

HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH

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Sunday Mass: 765 Highbury Road, Vermont South 3133 Weekend & Weekday Masses:

Weekend: Saturday: 6.00pm, Sunday: 10.00am 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

Rev Fr Julian Langridge Julian.langridge@cam.org.au

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr Steve Evans principal@hsvs.catholic.edu.au

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 6TH DECEMBER 2020—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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ANNIVERSARIES: Michelle Bartos, Harry Chun, Taliya Kandamudali, Herry Susanto, Mary Larkins, Beryl Moore, Chris Adams, Jean Ah-Mew, Barbara Gibney, Franciscus Oirbans, Margaret Field

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Jack Styring, Julia Brotherton, Jill Clarke, Rita Everstevn, Paul Pavne, Loretta Snell, Brian Murphy, Aleena Schekla, Jim Timbs, Naresh David, Pat Young, Xavier Da Gama, Lily Rose

JOURNEYING ADVENT Second Sunday of Advent



As the first and second candle on the Advent wreath are lit, the lit candles are a reminder of Christ's presence. We watch and wait.

To this waiting time, we bring the experiences of the year past. This circle of green reminds us of the love of God: endless, but ever new.

Take a moment to allow whatever is in your heart to rise and offer your thoughts to the loving care of the Lord in this second week of Advent.

Our thoughts may turn to the year that has passed: For what am I thankful?

What could I have done better? How have I journeyed with God and Jesus throughout the year?

ST VINCENT DE PAUL **CHRISTMAS APPEAL**

12/13 DECEMBER 2020

The Holy Saviour St Vincent de Paul Conference will be conducting its Annual Christmas Appeal next

weekend, we are asking for your help. This Christmas our Conference is looking for financial assistance from our parishioners via Credit Card. Cash donations or store vouchers from Coles or Woolworths.

There will be SVDP envelopes available at each Mass. Please drop your donations in the SVDP Box at the church hall exit door, along side the Parish collection boxes.

Alternatively, you can donate directly by phoning 13 18 12 or online, vinnies.org.au followed by clicking on the DONATE button, then fill in the details (important to insert: Conference No. 462) Receipts for financial donations are available when required.

You can make a difference to people living on the edge by support our SVDP Christmas Appeal.

NOTE: Our Conference at Holy Saviour REQUIRES NEW MEMBERS due to some of our existing members wishing to retire after 25 years of service.

So to continue the Christian tradition of helping those most in need, we are asking for parishioners in our parish that are able to assist to step up and be part of this rewarding work by joining SVDP.

Enquiries: Please contact Tim, 0421 668 003

PARISH MASSES IN THE CHURCH COVID-19 GUIDLELINES UPDATED 24 NOVEMBER

INDOOR SERVICES:

Although the guidelines for indoor religious gathering allows up to a cap of 150 people plus one faith leader but with a density quotient of 1 per 4sq.m.

The numbers for our indoor masses at HSP with the existing density quotient in place, we are allowed up to Maximum of 90 people plus 1 Faith Leader

WEEKDAY MASSES

QR Code will be required for signing in to Weekday Masses upon arrival.

Please download a QR Code Scanner Barcode Reader App (free version) for your mobile phone through Apple Store or Play Store.

If you are unable to do so, a paper registration form will be available

REGISTRATION LINKS FOR ATTENDING WEEKEND MASSES

(available: www.holysaviourparishvs.com.au) or if you cannot do this, please contact the Parish Office.

REGISTRATION: Complete online with name, phone number & email address.

NB. Please enter one name per Option

SANITISING: Entering into the church <u>and</u> prior to receiving communion

FACE MASKS: be worn except during reading and reception of Communion

COMMUNION: in the HAND ONLY

PHYICIAL DISTANCING: 1.5m at all times

ENTRANCE DOORS: will be locked at the start of Mass

NEWSLETTERS: Please take it home with you

COLLECTIONS: at the end of mass and can be placed on your way out into the marked collection boxes by the Exit door to the church foyer

CLEANING: in the church has to take place before and after mass.

