



St Andrew's Parish News

We are a Dynamic Faith Community in the Spirit of the Gospel

THE 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B - 20 & 21 JANUARY 2024

OUR PARISH

Parish Office

76 Springs Road
Clayton South VIC 3169
Phone: 9551 5666
Email: claytonsouth@cam.org.au
Tuesday - Friday 10am - 3pm

Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am
Mon—Sat (except Tues): 9.15am
Tues: 7.00pm & Novena to St. Jude

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9.45 to 10.15am

Baptism & Wedding

Please contact the Parish Office

Funeral

Please contact the Parish Office

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Fr. Shibu Joseph sac
shibu.joseph@cam.org.au

Parish Team Leader

Linda De Souza (Tues/ Thurs/Fri)
Email: claytonsouth@cam.org.au

Parish Secretary

Smita Pinto (Tue/Wed)
Luisa May - Bookkeeper (Thu)

Youth Co-ordinator

SAYGCS21@gmail.com

St. Andrew's Primary School

Principal: Mr. Paul Wakeling
Phone: 9551 5094
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R.E. Co-ordinator

Nicole Black

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THE FEAST OF SANTO NIÑO (INFANT JESUS)

MASS - SUNDAY 21ST JAN 1PM



The feast day of **Santo Niño de Cebú** is celebrated on the third Sunday in January in the Philippines, and by Filipino communities around the world. The devotion incorporates an image of the Christ Child, as a representation of a vision of St. Teresa of Avila, in remembrance of the conversion of the Philippines to Christianity. The annual Sinulog Festival includes a novena, the rosary and other prayers, as well as Mass. You are most welcome!

AUSTRALIA DAY - FRIDAY 26TH JANUARY

MASS - 9.15AM

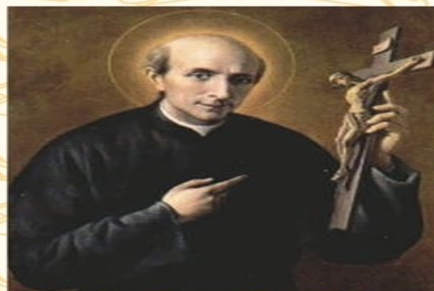
Australia Day we celebrate, Together as a Nation
Acknowledging the past, in Reconciliation.
From the land of red dust, to the salt of the sea,
From the rainforest peaks, to the flowering gum tree
Together we stand, together we say...

Happy, Happy Australia Day!



All are welcome to join us in praying for our great Nation.

FEAST OF ST VINCENT PALLOTTI



You are cordially invited to join in the celebration of the Feast of St Vincent Pallotti on Sunday, 21st January 2024.

The feast day Mass will be at 5pm followed by a BBQ and other refreshments.

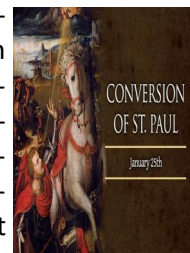
Feel free to bring a plate.

Venue:

St Christopher's Church,
5 Doon Avenue,
Glen Waverley 3150.

THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL

The Feast of the conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle is celebrated on January 25th in the Roman Catholic, Anglican and Lutheran churches. We marvel at his zeal, his influence, and his transparent honesty in speaking about himself: "I am the foremost of sinners; but I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life." That sums up the importance of this feast for us, who are among those who follow in Paul's footsteps and believe in Jesus Christ for eternal life.



St. Andrew's Parish, Clayton South is committed to the safety, wellbeing & dignity of all children, young people & vulnerable adults.

PARISH VISION STATEMENT

"A COMMUNITY THAT EMBRACES, CELEBRATES AND EMPOWERS ALL TO LIVE AS DISCIPLES OF JESUS"

PARISH NEWS

PARISH OFFICE REOPENS

Kindly note, that after the Christmas and New year break, the Parish Office has resumed normal office hours from Tuesday to Friday 10am to 3pm.



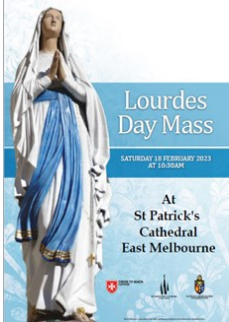
HAPPY HOLIDAYS FR SHIBU!

We wish Fr Shibu "A happy, safe and enjoyable holidays" as He will be in India from Monday 22nd January to Monday 12th February 2024. During his holiday period, we warmly welcome the Priests from Salesian Society, Lysterfield to celebrate the weekday and weekend Masses at St. Andrew's.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2024

At St. Andrew's Parish, we accept the responsibility for passing on our Christian faith, Values, Traditions, Beliefs and stories to the children of our community. The parish offers the Sacramental Program annually in the following order: First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. It starts with the preparatory classes for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Term 1, followed by preparation for the Sacrament of Eucharist in Term 2. Term 3 will be focused on preparing for their Confirmation.

