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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)

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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

School – Ph. 9741 8440

Principal: Linda Roynic

Bethany Primary School –

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Principal:

Marlene Monahan

Our Lady of the Southern

Cross Primary School –

Ph. 9974 8500

Principal: Jennifer Poon

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Tarneit West

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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

### **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A – 23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2017**

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

#### **FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47**

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

#### **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24**

**Response: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

*Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say, "His mercy endures forever."*

*I was hard pressed and was falling, but the LORD helped me. My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior. The joyful shout of victory in the tents of the just:*

*The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.*

**Response: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

#### **SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time. In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

#### **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, Alleluia. You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia.**

#### **GOSPEL: John 20:19-31**

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

#### **THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.**



### **GOSPEL REFLECTION: What Faith Does**

Some people think that if you have enough faith life will be plain sailing for you. But this is not so. The fact that we can swim doesn't prevent us from being knocked about by the waves. In the same way faith doesn't shield us from the hard knocks of life or death. What, then, does faith do? It gives us bearings and thus enables us to live in a topsy-turvy world without getting lost or giving in to despair. Just as swimmers trust that if they don't panic, and if they do a few simple things, then the power of the sea will uphold them, so believers entrust their lives to a power greater than themselves, a power greater than us all. This power is the power of God, who brought his Son, Jesus, back from the dead.  
*Flor McCarthy SDB*

**PRAYER AT HOME:** Repeat St. Thomas' acclamation of faith this week: ***My Lord and my God.***

**VOCATION VIEW:** It is only through people like you that others will be able to say: "We have seen the Lord." With the resurrection to empower you and with Jesus to lure you, you too can inspire others who have not seen to believe.

**RECENT DEATHS: Grant eternal peace, O Lord to:** Mary Buttigieg, Moya Allwell, Fely Inumerable, Atia Girgis, Este Cecchin (Italy, auntie of Josie Menegazzo, family attending 5pm Mass), Mary Gaffney (Ireland, sister of Eileen O'Shea), Elizabeth O'Shea (London, sister of Martin O'Shea), Bice Gelsumini (nee Trovarelli, Abruzzo/Italy, family attending 5pm Mass), Paul Evans, Carmen Testa (mother of Sr. Doris Testa and Sr. Lorraine Testa)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Marcelino Cataquian, Giuseppe Facciolo, Lidia Jerkovic, Lauren Jerkovic, Arnaldo De Muri (10 years), Allesandro Battaglia, Carmen Buhagiar, Ellen (Pat) Keogh, Mario and Palmira Goegan, Annie Cassar, Gaetana Scicluna, Sandra Toffolon (20 years)

**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, Frances Mangion, Adeline Abad, Caiden Ilagan, Margaret Powell, John McCarthy, Larissa Rathnathurai, Joyce and Jeffrey, Jack Keane, Antonietta, Tony Cassar

**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**

**Tues: ANZAC DAY**  
9.00am Mass

**Wed: Feast of St. Mark**  
9.00am Mass

**Thurs: 9.00am Mass**

**Fri: Feast of St. Peter Chanel**  
9.00am Mass

**Sat: Feast of St. Catherine of Siena**  
9.00am Mass  
9.30am Confessions  
5.00pm Confessions

### **ST. ANDREW'S PARISH**

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**DATE:** Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 **TIME:** 7.30pm – 9pm

**VENUE:** Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee

**NOTE:** Parish Groups, please send your report with last year's activities and plans for this year to the Parish Office to be included with this year's AGM Booklet.

Parishioners and at least two members of each Parish Group are encouraged to attend the AGM.

