



PARISH OF HOLY SPIRIT AND ST ANTHONY'S



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5pm Sat, 10am Sun

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday 9.15am
Thursday 9.15am
(Italian)

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Weekend Masses:
6pm Sat,
9am Sun (Italian)
11am

Weekday Masses:
Wednesday 9.15am
Friday 9.15am

5th Sunday of Lent - 3 April 2022 3rd Scrutiny's RCIA

1st Reading: Is 4:3-16, 211

Responsorial Psalm: Though I walk in the valley of darkness I fear no evil, for you are with me.

2nd Reading: Phil 3: 8-14

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! I do not wish the sinner to die, says the Lord, but to turn to me and live. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Jn 8: 1-11

Next Week: PASSION OF THE LORD

1st Reading: Is 50: 4-7

2nd Reading: Phil 2: 6-11

Gospel: Luke 22:12 - 23:56

Anniversaries and Deaths

We pray for those who have died including Bruna Mondin and Frances Durnan and those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Pearl David

Diary Dates Please mark your diaries

Monday 4 April

7.30pm Lenten Reflection St A's Meeting Room

Tuesday 5 April

9.15am Junior S Class Mass

10.30am Funeral Frances Durnan St Anthony's

Wednesday 6 April

7.30pm Parish Reconciliation—St Anthony's Church

Thursday 7 April

8.30am Stations of the Cross (Italian) Holy Spirit

9.15am Mass Italian Holy Spirit

11am Staff Meeting—St Anthony's Meeting Room

7.30pm Parish Reconciliation—St Mary's Church

7.30pm Vinnies mtg—St Anthony's Meeting Room

Friday 8 April—Term 1 Ends

We pray for Jake Fish as his journey through the Elect period continues with the readings of the 3rd Scrutiny this weekend.

The account of an adulteress being brought before Jesus is widely considered an interpolation; not only do the manuscripts have many irregularities, the grammatical anomalies suggest it is foreign, and yet thematically it is not out of place in the unfolding of John 7-8. There is also abundant evidence of its always being held to be an authentic account and witness to Jesus. As with Luke's parable last Sunday, part of this report's power lies in the reader empathically identifying with its characters. This human ability has a shadow side because readers with negative attitudes towards the scribes and Pharisees may imaginatively inject their own adverse presumptions. For example, take the portrayal in Mel Gibson's film *The Passion of the Christ*; the bare bones of the brief original account have been fleshed out with the men already carrying stones to kill the woman, made clear when these are dropped as they leave the scene. Also, the humiliation we fairly guess her to have experienced when set before the eyes of a crowd is further increased in the film by her being cast on the floor, cringing. These features are contradicted by the text itself.

A little bird told the Parish Office, that Sr Helen was celebrating a significant birthday this weekend. We wish her a wonderful day with family and friends.



The Parish of Holy Spirit and St Anthony's and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention OR contact the child safety representatives of our Parish—Margaret Harrington, Pauline Egan, Fran Adamopoulos and Max Gomez.

Parish Telephone Prayer Group: Call in: Tuesday at 11.30am. Cost of a local call.

Call-in number: a) 07-5660 6012 b) access code : 722762 # .

LENT

Reflection: St Anthony's Meeting Room at 7.30. Transport for two available from Holy Spirit...contact parish Office and Lynn Hale will contact you.
Make Lent meaningful and walk with others towards Easter.
They will be using "This Cup we Bless by Michael McGirr.

Prayer: Sheets will be available at the back of the Church with Forty Lenten ideas by Janet Schaeffler OP for you follow if you wish.

8.30am Thursdays Stations of the Cross in Italian Holy Spirit Church

10am Fridays Stations of the Cross in Italian St Anthony's Church

Alms Giving: Project Compassion boxes and envelopes for the 5 weeks will be available at the Church during Lent. The theme this year is;
"For all future generations"

FATHER GABRIEL DALY OSA Father Gabriel is an Irish theologian

As Christians each of us is called to be a person of prayer and each of us has to discover the kind of prayer—or rather the kind of setting for prayer – that suits us best. What matters is that we pray. The methods we adopt are of secondary importance and depend to a great extent on knowledge of ourselves, of our strengths and weaknesses.

