



HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday & Friday: 9.15am

Live-stream at St. Christopher's
Syndal

WEEKEND MASS TIMES HOLY SAVIOUR

Saturday: 6.00pm; Sunday: 10.00am

Weekend 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.

During this current lockdown,
weekend masses are available on
Saturday evenings from 6.00pm,
please visit the
Parish website for the
YouTube link

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 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021—26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YEAR B

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mee Ying Wong

It is with great sadness that we learnt of the death of Mee Ying Wong earlier this week. Mee Ying has been a valued member of the Choir for many years, and over the past five years or so, has also been responsible for the PowerPoint presentations. Lately she has become our technical guru - our problem-solver when things didn't work. Mee Ying is remembered for her beaming smile, her can-do attitude and love of life and Holy Saviour. Her family will miss her terribly as will all of us in Choir and those who knew her.

ANNIVERSARIES: Catherine Royal, Joanne Valentini, Christopher Marrone

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Xavier Da Gama, Graeme Potter, Sharon Dobson, Pat Young, Jack Styring, Jill Clarke

TWIG SUNDAY—2/3 OCTOBER 2021

In recent newsletters you may have read about TWIG supporting the Flamme D'Amour (Flame of Divine Love), orphanage in Keshero, DR Congo, in the region of Goma.

On the 25 May, 2021, a volcano in the region erupted; for several days lava flowed, ash and gas filled the air, and multiple earthquakes destroyed homes, hospitals, schools and essential services. Access to food was also disrupted and prices increased by some 20%.

The orphanage saw an influx of displaced children who were cared for while efforts were made to reunite them with their families. These additional children added to the cost of food, already highly priced and scarce. The toxins released by the volcano resulted in coughs, fevers and skin irritations, all needing medical attention. The orphanage's medical supplies were soon exhausted.

It's very expensive to educate a child – prior to the volcano eruption the annual costs for a primary student were (US\$): – school fees \$6,840.00, uniforms \$798.00, and supplies (books, etc.) \$570.00. The first quarter's school fees had been paid, but following the eruption, school fees increased by over 100%. The orphanage faced an additional cost of US\$7,600.00 per child for the remainder of the school year.

Any donation, no matter how small, you can make towards supporting this orphanage would be greatly appreciated.

DIRECT DEPOSITS can be made to: Holy Saviour TWIG Group:

BSB: 083-347 Account No.: 47397-5027

Reference: KESHERO; Please include your name.



Lockdown Light

A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown...

LOCKDOWN LIGHT—WEEK FOUR

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Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations below.

PODCASTS FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING: PARENTS OF THE SAINTS— HOW DID THEY DO IT?

In this podcast, Jason Evert speaks with Patrick O'Hearn about his new book 'Parents of the Saints: The Hidden Heroes Behind Our Favourite Saints', offering key insights into the families of popular saints.

Listen at www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving4

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE: PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Getting Started: In this short video, Fr James Martin SJ introduces us Lectio Divina—a way of praying with the Bible that helps us listen to God.

Watch at www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted4

GOING DEEPER: Pray as You Go is an online prayer tool that provides a guided contemplation of each day's Gospel passage. Set aside 10-15 minutes, find a comfy space and visit www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper4

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 13/09/21 TO SUNDAY 19/09/21:

2021 Current Weekly Pledge: \$2890.01

1st Collection (Presbytery) includes direct debits, credit cards: \$930.00

**2nd Collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes): \$
2nd Collection (Credit Cards/Direct Debits): \$340.00**

Due to the current lockdown restrictions in place and the times of social distancing, you may wish to contribute directly into our bank accounts

Banking details are on the Parish Website

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

PRESBYTERY (1st Collection):

This collection is used to support our Parish Priest, Fr Ralph

THANKSGIVING (2nd Collection):

This collection is used to pay for the running or and the upkeep of our Parish



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Are You Called to be a Spiritual Director? A Pastoral Supervisor?

Or a compassionate listener to others?

**We invite you to a Taster Session (via Zoom), on
Saturday 2 October 2021 at 9.30am-11am**

to explore whether one of these ministries may be for you. Come and experience in a facilitated group via Zoom: a) the Siloam Program for the Formation of Spiritual Directors, b) the Emmaus Supervision Program, or c) Let the Heart Listen. Each of these courses is available in 2022 in-person (Covid-permitting) or via Zoom.

To register for the free Taster event, please click the link on our home page at

www.heartoflife.melbourne, or contact us at secretary@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101.

PALMS AUSTRALIA

All professions and trades are called to assist this mission.

Since 1961 Palm Australia has quietly prepared and supported humble Catholics like you for mission. It's our response as church to calls from Australian and overseas communities to help bring opportunity to the poor.

Sharing your skills with local co-workers helps them to develop their essential community organisations. Improving their self-reliance aids sustainable poverty reduction and removes dependence on foreign aid and influence. Your relationships within the local community will transform your heart and soul.

