



HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH

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Sunday Mass: 765 Highbury Road, Vermont South 3133

Weekend & Weekday Masses:

Suspended Until Further Notice

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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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 9TH AUGUST 2020—19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ANNIVERSARIES: Diogenes Mascarenhas, David Gay, Ron Hay, Fr John McEntee, Paola Raudino

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Maria George, Loretta Snell, Brian Murphy, Aleena Schekla, Jim Timbs, Naresh David, Pat Young, Xavier Da Gama, Lily Rose

Next Saturday, on 15th August is a Holy Day of Obligation to commemorate The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2020

THE RAFFLE IS STILL ON

HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR TICKETS YET?

Thank you to all the people who have returned their tickets during the current restrictions.

There are now only a couple weeks left till the raffle closes. **The last Parish return date is Monday, 17 August.** Please return by mail sold/unsold tickets to the Parish Office quickly. **We NEED to finalise the raffle.** Lost raffle books are a direct loss to the parish.

There are extra books available from the Parish Office.

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

The Draw date is 26th September 2020

Good luck!

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS YEARS' MAJOR FUNDRAISER
AS THE HOLY SAVIOUR COMMUNITY
FESTIVAL IS POSTPONED DUE TO COVID19**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to

Josie Carroll
Paul Griffin

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2-9 AUGUST 2020

This week we celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop (8th August). Our first Australian born canonised saint. St Mary took bold new directions in education and care of children.

We know her saying 'Never see a need without doing something about it'. We pray this week that many young people in our communities may this spirit in response to the call of the Lord to serve as priests or consecrated religious.

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



CatholicCare continuing to support families during difficult times

Since March, CatholicCare has offered remote delivery for most programs and services, and in June

recorded more than 6,000 phone or Zoom sessions with clients – and it wasn't just Emergency Relief in demand. CatholicCare continues to provide important support and care for families in need across the state.

Around this time every year, the Catholic community generously contributes to the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal which takes place in parishes throughout Greater Melbourne, Geelong and Gippsland. With parishes in lockdown for the safety and wellbeing of communities, 2020 will be the first time the Appeal takes place online.

Help CatholicCare continue to support, families, individuals, children and young adults as they break through the many barriers to a brighter future.

Please donate to CatholicCare Sunday Appeal.

Your support and generosity will help break barriers to social inclusion and strengthen families and communities to live life to the full.

You can donate online at

www.ccam.org.au/SundayAppeal or

call (03) 9287 5513.

All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible

As we are now into Stage 4 lockdown and you cannot come to Mass. Take the missal or weekly bulletin and read the Scriptures provided in the Liturgy of the Word for the day. Reflect silently on the readings.

You may also choose to offer intercession in the Prayer of the Faithful. Read the Rite of Communion and then use this prayer or some other appropriate words to welcome Jesus Christ spiritually

HUMOUR:

She took her car to the service station.
 "What's wrong with it?" said the mechanic.
 "It's got an indifferent horn," she said.
 "What d'yer mean?"
 "It doesn't give a hoot."

 The car mechanic went to the psychiatrist and laid under the couch.

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 27/07/20 TO SUNDAY 02/08/20:

2020 Current Weekly Pledge: \$3119.09

1st Collection (Presbytery) includes cash, direct debits & credit cards: \$440.00

2nd Collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes): \$

2nd Collection (Credit Cards/Direct Debits): \$5212.50

TWIG Box: Received for month of **JUNE:** \$20.00

Thank you for your ongoing financial support of the Presbytery & Thanksgiving Collections during these difficult times.

EMMAUS COLLEGE VIRTUAL INFORMATION EVENING



EMMAUS
COLLEGE

Years 7-12: 503 Springvale Road, Vermont South
 Y9@E: 285 Warrigal Road, Burwood
 Telephone: 9845 3211

Join us for one of our *Virtual*
INFORMATION SESSIONS
 Monday, 24 August | 6pm, 7pm or 8pm
 Limited places available for each session, so book now!
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We are a priority feeder school to



Enrol now for Prep 2021!

Virtual tours available via
 FaceTime, Google Meet or
 Zoom as well as
 onsite individual tours
 utilising social distancing
 and other precautions

Contact the school office on 9803 6828
 to arrange a virtual or onsite tour or to
 find out more.



People today certainly need words, but most of all they need us to bear witness to the mercy and tenderness of the Lord, which warms the heart, rekindles hope, and attracts people towards the good. What a joy it is to bring God's consolation to others!