When the disciples of Jesus asked him for a lesson in prayer he gave them, not an instruction on technique, but the Our Father. In other words he taught them what to pray about. He apparently said little about how to do it. He himself seems to have preferred the open countryside as the setting for his prayer, but he never suggested that this was the best setting for everyone else.

What, then, is the common factor in all the different kinds of prayer? This really amounts to asking: What is prayer? We must avoid the tendency to give too narrow an answer to that question. We may be praying far more than we think we are. It is good to recognise this, since it is more encouraging to build on something which has already started than to feel we have to begin from scratch.

Prayer is, first and foremost, an attitude to life. It is reaching out beyond the appearance of things to the deepest realities which lie behind, beyond, and yet within those appearances. The occasion may be an explicitly 'religious' one, like a Sunday Mass, but it may also be a beautiful sunset, the smile on a baby's face, a great piece of music, the encouraging word of a friend; the occasion scarcely matters.

What matters is what we feel ourselves reaching for depths of meaning in life. The depth of meaning is part of what we mean by God. To sense it is to begin to pray. It needs no words, though we may grope for words to express it or use a form of words which others have used. Sourced from majellan.media

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EASTER TIMETABLE

**WEDNESDAY 6TH APRIL—7.30PM
PARISH RECONCILIATION AT ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH**

**THURSDAY 14TH APRIL—7.30PM
MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER
HOLY SPIRIT AND ST ANTHONY'S**

**FRIDAY 15TH APRIL
10.30AM—WAY OF THE CROSS
ALL NATIONS PARK, NORTHCOTE**

**3PM
PASSION OF THE LORD
HOLY SPIRIT AND ST ANTHONY'S**

**SATURDAY 16TH APRIL—7.30PM
EASTER VIGIL
HOLY SPIRIT AND ST ANTHONY'S**

**SUNDAY 17TH APRIL
SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
9AM (ITALIAN MASS) ST ANTHONY'S
10AM MASS HOLY SPIRIT
11AM MASS ST ANTHONY'S**

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Sacraments:

**Baptism—2nd Sunday Holy Spirit 10am Mass
3rd Sunday St Anthony's 11am Mass
Preparation 1st Saturday at 10am Holy Spirit Church**

**Confirmation: Saturday 18 June 3pm
Holy Spirit and 6pm St Anthony's.**

**Catechical Classes begin Monday 2 May 2022
6pm-7pm Meeting Room at St Anthony's.
Contact Parish Office for further information.**

First Reading: Is 43:16-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
 Thus says the Lord,
 who made a way through the sea,
 a path in the great waters;
 who put chariots and horse in the field
 and a powerful army,
 which lay there never to rise again,
 snuffed out, put out like a wick:
 No need to recall the past,
 no need to think about what was done before.
 See, I am doing a new deed,
 even now it comes to light; can you not see it?
 Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness,
 paths in the wilds.
 The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and
 ostriches, because I am putting water in the
 wilderness to give my chosen people drink.
 The people I have formed for myself
 will sing my praises.
 The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 125. R. v.3

Response: *The Lord has done great things
 for us; we are filled with joy.*

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
 it seemed like a dream.
 Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
 on our lips there were songs.

2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
 the Lord worked for them!'
 What marvels the Lord worked for us!
 Indeed we were glad.

3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
 as streams in dry land.
 Those who are sowing in tears
 will sing when they reap.

4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,
 carrying seed for the sowing:
 they come back, they come back, full of song,
 carrying their sheaves.

Resp: *The Lord has done great things
 for us; we are filled with joy.*

Second Reading: Phil 3:8-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
 I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the
 supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For
 him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on
 everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ
 and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for
 perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes
 from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes
 through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on
 faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his
 resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing
 the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to
 take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I
 have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am
 still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ
 Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far
 from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that
 I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to
 come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which
 God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.
 The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks Be to God**Gospel Acclamation** Jl 2:12-13

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

With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and
 compassionate.

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

Gospel Jn 8:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
 Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he
 appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people
 came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.
 The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who
 had been caught committing adultery; and making her
 stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus,
 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of
 committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the
 Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning.
 What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test,
 looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent
 down and started writing on the ground with his finger.
 As they persisted with their question, he looked up and
 said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him
 be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down
 and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this
 they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest,
 until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained
 standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where
 are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she
 replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away,
 and don't sin any more.' The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