



PARK ORCHARDS & WARRANDYTE

Parish of St. Gerard + St. Anne

Celebrating
50
YEARS

Reaching out in Prayer, Hospitality and Action: Committed to a Child Safe Environment

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time : Sunday 11 February 2024



The Parish of St Gerard & St Anne

Parish Priest: Fr. Arsenio Tuazon

Pastor Emeritus: Fr. John Douche

St Anne's 54 Knees Road, Park Orchards 3114

St Gerard's McCulloch Street, Warrandyte 3113

Mass Times: St Gerard & St Anne

Sundays 10.30am

First Sunday of each month St Anne's Park Orchards

All other Sundays St Gerard's Warrandyte

Tuesdays 9.00am

St Gerard's Warrandyte

Parish Office 54 Knees Road, Park Orchards

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Web: cam1.org.au/parkorchardswarrandyte

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 book of Leviticus

As long as he is unclean, he must live alone, outside the camp.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm:

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.

O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. **R.**

But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide.

I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.'

And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. **R.**

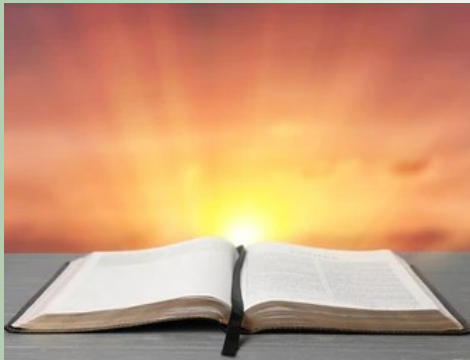
Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just!

O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. **R.**

Second Reading: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.



Alleluia
Alleluia!

A great prophet
has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.

Alleluia
Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The leprosy left him and he was cured.

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.



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

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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 February

Sunday 11 February : **10.30am Mass** at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte

Tuesday 13 February : **9.00am Mass** at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte

Wednesday 14 February : **9.10am Ash Wednesday Mass** at St Anne's Park Orchards

Sunday 18 February : **10.30am Mass** at St Gerard's Church, Warrandyte

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 2 March : 10am - 4pm Strawberry Fair



St Gerard and St Anne's Church Rosters FEB to JUN

Updated Rosters are now published. Thank you to all volunteers.

Printed rosters available & displayed in the church foyers and found online:

www.cam1.org.au/parkorchardswarrandyte/Rosters-Documents



St Anne's Playgroup

The Ark, St Anne's Primary School Park Orchards

Playgroup has recommenced on Wednesday mornings 9-11am in the Ark.

We are eager to welcome new families and old, preschoolers, babies, their parents and grandparents to our happy playgroup. We have loads of toys and puzzles, good coffee and good company so come and join the fun on Wednesdays 9 -11 in the Ark!

Enquiries to Ellen on 0404 357 023



Ash Wednesday Mass

14th February

Ash Wednesday Mass will be held on
Wednesday 14th February @ 9.10am
St Anne's Park Orchards

This mass will celebrate the start of the school year
and Staff Commissioning for St Anne's Primary
School.

All Welcome



Strawberry Fair
Saturday 2 March
10am—4pm

Save the date!

Strawberry Fair Community Fete - Saturday 2nd March 2024



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Strawberry Fair Weekly News: 4 Weeks until Fair!

Great news that we have managed to get \$21,300 worth of sponsorship for this year's fair. This will allow us to prevent any price rises for the ride tickets. The committee is in full swing with lots of work behind the scenes which started in Aug last year. The final countdown will go quickly.



PRESERVES

If anyone has fruit or vegetables that are suitable for the preserves stall can they please contact Jill. Any donations of fruit or sugar would be greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to make preserves, relishes, chutney or sauces jars & bottles available. Mobile: 0408 405 733 or jillianmcglean25@gmail.com



PLANTS

The plant stall is being run by Ellen and Margaret with prep families giving plant donations. If you are a gardener and have seedlings and plants, we would love your donations.



TOYS

The toy shipping container has arrived! Back car park at St Annes Primary School.

Drop off times:

MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS:
8.30am - 9.00am



BOOKS

Please donate all books to the Parish Centre. Please drop books into tubs located at entrance.

Last day for donations: FRIDAY 23rd FEB



GELATI

Chest freezer required for the Gelati stall. If anyone has a chest freezer in good working order that they could donate, please advise Emma



MYSTERY BOTTLES

Mystery bottle donations to the school office.

