



## 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

Rev Fr Julian Langridge  
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### SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr Steve Evans  
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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 13TH SEPTEMBER 2020—24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Maria Horback, Keith McArdle, Eunice Downs, Marcus Yap

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

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
to

*Barry Hay  
Adrian Langridge  
Michael McLindon*

**HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**  
To

*Eileen & Russell Davis*



This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. The Church takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk.

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Find out more at:

[www.catholic.org.au/childprotectionsunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/childprotectionsunday) and  
[www.catholicreligious.org.au/safeguarding](http://www.catholicreligious.org.au/safeguarding)

**The Parish Management Committee will be meeting via zoom on Tuesday 15th September..**



for civilization.

Every time a child is abandoned and an elderly person cast out, not only is it an act of injustice, but it also ensures the failure of that society. Caring for our little ones and for our elders is a choice

*Pope Francis*



# Holy Saviour Parish School

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SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.hsvs.catholic.edu.au PARISH WEBSITE: http://www.cam.org.au/glenwaverleynorth



## 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.



We are a priority feeder school to



# 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

14 Sept & 5 Oct | 6pm, 7pm or 8pm

Limited places available for each session, so book now!

[www.emmaus.vic.edu.au](http://www.emmaus.vic.edu.au)

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

## MARRIAGE WEEK 13-19 SEPTEMBER 2020

### Date Night 19th September

A fun Date Night where lockdown or curfew requirements can be kept!

We are partnering with our friends at Focus on the Family Australia online Date Night event. This is on Saturday the 19th September between 8 - 9pm AEST and will be hosted by Christian comedian, Ben Price. Brett and Kate Ryan of Focus on the Family Australia will talk on - "Looking back to help strengthen your future." Discussing how to grow your relationship when life throws you a curve ball ....or two!"

The cost is \$10 a couple who on registering will receive an email with content and ideas to make the evening relaxed, fun and special.

### Registration through:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/virtual-date-night-2020-tickets-117714763025>

### Marriage Tip

*Make laughter the soundtrack  
of your marriage.  
Share moments of joy,  
and even in the hard times,  
find reasons to laugh.*



[marriageweek.org.au](http://marriageweek.org.au)

### COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 31/08/20 TO SUNDAY 06/09/20:

2020 Current Weekly Pledge: \$3119.09  
1st Collection (Presbytery) includes cash, direct debits  
& credit cards: \$750.00  
2nd Collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes): \$  
2nd Collection (Credit Cards/Direct Debits): \$5317.50  
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.*



**CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**  
**Choose from 12 session-\$20 per session**  
**14 September to 31 October**

Engaging Your Catholic Faith is a series of short sessions offering an opportunity to explore your faith through a variety of topics including: Meditation and Prayer, Spirituality, Women in the Early Church, Inter-faith Relations, Reading the Church Classics, Eucharist, Science and Religion. The sessions will be held via Zoom, and runs for about 90 minutes. Further information at [www.ctc.edu.au](http://www.ctc.edu.au)

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER ONLINE WEEKEND**

**If you are spending time together,  
but feel the distance between you ...**

**A great opportunity to spend a weekend improving  
your communication in the comfort of your own  
home.**

This VIRTUAL Weekend gives couples the chance to sleep in their own beds and check-in on kids or animals during meal times.

Come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing!

The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

Couples from regional areas may find this option ideal.

Next weekend is on **9-11th October 2020**

Information/Bookings:  
Phone **Mercy & James 0409  
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Email:  
**[vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au)**  
Website: **[wwme.org.au](http://wwme.org.au)**

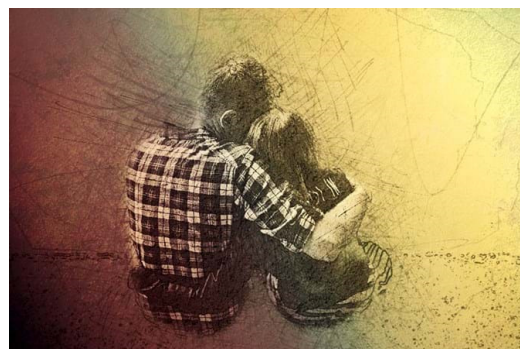


**EXPLORING THE WORD**

*The Summit Online*

Jesus' teaching about the need to settle conflict, the basis of last week's gospel, was a surprising summons for Christians to fly in the face of accepted standards of judgement and condemnation. Here the teaching becomes even more outrageous! There is no end to the forgiveness offered.

