



# St Andrew's Parish News

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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C - 10 & 11 MAY 2025

### OUR PARISH

#### Parish Office

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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

### HABEMUS PAPUM - WE HAVE A POPE

**Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost** from the United States has been elected as the 267th Pontiff, taking the papal name **Leo XIV**. The announcement was made from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica with the traditional proclamation "Habemus Papam". **Pope Leo XIV** was chosen on the second day of the conclave, which began on May 7, 2025, following the death of Pope Francis on April 21.



### GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY



Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis told us:

*There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.*

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

### PARISH TEAM

#### Parish Priest

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#### Parish Team Leader

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Smita Pinto (Tue/Wed)  
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#### Youth Co-ordinator

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#### St. Andrew's Primary School

Principal: Brian Martin  
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#### School R.E. Co-ordinator

Emma Strom

### MOTHERS DAY BAKE SALE ON 10 & 11 MAY



The St Andrew's Mother's Day Bake Sale will be held this coming weekend of May 10th and 11th! . Please purchase some goodies as you leave the Church.

We also have a lovely cake on display, you can win this cake by Guessing the weight of the Cake. There is a small cost involved for each entry. The draw will take place after the 11am Mass on Sunday May 11.



### HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!

As we celebrate Mother's Day, we pause to honour the women whose love, faith, and strength shape our lives in profound ways. Whether biological, adoptive, spiritual, or maternal in heart, mothers are often the hands and feet of Christ in the everyday- nurturing, guiding, and lifting us with quiet courage and grace.

Today, we thank God for the mothers among us—for their sacrifices, prayers, and unwavering support. We also hold in our hearts those who grieve, long to be mothers, or carry painful memories. May this day be one of compassion, gratitude, and deep appreciation for all the ways love is made visible through motherhood.



### ONLINE SERVICES

#### Website:

[www.standrewsclytonsouth.org.au](http://www.standrewsclytonsouth.org.au)

#### Daily Reflections:

<https://catholic-daily-reflections.com/>

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/standrewsparishclaytonsouth](https://www.facebook.com/standrewsparishclaytonsouth)

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PARISH VISION STATEMENT

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

PARISH NEWS

MAY DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The May Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary refers to the special Marian Devotion practised in the Catholic Church during the month of May honouring Mother Mary as the ‘Queen of May’.



MAY DEVOTION ROSARY The Rosary is a prayer that meditates upon the life of Christ and the Blessed Trinity - through the Blessed Virgin Mary.

In every apparition, especially at Fatima, Mary has invited us to pray the Rosary as a powerful weapon against evil, for the conversion of sinners and to bring us true peace.

ALTAR SERVER’S MEETING

The next Altar Server’s Meeting will be held on Monday 12th May at 6pm in the parish house.

THANKSGIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

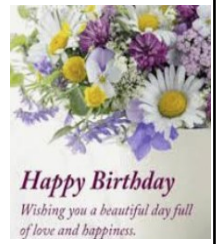
Thank you for your ongoing generosity! Your faithful thanksgiving contributions sustain our parish in its various ministries, administration and outreach.

GIVING via QR CODE To financially support our parish, you can make a donation by scanning this QR code which is unique to St. Andrew’s Church, Clayton South.



FINANCE

Happy Birthday Chantelle D’Cruze, Janet D’mello, Gerard D’Cruze, Gerald Francis, Greg La Fontaine, Sharon King, Joe Lansakara, Fr. Shibu Joseph, Antony Venola, Rita Lozada, Have a nice day!



THANK YOU - CATHOLICARE APPEAL

The total amount raised for the CatholicCare Appeal last weekend is \$1,403.20. A sincere thanks to each and every one for your generous support.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT

An annual Mass Count is being taken from parishes by the Archdiocese for the purposes of pastoral planning activities and allows for comparisons to be made across the years.

MASS FOR MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES



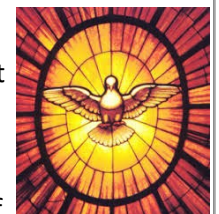
Couples and their families are invited to join us as we celebrate the gift of marriage and family, coinciding with the Jubilee of Families.

Couples who register and are celebrating the following anniversaries—5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 or 40 years and above—will receive a commemorative certificate.

Please register for your spot by Sunday 25 May. For any queries, please contact the Proclaim team on 9926 5761 or at proclaim@cam.org.au.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

It’s about time to enroll for the Sacrament of Confirmation now! The program will be held during School Term 3, starting July 15, on every Tuesday from 4 to 5pm.



