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Saturday 6pm Vigil  
Sunday 8, 9.30, 11am, 5pm  
Reconciliation  
Saturday 9.30am and 5pm

#### PARISH TEAMS

##### Pastoral Team:

Fr. Frank Buhagiar PP  
Fr. Darien Sticklen  
Fr. Shymon

Thekkekalathungal  
Marthese Temming

Pastoral Care in  
Werribee North Community  
Louisa Sullivan

Pastoral Care in Wyndham Vale  
Sherry Vivera

Pastoral Care in Werribee South/  
Werribee Central  
Therese Kennedy

Home Based RE Coordinator  
Benita Dahanayake  
Home Based RE Coordinator  
Norma Marot

Baptism Prep. & RCIC

##### Administrative Team:

Birgit Minness (Coordinator)  
Cora Ilagan

Jen Climie (Finance)

##### South Sudanese Deacon:

Rev. George Piech Meat  
9741 4144 (1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Tue)

##### PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Andrew's Primary  
School – Ph. 9741 3686  
Principal:

Michael Gavaghan

Corpus Christi Primary  
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Principal: Linda Roynic

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Principal:

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Our Lady of the Southern  
Cross Primary School –  
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Principal: Jennifer Poon

St. John the Apostle PS –  
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Principal: Simon Dundon

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Principal: Rory Kennedy

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Principal:

Dr. Andrew Watson



## ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

Incorporating the Communities of  
Werribee Central, Wyndham Vale,  
Werribee South, Werribee North,  
Tarneit West, Upper Point Cook  
and Little River

### MAY YOUR KINGDOM COME IN OUR HEARTS

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A – 16<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017

**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.**

#### **READING 1: Isaiah 55:10-11**

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.  
**THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14**

**Response: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.**

You have visited the land and watered it; greatly have you enriched it. God's watercourses are filled; you have prepared the grain.

Thus have you prepared the land: drenching its furrows, breaking up its clods, Softening it with showers, blessing its yield.

You have crowned the year with your bounty, and your paths overflow with a rich harvest; The untilled meadows overflow with it, and rejoicing clothes the hills.

The fields are garmented with flocks and the valleys blanketed with grain. They shout and sing for joy.

**Response: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.**

#### **READING 2: Romans 8:18-23**

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia. The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia.**

#### **GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-9**



On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once

because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear." **THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.**

#### **END OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2016/2017**

**Tax Receipts and new sets of envelopes in street alphabetical order are available to be collected after all masses from the Presbytery verandah.**

**It would help greatly if you could deliver some in your area. Thank you!**

**GOSPEL REFLECTION: *Receiving the word***

The word of God is to the human heart what a seed is to the earth. However, just as a seed needs soil, so the word needs a receptive heart. The earth responds to the rain and sun so that even the desert blooms. But the arid human heart has the power to resist so that it remains barren. Lord, soften our hearts with your grace, open them with your gentle love, so that the precious seed of your word may take root in our hearts, and bear fruit in our lives. *Flor McCarthy SDB*

**PRAYER AT HOME:** Say this prayer each day: *Lord, may the seed of your word fall into deep soil in me. May it not return to you without yielding its fruit in me.*

**VOCATION VIEW:** The seed of a vocation seeks fertile surroundings. Sometimes it gets stepped on, sometimes it gets choked, sometimes it lacks depth. But other times it is nourished by loving and caring friends.

