



# PARISH OF HOLY SPIRIT AND ST ANTHONY'S

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## Reconciliation Times

10.30am Saturdays– St. Mary's  
4.30pm Saturdays – Holy Spirit  
5.00pm Saturdays - St. Joseph's  
11am Sundays—St. Anthony's

## MASS TIMES

### St. Mary's Thornbury

**Sunday:** 10.00am English/Italian  
5.30pm English

**Weekdays:** Wednesday, 9.15am Italian

### St. Joseph's Northcote

**Saturday:** 5.30pm

**Sunday:** 11:00am Eng/Italian

**Weekdays:** Tuesday, 9.15am English

### Holy Spirit Thornbury East

**Saturday:** 5.00pm

**Sunday:** 9:30am

**Weekdays:** Thursday, 9.15am Italian

### St. Anthony's Alphington

**Sunday:** 9.00am Italian

11.00am English

**Weekdays:** Friday, 9.15am English

## FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK

1 Nov: All Saints

2 Nov: All Souls

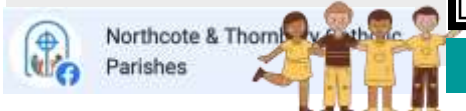
## Recently Deceased

Maria Paola Celano; Emilia Tesa  
Angelo Cesaro(1mth anni.)

## Anniversaries

Marino Casamento; Marjorie Ang;  
Rosina Poci; Rosaria Paola (1yr.anni);  
Tunsie Hanna Fakhry; Angelita Obaldo;  
Fahed Amad; Mtonios Saleh Fakhry;  
Fahima & Yousif Mansour; Larry Habshi;  
Alfonso Gallina (1yr.anni.)

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## 30 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

28/29 October 2023



## Expand your neighbourhood

The greatest commandment is clear: "You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart." The second greatest commandment is equally clear: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." What is not clear, perhaps, is what these commandments mean.

The juxtaposition of these two commandments, both chosen from the Hebrew Scriptures, would seem to clarify at least to some extent what it means to love God: one way we humans express our love for God is by loving our neighbor.

Today's liturgy attempts to clarify the matter of loving one's neighbor by another juxtaposition, preceding the Gospel with the passage from Exodus about treating justly the most vulnerable people in society.

The implication is that loving our neighbor means more than being kind to our friends and relatives, or to the person who lives next door. Loving one's neighbor means doing right by any widow or orphan: seeing that the hungry are fed and the homeless sheltered, that the poor have their basic needs met, that the unemployed do not suffer from want, that the young are educated and the old are cared for.

To do less is to fail in our love for neighbor. To do less is also to keep us from singing with joy: "I love you, Lord, my strength."

The commandments to love God with all one's heart and to love one's neighbor as oneself are the heart and soul of Christian morality. ... These commands point out the path toward true human fulfillment and happiness.

They are not arbitrary restrictions on human freedom. Only active love of God and neighbor makes the fullness of community happen. Christians look forward in hope to a true communion among all persons with each other and with God.

Reflection from *Gerald Darring*

## Masses for all Saints 1 November and All Souls Day 2 November

### All Saints: Wednesday 1 November

9.15am Mass at St. Mary's English/ Italian

### All Souls day: Thursday 2 November

9.15am Mass English/Italian at St. Mary's Parish

9.15am Mass at Holy Spirit Parish

7pm Mass at St. Joseph's Northcote

### COMMEMORAZIONE DI TUTTI I FEDELI DEFUNTI: Giovedì, 2 Novembre

9.15am Messa: St. Mary's Thornbury

9.15am Messa: Holy Spirit Thornbury East.

7pm Messa: St Joseph's Northcote.

*Remembering all souls.*



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

This parish has a commitment to ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable people in our community.

**FIRST READING** Exodus 22:20-26

A reading from the book of Exodus,

The Lord said to Moses, Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity. The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 17**

**R: I love you, Lord, my strength.**

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,  
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
My God is the rock where I take refuge;  
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.  
The Lord is worthy of all praise:  
when I call I am saved from my foes.

2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!  
Praised be the God who saves me.  
He has given great victories to his king  
and shown his love for his anointed.

**R: I love you, Lord, my strength.**

**SECOND READING** 1Thessalonians 1:5-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming. The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation** Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,  
And my father will love them and we will come to them.  
Alleluia!

**THE GOSPEL** Matt. 22: 34-40

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.

This is the greatest and the first commandment.

The second resembles it:

You must love your neighbour as yourself.

