



St Andrew's Parish News

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

THE 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B - 2 & 3 MARCH 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

PREP WELCOME MASS HELD LAST SUNDAY 25/2



THE PREPS WERE WONDERFUL WITH THEIR ANSWERS AND SINGING!!!

SAYG YOUTH MEET AND GREET AT CARL'S JUNIOR LAST SUNDAY 25/2

For sure they enjoyed their 1st Meet & greet for 2024 with a meal together. A warm welcome to all of them as they prepare for the Youth Masses.



PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Fr. Shibu Joseph sac
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Parish Team Leader

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Parish Secretary

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

Youth Co-ordinator

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St. Andrew's Primary School

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R.E. Co-ordinator

Nicole Black

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ST. ANDREW'S FAMILY PICNIC



Date

21 April
2024

Venue

Namatjira
Park

Time :

After 11
AM Mass

- Bring your perfect picnic items (rug/chairs/food/soft drinks, water)
- Sausage Sizzle on sale
- Games for all ages
- Prizes to be won / Music and Sing along
- Looking for someone who could bake some cookies
- If you would like to sponsor / help in any way, please contact the following social committee members / Parish house :

Cheryl Rodrigues – 0490659344 Cheryl Lancelot – 0419347974
Kim Davey – 0438954375 Sharon King – 0423571858
Parish House (95515666)

**We need your participation to make it a fun filled event.
Thank you..... The Social Committee**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAYS IN LENT AFTER 9.15AM MASS & AT 7PM

**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

ALTAR SERVER'S MEETING

The next Altar Server's Meeting will be held on Monday 4th March at 6pm in the Parish House.

BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT

The next Baptism Preparation Night will be held on Wednesday 6th March at 7.30pm in the parish house. To register, please contact the parish office.

PPT / MINISTRY COORDINATORS MEETING

The Parish Pastoral Team / Ministry Coordinators Meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th March at 6.30pm in the Parish House.



CHURCH WORKING BEE

To prepare for the Easter Triduum Services, a working bee will be held on Saturday 23rd March from 10am. If you can assist, your help will be greatly appreciated.

DONATIONS FOR HOLY WEEK

Sponsors for church items are needed for our Holy Week Services like Procession Candles, Easter Candle, Flowers, 12 loaves bread, cost of retreat, etc. If you can help in any way, please contact the parish office. Your generosity is appreciated!

MASS ROSTERS FOR EASTER TRIDUUM SERVICES

The Mass Rosters for Easter Triduum Services are kept in the church foyer. All relevant ministry volunteers are kindly requested to put your name down on the roster sheet if you would like to assist with Reading / Commentating / Special Ministers etc.

NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The Welcoming Committee invites new volunteers to join this Ministry which is usually done at the weekend Masses and Special events. If you would like to meet, greet and welcome parishioners ect, please contact the parish office via email: claytonsouth@cam.org.au or phone: 9551 5666

CODE OF CONDUCT DECLARATION FORMS

The Code of Conduct Declaration Form is a compulsory requirement for all Ministry Volunteers in the church / parish office. This form is due for renewal every 3 years. You will receive an email or notification from the parish office to renew your form. When you receive the renewal request, please fill, sign and send the form back to the office at your earliest. Your timely response will be helpful.



Happy Birthday

Joseph MC, Erlinda Deal, Jerry Mahoney and Anne Simon

Stay Blessed, Stay Young!

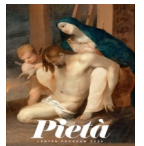
PIETÀ - LENTEN PROGRAM 2024

"By the solemn forty days of Lent, the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert."



In order to assist us on our Lenten journey and to provide an opportunity for fellowship, the parish makes available a Lenten Program book that includes daily reflections from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday for personal reflection in addition to longer-form Sunday Scripture reflections, readings, responsorial psalms, prayers and reflection questions that are traditionally part of group Lenten programs. The book also includes beautiful artwork from the Masters with accompanying artwork reflections.

PIETÀ - LENTEN PROGRAM 2024 DIGITAL COPY ONLY NOW AVAILABLE - \$5.00



Caritas AUSTRALIA



Samoa may be a country surrounded by water, but access to clean drinking water is scarce in some areas, with many families facing extreme hardship as a result.

Leaia lives with her five children, husband, brother and sister-in-law on the island of Upolu in Samoa. Not having access to a reliable source of clean water caused Leaia a lot of worry.

Their home is not connected to a piped water system, so they had to rely solely on rainwater collected in old fridges. When their water ran out, Leaia had to walk with her young children to collect water in buckets and containers from a neighbour down the street.

With the support of Caritas Australia's local partner, Caritas Samoa, a water tank was installed at Leaia's home. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water at home. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions.

"We are very thankful and grateful for the water tank. It has helped us so much and made our daily life easier," Leaia said.



The Project Compassion Boxes are available in the Church Foyer if you wish to take one home or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion



CHILDREN MUST HAVE ADULT SUPERVISION AT ALL TIMES



WEEKLY CALENDAR 2024

Monday 4 March

09.15am Mass
06.00pm Altar Server's Meeting
07.00pm Choir Practice (11am Choir)

Tuesday 5 March

10.30am Friendship Group
07.00pm Mass / St Jude's Novena

Wednesday 6 March

09.15am Mass
07.00pm Choir Practice (6pm Choir)
07.30pm Baptism Preparation Night

Thursday 7 March

09.15am Mass - Gr 3/4 G & 5/6 DW
04.00pm Sacramental Program
06.00pm Choir Leader's Meeting
07.00pm Choir Practice (8am Choir)
07.00pm Lenten Reflection

Friday 8 March

09.15am Mass / Stations of the Cross
07.00pm Stations of the Cross / Mass

Saturday 9 March

09.15am Mass
10.30am Choir Practice (9.30am Choir)
03.00pm Youth Choir Practice
04.45pm Choir Practice (6pm Choir)
06.00pm Vigil Mass - Youth Mass

Sunday 10 March – 4th Sunday of Lent

08.00am Mass
09.30am Mass
11.00am Mass—Welcome Rite
12.30pm Baptisms

REMEMBERING OUR COMMUNITY



Pray For Healing: Candice Walker, Simon Gelera, Pellegrina Nheu, Jim Alexiou, Pam Ridgecook, Colleen Foran, Thi-Thuy-Nguyen, Ting Chung Sing, Lucy Lena Sing, Monica Leman, Jack Sing, Eric Sing, Yenny Aprilia.

Recently Deceased: Philomena Fernandez, Hugh Hendricks

Birthday Remembrance: Ruth Braganza.

Death Anniversaries: Marian Pinto, Lynette Pinto, Douglas Francis Fernando, Gabriele Aceto, Giovanni Cussigh, Joseph Rodrigues, Francisca Miclat, Rudy Alvyn, Philip Rozario, Lenny Lowe, Connie Abraham, Anne Ward, Rosy Ousep, Audrey Osbourne, Mabel & Cecil, Cyril Mahony, Berty Stone, Denzil Singh, Kate D'Brass, Simone Markese, Giovanni D'Amelio, Mary Nellivila, David Martis, Forgotten Souls and All Souls in Purgatory.

ROSTERS

THE 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

2 / 3 MARCH 2024	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
Altar Servers	Alexia Sophia Chanelle		Evan	Ryan G Joshua
Comm	Cheryl R	Lynette F	David G	Linda K
Readers	Marilyn Corazon J	Tanasha S Tricia S	Adam D Allen S	Rohini T Arputha V
Special Ministers	Oreen T Cheryl L Marilyn Pierre W	George V Riekie V Rebecca G Atanasio J	Charles C Felecia F Jan Van R Rodolfo G	Ean B Beatriz C Rada P Lourdes R
Children's Liturgy	Oreen T Meryl H	No C.L	Ashlyn F Helena N	No C.L
Welcomers	Pearl & Edwin B	Peter F	Anna W	Gloria A
Altar L.	Laurence Bernard			
Counters Team	Marian J, Maureen H, Eugene G, George V, Peter F, Basil H, Glenda L			

THE 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

9 / 10 MARCH 2024	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
Altar Servers	Alexia Sophia Chanelle	Evan		Ryan G Joshua
Comm	Janet D	Marguerita	Gazielle P	Linda K
Readers	Kim D Burle D	Tanya V	Rosemary David G	Colette D Mara B
Special Ministers	Pearl B Edwin B Nial F Vanessa F	Marguerita Victor T James M Maureen H	Phillipe N Carol N Hanna T Joyce S	Beata G Pat I Linda K Erlinda D
Children's Liturgy	Dona P Josephine	No C.L	Laurence Lota F	No C.L
Welcomers	Kim & Burle D	George & Riekie V	Sylvia L	Beatriz C
Altar L.	Tina Rana			
Counters Team	Marian J, Maureen H, Eugene G, George V, Peter F, Basil H, Glenda L			



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

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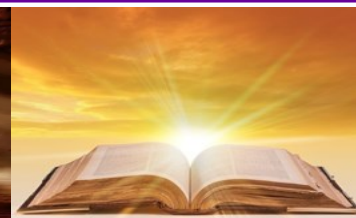
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**THE 03rd SUNDAY
IN LENT YEAR B
03 MARCH 2024**



FIRST READING Exodus 20:1-3.7-8.12-17

A reading from the book of Exodus

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

RESP PSALM Ps 18:8-11. R. Jn 6:68

(R.) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. (R.)

2. The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. (R.)

3. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. (R.)

4. They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

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

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified

Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 3:16

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL John 2:13-25

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

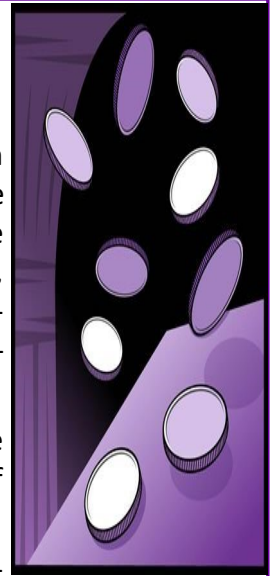
REFLECTION – by Fr Michael Tate

Where does God really dwell?:

The Ten Commandments are badly named. Rather, they are the Ten Responses which should characterise a liberated people, freed from slavery by 'the Lord, your God'. By the time Jesus came on the scene, the Temple in Jerusalem was no longer a fit dwelling place for a God who desires to free people from oppression and exploitation. To the contrary, Jesus saw the Temple ideology as placing undue burdens and shackles on people. His anger at this erupted in dramatic street theatre. His overturning of the tables of the money-changers signalled the overturning of the Temple system.

What Our Lord revealed to uncomprehending authorities was that His body was the true sanctuary. The body of Jesus of Nazareth is the dwelling place of God, the habitation of the Lord God who liberates people. In short, God's sanctuary is not a place, but a person.

We could take a moment to pray, using the Ten Responses to review and guide our reflection and practice as we move towards Easter. This will help us to celebrate the enigmatic saying: 'Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it again.' © Fr Michael Tate; mtate@bigpond.com



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 lead 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 20th March 2024

Please join us to say the Rosary.



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!**

Celebrating 50 years of Worldwide Marriage Encounter in Australia: 'Love and respect' formation day

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER IN AUSTRALIA Saturday 16 March 2024 (All day event)

A special formation day is being offered to mark the 50th anniversary of the Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) in Australia. WWME is a weekend away offering married couples a special kind of 'time out'—a different kind of 'weekend getaway'. Based on Catholic values, the ministry started in Spain in the... [MORE INFO](#)

THE PATRICK ORATION 2024

Monday 18 March 2024 7.30pm–8.30pm

Join us on the feast day of St Patrick, the patron saint of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, for the fifth annual Patrick Oration to be delivered by the Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne. **Watch the live broadcast on TV or online:** On TV via C31 (digital channel 44) Archdiocesan YouTube Channel (www.youtube.com/archmelb) [MORE INFO](#)

"REND YOUR HEART AND NOT YOUR GARMENTS."
Joel 2:13

LENTEN SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT
with Fr. Roni George VC,
Director of Divine Retreat Centre, Sydney

Date: March 19, 20, 21, 2024
Time: 6:30pm to 9:30pm
Praise and Worship • Stations of the Cross • Confession,
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