For the average person, represented by Peter, forgiving another person seven times would show a very substantial commitment to mercy. Seven is used in the Bible to signify perfection, so Peter is not being mean in his suggestion. This is a very reasonable degree of tolerance. Yet Jesus, in his parable of the servant who is forgiven a debt equivalent to millions but cannot forgive his fellow a lesser sum, turns our human understanding of what constitutes a fair thing on its head. God's forgiveness is prodigious, but it is dependent on our willingness to forgive each other in the same way. The inability or unwillingness of the servant to match the master's forgiveness provides a powerful contrast. The master forgives in compassion, but the servant resorts to violence. If one has truly experienced the loving forgiveness of God, it must be shared with others.



**DID YOU KNOW**

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- The sum of ten thousand talents would have been an impossibly huge debt. A Jewish talent was made of silver, weighing 43 620 grams!
- A debt of one hundred denarii was still a hefty sum. The denarius was a commonly used Roman coin made of silver, weighing 3.64 grams. A denarius was the wage paid for one day's casual labour.
- The use of the word 'torturers' in this text is problematic. The Greek term is linked to the notion of 'tormentors'. It may be that the debtor's friends and relations would more vigorously try to raise the necessary funds if the culprit is undergoing torment but it may also be an eschatological reference given what follows in the next verse.

**HUMOUR:**

A man calls the local police station and says, "I'm calling to report my neighbour John Smith. He is hiding marijuana inside his firewood! I don't quite know how he gets it inside the logs, but he's hiding it there."

The next day, the police descend on John's house. They search the shed where the firewood is kept. Using axes, they bust open every piece of wood, but find no marijuana. They sneer at John and leave.

Shortly after that, the phone rings at John's house.

"Hey, John! It's Floyd ... did the police come?"

"Yeah!"

"Did they chop your firewood?"

"Yep!"

"Happy birthday, buddy!"

**FIRST READING: Sir 27:30 – 28:7**

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,  
and both are found with the sinner.  
He who exacts vengeance will experience  
the vengeance of the Lord,  
who keeps strict account of sin.  
Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you,  
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.  
If a man nurses anger against another,  
can he then demand compassion from the Lord?  
Showing no pity for a man like himself,  
can he then plead for his own sins?  
Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment;  
who will forgive him his sins?  
Remember the last things, and stop hating,  
remember dissolution and death,  
and live by the commandments.  
Remember the commandments,  
and do not bear your neighbour ill-will;  
remember the covenant of the Most High,  
and overlook the offence

The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 102:1-4. 9-12. R. v.8**

**R.    *The Lord is kind and merciful;  
slow to anger and rich in compassion.***

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. **(R.)**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R.)**

His wrath will come to an end;  
he will not be angry for ever.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults. **(R.)**

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.  
As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.

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**SECOND READING: Rom 14:7-9**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

The life and death of each of us  
has its influence on others;  
if we live, we live for the Lord;  
and if we die, we die for the Lord,  
so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord.  
This explains why Christ both died and came to life,  
it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead  
and of the living.

The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I give you a new commandment:  
love one another as I have loved you  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL: Mt 18:21-35**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Peter went up to Jesus and said, ‘Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?’ Jesus answered, ‘Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.  
‘And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master’s feet. “Give me time,” he said “and I will pay the whole sum.” And the servant’s master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. “Pay what you owe me”, he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, “Give me time and I will pay you.” But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. “You wicked servant,” he said. “I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?” And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.’

The gospel of the Lord.