On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ**

**Next week's readings: 31 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A.**

Mal 1:14-2:2,8-10 Psalm: 130 1Thes 2:7-9,13

Matt 23:1-12

**PRIMA LETTURA** Es 22,20-26

Dal libro dell'Èsodo

Così dice il Signore:

«Non molesterai il forestiero né lo opprimerai, perché voi siete stati forestieri in terra d'Egitto. Non maltratterai la vedova o l'orfano. Se tu lo maltratti, quando invocherà da me l'aiuto, io darò ascolto al suo grido, la mia ira si accenderà e vi farò morire di spada: le vostre mogli saranno vedove e i vostri figli orfani.

Se tu presti denaro a qualcuno del mio popolo, all'indigente che sta con te, non ti comporterai con lui da usuraio: voi non dovete imporgli alcun interesse.

Se prendi in pegno il mantello del tuo prossimo, glielo renderai prima del tramonto del sole, perché è la sua sola coperta, è il mantello per la sua pelle; come potrebbe coprirsi dormendo? Altrimenti, quando griderà verso di me, io l'ascolterò, perché io sono pietoso».

Io sono il Signore, non ce n'è altri».

Parola di Dio

**Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio****Salmo responsoriale** Sal 17**R: Ti amo, Signore, mia forza.**

1. Ti amo, Signore, mia forza,  
Signore, mia roccia,  
mia forza, mio liberatore.

2. Mio Dio, mia rupe, in cui mi rifugio;  
mio scudo, mia potente salvezza e mio baluardo.  
Invoco il Signore, degno di lode,  
e sarò salvato dai miei nemici.

3. Viva il Signore e benedetta la mia roccia,  
sia esaltato il Dio della mia salvezza.  
Egli concede al suo re grandi vittorie,  
si mostra fedele al suo consacrato.

**R: Ti amo, Signore, mia forza.****SECONDA LETTURA.** 1Ts 1,5-10

Dalla prima lettera di san Paolo apostolo ai Tessalonicési

Fratelli, ben sapete come ci siamo comportati in mezzo a voi per il vostro bene.

E voi avete seguito il nostro esempio e quello del Signore, avendo accolto la Parola in mezzo a grandi prove, con la gioia dello Spirito Santo, così da diventare modello per tutti i credenti della Macedònia e dell'Acàia.

Infatti per mezzo vostro la parola del Signore risuona non soltanto in Macedonia e in Acaia, ma la vostra fede in Dio si è diffusa dappertutto, tanto che non abbiamo bisogno di parlarne.

Sono essi infatti a raccontare come noi siamo venuti in mezzo a voi e come vi siete convertiti dagli idoli a Dio, per servire il Dio vivo e vero e attendere dai cieli il suo Figlio, che egli ha risuscitato dai morti, Gesù, il quale ci libera dall'ira che viene. Parola di Dio

**Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio****Canto al Vangelo.** (Gv 14,23)

Alleluia, alleluia.

Se uno mi ama, osserverà la mia parola, dice il Signore, e il Padre mio lo amerà e noi verremo a lui.

Alleluia.

**Vangelo** Mt 22,34-40

+ Dal Vangelo secondo Matteo

In quel tempo, i farisei, avendo udito che Gesù aveva chiuso la bocca ai sadducèi, si riunirono insieme e uno di loro, un dottore della Legge, lo interrogò per metterlo alla prova: «Maestro, nella Legge, qual è il grande comandamento?».

Gli rispose: «Amerai il Signore tuo Dio con tutto il tuo cuore, con tutta la tua anima e con tutta la tua mente». Questo è il grande e primo comandamento. Il secondo poi è simile a quello: «Amerai il tuo prossimo come te stesso». Da questi due comandamenti dipendono tutta la Legge e i Profeti».

Parola del Signore

**Tutti: Lode a te o Cristo.**

## WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for 4 weeks, then a new request is required.

George Young Kairouz; Rita Ljubetic; Ibtisam & Jamal Gorgees; Suhaila, Korkees & Luay Yousif.

## HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Presbytery on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin or Fr. Dixon.

## SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATE O CONFINATE A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto contact Parish Offices **9484 2907**

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Every Thursday at Holy Spirit Parish Office room at 10-11am **ALL WELCOME!**

Contact: Mirella at Thornbury@cam.org.au

**Meditation is back this Thursday.**

**BAPTISMS: by appointment only**

- 1 Sunday of the month - St. Mary's
- 2 Sunday of the month—Holy Spirit
- 3 Sunday of the month - St. Anthony's
- 4 Sunday of the month— St. Joseph's

**First Wednesday of the month.**

**St. Joseph's:** Baptism Preparation by appointment only.

**St. Mary's:** By appointment only please call parish Office

**St Anthony's and Holy Spirit :**Baptism prep session 1st Saturday of the month 10am with Kevin and Katrina Jansz.

## SENIORS

After the Thursday Italian Mass 9.15am at Holy Spirit Parish Hall.