Children 8 years and above, or in Year 3 or higher, are invited to join this program. Please email claytonsouth@cam.org.au or contact parish office for more information.



ORDER OF MALTA LOURDES DAY MASS - SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2024

For some years now, the Order of Malta has organised an annual Lourdes Day Mass to provide an opportunity to pray for the sick and infirm particularly for those who would not otherwise have the possibility of visiting Lourdes.

The Mass will take place again on **Saturday, 10th February at 10.30am at St Patrick's Cathedral**, with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli as the principal celebrant.

For further information, please contact: Sauro Antonelli AM on 0411 250 288.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

The next Baptism Preparation Night will be held on Wed 7th Feb 24 at 7.30pm in the parish house. To register, please contact the parish office via phone 9551 5666 or email - claytonsouth@cam.or.au

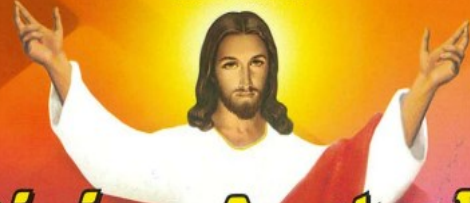


Happy Birthday

Cheryl Lancelot, Joe De Souza, Janice Fredericks.

Stay Blessed, Stay Young!

"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Romans 10:17



Divine Australia

HEALING MASSES & RETREAT

January 2024 Melbourne



Rev. Dr. Antony Parankimalil VC Director, Divine Retreat Centre Kigali, Rwanda

Programme Schedule

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH 76 SPRINGS ROAD CLAYTON SOUTH

THURSDAY 25TH JAN 2024 6.30PM: HEALING MASS



St Vincent de Paul Society good works

Thank you, Parishioners!

St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Andrew's conference is grateful to our parishioners for the generous support. The Christmas giving tree has produced \$2063.60 during the Advent and Christmas season. This contribution will support many living around us who need our help in various manner. A regular donation box is available at the church foyer, and you may contribute throughout the year to support the conference activities.

Once again, a big THANKS on behalf of our beneficiaries for all your support.

Jojo John



CHILDREN MUST HAVE ADULT SUPERVISION AT ALL TIMES



WEEKLY CALENDAR 2024

Monday 22 January

09.15am Mass
10.30am Funeral - Fr. Augustine

Tuesday 23 January

07.00pm Mass / St Jude's Novena

Wednesday 24 January - St. Francis De Sales

09.15am Mass
07.00pm Choir Practice (6pm Choir)

Thursday 25 January - The Conversion of St. Paul

09.15am Mass
06.30pm Healing Mass

Friday 26 January - AUSTRALIA DAY

09.15am Mass

Saturday 27 January

09.15am Mass
10.30am Choir Practice (9.30am Choir)
04.45pm Choir Practice (6pm Choir)
06.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 28 January – The 4th Sunday in Ord Time

08.00am Mass
09.30am Mass
11.00am Mass
12.30pm 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass

REMEMBERING OUR COMMUNITY



Pray For Healing: Candice Walker, Simon Gelera, Pellegrina Nheu, Tommy Lee, Jim Alexiou, Geetha, Arun, Bhaskharan P V Nair, Sarath Kumar,

Peter, Alex D'Cruz, Naville Goddar.

Recently Deceased: Monsignor Gerald Diamond, Fr. Augustine, Letecia Gica, Ashley Denetto, Margaretha Sinta.

Birthday Remembrance: Leslie Baldrey.

Monthly Remembrance: Malcolm Francis, Baby Mitchell Fernandes, Clare Valles.

Death Anniversaries: Sunil Pinto, Kay Sladen, Bartolomea Russo, Ronald Xavier Castelino, Lindsay Basset, Dennis Powel, Felicia, Merlyn & Cyril Grant, Yvonne Gomez, Souls of Geer & Fernandez Family, Celestine D'Rozario, Bradley D'Souza, Aloysius Braganza, Normas Richards, Marieta Cejudo, Jenny Didolo, Vincent D'Rozario, Joseph Pinto, Rosy Ouseph, All forgotten souls, All Souls in Purgatory.



