



St Anthony's Parish



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[PARISHIONER'S FIRST COLLECTION/SECOND COLLECTION](#)

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Please put your name and thanksgiving number if you know it as a reference. Thank you.



We proclaim a crucified Christ

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07 May 2020

STATEMENT

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli

Archbishop of Melbourne

It is good that all the material from Case 35 of the Royal Commission into the Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse has now been made fully available. There was never any question that the redacted information should remain closed to the public.

I again offer my unreserved apology for the failure of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne to responsibly care for and protect our young people and vulnerable adults.

I wish also to commend the work of all involved in the Royal Commission, particularly the survivors who took part, and for those many voices they represented. The Royal Commission was extremely difficult and painful and has been a critical catalyst for important and necessary change.

While the passage of time can never obscure the systemic failings of leadership, process and culture of that period, the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne has acted upon the recommendations of the Royal Commission. Much has changed as a result.

Rigorous policies, procedures and practices to ensure safety for children and young people are now in place, and principally regulated through the Commission for Children and Young People. New governance structures for Catholic education in relation to Parish Priests as employers has also been announced, and is intended to be implemented by 1 Jan 2021.

Child safety and care is not a project with an end date. It requires life-long vigilance. My commitment, and that of our leadership in the Archdiocese, is to listen attentively and honestly to those who have experienced abuse, and to find pathways of justice and healing for them.

As the current Archbishop of Melbourne, I now have the responsibility to consider the details of the material released today, and to determine what further steps may need to be addressed as a result.

For media enquiries please contact: Annie Carrett, Director, Office of the Archbishop

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PARISH EVENTS & NOTICES

RECONCILIATION/ANOINTING OF THE SICK

St Anthony's Parish—Father Fabian/ Father Marcus are available for Reconciliation Tue-Friday 10.00am-1.00pm, also you can arrange a time to see them for Reconciliation outside these hours just give Father Fabian a call.

St Bernard's Parish—Father Lucas is available for Reconciliation Tue-Friday 10.00am-1.00pm, also you can arrange a time to see him outside these hours for Reconciliation , just give him a call.

Anointing of the sick can be organised with the Priests directly, please call them.

Phone numbers for the Priests are listed on the front page of the newsletter.

MASSES AVAILABLE ON LIVE STREAMING

Masses are now being live streamed from the St Anthony's Parish. You can watch Masses by going to the website: stanthonypadua.com.au. Click the link for Live Masses. The Masses are coming through the St Anthony's Facebook page— St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church Melton South (you will need to have a Facebook account to be able to view the Masses).

MASS TIMES—LIVE STREAMING FROM ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH

Monday-Saturday: **5.30pm Adoration/Rosary/Benediction**
 6.00pm Mass

Sunday: **9.30am Mass**

ST ANTHONY'S FACEBOOK

Please visit our Facebook page.:

[St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church Melton South](#)

Live Masses streaming from
St Anthony's daily.



PARISHIONER'S FIRST COLLECTION/SECOND COLLECTION OR PARISH APPEALS

Parishioners who normally give cash each weekend for the collections, if they wish to donate, are now able to go to the link below and make their payments online.

Parishioners are able to make quick and easy recurring thanksgiving payments or can choose a one-off offering from the comfort of their own home.

When making an offertory online, parishioners have the option to choose which collection they would like to partake in, as they usually would during Sunday Mass - first collection, second collection or a parish appeal.

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MASS AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

The 11am Sunday Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral will be televised every week during the COVID-19 restrictions, on Channel 31 (often listed as Channel 44 on digital TVs). Also 'Mass for you at Home' is televised on channel 10 every Sunday at 6am. Please share this news with friends and family who might be limited to TV viewing. Please check you TV guides for changes.

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH OFFICE HOURS- THIS WEEK

Monday- Friday 10.00am-1.00pm

ST BERNARD'S PARISH OFFICE HOURS-THIS WEEK

Tue/Thu/Fri- 10.00am-1.00pm

Please contact Judy Johnson for any Parish news you would like published in the Newsletter

Email: judyparishnews@gmail.com

PARISH EVENTS & NOTICES

5 MILLION PRAYERS FOR PEACE

This year, Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, the director of the Association of Marian Helpers, is teaming up with the international World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) and Children of the Eucharist to invite prayer warriors around the globe to join in on a bold new mission.

It's called "World Rosary 2020." The goal is to collect 5 million Rosaries (prayers, that is, not beads) into a "spiritual bouquet." This bouquet of prayers will be offered at Masses on May 13 and Oct. 13 at the Chapel of Apparitions in Fatima, Portugal, by Fr. Carlos Cabecinaas, rector of the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary.