**RECENT DEATHS:** Grant eternal peace, O Lord to: Valerie Theresa Wallis (Hayes), Bobbie Johnstone

**ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY:** Jessie Falzon, Edne Gaudencio (family attending 6pm Mass), Guerriero Pulcini, Sebastiano Musarra (family attending 11am Mass)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Pietro Savio, Antonio Savio, Diletta Savio, Michael and Giovanna De Muri, Graciana Cataquian (dela Peña, Philippines)

**REMINDER:** Parishioners please note that names for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries etc. to be included in the Sunday Bulletin must be at the Parish Office no later than Wednesday afternoon and please address envelopes to the Admin Staff. The names for Prayers for the Sick will be deleted at the beginning of each year. If you have a name you would like included, please contact the Parish Office.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Br. Helmut Knab CMM, Helen (H) Kelly, Pauline Jones, Andrew Roberts, Paula Miller, Julie Morgan, Rosaleen McKenna, Jeanette Ballentine, Lisette, Henriette, Paul Carlton, Lynne Worsley, Theresa Ng, Sr. Reena, Milton Roberts, Fortunato Valiente, Harish Narayan, Angela Castillo, David Young, Tom Shone, Natalie Berry, Mark Lauron, Paul Kent, Hainz Schegitz, Zeahn Hayes, Mary Crawford, France Ethan Jadoc, Clemencia Melkie, Raywin Roberts, Frank Fazio, Palepina Alofi, Leanne Peardon, Leonila Moso, Mr & Mrs. Walters, Julie Cassar, John McCarthy, Larissa Rathnathurai, Joyce and Jeffrey, Jack Keane, Antonietta, Tony Gaetano, Margaret Roberts (Hobart), Patsy De Abreu, Bill Squires, Amasha Gunawardana, Elisabetta Sgro

**COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY:** We try to be aware of all who through illness or disability are unable to attend Mass regularly. If you know of anyone who would benefit from Communion being brought to them, please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144.

**LITURGY THIS WEEK: *Penola Hub***

**Daily: 8.30am Adoration and Prayer**

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: **Feast of St. Mary Magdalene**

9.00am Mass (**St. Andrew's Church**)

9.30am Confessions

5.00pm Confessions

**TAMIL MASS THIS SUNDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017 IS CANCELLED.**

**A special TAMIL MASS will be celebrated by Rev Msgr Jacob Nicholas of Jaffna Diocese and Fr. Anthony on Sunday 23rd July 2017 at 5pm. Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee**

**PARISH COMMUNITY MASSES – 10AM**

<b>Tarneit West Community</b>	<b>Sat, 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>
St. John the Apostle PS	<b>5pm</b>
<b>Little River Community</b>	<b>Sun, 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>
St. Michael's Church	
<b>South Sudanese Mass</b>	<b>Sun, 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>
St. Andrew's Church	<b>2pm</b>
<b>Tamil Mass</b>	<b>Sun, 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>
Penola Hub	<b>5pm</b>
<b>Wyndham Vale Community</b>	<b>Sun, 6<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>
OLSC Primary School	
<b>Bethany Community</b>	<b>Sun, 13<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>
Bethany Primary School	

*All parishioners and school families welcome to attend.*

**“NO TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE AND EUTHANASIA” PETITION**

Fellow Parishioners, next weekend is Petition Weekend. At each Mass, copies of the prepared Petition shall be available for signing by us all. Please be prepared to spend a short time, after your Mass, to participate in this important exercise. Tables will be situated at each door to enable this to be done in an orderly fashion. We appreciate the opportunity to act together in expressing our grave concern regarding this issue.

Thankyou kindly. John Hennessy

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED** to assist parishioners for signing our Petition against Physician assisted Suicide and Euthanasia for the next two weekends 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> July and 29<sup>th</sup> / 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017. If you are able to assist, there is a clip board on the altar steps where you can register your Name and Mass time that you are available to help. Thank you.

**PARKING AT PENOLA HUB** – Please be mindful of the ‘No Parking’ signs around the Penola Hub when parking your car there. Council Officers are patrolling the area and have announced they will issue fines to anyone parking on the grassed area (nature strip) in front of the Penola Hub. Thank you for your cooperation.