ROSTERS

THE 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 21ST JANUARY 2024

	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
Altar Servers				
Comm	Jenny C	Victor T	David G	Maria B
Readers	Oreen T Pearl B	Marcelle J Rima J	Daniel G Rodolfo G	Joanna D Beatriz C
Special Ministers	Michael Erlinda D Cora D Julianne	Rima J Atanasio J Marcelle J Gazielle P	Ashlyn F Felecia F Jan Van R Charles C	Gloria A Rodney N Rada P Pat I
Welcomers	Pearl & Edwin B	Peter F	Laurence B	Joanna D
Altar L.	Sylvia Lawrence			
Counters Team	Marian J, Maureen H, Eugene G, Duong V N, George V, Jose E, Peter F, Basil H, Glenda L			

THE 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 28TH JANUARY 2024

	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
Altar Servers				
Comm	Volunteer	Jenny De G	Felicia F	Maria B
Readers	Volunteers	Patricia Rima J	Jan Van R Gabby N	Ron B Emma B
Special Ministers	Cheryl R Jenny C Cora X Anne L F	Marguerita Marcelle J Marlene Victor T	Linda M Hanna T Rodolfo G Joyce S	Beata G Pat I Erlinda D Gloria A
Welcomers	Eugene & Ann S	Leroy & Sharon K	Sylvia L	Beatriz C
Altar L.	Claudette Chung			
Counters Team	Marian J, Maureen H, Eugene G, Duong V N, George V, Jose E, Peter F, Basil H, Glenda L			

PALM LEAVES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY



If you have last year's or previous year's blessed palm leaves at home, kindly bring it to the church and place it in the containers kept in the church and school foyer. Thank you.



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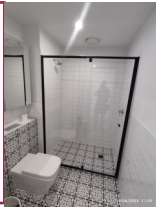


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A WELL WISHER FOR THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW'S

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IN OT YEAR B
21 JANUARY 2024**



FIRST READING Jonah 3:1-5. 10

A reading from the prophet Jonah

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least. God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

RESP PSALM Ps 24:4-9. R. v.4

(R.) Teach me your ways, O Lord.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. (R.)
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord. (R.)
3. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to

laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION MARK 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near:

believe the Good News!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 1:14-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.



REFLECTION – by Fr Michael Tate

The Eyes Have it—When Jesus says to Simon, Andrew, James and John ‘I will make you into fishers of men’, then, amongst the many levels of meaning they would have heard the allusion to Ezekiel 29:3-5.

Jesus was telling them that he was creating a society of liberated human beings, called the ‘Kingdom of God’. This would involve struggle against powerful elites, the pharaohs of this world, who oppress and enslave people. It would be as dangerous and demand as much energy as required to haul a crocodile out of the Nile.

Yet they did so, ‘straightaway’. Because of the call of Jesus? No. At least, not that alone. We read ‘He saw Simon and his brother Andrew . . . He saw James and his brother John.’ They were responding not to his voice alone but to his eyes. His is like the attentive gaze of a parent loving a baby into a beautiful future. Jesus looks at you and at me wanting to love us into a barely imaginable future.

We could pause for a moment to remember that when His call comes, demanding an ‘aye’ or a ‘nay’, the Eyes have it.



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FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONSIGNOR GERALD DIAMOND AS BELOW:

Monday 22 Jan 2024 - Rosary: 6.30pm, Vigil Mass: 7pm

Live Stream link: www.streambeans.com.au/monsignor-diamond/

Tuesday 23 Jan 2024 - Pontifical Requiem Mass: 11am, Internment: 1pm (Priest’s Crypt, Melbourne General Cemetery, Carlton) Live Stream link: <https://youtube.com/live/H3U4kcgfIdE?feature=share>

WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW’S PARISH

Are you new to St. Andrew’s?



We welcome you! Please take a moment to look at our welcome kit which is available in the church foyer. You are invited to complete the registration form and return it to the Parish office. **THANK YOU!**

PIETY STALL AT ST ANDREW’S We have lots of religious items, books, cards etc, Statues & gifts at our piety stall now open at all weekday & weekend Masses. Contact parish office during office hours if required. **Thank you!**

LEGION OF MARY Statue Visitation



The Statue of Mother Mary is available to visit homes in the Parish. Please contact: Lawrence Bernard - 0413 695 662 or Joe Lansakara - 0419 748 349. Legion of Mary will resume the monthly recitation of the Rosary at the Adoration Chapel Every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Next Rosary at 7:00 pm on Wed 21st February 2024

Please join us to say the Rosary.

KINGSTON COUNCIL INTERFAITH NETWORK BREAKFAST



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The Kingston Interfaith Network Committee would like to highlight the upcoming Interfaith Breakfast in February 2024, and invite your faith organisation to participate in the Interfaith Network. The Interfaith Network aims to encourage understanding and respect between peoples of all faiths and cultures. The Interfaith Network Committee helps to build connections amongst the diverse and vibrant faith communities within our municipality and with the City of Kingston. To book follow the link below:



Book online via Eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/kingston-interfaith-network-breakfast-tickets-763233220107>

**Bookings essential as tickets are limited.
Bookings close on 25 January at 5pm.**