We invite the entire world, those near and far, to visit [WorldRosary2020.org]: Clergy, parishes, schools, families, journalists, organizations and youth groups throughout the world, and don't forget the children. Everybody is invited to visit to submit your gift of ongoing prayers to Our Lady of Fatima's Immaculate Heart.



Source: marian.org

PROJECT COMPASSION 2020

ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

PARISH DONATIONS DURING COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Parishioners please note Project Compassion 2020 Donations can still be made:

Donation Box—Deliver to Parish Office

Credit Card Donation—Project Compassion website <https://lent.caritas.org.au/#blank>

Cheque—Mail to: Caritas Australia
Melbourne Office
Po Box 146
East Melbourne Vic 8002



PROJECT COMPASSION
FOR A JUST FUTURE

ALL VOLUNTEERS IN OUR PARISH MUST HAVE A CURRENT WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

ST ANTHONY'S

ST ANTHONY'S PASTORAL CARE

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time:

Taumasina Pela Amoa, Emilia Borges, Annie Bowland, Emidia Buhagiar, W M Campbell, Ivan Cornelisz, Lance Finn, Evelyn Galea, Rita Gatt, Josephine Giordamanja, Peter Jones Robert Marley, Theresa (Gillian) Stiffle & Michael Wright

Please pray for the Sick:

Jean Barnett, Nickolia & Klara Butkovic, Maria Caruana, Mary Caruana, Liza Fernandes, Judy Layton, Peter Manicaro, Reg Marslen, Kevin Michael, Veronica Michael, Wanda Novak, John Osborne, Peter Poole, Irene Rahilly, Catherine Roberts, Peter Roberts, Pat Roberts, Charlie Spiteri, Dolores Turcsan, Clint Abela Wadge, & John Xuereb and all those who have requested our prayers.

(PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN YOUR LOVED ONE IS NO LONGER REQUIRED ON THIS LIST)

ST BERNARD'S

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FAITH ON FIRE PRAYER GROUP

Every fortnight on Thursday at 7.00pm. We pray the Rosary, Stations of the cross, Divine Mercy chaplet and do a Bible reading and discussion.

Next meeting **To be advised**

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time:

Gus Baselmans, Patricia Coats-Richardson, Ernest Cosgrove, George Freeman, Bill Grogan, Kevin Heap, Edward Hehir, Neil Loughlin, Val Ratkowski, Dianne Sargent, Fr Herb Steele, Mary Walta, Irene West, and Peter Wouters.

Please pray for the Sick:

Noah Barlow, Chaiel Balcombe, Michael Barrett, Peter Bennett, Steven Braszel, Kevin Bridges, Tina Bower, John Canty, Fred Capuano, Gary Ching, Josephine Cilia, Robyn Cola, Ted Cooling, Marianne Cuskelly, Lindsay & Kathleen Dally, Judy Delahey, Jack DeLuca, Allison Evans, Helen Evans, Justin Fernandez, Pasquale Gagliarbi, Mario Galea, Cynthia Goodyear, Gwen Green, Joe Gristi, Adam Hillier, Elle Hillman, Kiahni Holamotutama, Alicia Holborn, Chaiel Jackson, Matthew Jansen, David Johnson, David Kasprzak, Michael Larkin, Marie Maloney, Patricia Marechal, Debbie Marshall, Jordanis Mary Pauline McDonald, Ian McKechnie, Marcus Meno, Paul Mullin, Arthur Pape, Michael Paterson, Georgia Peacock, Bev Pickett, Mitchell Prendergast, Peter Roberts, Ken Shaw, Terry Sims, Marian Smith, Elizabeth Stehmann, Susan Trist, Dolores Turcsan, Stephen Van Eede, John Van Orsouw, Angela Vicum, Louis Vogels, Mary Wadeson, Barry Walsh, Mary Walsh, Cath Wheelahan, Jayne Wilkins, Patricia Yazbek, & Betty Young.

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FATIMA STATUE

These families are praying together for the mission of the Parish:

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| Group 1: Jojo & Wilma Chua | 0423 953 843 |
| Group 2: David & Anne Leheny | 0405 621 232 |
| Group 3: Vilma Pinto | 0400 070 263 |



NEO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

[bow during the next line]

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen

PRAYER DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

(Adopted from the USCCB)

Mary, Help of Christians, we fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of God's holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen

Source: Aid to the Church in Need



A Prayer for Mothers

All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old.

We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.

We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.

We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts 6:1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 32

Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.

All: Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **R.**

For the word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **R.**



NEXT WEEK'S READING-- SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17;

Second Reading: 1 Pet 3:15-18;

Gospel: Jn 14:15-21

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house;

if there were not, I should have told you.

