



HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH

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Sunday Mass: 765 Highbury Road, Vermont South 3133

Weekend: Saturday: TBA, Sunday: TBA

Weekday Masses: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9.15am

Reconciliation: By Appointment Only

OUR VISION

Our Parish leads and supports all members on their journey of faith.

OUR MISSION

We welcome and engage everyone in our faith community at Holy Saviour so that all may feel at home.

We provide opportunities for people to encounter God through liturgy and community.

We actively live God's message of love and justice in a way that is relevant for today.

PARISH PRIEST

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SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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PARISH PRAYER

God of all creation, may your Spirit inspire us to do your will. Bless us in your service, strengthen us in our support of each other. Unite us as we grow in faith and love, to be a welcoming, caring community, enabling all to flourish, especially our children and the most vulnerable.
This we pray in the name of our Holy Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen.

SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2020—SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

RECENTLY DECEASED: Con Boland

ANNIVERSARIES: Claude Turnbull, Joy Cochrane, George Webb, Horace Boyd, Stefano Mazza, Annie McFarlane, George Bolz

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Loretta Snell, Brian Murphy, Aleena Schekla, Jim Timbs, Paul Payne, Naresh David, Pat Young, Xavier Da Gama, Margaret Anthony, Lily Rose, Geoff Barns

PARISH MASSES

Due to the school traffic, we ask people not to arrive before 9.00am for weekday masses and mass will begin at 9.15am and people have been asked not to stay around for cuppa after mass.

To access the link to book for mass attendance, the link will be available on the Home Page of the parish website the day before each mass, for those who cannot use the link, please contact the parish office and you will receive a confirmation of your attendance.

PARISH MASSES

Hi All,

As you are aware, we are able to begin to return to mass in the parish. There are restrictions such as the **maximum number of people to attend is 10** for both the weekday and weekend.

This will be managed by signing in online or ringing the parish office and we will do that for you. Cleaning in the church has to take place before and after mass.

More details are in my letter from Friday. A link will be provided with instructions. It will be simple. The other restrictions will be obvious when you come. Weekday mass time will be 9.15am from Wednesday to Friday and weekend times will be announced.

Masses will continue online.

I do keep you all in my prayers and I am so grateful for all the support Anne and I have received.

Take care and stay safe.

God bless, Fr Julian

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
to

Maree Lemanski
Ruth Baird

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
to

John & Ruth Baird

Holy Saviour Parish acknowledges & respects the Wurundjeri, the traditional custodians of this land.

**COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES
RAFFLE 2020
COVID-19 UPDATE ...**

THE RAFFLE IS STILL ON, due to the current stage 3 restrictions imposed by the Victorian Government because of the Coronavirus pandemic, at the time when a majority of returns are expected for most parishes/schools, the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation **GRANTED** an extension of the Sale Close, Draw and Publication of winners dates. Let say the **REVISED dates** are now into **early September 2020**.

Our fear/concern is that raffle books might become **MISPLACED** (currently about **60%** returned). **Lost raffle books are a direct loss to the parish.**

Our request is if possible purchase and return money and ticket butts; otherwise keep them safe, hoping for a brighter day, or we start making further pleas.

At this stage there are extra books available.

All tickets that have been returned have been recorded and are safely stored.

Further updates will happen once masses/ school attendance resumes.

Thank you for your support and understanding relative the delay COVID-19 has caused all of us!



'God is a "family" of three Persons who love each other so much as to form a single whole ... The trinitarian horizon of communion surrounds all of us and stimulates us to live in love and fraternal sharing, certain that where there is love, there is God.'

Pope Francis

**COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING
MONDAY 04/05/20 TO SUNDAY 10/05/20:**

2020 Current Weekly Pledge: \$3,327.78
1st Collection (Presbytery) includes cash, direct debits & credit cards: \$565.00
Easter Offering: \$100.00
2nd Collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes): \$145.00
2nd Collection (Credit Cards/Direct Debits): \$
TWIG Box: Received for month of MARCH: \$17.00

Thank you for your ongoing financial support of the Presbytery & Thanksgiving Collections.

A special thank you to the parishioners who have hand delivered or EFT their donations to the Presbytery Collection and/or EFT their Thanksgiving Collection during the week.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

**MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS
REFLECTION EVENT VIA ZOOM**

Saturday 30 May 2020, 10am-1pm.