**DEAR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS**


**WHAT IS CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP?** St. Paul tell us what is required of us every Sunday, "each of you must put aside some money in proportion to what he/she has earned (1Cor.16:2). "Our giving therefore was to be regular (every Sunday), universal (each of you), planned (must put aside) and proportionate (in proportion to what he/she earned). There is no set formula and no minimum or maximum amounts stipulated. St. Paul did suggest though that our giving should be cheerful - not out of regret or a sense of duty (2Cor 9-7). Pope Francis shared these encouraging words on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2013, "We cannot be Christians part time if Christ is at the centre of our lives. Christ is present in all that we do." and in 19<sup>th</sup> July 2014 he added "The Lord loves a cheerful giver . . . may we learn to be generous in giving, free from the love of material possessions".

**Our First Collection** (loose money) - provides support for our Bishops, Priests, Retired and Sick Clergy.

**Our Second Collection** (*Stewardship Envelopes*) - provides essential funds (constant and regular expenses) for Parish Services, including our 5 Catholic Primary Schools.

*Contributions can be made by credit card, direct debit, cash or cheque using a set of Stewardship envelopes.*

To register as our Parishioner/s and how to contribute to our Stewardship Program, please visit our Parish Office (Old Church building) or call 9741 4144 for more details. Thank you always for your commitment to the common good of our Parish of St. Andrews and for your generosity. Yours in Christ, Fr. Frank Buhagiar . P.P.



**Come join us in our Christian Life Program (CLP) on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2017, 1pm-5pm at Room 3, 110 Greaves Street North (across St. Andrew's Church). It is an integrated course intended to lead the program participants into a renewed understanding of and response to God's call to them as Christian couples. For more information please call Ador (0403 640 216) or Dona (0401 206 519).**



**St. Andrew's Parish, Werribee**

**CAR RAFFLE LAUNCH AND DINNER DANCE 2017**

Encore Events Centre,  
Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing  
Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> August 2017  
6:30pm to 12midnight

**UNITY IN DIVERSITY**

Tickets are available from  
**St. Andrew's Parish Office**  
Ph. 9741 4144

\$50.00 per Head  
Attire: Semi formal  
2 Course Meal  
Bottomless Soft Drinks  
Alcohol at Bar Prices  
18 Years and Above

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**

Do you know of someone who may want to further develop their understanding of the Catholic Faith or have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic? If so, contact St. Andrew's Parish Office and a member of the R.C.I.A Team will be in touch with you. Our next process will begin on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

**ASSISTANCE REQUIRED** – A local parishioner would like to be picked up for 9.30am or 11am mass at least once a fortnight. If you could assist, please contact Lou at the Parish Office.

**SOUTH SUDANESE COMMUNITY MEETING**

To all South Sudanese Parishioners and Families who have students attending our 5 Catholic Primary Schools and Mackillop College. At least one Parent is required to attend Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017, 6.30pm for 7.00pm to 8.30pm at Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street Werribee. For more information, please call Fr. Frank 9741 4144, Matthew Majur on 0421 524 313, William Daw on 0423 288 471 or Deacon George on 0432 400 452.

**MINISTRY ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND OF 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> JULY 2017**

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5pm
<b>LECTORS</b>	Gerry Ilagan	Darren Giese	Lea Arida	Grace Iaria	Belinda Sullivan
<b>MUSIC</b>	Volunteer	None	Volunteer	Ensemble of Faith	St. Joseph Vaz Choir
<b>COUNTERS</b>	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 16 Jul: Team 4: Sun 23 Jul: Team 5:	R. Carlton, P. Dulhunty, B. Pomeroy, S. Domingo F. Lombardo, S. Pante, K. McGuane, R. Fernandes		
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 17 Jul: Fri 21 Jul: Mon 17 Jul:	Team 3: C.Camilleri, G. Iaria Team 2: P. Palamara, M. Katunga Team 1: E. Wallace, V. Galea		
<b>ALTAR CLOTHS</b>	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 16 Jul: Sun 23 Jul:	Mary Galea Cora Demate		
<b>OUR LADY'S STATUE</b>	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 16 Jul: Sun 23 Jul:	Cynthia Moso, Mobile 0425 717 144 Cynthia Moso, Mobile 0425 717 144		

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION** is resuming on every Monday, starting 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 2pm at OLSC Primary School and every Thursday, starting 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 1.30pm in the Penola Hub and Thursday, at 7.30pm in the Penola Hub. Enquiries: Please contact the Parish Office.