### **PARISH COMMUNITY MASSES – 10AM**

**Wyndham Vale Community** Sun, 7<sup>th</sup> May  
OLSC Primary School

**Werribee North Community** Sun, 14<sup>th</sup> May  
Bethany Primary School

**Werribee Central/South** Sun, 21<sup>st</sup> May  
Corpus Christi Primary School

**Tamil Mass** Sun, 21<sup>st</sup> May  
Penola Hub 5pm

**Little River Community** Sun, 28<sup>th</sup> May  
St. Michael's Church

**South Sudanese Mass** Sun, 28<sup>th</sup> May  
Penola Hub 2pm

*All parishioners and school families  
welcome to attend.*

### **PLEASE NOTE – PARENTS NEED TO SUPERVISE THEIR CHILDREN**

during Mass, when entering and leaving the Church and especially when children are playing outside the Church to ensure they are not getting hurt. Children need to be accompanied when going to the toilet. Thank you for your cooperation.

**ST. ANDREW'S FAIR COMMITTEE** has a vacancy available for the newly created role of **Social Media Coordinator**. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in this position. A position description is currently being drafted. Thank you.

**GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND APPEAL** – \$1,489.40 were raised at this collection on Good Friday. Thank you.

**DIocese of Lismore FLOOD APPEAL** – \$955.65 were raised at this collection on Holy Thursday which will be forwarded to the Lismore Diocese. Thank you for your generosity to help the flood victims.



**AGED CARE EDUCATION SESSION** –To coincide with the opening of the new St. Vincent's Aged Care Facility in Werribee, the Team at St. Vincent's would like to offer Parishioners the opportunity to attend a FREE aged care education session at the Penola Community Hub. The session will focus on: Preparing families and friends who might be contemplating residential aged care in the future, Discussing pathways to access the aged care system, Answering questions regarding the costs involved and offering private tours at our new facility in Old Sneydes Road which will open towards the end of May 2017.

**Date:** Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017

**Time:** 6.30pm – 8.00pm

**Venue:** Penola Community Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee

Refreshments will be provided.

If you have a mother or father, relative or friend contemplating residential aged care now or in the future, this forum would be a great way to listen, learn and ask questions. RSVP's are essential – please contact the St. Andrew's Parish Office on 9741 4144 or [werribee@cam.org.au](mailto:werribee@cam.org.au) Please see flyer on insert or on notice boards for details and feel free to take home a flyer from the brochure racks.

**MINISTRY ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND OF 29<sup>th</sup> / 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2017**

	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am	5pm
<b>LECTORS</b>	Anne-Marie Palmer	Tina D'Monte	Mary Nguyen	Katrina Gauci	Maryanne Pernice
<b>MUSIC</b>	Volunteer	None	Volunteer	Volunteer	St. Joseph Vaz Choir
<b>COUNTERS</b>	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 23 Apr: Team 8: N. Jewell, J. Luttick, W. Jennings, P. Stapleton Sun 30 Apr: Team 1: B. Richards, B. Sandford, D. Keogh, M. Watson			
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	Cleaning: Vacuuming:	Mon 24 Apr: Team 1: S. Vivera, B. Miller Fri 28 Apr: Team 5: A. Ucala, R. Nykuy Mon 24 Apr: Team 1: E. Wallace, V. Galea			
<b>ALTAR CLOTHS</b>	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 23 Apr: Otilia Lesoa Sun 30 Apr: Cora Ilagan			
<b>OUR LADY'S STATUE</b>	This Week: Next Week:	Sun 23 Apr: Cora Ilagan, 15 Mayfair Street, Wyndham Vale, Mob. 0409 742 507 Sun 30 Apr: 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, 27<sup>th</sup> 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

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
we will remember them.

anzac day  
lest we forget: 25th April

**EL SHADDAI CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** continues on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 from 1pm – 2.30pm, followed by afternoon tea in Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St., Werribee. Theme 'WHY SO MANY PROBLEMS', speaker Lito Alinza. 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 26 Aprile 2017 nella Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St., Werribee alle ore 10am fino le 12pm tema per l'incontro INIZIO DEL SEMINARIO VITA NUOVA NELLA SPIRITO CON L'INTRODUZIONE. Tutti invitati e benvenuti grazie. **MARIA PELLEGRINA** si trova a casa di F. Stroschio Tel. no. 9749 1609 e la prossima settimana sarà a casa di N. Resta Tel. no. 9741 2546. Tutti benvenuti grazie.