- Dopo messa Bingo e carte nella sala, si offre caffè e biscotti. Tutti benvenuti

After Mass, Bingo and cards in the hall, with Coffee and biscuits offered). All Welcome.

**Last Friday of the month**

**St. Joseph's Seniors Mass every last Friday of the Month at 10.30am in the church.**

Parrocchiani anziani di San Giuseppe sono invitati a partecipare alla **Santa Messa ultimo Venerdì del mese alle 10.30am.**

## Masses of Anointing of the Sick

9.15am Mass of Anointing of the Sick will take place in the first week of the month at all Parishes at respective weekday Mass time.

**"Telephone Prayer meeting"**

When: Every Tuesday at 11.30am

Dial: **07- 5660 6012** (call from home)

Access code: **722762 #**

Cost: Cost of a local call. Open to all.

## Catholic Religious Education

**St. Mary's: Sundays at 9.45 am.** R.E Classes in preparation for Sacraments. Please contact Mirella 9484 2907.

**St Anthony's and Holy Spirit :**Sacramental program 5pm to 6pm in meeting room St Anthony's, six weeks before the Sacrament is received.

## Safeguarding Children, Young

## People and Vulnerable People Committee

Contact Person: Moses El-Fahkri via Parish Office.

## Parish Notices

### PARISH CENSES 2023

It is now been nearly two years since we went into Partnership with our four Parish communities. To ensure we know who we are; what we need, how we are growing and changing and to prepare for our future we will be having a Parish Census. The Census will be taken up over the four weeks in November at Parish Masses. The information gathered will assist us in understanding and serving our parish communities better as well as planning for future endeavors. The information will be stored safely in the parish office. Cards will be available at all Masses for you to fill in over a period of four weeks. If you need assistance in filling out the cards please see a Partnership Parish Pastoral team member after Mass. Thank you for your assistance in this important work.

### Proclaim 2023

Over three days (16-18 November) join together with parishes from across the Archdiocese of Melbourne to be inspired, engaged and equipped to go out and proclaim the joy of the Gospel into our local communities. Hear inspiring local and international speakers, encounter Jesus through prayer, music and fellowship and participate in workshops to equip ourselves for mission! Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1131232> use the discount code: **parishmember** to access the special registration price for parishioners. Enquiries: (03) 9926 5761 or [proclaim@cam.org.au](mailto:proclaim@cam.org.au)

**Masses for the faithful departed buried from our four Parishes in the last 12 months will be celebrated on weekend of 11/12 November.**



**Tea and coffee will be served after all Masses on 11/ 12 November when we will be celebrating Mass for the faithful departed buried from our four parishes in the last 12 months. In lieu of this please note no cuppa after Masses on 5/6 November**

**The Italian Elderly Citizens Group of Holy Spirit celebrated their 35th Anniversary last Thursday with a free lunch and cutting of the anniversary cake and toast to many more years.**



In the beginning a handful of Italian parishioners met in the presbytery for a weekly game of bingo. Over the years it slowly grew and the school hall became the gathering place for nearly 150 parishioners and friends to come together for a cuppa and biscuits, friendly chat and of course the bingo and cards for the men.

We have enjoyed many outings and lunches, mainly subsidized by grants received from Darebin City Council and Multicultural Affairs.

Sadly, with the ageing of our members many have passed away or not able to come and the attendance has slowly declined. However for the sixty-five members who regularly participate, some of which are still the original members, the Thursday bingo or cards is a way of socializing for a few hours and continuing the friendship formed so many years ago. Our congratulations to all past and present committee for their voluntary work and to all the members for their support. May our group continue



### How can you contribute to our parishes

This QR code is unique to St Anthony, Alphington and Holy Spirit, Thornbury East and will give parishioners direct access to our CDF pay web page. To make a payment, parishioners simply scan our CDF pay QR code with their mobile phone and follow a few easy steps.

If you would like to donate via Tap and Go please use the terminal located in the foyer. The limit is \$5. All you need to do to make a donation is tap the terminal with your credit card/ debit card/smart phone smart watch - donations will go straight in to our Church

account. **Church Account: Holy Spirit and St Anthony's Account:** BSB 083 347 Account 573502200

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BSB: 083 347 Account: 557931064 **Church account: St. Joseph's: BSB: 083 347** Account: 663182650