Donation ideas:

Children: toy cars, craft, stickers

Adult: wine, beer, spirits, sauces

No open toiletry items (eg cotton wool balls etc)
No loose batteries No loose or unwrapped lollies

EMAIL: strawberryfair@gmail.com



Rides

<https://www.trybooking.com/CPBJE>

- * Pre-purchase amusement rides
- * Rides available 10am - 4pm
- * Available to purchase online until Thursday 29th February 5pm
- * Collection of wrist bands from the ticket tent, Sat 2nd March
- * Parents can ride for free with paying child on Dodgem Cars
- * WRIST BANDS WILL BE \$5 MORE ON THE DAY

Two tier ticketing available :

TIER 1 - \$30

Go Ponies
Animal Safari inflatable (under 6 years only)
Dodgem cars (with adult if under 120cm)
Ocean Adventure giant inflatable

TIER 2 - \$40

Melt Down
Cha Cha
Dodgem Cars
Go Ponies
Animal Safari inflatable (under 6 years only)
Ocean Adventure giant inflatable



RAFFLE

Please return sold ticket books
to the School or Parish Centre.
Extra Books available!

For all enquiries please email parkochards@cam.org.au



VOLUNTEERS

We need as much help as possible!
Sign up for Set Up Day (Friday) and Fair Day

<https://signupschedule.com/stannesstrawberryfair>



FUN RUN / WALK

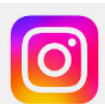
Register for the fun run/walk
8am Saturday 2nd March at Domeney Reserve

<https://www.trybooking.com/CONPR>



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Like us on Instagram!

[Strawberryfairatstannes](https://www.instagram.com/Strawberryfairatstannes)



Pietà Lenten Program 2024

LENT begins on Ash Wednesday 14th February 2024. Embark on a transformative Lenten journey with Pietà, an exquisite resource containing short daily reflections (from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday) perfect for devotional reading. In addition, there are longer-form Sunday Scripture readings, reflections, prayers, and reflections on Christian art, that traditionally form part of Lenten group gatherings. If you are looking for an opportunity to grow your faith, joining a Lenten Group is

highly recommended. At Holy Spirit Parish there will be Lenten groups running on Wednesday evenings, one in a parishioners' home and the other on Zoom. There is also an opportunity for a daytime group in a parishioner's home on either a Tuesday or Thursday, depending on the number who express interest. If you would like a copy of this program for individual devotional reading or to join a Holy Spirit Parish Lenten group please contact Maryann by email: maryann_street@bigpond.com or Holy Spirit Parish 7036 9395

ORDER OF MALTA LOURDES DAY MASS – SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2024

For some years now, the Order of Malta has organised an annual Lourdes Day Mass to provide an opportunity to pray for the sick and infirm particularly for those who would not otherwise have the possibility of visiting Lourdes. The Mass will take place again on Saturday, 10th February at 10.30am at St Patrick's Cathedral, with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli as the principal celebrant. For further information, please contact: Sauro Antonelli AM on 0411 250 288.

NEED TO DISPOSE OF A VEHICLE? Disposal of a car from a deceased estate, or when a family member has had to relinquish their licence or go into residential care, can be a challenging process. Getting a roadworthy, taking photos to advertise on the internet, cleaning and polishing, taking calls (if they come), even finding a garage until a prospective buyer turns up (if indeed they do!). If you need to dispose of a vehicle from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, could you consider gifting it to the "Lifeboat Foundation", a registered charity with tax deductible status, which for ten years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors across Australia of church-related sexual abuse. Many of these suffer Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), have limited or no employment, and a donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life and / or generate funds to assist personal, medical and accommodation needs. If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat", contact Fr. Kevin Dillon (frkdillon@outlook.com.au or 0421 777 360) or Adam Kaali (0411 486 605 or adam-kaali@hotmail.com)

On the Journey this week: On the Journey this week: Fr Simon Apablaza says that the reason Jesus taught them with authority is that his words are not only the expression of thoughts, but the expression of his own life. Mother Hilda has a tip on how to surrender to God's will. Plus, Fr Tony Percy says Jesus of Nazareth is revealing who he is; his words interpret his actions, and his actions confirm his words. A faith testimony from Stewart Brady on how he became involved in the menAlive movement through the efforts of his wife, and the changes it brought to his life, and Fr Mike Delaney says helping someone is a great gift that we can all do, even when we are struggling ourselves. Plus, more great music! Visit www.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime .