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Mon. – Thurs. 9am – 4pm
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Liturgy: Mass Times
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

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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
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Home Based RE Coordinator
Norma Marot

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Administrative Team:

Birgit Minness (Coordinator)
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South Sudanese Deacon:

Rev. George Piech Meat
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PARISH SCHOOLS

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

Michael Gavaghan

Corpus Christi Primary
School – Ph. 9741 8440
Principal: Linda Roynic

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Principal: Simon Dundon

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Regional College –
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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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A – 14TH MAY 2017

**As we come to worship, we remember the Wathaurong People,
the original custodians of this land.**

FIRST READING: Acts 6:1-7 As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles who prayed and laid hands on them. The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly; even a large group of priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Exult, you just, in the LORD; praise from the upright is fitting. Give thanks to the LORD on the harp; with the ten-stringed lyre chant his praises.

Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness, To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.

Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:4-9 Beloved: Come to him, a living stone, rejected by human beings but chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it says in Scripture: *Behold, I am laying a stone in Zion, a cornerstone, chosen and precious, and whoever believes in it shall not be put to shame.* Therefore, its value is for you who have faith, but for those without faith: *The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, and A stone that will make people stumble, and a rock that will make them fall.* They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny. You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia. I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where I am going you know the way." Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father." **THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.**

GOSPEL REFLECTION: *Going Home*

Going to heaven! I don't know when, pray do not ask me how. Going to heaven! How dim it sounds! And yet it will be done as sure as flocks go home at night unto the shepherd's arm. If you should get there first, save just a little place for me close to the two I lost. The smallest 'robe' will fit me, and just a bit of 'crown'; for you know we do not mind our dress when we are going home. *(Emily Dickinson) Flor McCarthy SDB*

PRAYER AT HOME: Use today's Psalm response as your prayer this week:
Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

VOCATION VIEW: The new ministry of "Deacon" is mentioned in today's Scripture. Perhaps the Lord is calling you to assist with the charitable, educational or liturgical needs of the Lord's People today.

RECENT DEATHS: Grant eternal peace, O Lord to: **Tony Cassar, Margaret Powell, Doris Fernano, Joyce Liyanawatte (Sri Lanka), Ivana Kostanic, Domenico Zaffina**

ONE MONTH ANNIVERSARY: Paul Evans

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY: Joe Tarascio (family attending 6pm Mass), Antonio Rigato (family attending 6pm Mass)

ANNIVERSARIES: Salvatore Manera, Rosaria Russo, Tomo and Pierina Sturnela, Zvonko Bartulovic, Joseph Domingo

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 Schegigtz, Zeahn Hayes, Mary Crawford, Robert Ip Soo Ching, France Ethan Jadoc, Clemencia Melkie, Raywin Roberts, Frank Fazio, Palepina Alofi, Leanne Peardon, Leonila Moso, Mr & Mrs. Walters, Julie Cassar, Adeline Abad, Kaiden Ilagan, John McCarthy, Larissa Rathnathurai, Joyce and Jeffrey, Jack Keane, Antonietta, Tony Gaetano, Margaret Roberts (Hobart), Lauren Evans

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: *St. Andrew's Church*

Daily: 8.30am Adoration and Prayer

Mon: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Tues: 9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Wed: 9.00am Mass

Thurs: 9.00am Mass

St. Andrew's P/S students attending

Fri: 9.00am Mass

Sat: 9.00am Mass

9.30am Confessions

5.00pm Confessions

NEXT WEEKEND IS CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

The Melbourne Catholic Archbishop's Charitable Fund will be conducting a special collection in all parishes for the purpose of supporting the vital work of our Catholic Chaplains. The role of the Catholic Chaplain is to walk with people as they seek out new possibilities in their lives and support them as they invite God and others to join them in this journey. They spend much of their time listening to the anxieties, fears, hopes and joys of those they meet. As one Chaplain describes it "What a privilege is the role of the Catholic Chaplain."

You are invited and encouraged to take home the envelopes on the seats this weekend and bring back next week with your considered donation.

To find out more please view the Chaplaincy Sunday webpage www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy.

PARISH COMMUNITY MASSES – 10AM

Werribee Central/South Sun, 21st May

Corpus Christi Primary School

Tamil Mass Sun, 21st May

Penola Hub **5pm**

Little River Community Sun, 28th May

St. Michael's Church

South Sudanese Mass Sun, 28th May

Penola Hub **2pm**

All parishioners and school families welcome to attend.