Pope Francis

A PRAYER FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS DURING THIS TIME OF THE CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

from the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin

Loving God,
we place into your care
all our doctors, nurses and healthcare workers.
Give them courage of heart
and strength of mind and body.
Keep them safe from harm.
May they know our deep gratitude
for all they are doing
to heal and help those affected by
the coronavirus.
God of all consolation
may they know your protection and peace.
Bless them in these challenging days
and bless their families.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF LEBANON

following the Beirut blast

God of Compassion,

You are strength to those who suffer and comfort to those who grieve.
We pray for the people of Lebanon in this time of disaster.
Embrace those who died so suddenly and console those
who grieve for loved ones.

United in solidarity with our Lebanese sisters and brothers we pray:
For healing and strength for those injured and suffering
That the international community will respond with generosity
and compassion
And that stability and peace will be restored in Lebanon.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

- Jo Brady RSJ Caritas Australia



DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- For the Hebrew people, the waters of the sea are a symbol of the chaos from which creation sprang. Never having been a seafaring people, they were fearful of the watery deep.
- Even today, storms can blow up on the Sea of Galilee very quickly and make it dangerous for boats out on the lake.
- In art, the church is often represented as a boat. A boat carries its passengers through threatening waters but is not exempt from the turbulence of storms. The church can bear us through the storms of life, but it does not exempt us from the stresses and struggles.

SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY by Dianne Bergant CSA

Elijah's experience occurred on the mountain of God. Though in one tradition this mountain is Sinai (see Ex 19:1-6), this tradition identifies it as Horeb (see Dt 4:10-15a). Such a theophany was accompanied by spectacular phenomena. Perhaps the Israelites described it in this way to show that their God, not the god of the Canaanites, governed the powers of nature. Elijah witnessed the phenomena, but did not experience God within it. It was only when he heard a tiny whispering voice that he was gripped with the realisation of God's presence. No divine words were delivered. The voice itself was the experience. This suggests that the insignificant events of life can be the stage upon which God is revealed.

The psalm presumes a community waiting for a prophetic oracle that will announce peace (v.9). The people's confidence in God rests in the conviction that they are God's own people. There is great expectancy here. The people have done what they can to get God's attention. The next move is God's. Loving kindness, truth, justice and peace (v.11) are characteristics of the covenantal relationship. When they meet and embrace each other, salvation is complete, truth springs up from the earth, and justice comes down from heaven. All of creation, from earth to sky, shares in the benefits of the salvation by God.

Paul speaks of his ardent attachment to his Jewish compatriots. Though he devoted himself to the conversion of the Gentiles, he never ceased loving the people from whom he came. Distressed that they did not accept Jesus as messiah, he is willing to be considered cursed (*anáthema*) and cut off from Christ for their sake. Paul was not the first leader to be willing to forfeit his future with God for the sake of his own people. Moses made the same offer (see Ex 32:32). Paul lists seven prerogatives that his people enjoy as the chosen people of God. Interestingly, the greatest boast is that the Christ, the anointed one of God, came from their line.

In the gospel account, Jesus addresses the terror that the disciples experienced in seeing him walking toward them on the water with a typical divine response: Do not be afraid! To this he adds the theophanic exclamation: It is I; I am (*ego eimi*)! By walking on water, Jesus assumes the role of the creator-god who alone governs chaotic waters. Peter's faith is not strong enough to overcome his fear of such waters, and so he sinks. Thus he is a model of both faith and lack of faith. Ultimately, it was faith that won out, for Peter is saved when he cries out to Jesus. Those in the boat then pay Jesus homage, identifying him as the Son of God. The entire event was a manifestation of the extraordinary power that resided in Jesus.

FIRST READING: 1 Kgs 19:9.11-13

A reading from the first book of the Kings

When Elijah reached Horeb,
the mountain of God,
he went into the cave and spent the night in it.
Then he was told,
'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.'
Then the Lord himself went by.
There came a mighty wind,
so strong it tore the mountains
and shattered the rocks before the Lord.
But the Lord was not in the wind.
After the wind came an earthquake.
But the Lord was not in the earthquake.
After the earthquake came a fire.
But the Lord was not in the fire.
And after the fire
there came the sound of a gentle breeze.
And when Elijah heard this,
he covered his face with his cloak
and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

**R. Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. (R.)

The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

**R. Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**

SECOND READING: Rom 9:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people. What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my

mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Lk 19:38

Alleluia, alleluia!
I hope in the Lord,
I trust in his word.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mt 14:22-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

The gospel of the Lord.