Facilitated by Carol Dyer, this event offers participants theory and practice in meditation and mindfulness.

Join us for an opportunity to broaden your ways of accessing your inner world and listening to what God is inviting you to at this time.

Cost \$20.

Bookings and payment via Trybooking at

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

For more information, contact holsc@bigpond.com or 9890 1101

HUMOUR:

A couple was traveling overseas when their parish priest emailed some sad news: "Peg's mother passed away in her sleep. Did you wish to have her embalmed and buried or cremated?"

Back came the man's reply, "Take no chances. Order all three."

REFLECT

As Christians we seek to follow the example of Christ, who poured himself out in love for his friends. Especially in the Gospel of John, we hear the word 'love' often. For example, 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son' (*John 3:16*), the simple and straightforward 'God is love' (*1 John 4:8*), and of course the command to 'love one another' (*John 13:34; 15:12*). The command seems so simple but is very difficult to carry out. Here we have no list of duties or acts to perform, such as going to Church or saying certain prayers. Instead, we have the profound command to love. Love knows no limits and there is not a point when we say 'enough'. Love sees the other as another self, so that the needs of the other are as important as our own. When modern communication has made the world a global village, the needs of our neighbours can seem overwhelming. Where do we stop? Yet, we are called to move beyond ourselves as Jesus did and to place our lives in service of the other, in imitation of him. Then we may merit the name 'disciple', when we are known by our love. (*Living Liturgy 2020*)

PRAY

Jesus Christ, Help us to keep your commandments, so that we might live in you, and you in us. Amen

FIRST READING: Acts 8.5-8, 14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 65.1-7, 16, 20

R. *Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.*

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: How tremendous your deeds!

Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men.

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me.

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SECOND READING: 1 Pt. 3.15-18

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong. Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jn 14.23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Jn 14:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.





Wednesday 13 May 2020

Members of the Catholic community in Victoria,
The Catholic Dioceses of Melbourne, Ballarat, Sale and Sandhurst

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Throughout this situation of the Coronavirus pandemic our prayers and solidarity have been with you all, and will continue to guide the challenging decisions we have been called to make.

Despite the many weeks of worry and social restrictions, we are delighted that as of 11.59pm yesterday, Tuesday 12 May 2020, churches in Victoria may now be open in certain circumstances.

This opportunity for small gatherings and for some quiet moments of prayer in the sacramental presence of Our Lord is a gentle first step in the right direction, and rightly a moment of rejoicing for God's people. We are pleased to work constructively with our communities to make appropriate adjustments. Strict restrictions still govern our actions due to the risks of COVID-19 and we are all being asked to show patience and fortitude.

Each Diocese is communicating with their parishes about how various ministries, including sacramental care, will be conducted in this first stage of the easing of social restrictions. We wish to be fully compliant with the directives that apply across Victoria, so that we ensure the protection of elderly and vulnerable people, and work together for the common good of our communities.

The conditions under which a church can be open include a collection of contact details (for the purposes of contact-tracing if it becomes necessary), strict monitoring of numbers, ongoing hygiene requirements, publicising the scheduled times for private worship, and public worship limited to ten people at a time.

Arrangements for liturgies and access to churches while ensuring these conditions are met will vary, depending on the facilities and resources that are available in each particular community. We recognise that deciding on these arrangements and putting them in place is not straightforward, and we ask for patience and understanding during this time.

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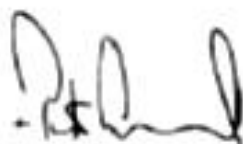
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This new stage of restrictions is subject to changing guidance that we receive from the State Government authorities, and we are advised this will be reviewed at the end of May.

After a difficult time for all of us, including many new pressures on families and great challenges for healthcare and emergency workers, we share in the disappointment that social restrictions are likely to continue for some time.

Nevertheless, we act with one accord in doing what is most prudent and loving for the sake of those most susceptible to the virus. We rejoice that Christ is with us and will walk with us as we begin the long journey out of the current stage of restrictions.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,



Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE



Most Rev Paul Bernard Bird CSsR MA, DD
BISHOP OF BALLARAT



Most Rev Shane Mackinlay
BISHOP OF SANDHURST



Rev Peter Slater
DELEGATE OF DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR,
SALE