If you are unwell and have the following symptoms: fever or Covid-19 symptoms, please get tested and stay at home

Thank you for your cooperation with the restrictions and guidelines that are in place.

Sunday Mass will continue online.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve

6.00pm 8.00pm 10.00pm

Christmas Day

10.00am

Maximum Cap numbers at each mass: 90 people plus one faith leader.

The mass times and numbers at each mass will be confirmed after Sunday's announcements.

COVID Safe Plan applies

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

BOOKING CAN BE MADE FROM THE PARISH WEBSITE FROM TUESDAY 22ND DECEMBER

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 23/11/20 TO SUNDAY 29/11/20:

2020 Current Weekly Pledge: \$3119.09 1st Collection (Presbytery) includes cash, direct debits & credit cards: \$524.30

2nd Collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes): \$360.00 2nd Collection (Credit Cards/Direct Debits): \$170.00 TWIG Box: Received for month of JUNE: \$20.00

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

HUMOUR:

The religious education teacher was telling the little children about the Advent wreath. After explaining the meaning of the purple candles, she asked, "Can anyone tell me what the pink one means?"

Little Jonnie's hand shot up and he said, knowingly: "Sure! They're expecting a girl."



"During Advent we do not just live in anticipation of Christmas; we are also called to rekindle the anticipation of the glorious return of Christ, when he will return at the end of

time, preparing ourselves, with consistent and courageous choices, for the final encounter with him. We remember Christmas, we await the glorious return of Christ, and also our personal encounter: the day in which the Lord will call."

Pope Francis



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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.

WILBOW GROUP & ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PRESENT

HANDEL'S MESSIAH – PART 1 EXCERPTS, HALLELUJAH CHORUS AND CHRISTMAS CAROLS

18 Professional Singers directed by Christopher Watson, with Christopher Cook, organ

Thursday 17 December 2020, 7.30pm

Tickets \$40; Children under 15 free. Enquiries: music@cam.org.au

Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BNGKY

Are you looking for further spiritual growth in 2021?

Jesuit and Ignatian Spiritualty Australia invites you to apply for our **Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius Loyola 2021** program. It runs from February onwards spanning 30-35 weeks.

Anyone is welcome to apply - no prior experience necessary. Expressions of interest close 28 February 2021. Contact Sandra on 1300 392 636 or nfo@jisa.org.au for details.

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

Next Week's Reading:

Third Sunday of Advent—Year B

Is 61:1-2, 10-11; 1 Thess 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God. the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified. died and was buried: he descended into death. on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins. the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The Summit Online

The prophet Isaiah brought a message of hope and comfort to the people of Israel who were in exile in Babylon. Despite their failings, God is merciful and has promised them a new beginning. John the Baptist appears in the line of that great prophet and again promises Israel the chance of a new beginning if they repent and turn again towards God.

The emphasis in Mark's portrait of the Baptist is very much that of the subordinate. John's self-effacing manner makes it clear that he is not the one who is promised, but the one who is to prepare the way. The emphasis in John's preaching is on judgment; for

Jesus it is the reign of God and salvation.

Advent is also a time of new beginnings, and John the Baptist's 'voice in the wilderness' is a personal invitation to each of us to prepare a way for the Lord into our lives now. What special preparation for Christmas will you undertake this year? How may this be different from what you have done in the past?

DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- * John the Baptist is a prominent figure in Mark's Gospel. In Luke's Gospel, he is portrayed as a cousin of Jesus, but in the other gospels he seems not to know the identity of Jesus and no family connection is mentioned.
- * John's clothing of homespun camel hair tied with a leather thong around the waist is the explicit garb of a prophet.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid; that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms,

The word of the Lord.

and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 85.8ab+9, 10-11, 12-13

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

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak he will speak peace to his people. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

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SECOND READING: 2 Peter 3.8-15

A reading from the second letter of Peter.

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years are like one day.

The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish but all come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

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Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God,

because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths; all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia

GOSPEL: Mark 1.1-8

Prepare the way of the Lord.