I am now going to prepare a place for you,

and after I have gone and prepared you a place,

I shall return to take you with me;

so that where I am you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.

From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.'

'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father,

so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:

it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.

You must believe me when I say

that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;

believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

'I tell you most solemnly,

whoever believes in me

will perform the same works as I do myself,

he will perform even greater works,

because I am going to the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

The life of Catholic worship and piety XVI

The Sign of the Cross

In the Greek Orthodox Church, the faithful make the Sign of the Cross from the right shoulder to the left, but we do the opposite.

Why is there a difference?

The Sign of the Cross is a beautiful gesture which reminds the faithful of the cross of salvation while invoking the Holy Trinity. Technically, the Sign of the Cross is a sacramental, a sacred sign instituted by the Church that prepares a person to receive grace and that sanctifies a moment or circumstance. Along this thought, this gesture has been used since the earliest times of the Church to begin and to conclude prayer and the Mass.

The early Church Fathers attested to the use of the Sign of the Cross. Tertullian (ca. 250 AD) described its commonness: "In all our travels and movements, in all our coming in and going out, in putting on our shoes, at the bath, at the table, in lighting our candles, in lying down, in sitting down, whatever employment occupies us, we mark our foreheads with the sign of the cross."

St Cyril of Jerusalem (386 AD) in his *Catechetical Lectures* stated: "Let us then not be ashamed to confess the Crucified. Be the cross our seal, made with boldness by our fingers on our brow and in everything; over the bread we eat and the cups we drink, in our comings and in our goings out; before our sleep, when we lie down and when we awake; when we are traveling, and when we are at rest." Gradually, the Sign of the Cross was incorporated in different acts of the Mass, such as the three-fold signing of the forehead, lips, and heart at the reading of the Gospel and the blessing and signing of the bread and wine to be offered occurs about the ninth century.

The earliest formalised way of making the Sign of the Cross appeared about the 400s, during the Monophysite heresy, which denied the two natures in the divine person of Christ and thereby the unity of the Holy Trinity. The Sign of the Cross was made from forehead to chest, and then from right shoulder to left shoulder with the right hand. The thumb, forefinger, and middle fingers were held together to symbolise the Holy Trinity — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Moreover, these fingers were held in such a way that they represented the Greek abbreviation I X C (*Jesus Christus Soter*, Jesus Christ Saviour): the straight forefinger representing the I; the middle finger crossed with the thumb, the X; and the bent middle finger, the C. The ring finger and pinky finger were bent downward against the palm, and symbolise the unity of the human nature and divine nature, and the human will and divine will in the person of Christ. This practice was

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universal for the whole Church until about the twelfth century, but continues to be the practice for the Eastern Rites of the Catholic Church and the Orthodox Churches.

An instruction of Pope Innocent III (1198-1216) evidences the traditional practice but also indicates a shift in the Latin Rite practice of the Catholic Church: "The Sign of the Cross is made with three fingers, because the signing is done together with the invocation of the Trinity ... This is how it is done: from above to below, and from the right to the left, because Christ descended from the heavens to the earth, and from the Jews (right) He passed to the Gentiles (left)."

While noting the custom of making the cross from the right to the left shoulder was for both the Western and Eastern Churches, Pope Innocent continued: "Others, however, make the Sign of the Cross from the left to the right, because from misery (left) we must cross over to glory (right), just as Christ crossed over from death to life, and from Hades to Paradise. [Some priests] do it this way so that they and the people will be signing themselves in the same way. You can easily verify this — picture the priest facing the people for the blessing — when we make the Sign of the Cross over the people, it is from left to right." Therefore, the faithful began to imitate the priest imparting the blessing, going from the left shoulder to the right shoulder with an open hand. Eventually, this practice became the custom for the Western Church.

In the classic text, *The Ceremonies of the Roman Rite* by Adrian Fortescue and J.B. O'Connell, the Sign of the Cross is made as follows: "Place the left hand extended under the breast. Hold the right hand extended also. At the word *Patris* (Father) raise it and touch the forehead; at *Filii* (Son) touch the breast at a sufficient distance down, but above the left hand; at *Spiritus Sancti* (Holy Spirit) touch the left and right shoulders; at Amen join the hands if they are to be joined."

No matter how one technically makes the Sign of the Cross, the gesture should be made consciously and devoutly. The individual must be mindful of the Holy Trinity, that central dogma that makes Christians "Christians". Also, the individual must remember that the cross is the sign of our salvation: Jesus Christ, true God who became true man, offered the perfect sacrifice for our redemption from sin on the altar of the cross.

This simple yet profound act makes each person mindful of the great love of God for us, a love that is stronger than death and promises everlasting life. The Sign of the Cross should be made with purpose and precision, not hastily or carelessly.