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NEWSLETTER



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## WEEKLY CALENDAR 12 MAY 2025

### Monday 12 May

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

### Tuesday 13 May

10.30am Friendship Group  
04.00pm Sacramental Program  
07.00pm Mass / Novena to St Jude

### Wednesday 14 May

09.15am Mass  
10.30am Rosary / Funeral Mass—Raymond S.  
07.00pm Choir Practice (6pm Choir)

### Thursday 15 May

09.15am Mass —3/4 T  
07.00om Choir Practice (8am Choir)  
07.00pm Bible Study Group  
07.00pm Safeguarding Committee Meeting

### Friday 16 May

09.15am Mass  
07.00pm Youth Quarterly Meeting

### Saturday 17 May

09.15am Mass  
10.30am Choir Practice (9.30am Choir)  
03.00pm Youth Choir Practice  
06.00pm Mass  
07.30pm P&W Good Shepherd Servant Comm

### Sunday 18 May - 5th Sunday of Easter

08.00am Mass  
09.30am Mass - **Welcome Rite**  
11.00am Mass

### REMEMBERING OUR COMMUNITY

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

**Recently Deceased:** Lalitha, Hanafi, Lynette Monisse.

**Birthday Remembrance:** Orene Peters, Petsy Williams, Cyril Sladen, Pat Murrian, Lionel Peters, Marlene Fernandez.

**Monthly Remembrance:** Dennis Fredericks, Trevor Fernando.

**Death Anniversaries:** Mathilda Dsouza, Arlene Pereira, Len Smith, Lara Smith, R. Roberts Rana, Maria La Rosa, Yohana, Eric Kerr, Lena Khoury, Veronica Lewis, Myrtle & Eric Fernandez, Hilda & Albert Lobo, Colleen & Burney Green, Arlene Periera, Eileen Van Cuylenberg, Forgotten Souls, All Souls in Purgatory.

## ROSTERS

### THE 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

10 & 11 MAY 2025	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Alexia	Noah	Alivia Joshua	
<b>Comm</b>	Cheryl R	Marguerita	Angela H	Anna L
<b>Readers</b>	Kim D Burle D	Tanya V Helen A	Rosemary David G	Colette D Maria B
<b>Special Ministers</b>	Pearl B Edwin B Xavier F Cheryl R	Marcelle J Victor T James M Maureen H	Phillippe N Carol N Hanna T Joyce S	Pat I Linda K Erlinda D Ean B
<b>Welcomers</b>	Pearl B	Riekie V	Carol N	Betty C
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Genevieve Joanna D	No C. L.	Annette S Romain S	No C. L.
<b>Altar L.</b>	Tina Rana			
<b>Counters Team</b>	Marian J, Maureen H, Eugene G, George V, Peter F, Basil H, Glenda L			

### THE 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

17 & 18 MAY 2025	MASS TIMES			
	Saturday	Sunday		
	6.00pm	8.00am	9.30am	11.00am
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Alexia	Noah	Alivia Joshua	
<b>Comm</b>	Jenny C	Victor T	Terry M	Maria B
<b>Readers</b>	Janet D Pearl B	Marcelle J Neddie A	Daniel G Rodolfo G	Joanna D Beatriz C
<b>Special Ministers</b>	Michael M Xavier F Cora D Julianne M	Rima J Atanasio J Marguerita Rebecca G	Angela H Rodolfo G Jan Van R Linda M	Ean B Rodney N Rada P Erlinda D
<b>Welcomers</b>	Edwin B	George V	Anne W	Joanna D
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Laurence B Oreen T	No C. L.	Helena N Antigit T	No C. L.
<b>Altar L.</b>	Sheila Francis / Winnie Miranda			
<b>Counters Team</b>	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

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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**04TH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER - YR C  
11TH MAY 2025**



**FIRST READING Acts 13:14,43-52**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

**RESP PSALM Ps 99:1. 1-3. 5**

**(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R.)

3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

**SECOND READING Rev 7:9,14-17**

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 10:14**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL JOHN 10:27-30**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**  
Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'





## REFLECTION – by Fr Michael Tate

**Voice Followers:** You and I are Gentiles – part of the non-Jewish world. We are the sort of Christians we are, because of St Paul. He became the strongest advocate of the grace that the early Christian community should be inclusive of all nations and tribes and ethnic groups on the face of the earth. We have not yet realised this potential.

What riches of intellectual traditions, cultural expressions, and organisational structure are we still to receive from the Chinese, the Korean, the Indonesians, the Africans, the Indian Catholics who are part of our 'Church without Borders'?

How do we maintain unity and identity amongst such diversity? By listening for the voice of the Good Shepherd, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

But it takes a good teacher to help us to hear The Voice in the clamour of life. Some of those teachers may be found amongst the Bishops who carry a shepherd's staff. But at least in my experience the best assistant-shepherds have been my parents, and some others. They have helped me hear The Voice assuring me that I will never perish, that I will receive eternal life.

That is a Voice worth following! We could pause for a moment to get on the same wavelength as the Good Shepherd so as to echo His Voice in our lives.



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### 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 anguished, 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

**2025 YOUTH MASSES**  
LED BY ST. ANDREW'S YOUTH GROUP (SAYG)

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**NEXT YOUTH MASS ON 24TH MAY AT 6PM**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**HOLY WATER** Will be available throughout Eastertide from the Church foyer. If you would like some, kindly bring a bottle along and collect it.

### EASTER HOUSE BLESSING

It is a beautiful tradition that the Holy Water, blessed on Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil Mass and used for the baptism of new Catholics, is used to bless the Catholic homes during the Easter season.

Would you like to invite Fr. Joe to have your home blessed? Do you have a new home that has never been blessed? Kindly fill in your details in the clipboard kept at the foyer or please call the parish office on 9551 5666.

### 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.



### FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. Matthias is recognized as the apostle chosen to replace Judas Iscariot after his betrayal of Jesus. His name means "gift of God," and he was one of the 72 disciples sent by Jesus to preach the good news. Matthias is celebrated for his commitment to spreading the gospel and is honored on May 14 each year.

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