To be prepared for a 2022 placement, visit palms.org.au by Friday 29 October.

Email: palms@palms.org.au or call Christine on 02 9560 5333



Jesus gave himself up to death voluntarily in order to reciprocate the love of God the Father, in perfect union with his will, to demonstrate his love for us. On the cross Jesus "loved me and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2:20). Each one of us can say: "He loved me and gave himself for me." Each one can say this "for me."

Pope Francis

107TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

26 September 2021

On 26 September, we commemorate Migrant and Refugee Sunday. It is an opportunity to reflect upon and delve deeper into the lives of migrants and those seeking refuge among us.

The theme for this year is, *Towards an ever wider 'we'*. You can read Pope Francis' Message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2021

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/migration/documents/papa-francesco_20210503_world-migrants-day-2021.html

SEASON OF CREATION by Nick Brodie

Twice in today's Gospel Jesus refers to the everlasting fire of hell. Better to lose a hand or an eye than endure that, he says, making some dramatic points about sin and sacrifice. At this moment in human history Jesus' choice of imagery and his message about dramatic action are especially pertinent. As Pope Francis declares in his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, climate change is an imminent threat to our world. For Christians, this raises two issues directly relevant to this passage from Mark.

On the one hand, we have a duty to protect ourselves and each other from catastrophe by checking our own sinful behaviours and habits. We should seriously consider what we can do to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels through personal usage, investment options, and political choices. We cannot dodge responsibility on this issue.

Our faith demands action.

On the other hand, we also have a duty to find common cause with everyone else who shares this concern. Pope Francis encourages us to work with people of other religions 'for the sake of protecting nature, defending the poor, and building networks of respect and fraternity'. When it comes to protecting our common home, 'Anyone who is not against us is for us.'



The Summit Online 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- * There are a number of well-documented examples of healers and miracle-workers who were contemporaries of Jesus.
- * *Hell* is the English word used to translate the Hebrew *Sheol* or *Gehenna* or the Greek *Hades*. The idea of a particular place of punishment by fire in the afterlife developed quite late in Hebrew thought—about the third century bc.
- * In the final line of this gospel, Jesus is quoting from Isaiah about the fate of those who rebel against God: 'their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched' (Isaiah 66:24).

THE CARMELITE CENTRE MELBOURNE PRESENTS LECTIO DIVINA

Friday 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 October, 10am-11am

Brought to you by The Carmelite Centre Melbourne, these Lectio Divina sessions by Fr David Hofman OCarm present an opportunity for you to experience being with a supportive community on the spiritual journey.

Away from your normal activities you can:

- take time to be still and attentive
- enter into a quiet oasis of prayer
- open yourself to what God wants to say to you
- experience God's transforming presence

Register at:

info@thecarmelitecentremelbourne.org

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

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FIRST READING: Numbers 11:16, 17, 25-29

A reading from the book of Numbers.

The Lord said to Moses,
'Gather for me seventy of the elders of the people,
and they shall bear the burden of the people along
with you so that you do not bear it all by yourself.'
Then the Lord came down in the cloud,
took some of the spirit that was on Moses
and put it on the seventy elders.
When the spirit rested upon them,
they prophesied.
But they did not do so again.
Two men remained in the camp,
one named Eldad and the other named Medad,
and the spirit rested on them;
they were among those registered,
but they had not gone out to the tent;
and so they prophesied in the camp.
A young man ran and told Moses,
'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.'
Joshua, son of Nun, the assistant of Moses,
one of his chosen men, said,
'My lord Moses, stop them.'
But Moses said to him,
'Are you jealous for my sake?
Would that all the Lord's people were prophets,
and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 19:7, 9, 11-12, 13

R. *The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.*

The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the decrees of the Lord are sure,
making wise the simple. **R.**

The fear of the Lord is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of the Lord are true,
and righteous altogether. **R.**

By them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
But who can detect unmindful errors?
Clear me from my hidden faults. **R.**

Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
do not let them have dominion over me.
Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression. **R.**

SECOND READING: James 5:1-6

A reading from the letter of James.

Come now, you rich people, weep and wail for the miseries that are coming to you. Your riches have rotted, and your clothes moth-eaten. Your gold and silver have rusted, and their rust will be evidence against you, and it will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up treasure for the last days. Listen! The wages of the labourers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on the earth in luxury and in pleasure; you have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter. You have condemned and murdered the righteous one; who does not resist you.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia
Your word, O Lord, is truth;
make us holy in the truth.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark.

After Jesus had finished teaching the disciples, John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us.
For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.
If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea.
If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire.
And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched."

The gospel of the Lord.

READINGS NEXT WEEK

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

1st Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

Responsorial Psalm 127: (May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives)

2nd Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16