**ST. ANDREW'S YOUNG ADULTS GROUP – 'MEET AND GREET EVENT'** - would like to thank everyone who has returned a completed survey. If you have taken a survey and have not yet returned it, there is still time to do so. Please drop it off at the Parish Office at your earliest convenience. We would love to hear from you. We are currently preparing for a Meet and Greet event and ask that you save the date Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> August 2017 after the 6pm Mass. More details to follow!

**MINISTRY OF CARE** – Have you been thinking about how you can contribute to our Parish? You could become a Communion Minister to people in their homes. Maybe you could assist with a communion service in one of the local nursing homes. This is mainly to be a back up to those who are already performing this ministry. Or finally, you could be an Extraordinary Minister of Communion at Mass. If you are interested in any of these forms of ministry, training sessions will be held on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 9.30am and repeated at 7.30pm in the Church Meeting Room. Please RSVP to the Parish Office.

**EL SHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** continues on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017 from 1pm – 2.30pm, followed by afternoon tea in Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St., Werribee. Theme: *'The Word Of The Lord Should Live Richly In Us By The Power Of The Holy Spirit.'* by Ulf Ekman. For all enquiries or a lift, please contact Frances via the Parish Office on Ph. 9741 4144.

**RINNOVAMENTO NELLO SPIRITO SANTO ITALIANO** Ricorda che il nostro incontro continua Mercoledì 19 Luglio nella Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee alle ore 10am fino le 12pm tema per l'incontro il SEMINATORE. Tutti invitati e benvenuti grazie.

**MARIA PELLEGRINA** si trova a casa di R. Chiarello Tel. no. 9741 1338 e la prossima settimana sarà a casa di M. Raco Tel. no. 9741 3604. Tutti benvenuti grazie.

**MACKILLOP COLLEGE OPEN DAY** – Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2017, 10am – 1pm, Final Tour at 12.15pm. All welcome to attend and tour the College. For further information regarding the College, please visit the College website: [www.mackillop.vic.edu.au](http://www.mackillop.vic.edu.au) Please see flyer on notice boards.

**PROMOTING SUICIDE IS NOT GOOD PUBLIC POLICY** - Suicide is always a tragedy that has far-reaching effects. The State Government plans to spend over \$5 million on suicide prevention throughout 2016-2017 but at the same time open the door to suicide for certain groups of people by legislating for euthanasia and physician assisted suicide. It is both incoherent and a contradiction to promote suicide as a tragedy as well as good public policy. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia). **Please google DOCTORS AGAINST EUTHANASIA to form a better understanding of how the medical profession understands the issues re: DYING IN DIGNITY. Fr. Frank P.P.**

**ORDERS FOR MEMORIAL PLAQUES** to be placed on the wall in our Sacred Garden are now being accepted. Plaques are \$250 each. Order forms are available on the Altar steps or from the Parish Office. Payment is required when order form is dropped off at 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 and will announce in the Take Away Sheet when the plaques will be installed. Thank you.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** - Invest in your most precious asset..... Your Marriage! Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit. *There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. Melbourne weekend dates : 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017. Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.* Information/Bookings: PH: Marianne & Marcel (03) 9733 0997 Email: [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au) Website: [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au).



As part of the National Conference, Cast into the Deep on Pastoral Care in a Multicultural Church & Society, the ACMRO will be celebrating Mass on Wednesday, 19 July 2017, 6pm at St John the Evangelist Church, 576 Victoria Pde, East Melbourne. The main celebrants will be Cardinal Peter Turkson & Cardinal Orlando Quevedo who are the keynote speakers at the conference. All are most welcome to come to this Special Mass.

**NOTICE BOARDS** – Please check flyers for various notices.

### 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 baptise 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.

*St. Andrew's Parish is a child safe Community.*