ELECTRIC CANDLE STANDS – The Thompson Family has donated two electric candle stands in memory of their late father Brendan Thompson. The two electric stands will be placed in front of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Altars today. We thank the Thompson Family for their love and generosity in fulfilling their late father's wish.

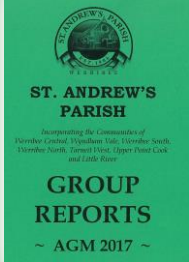
DONATION to light one Candle is 50 cents. Place the money into the slot and a candle will light up. There are 32 candles on each stand. If all candles are lit, please wait until ONE TURNS OFF. Your co-operation is important to keep our Electric Candle Stands in order. For more information please ring 9741 4144 or go to the Parish Office.

MASS COUNT DURING MAY 2017 on behalf of the Archdiocese of Melbourne will be held during all weekend Masses during May. ***Could collectors please see Priest prior to Mass.***

This weekend we welcome **Rev. Deacon Victor Vincent** from Corpus Christi Seminary to our Parish. Please pray for him and for men studying at the seminary and for vocations from our Parish.

GAS HEATERS IN THE CHURCH

Please do not attempt to switch the gas heaters on or off yourself to prevent damage to the heaters. Please ask a Sacristan to do it for you. Thank you.



Please take an AGM Group Reports Booklet (green), one per family, from the Church Foyer.

The booklet is also available to view on the Parish website www.standrewswerribee.org.au

Fr. Frank Buhagiar P.P.



Feast of St. Anthony of Padua

I would like to invite at least 6 parishioners interested to form a Multi-Cultural Group to help organise the Feast of St. Anthony on Sunday, 11th June 2017 at 2.00pm. If you are interested to help, please ring the Parish Office by 24th May 2017.

Fr. Frank P.P.

MINISTRY ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND OF 20th / 21st MAY 2017

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5pm
LECTORS	Gerry Ilagan	Peter Walters	Chloe Ziola	St. John The Apostle First Eucharist	Merlin Varghese
MUSIC	Volunteer	None	Volunter	Couples for Christ International	Ann Fichera's Group
COUNTERS	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 14 May: Team 3: Sun 21 May: Team 4:	B. M. Freeman, G. Stangherlin, J. Summers, A. Fssaheye R. Carlton, P. Dulhunty, B. Pomeroy, S. Domingo		
CHURCH CLEANING	Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 15 May: Team 4: Fri 19 May: Team 3: Mon 15 May: Team 4:	D. Tsardakis, S. Mogga P. Filippin D. Aliston		
ALTAR CLOTHS	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 14 May: Sun 21 May:	Cora Demate Mary Nguyen		
OUR LADY'S STATUE	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 14 May: Sun 21 May:	Cora Ilagan, 15 Mayfair Street, Wyndham Vale, Mob. 0409 742 507 Cora Ilagan, 15 Mayfair Street, Wyndham Vale, Mob. 0409 742 507		

St. Andrew's Multicultural Committee
Invites you to a night of
PIZZA and ENTERTAINMENT



Saturday, 27th May 2017
6:30pm – 11:00pm



MUSIC AND VOCAL ENTERTAINMENT
By **MARIO SAMMARTINO**

Antipasto, Pizza, Cakes, Tea and Coffee provided
BYO: Nibbles and Drinks

Venue: Corpus Christi Primary School
Multi Purpose Room
29 Russell Street, Werribee
\$25.00 – Adult
\$10.00 – Children under 12 years old
Children under 5yrs. old are free

I said a Mother's Day prayer
for you to thank the Lord above
for blessing me with a lifetime
of your tenderhearted love.
I thanked God for the caring
you've shown me through the years,
for the closeness we've enjoyed
in times of laughter and of tears.
And so, I thank you from the heart
for all you've done for me
and I bless the Lord for giving me
the Best Mother there could be!

Happy Mother's Day



SACRISTAN REQUIRED to fill in on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for 9am Mass and Sundays for 8am Mass for the next few weeks. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help out. Thank you.

EL SHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP continues on Tuesday, 16th May 2017 from 1pm – 2.30pm, followed by afternoon tea in Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St., Werribee. Theme 'Praise and Worship', speaker Marthese Temming. 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 17 Maggio nella Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St., Werribee alle ore 10am fino le 12pm tema per l'incontro per la terza settimana del seminario LA SIGNORIA DI CRISTO. Tutti siete invitati e benvenuti.

