St. Andrews Parish – Werribee North District



GATHERING LETTER

For the Bethany Community "A sharing between friends"

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BETHANY COMMUNITY MASS

You are invited to attend the next Community Mass to be held this **Sunday 11th March 2018.** Fr. Anil Mascarenhas will be celebrating this Mass. Everyone is most welcome to attend, invite a friend along as well. Refreshments are provided after Mass to enjoy each other's company.

Bethany Community Masses are celebrated on the second Sunday of each month except school holidays in the Bethany School Hall, Cnr Heaths and Thames Roads and begins at 10.00am.

Bethany Community Masses for the year:

April (no Community Mass) 13th May (Mother's Day)

June & July (no Community Masses) 12th August 9th September 14th October

11th November 16th December (Christmas Mass)

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE - COMMUNITY MASS

The next Community Mass for SJA Community **Saturday 28**th **April 2018.** Please note there is no Mass in March. Mass is celebrated the fourth Saturday of the month except school holidays in St. John the Apostle School, 54-76 Kingbird Ave, Tarneit at 5.00pm. Everyone is most welcome to attend. Come along and enjoy the company of this friendly community with a cuppa after Mass.

SJA Community Masses for the year:

March (no Community Mass)

28th April September (no Community Mass)

26th May 27th October

June (no Community Mass) November (no Community Mass)

 28^{th} July 25^{th} August

1st December (Christmas Mass)

St Andrew's Spooky Trivia

Saturday May 5th 2018 - 7.00 pm

St Andrews Primary School Sports Centre Werribee Enter via Stawell Street

Mixed Questions Games, Raffles, Prizes Prizes for best dressed Bring gold coins



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For tickets contact Marthese: 0421 815 369 or Parish Office: 9741 4144



"PRAY" GROUP

GodStart is a fun and dynamic "Pray" Group for two to five year olds and their carers. Children learn about their faith through Bible stories, craft, music, dance and prayer.

It introduces children to prayer and scripture in a dynamic way that will engage your child and foster a love of God. Children get to know God's love and parents get to spend time with their children doing fun activities. Come along and join in the fun.

It is held every **FOURTH FRIDAY** of the month at **12.30pm** – **2.30pm** at Penola Hub, 33 Mortimer Street, Werribee. Next Session **Friday 23rd March**

Dates for the year: 27th April, 25th May, 22nd June, 27th July, 24th August, September 28th (school holidays), 26th October, 23rd November, 21st December (3rd Friday)

If you are interested in attending or if you have any questions, please contact **Susanne Sweeny** % the Parish Office on 9741 4144.
All welcome!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held during the 9.30am and 11.00am Masses each Sunday except Sundays during school holidays.
Children of all ages are invited to attend.
After the opening prayer, the children process out to hear the Gospel proclaimed at their level. Parents can attend with the little ones. If you would like to be involved, please contact Sherry at the Parish Office on 9741 4144.

Prayer for Lent

Lord, Teach me a new freedom. Freedom to reject comparison And to embrace uniqueness. Freedom to cut ties with greed And feast on love. Freedom to abstain from over indulgence And feast on self-control. Freedom to leave behind selfish thoughts And to focus on the needs of others. Freedom to fend off insecurity And to embrace grace. Lord, at this time of Lent, Thank you for the freedom you bring. Amen.



ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PLAYGROUP

St. John the Apostle Playgroup meets in the Portables at the back of the school. Entry is from the School Office situated at 54-76, Kingbird Ave, Tarneit. We meet each Tuesday morning from 10.30am – 12.00pm (except during school holidays). Drop in and join this growing friendly community. Everyone welcome. For more information please contact Marthese at Parish Office on 97414144.

LENTEN PROGRAM 2018

This year, St. Andrew's Parish is offering *Surrender Lenten Program* to prepare us to celebrate the Risen Lord. Please contact the Parish Office on 9741 4144, if you would like to attend one of the 6 week programs. Sessions held:

Monday: Our Lady of the Southern Cross Primary School, 2.00pm

Tuesday: El Shaddai Prayer Group, Penola Hub, 1.30pm

Thursday: Penola Hub, 1.30pm **Thursday:** Penola Hub, 7.30pm

We, the Parish of St. Andrews's Werribee Are big enough to SERVE And small enough to CARE

Parish Team:

Fr. Albert Yogarajah Parish Priest

Fr. Darien Sticklen

Fr. Anil Mascarenhas

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Parish office hours:

9am – 4pm Monday – Thursday

9am − *12.30pm and 2pm* − *4pm Friday*

Mass Times:

Saturday – 6.00pm

Sunday – 8am, 9.30am, 11am & 5pm

Reconciliation:

Saturday – 9.30am & 5pm

THE GATHERING LETTER

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- 2. "BUY WASH"

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