



# St Andrew's Parish News

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## THE 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C - 18 & 19 JANUARY 2025

### OUR PARISH

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**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

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#### School R.E. Co-ordinator

Emma Strom

### ONLINE SERVICES

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### SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

In his Apostolic Letter of 30 September 2019, *Aperuit illis* Pope Francis established that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be the Sunday of the Word of God. Sunday of the Word of God is a day to be devoted to the **celebration, study, and spreading** of the Word of God. Pope Francis impresses on us that the relationship between the Risen Lord, a community of believers, and sacred Scripture is essential to who we are as Christians. The motto chosen for the 2025 celebration is "**I hope in your Word**" (Ps 119:74).



### FEAST OF ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI

22nd January



**St. Vincent Pallotti**, Priest Born in Rome in 1795, St. Vincent became a priest and dedicated himself completely to God and cared for souls. Ordained priest on the 16th of May, 1818. On the 4th of April 1835 he founded the Union of Catholic Apostolate, bringing together priests, men and women religious, and lay people; united as a faith community for the common purpose of living and spreading the Good News.

In 1846 he formed a community of priests and brothers now known as the Society of the Catholic Apostolate. He died on the 22nd of January 1850 at the centre of his new community, the church of San Salvatore in Onda, Rome.

He was beatified by Pius XII on the 22nd of January 1950, and proclaimed a Saint by John XXIII, 20th January 1963. He was aware that the bishops, priests, and religious alone cannot carry total responsibility for evangelization. Lay people, too, have the obligation and the right to actively participate in the mission of the Church. This concept was new at the time of Vincent Pallotti, and to implement it he founded the Union of Catholic Apostolate.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2025

Welcome to St. Andrew's Parish Religious Education Program 2025, for children receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, First Eucharist, & Confirmation in 2025.

Classes are held on Tuesdays of school terms from 4pm to 5pm. The classes are designed to provide for the religious education of children outside the catholic school system and include the preparation of children to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation in Year 3, First Eucharist in Year 4 and Confirmation in Year 6. These are the minimum age requirements for each Sacrament. However older children who need to prepare are welcome to join.

For more details and enrolment, kindly contact the parish office or Mable Tsang, pastoral worker. **Email:** [Mable.Tsang@cam.org.au](mailto:Mable.Tsang@cam.org.au) **Phone:** 03 9551 5666.



**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



Happy Birthday

Jessie Guzman, Cheryl Lancelot, Lizbeth Calingasan

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Jessie & Jenny De Guzman - 50<sup>th</sup> Rudolfo and Regina Garduce

Have a nice day!



YEAR OF JUBILEE

ARCHDIOCESAN PLACES OF PILGRIMAGE

The Year 2025 is a significant time for us Catholics as it is Jubilee Year. Its time for spiritual renewal. It provides a period for believers to reflect, embark on pilgrimages and receive special indulgences sanction by the Church. The Archdiocese of Melbourne has declared official Jubilee Year pilgrim centres. The designated pilgrim places are:



- St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne
- St Mary Star of the Sea, West Melbourne
- St Mary MacKillop, Keilor Downs
- St Mary Magdalene's, Trentham
- Polish Marian Shrine, Aberfeldie/Essendon
- St Dominic's, Camberwell East
- St Francis Xavier, Mansfield, St Patrick's, Mentone
- Sacred Heart, Croydon, St Luke's, Lalor
- Divine Mercy Shrine, Keysborough
- Our Lady of Lavang, Keysborough
- St Macartan's, Mornington

BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT

The next Baptism Preparation Night will be held on Wednesday 5th March 2025 at 7.30pm in the parish house. To register, please contact the parish office via email: claytonsouth@cam.org.au or Tel: 9551 5666

NOW AVAILABLE: 2025 Daily Mass Book and Children's Bible are on sale at the Piety Stall. They are good gifts for the New Year 2025.