MARIA PELLEGRINA si trova a casa di C. Boscolo Tel. no. 9741 8283 e la prossima settimana sarà a casa di F. Bucci.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR INVITATION – PENTECOST MASS – We are inviting school aged children to come and sing at the 10.30am Pentecost Mass on Sunday, 4th June 2017 in St. Andrew's Church. Rehearsals will be held at Penola Hub from 4.30pm to 5.30pm on Wednesday, 17th, 24th and 31st May 2017. Please RSVP to the Parish Office (**NOT YOUR SCHOOL**) on 9741 4144 or email werribee@cam.org.au by Monday, 15th May 2017. We look forward to hearing your child's angelic voice. *Any adults who play an instrument are most welcome to join us.

Easter Blessings, Marthese Temming, Sherry Vivera, Lou Sullivan. Pastoral Staff, St. Andrew's Parish



CASSEROLE BANK – We would be grateful if parishioners could help out again by providing casseroles for our freezer to be delivered to families in need in our Parish. We can accept meals in disposable containers (plastic containers or ice cream containers), labelled with all ingredients used. Please provide your name and contact phone number when dropping the meals off at the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity, it is greatly appreciated.



ST. ANDREW'S AMATEUR THEATRE COMPANY OPEN MEETING

Date: Thursday, 18th May 2017, **Where:** Penola Community Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee

Time: 7.15pm for 7.30pm start. We would like to invite everyone who is interested in being a part of the St. Andrew's Amateur Theatre Company Production Team for 2017 to come along and discuss ideas for a 2017 show. If you have any enquiries about the Production Team positions, please visit our webpage <http://www.standrewstheatrecompany.com> Thank you.

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE – **FRANKLY** Magazine for \$5 per copy – based on Pope Francis' engaging style with stories of real people living their faith. **MERCY** Magazine for \$2 per copy – inspired by the Jubilee Year of Mercy and Pope Francis' joy-filled emphasis on evangelisation.

COMMUNITY OPEN DAY – THE NEW ST. VINCENT'S AGED CARE FACILITY – The St. Vincent's Team would like to invite all parishioners, families and friends to our Community Open Day on Saturday, 20th May 2017. This is a chance to come along and see what a new Aged Care Facility looks like – **not** old, dark and dingy, but light, homely and welcoming ... and available to all. St. Vincent's staff will be available all day to provide expert advice during the tours regarding aged care access, documentation and finances, and there will be free refreshments and coffee to enjoy. Saturday, 20th May 2017, 10am – 3pm (no bookings required), 240 Hoppers Lane, Werribee (access via Old Sneydes Road). For more information: Phone 1800 778 767 or email svcs.info@svha.org.au

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK – Purchase the NEW 2017/2018 Entertainment™ Book and Support St. Andrew's Parish! Selling for just \$70 for the Melbourne edition (prices for other editions vary, see link), the NEW Entertainment™ Membership is packed with thousands of up to 25% OFF and 2-for-1 offers for the best local restaurants, cafés, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel, and much more! Order your copy via: www.entbook.com.au/9s30184 or contact the Parish Office. *Please see flyer on notice boards for details.*

JOB SEARCH – A young Nigerian asylum seeker on a bridging visa with permission to work is looking for a job. Please contact Fr. Frank via the Parish Office if you can help. Thank you.

PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY SESSION to be held at St. Joseph's By The Sea on Thursday, 18th May 2017, 16 Esplanade Williamstown at 1.30pm – 3pm and repeated at 7.30pm – 9pm. RSVP by Wednesday, 17th May 2017 by calling 9397 6012 or email admin.sjbtsw@sosj.org.au *Please see flyer on notice boards.*

CATHOLIC ALLIANCE FOR PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM (CAPSA) – This Office and the Office for Justice and Peace in the Archdiocese are hosting Community Action Training – **Facilitating Community Conversations** – **Wednesday, 24/5, 6–7.30pm and Sunday, 4/6, 2–3.30pm.** This training will give people the tools and processes to organise their own Community Conversations. **Meeting your local MP – Wednesday, 31/5, 6–7.30pm and Sunday, 4/6, 4–5.30pm.** This session aims to give people the confidence to go see their local federal MP/Senator to discuss their concerns. Workshops at Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne. *See flyer on notice boards.*

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.