

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 11 Oct 2026



The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne

Parish Priest: Fr. Arsenio Tuazon
Pastor Emeritus: Fr. John Dupuche

St Anne's: 54 Knees Road, Park Orchards 3114
St Gerard's: 3 McCulloch Street, Warrandyte 3113

Mass Times: St Gerard & St Anne

Sundays: 10.30am

Third Sunday of each month St Anne's, Park Orchards
 All other Sundays St Gerard's, Warrandyte

Tuesdays: 9.00am

(Anointing Mass, first Tuesday of the month)
 St Gerard's Warrandyte

Mass Times: Holy Spirit Ringwood North

Wednesday: 9.15am Mass
 Friday: 9.15am Mass (first Friday of the month)
 Saturday: 6.00pm Mass
 Sunday: 9.00am Mass
 Sunday: 5.00pm Mass (*in the Chapel*)

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Sacraments

Please contact the Parish Office for:

Baptisms: Every 2nd Sunday at St Anne's Chapel

Reconciliation: Holy Spirit Church, Nth Ringwood

Weddings: By appointment

St Anne's Primary School

Principal: Michael Edmonds **Ph:** (03) 9876 1533

Child Safe Committee: Private Mailbox
parkorchards.safeguarding@cam.org.au

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away the tears from every cheek.

On this mountain,
 the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples
 a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
 of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.

On this mountain he will remove
 the mourning veil covering all peoples,
 and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
 he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away
 the tears from every cheek;
 he will take away his people's shame
 everywhere on earth,
 for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
 in whom we hoped for salvation;
 the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice
 that he has saved us;
 for the hand of the Lord
 rests on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm

**R. I shall live in the house of the Lord
 all the days of my life.**

The Lord is my shepherd;
 there is nothing I shall want.
 Fresh and green are the pastures
 where he gives me repose.
 Near restful waters he leads me,
 to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

He guides me along the right path;
 he is true to his name,
 If I should walk in the valley of darkness
 no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;
 with these you give me comfort. **R.**

Responsorial Psalm (Cont'd)

R. I shall live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

I am able to do all things in him who strengthens me.

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere; full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart

that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Whomsoever you find invite to the wedding.

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited," he said, "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'



NEWS FROM ST GERARD'S/ST ANNE'S PARISH

Reaching out in Prayer, Hospitality and Action

Committed to a Child Safe Environment

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The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of this land.

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK: 11 to 18 Oct 2026

Sun	11 Oct	10:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte
Tues	13 Oct	9:00am	Mass at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte
Sun	18 Oct	10:30am	Mass at St Anne's Church, Park Orchards With School Classes Prep, 1 and 2

ROSTER: October and November 2026

Date	Reader	Commentator	Morning Tea	Welcomer	Flowers
11 Oct	Anita Lynch	Michelle Kearney	Therese Chapman	Elaine Macpherson	Claudette Fahey
18 Oct St Anne's	Ann Serong	Saskia Harris	Anita Lynch	Michelle Kearney	Elaine Macpherson
25 Oct	Jill McLean	Nada Whittle	Caterina Brouwer	Wilma Bouchier	Elaine Macpherson
1 Nov	Jill McLean	Paul Moritz	Elaine Macpherson	Volunteer required	Ellen Holmes

POWER CLUB will be meeting at 12:30 pm, Wednesday 12th October 2026 at Cherry Hill.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE: November is Remembrance Month. Please contact the Parish Office for additions to the Book of Remembrance AT parkorchards@cam.org.au OR phone 7064 3922. (Deaths in the Parish to date for this year have been included.)

GEELONG LIFEBOAT FOUNDATION: For fourteen years, the Lifeboat Geelong Foundation has been assisting victims of church-related sexual abuse from all over Australia. You could help this important work by simply by bringing it to the attention of people who might consider donating **a motor vehicle, if possible in roadworthy or near-roadworthy condition** and which for whatever reason is no longer required, or contact: Fr. Kevin Dillon (0421 777 360 or frkdillon@outlook.com.au) OR Damian Coyne (0400 170 374 or dkcoyne@hotmail.com) for more information.

SYNOD CORNER

36. Synodality is a long journey

A Synod is not a one-time event. Synodality is a way of life that unfolds over time.

37. Synodality and renewal

Renewal does not come from programs alone but from transformed relationships. Synodality nurtures those relationships.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES VICTORIA: STATE ELECTION 2026 FORUM

Over the course of the year, Catholic Social Services Victoria has worked in collaboration with others to develop a 2026 Election Statement setting out priorities that could make a meaningful difference for some of Victoria's most marginalised communities.

We invite you to [join us for the online launch](#) of our statement on Wednesday 14 October and hear from a panel exploring Victoria's current political landscape, visions for the society we want to see and the role faith-based communities and services can play in advocating for change that supports those doing it toughest.

We're delighted to be joined by a panel of leaders with experience across government, advocacy, social policy and service delivery, including:

- **The Hon. Bronwyn Pike AM**, former Victorian Government Minister with portfolios including Housing, Health, Education and Community services. Bronwyn has also served as CEO of Uniting Vic.Tas.
- **Dr Dalal Smiley**, CEO of Wellsprings for Women and a strong community advocate for migrant and refugee communities who has previously been Multicultural Affairs Commissioner and has driven award-winning programs in local government.
- **Dr Paul Smyth** (facilitator), former Professor of Social Policy at the University of Melbourne and Director of Research and Policy at the Brotherhood of St Laurence. Currently a lead researcher at the University of Divinity's Common Good Project, exploring how diverse religious traditions' understanding of the common good can contribute to Australian society, policy and social cohesion.

As Victoria approaches the 2026 election, important decisions will be made about the future of our communities. This event is an opportunity for us to gather and reflect on the changes we hope to see and the role each of us can play in helping bring them about. You will have the opportunity to contribute, discuss and share ideas.

Event Details:

Date: Wednesday, 14 October 2026 **Time:** 4.00-5.30pm

Location: Online - [registration essential to receive Zoom link](#)

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