KEEP US UP TO DATE! Have you changed address recently? Has your mobile number changed? Do we have your email? It's important that we have your up-to-date contact information details. Please email any changes to claytonsouth@cam.org.au

JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY



We are happy to announce that St. Andrew's Parish is recruiting parishioners from the age of 6 to 11 and 12 to 17 to form new groups of Junior and Intermediate Legion of Mary Praesidia. Legion of Mary is a Catholic Laity organization founded in 1921 in Dublin, Ireland with the object of glorifying God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation, under ecclesiastical guidance. The spirit of the Legion of Mary is that of Mary herself.

For more details and information, you are welcome to contact Mable Tsang, pastoral worker at Email: Mable.Tsang@cam.org.au or Phone: 03 9551 5666



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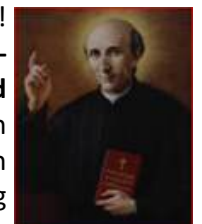


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which is unique to St. Andrew's Church, Clayton South. It will give you direct access to the CDF pay webpage by following a few easy steps. The QR code is also displayed in the Church foyer. Many thanks for your continued generosity and support to the parish.

Feast of St Vincent Pallotti

Pallottine Family Celebration Day! Wednesday 22 January: Holy Cross Parish, 707 Glen Huntly Road, Caulfield South Mass: 11.30 am. followed by lunch at the Parish Hall. We want this to be an enjoyable day of celebration so bring along friends, neighbours and family members. Lunch: Sausage Sizzle will be provided. RSVP by email to caulfieldsouth@cam.org.au



CHILDREN MUST HAVE ADULT SUPERVISION AT ALL TIMES





## WEEKLY CALENDAR 20 JAN 2025

### Monday 20 January

09.15am Mass  
07.00pm Choir Practice (11am Choir)

### Tuesday 21 January

07.00pm Mass / Novena to St Jude

### Wednesday 22 January

09.15am Mass  
07.00pm RCIA Meeting

### Thursday 23 January

09.15am Mass  
07.00pm Choir Practice (8am Choir)

### Friday 24 January

09.15am Mass

### Saturday 25 January

09.15am Mass  
10.30am Choir Practice (9.30am Choir)  
06.00pm Mass

### Sunday 26 January - The 3rd Sun In Ord Time

08.00am Mass  
09.30am Mass  
11.00am Mass



### REMEMBERING OUR COMMUNITY

**Pray For Healing:** Candice Walker, Alexander, Felipe and Anne, Dom Carlos Ximenes Belo, Oemoe Jong, Eugene Roberts, Alyson.

**Recently Deceased:** Shirley Peters, Adly Guirguis, Sweden Rozario

**Birthday Remembrance:** Leslie Baldrey

### Monthly Remembrance:

### Death Anniversaries:

Sunil Pinto, Doreen Stevens, Yolande Core, Rosy Ouseph, Marietta Cejudo, Lindsay Basset, Eugene & Olga Englebright, Vincent Joseph, Henry & Mary Ngan-Kit, Sybil Parisienne, Michael Gaulbert, Marlene Abraham, Arthur Menezes, Ronaldo Sr., Bradley D'Souza, Joseph Pinto, Zanini-Marilena, Ruth Stone, Shinta Purnama, Herman Roberts, Dennis Rozairo, Desmond Brochier, Forgotten Souls / Holy Souls / All Souls in Purgatory.

## ROSTERS

### THE 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

18 & 19 JAN 2025	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
Altar Servers				
Comm	Jenny C	Victor T	David G.	Maria B
Readers	Janet D Pearl B	Marcelle J Neddie A	Daniel G Rodolfo G	Joanna D Beatriz C
Special Ministers	Michael Xavier F Cora D Julianne	Rima J Atanasio J Marguerita Rebecca G	Angela H Rodolfo G Jan Van R Joyce S	Ean B Rodney N Rada P Pat I
Welcomers	Kim & Burle D	George & Riekie V	Anna W	Joanna D
Altar L.	Sheila Francis			
Counters Team	Marian J, Maureen H, Eugene G, George V, Peter F, Basil H, Glenda L			

### THE 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

25 & 26 JAN 2025	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
Altar Servers				
Comm	Edwin B	Jennie D	Oka G	Beatriz C
Readers	Muskaan Lota F	Patricia C Victor T	Jan Van R Gabrielle	Maria B Linda K
Special Ministers	Cheryl R Anne L F Jenny C Cheryl L	Marguerita Marlene E Marcelle J Victor T	Hanna T Carol N Linda M Rodolfo G	Beata G Pat I Linda K Erlinda D
Welcomers	Pearl B	Peter F	Carol N	Claire R
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### A WELL WISHER FOR THE PARISH OF ST. ANDREW'S

From the depths of my nothingness I prostrate myself before you O most Sacred Divine Adorable Heart of Jesus to pay to you all the homage of love praise and adoration in my power. Amen

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**THE 02ND SUNDAY  
IN OT YEAR C  
19TH JAN 2025**



## **FIRST READING Isaiah 62: 1-5**

### **A reading from the prophet Isaiah**

As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you. About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

## **RESP PSALM Ps 95:1-3. 7-10.**

### **(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.**

1. O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. (R.)
2. Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. (R.)
4. Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

## **SECOND READING 1 Cori 12:4-11**

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

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by

the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2THE 2:14**

### **Alleluia, alleluia!**

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Alleluia!**

## **GOSPEL John 2:1-11**

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.



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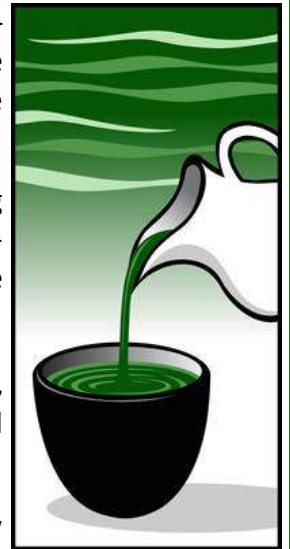
**UNSUNG HEROES** Today's gospel ends: 'He let his glory *be seen*.' Where? In a non-descript Galilean village at a wedding feast about to become a disaster for the couple. The wine is running out. A fiasco is impending. A hero was needed to step in and save the situation. Jesus and Mary are good candidates for hero status.


But, it is the servants who are the unsung heroes. They take a huge risk. They are going to look utterly stupid if they give the steward water to ladle out. Nevertheless, they follow the stranger's directions exactly and end up serving the best of wines, saving the couple from terrible embarrassment.

The Divine Glory is not going to enter people's lives with great pyrotechnics. Rather, when we do as Jesus requires, even if it looks ridiculous to the crowd, His healing and enhancing Presence can enter and save a situation of apparent disaster.

We could pause for a moment to pray for a certain naïve trust in the Lord as we follow his directions, so that Cana may enter someone's life, so that His glory may be seen.

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### Celebrating Jubilee 2025

**The Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

*Franciscus*

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### FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

#### ST. AGNES - January 21

St. Agnes of Rome was born in 291 AD and raised in a Christian family. Agnes was very beautiful and belonged to a wealthy family. Her hand in marriage was highly sought after, and she had many high ranking men chasing after her. However, Agnes made a promise to God never to stain her purity. Her love for the Lord was great and she hated sin even more than death! Whenever a man wished to marry Agnes, she would always say, "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse."



#### ST. FRANCIS DE SALES- January 24

Francis de Sales, was a Catholic prelate who served as Bishop of Geneva and is a saint of the Catholic Church. He became noted for his deep faith and his gentle approach to the religious divisions in his land resulting from the Protestant Reformation. He is known also for his writings on the topic of spiritual direction and spiritual formation, particularly the Introduction to the Devout Life and the Treatise on the Love of God .



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