthly gift online. Through this new annual campaign, the Archdiocese simplifies its approach, for the first time combining several special collections into one unified effort. Rather than being asked to give multiple times throughout the year, the faithful can now make a single, impactful pledge for the purposes of the Archdiocese through a recurring monthly gift online. Gifts will support vital ministries within the Archdiocese, including seminarian formation and evangelisation initiatives, including World Youth Day, as well as retired priests.



Donors can choose to make either a tax-deductible or non-deductible gift. Non-deductible gifts go towards the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund, funding seminarian education and evangelisation efforts. *Tax-deductible gifts* will go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund, which benefits the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, Priests Retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission and the University of Divinity Building Fund, among other important charitable causes.

On 17 and 18 August, at Masses across the Archdiocese, parishioners will be asked to commit to a recurring monthly gift and, on the final weekend, 24 and 25 August, asked to finalise their support.

For more information, please get a leaflet from any of the brochure racks on each side door, foyer and altar steps.

ROSTERS FOR THE WEEK 11th to 19th August 2024

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5.00pm
LECTORS 17 th / 18 th Aug	Ann Jennings	Peter Walters	Olivia Ochi	Anthony Acciarito	Youth Group
MUSIC 17 th / 18 th Aug	Philu and Co.	Tina D'Monte & Red Dubier Group	St. Andrew's Choir	Joseph the Dreamer Choir	Youth Choir
Communion Minister 17 th / 18 th Aug	Gerry Ilagan Kristine Ventura Noelene Keogh	Jude Disanayake Anna Obieta Alfred Obieta	Anson John Jen Climie Mary Nguyen	Sheridan Fevaleaki Katrina Gauci Otilia Lesoa	Susanne Sweeny Nadia Richards Maria Parba
COMMUNION SERVICE (MONDAY)		This week: Next week:	Mon 12 Aug: Mon 19 Aug:	M. Helene C. Ilagan	
CLEANER		Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 12 Aug: Fri 16 Aug: Mon 12 Aug:	M. Tong, N. Chol A. Ucala, R. Nykuy Volunteer	
ALTAR CLOTH		This week: Next week:	Sun 11 Aug: Sun 18 Aug:	C. Demate J. Francisco	
OUR LADY'S STATUE		This week: Next week:	Sun 11 Aug: Sun 18 Aug:	P. John P. John	



NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK – Please pray for our priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in our community. Please pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that the saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from our community.

MARY & MARTHA WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The Mary & Martha Women's Ministry had its inaugural meeting on Tuesday, July 9th. Eleven ladies attended and committed to deepening their faith alongside other women in this significant ministry. We shared laughs, life experiences, and wisdom, and are eagerly anticipating our next meeting. We invite you to join us for our *next meeting on Tuesday, August 13th at the Penola Hub Meeting Room, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee from 7:30-9pm.* We pray that you will hear God's call to join us. For inquiries email Monique - mnqmei@gmail.com

CORPUS CHRISTI TRIVIA & PIZZA NIGHT

FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST

DOORS OPEN 6.30PM FOR A 7PM START

\$40 PER PERSON INCLUDES PIZZA & DOOR PRIZE TICKET

LIVE AUCTION, GAMES & RAFFLES

BOOK YOUR TICKETS AT [events.humanitix.com /cctrivianight](https://events.humanitix.com/cctrivianight)

LIMITED TICKETS DON'T MISS OUT!

LEGION OF MARY NEW MEETING SCHEDULE

Praesidium: Immaculate Heart of Mary is inviting you to join our meeting **every Tuesday from 6.30pm to 7.30pm** at Penola Hub. For more information, please call the Parish Office 9741 4144. All are welcome to join.

ELSHADDAI 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

RINNOVAMENTO NELLO SPIRITO SANTO

ITALIANO Ricorda l'incontro settimanale del mercoledì mattina dalle 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.

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

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF VICTORIA warmly invites you to a day retreat at the Catholic Leadership Centre on Saturday 17 August 2024, 9.30am – 4.00pm Fr Frankie was a professional entertainer in the UK before answering a calling to become a Catholic priest. The retreat commences 9.30am with Holy Mass, followed by adoration, Confession and three inspiring talks by Fr Frankie. This is a wonderful opportunity to encounter God's love and meet a supportive community of women of faith. It promises to be a truly divine experience! Join us!

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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