**SEASONS FOR GROWTH** is an 8 session process held Thursday afternoons 4.30pm – 5.30pm. The aim of the program is to assist children to come to terms with the changes in their lives, following the death of a parent or close relative, friend, the separation or divorce of parents, moving of house, school or country, any major loss. An Information Session for parents or guardians will be held in the Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer St, Werribee, on **Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017** at 7.30pm. Registration forms will be offered at the Information Session. The process will commence on **Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017**. For further information or to register your attendance for the information session, contact St. Andrew's Parish Office on 9741 4144.

**ST. ANDREW'S PLAYGROUP** meets on Tuesdays in the Penola Hub from 9.30am to 11am (**not during school holidays**). Fran Gillett is the new Coordinator and we have a number of children enrolled. We would appreciate any help from adult volunteers to assist with the set up each week. We look forward to welcoming many families to our playgroup. For more information, please contact St. Andrew's Parish on 9741 4144.

**CHILD SAFE STANDARDS** – The Parish Team, under guidance from the Archdiocese, has been working on establishing Child Safe Standards for our Parish, all employees, volunteers and parishioners. We have implemented a Child Safety Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct, as well as created a Child Safety Team. These documents are available for viewing in the Parish Office for anyone interested. Thank you.

**GREEN THUMBS, GET INVOLVED** – Autumn is here, and the right time to start preparing for the Plant Stall at this year's Parish Fair in November. Get garden tools, seedlings and cuttings ready for helping the Parish raise funds this year. If you require plant pots or have any questions regarding the Plant Stall, please SMS a precise message and contact details to Marie Hélène on 0400 965 542. Alternatively, please leave a message at the Parish Office on 9741 4144. Thank you.

**PASTORAL LETTER TO THE CATHOLICS OF VICTORIA – PUSH TO INTRODUCE EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE** - The Victorian Government is seeking to introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide later this year. The proposed changes will impact everyone, not just the terminally ill. Because of their concern about this grave matter, the Bishops of Victoria have released a pastoral letter with copies available in parishes. Please read the pastoral letter and if you would like to get involved, contact the Parish Office. You can also obtain more information from the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or alternatively visit: [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily)

**KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE – URGENTLY WANTED: VOLUNTEER WORKERS** for Balgo Parish. The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. We are currently seeking a couple in Balgo to assist the Priest in the running of the Parish. There are several other roles in the Kimberley for single people or couples also available. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months. For further details, and an application form, please contact: Volunteer Coordinator Anneliese Rohr: 08 9192 1060 Email: [volunteers@broome-diocese.org](mailto:volunteers@broome-diocese.org) Web: [www.broome-diocese.org](http://www.broome-diocese.org) Mail: PO Box 76, BROOME WA 6725

**FOOD, FAMILY AND FAITH: AN AFTERNOON WITH FR. LEO PATALINGHUG** – Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2017, 3–5.45pm, followed by Vigil Mass at 6pm in St Brigid's Church, St Brigid's Parish Hall, 378 Nicholson Street, North Fitzroy. Come and be inspired with more creative ways to feed your family's soul as well as their stomach. Fr. Leo is a talented chef and Catholic priest. His 'Grace before meals' ministry brings together a love of fine food with the importance of family meals and celebrating our faith. Along with a demonstration and presentation by Fr. Leo, the afternoon will provide an opportunity to sample his food and that of some of Melbourne's Catholic migrant communities. Due to limited seating, bookings are essential. Cost: \$10. Children under 18 free. Details: Life, Marriage and Family office on 9287 5587 or [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=265841>

**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](http://www.entbook.com.au/9s30184) or contact the Parish Office. *Please see flyer on notice boards for details.*

**2017 MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS** – Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017 (Mother's Day), 11am at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Cathedral Place, East Melbourne. The Life, Marriage and Family Office warmly invites all expectant mothers and their families to the 2017 Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition. Registration: 9287 5587 or [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily). Registration closes on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017. *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.