

HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday & Friday: 9.15am

Live-streamed at St. Christopher's Syndal

WEEKEND MASS TIMES HOLY SAVIOUR

Weekend Masses suspended until further notice. Masses will be live-streamed on Saturdays at 5.00pm

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 3RD OCTOBER 2021—27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YEAR B



PLENARY COUNCIL

FIRST ASSEMBLY 3-10 OCTOBER

Over three years ago the decision was announced to hold a Plenary Council and the People of God began

preparing for this historic moment by listening to God and by listening to one another's stories of faith. After this time of listening and journeying the Catholic Church of Australia will gather for the first assembly of the Plenary Council from 3-10 October 2021.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the First Assembly will be held via 'one device-one person' mode. There will be 17 members participating in this gathering who have been called from the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

The Plenary Council website will provide daily livestreams of parts of the opening Plenary sessions and Masses (including the Opening Mass on Sunday 3 October).

https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/assembly-1/

Plenary Council Masses and daily morning prayer booklets for full participation are available here: https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/prayer/

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

TWIG SUNDAY 2/3 OCTOBER 2021

This weekend is our TWIG funding appeal for an overseas project. These funds assist an approved organisation, in an impoverished country, to improve the life of their community.

This year, TWIG is supporting the Flamme D'Amour (Flame of Divine Love), orphanage in Keshero, DR Congo, in the region of Goma.

The education of these orphan children is a primary need; in an earlier newsletter we reported the annual costs of educating a child. If it takes a village to raise and educate a child, we need to be those villagers, funding, supporting and encouraging these orphan children.

Any donation, no matter how small, to this orphanage would be greatly appreciated.

Please pray that this appeal will help these children reach their goals in life.

DIRECT DEPOSITS can be made to:

Holy Saviour TWIG Group: BSB: 083 347

Account No.: 473975027 Reference: KESHERO Please include your name.



Pope Francis' Intention for October: For Missionary disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.' **ANNIVERSARIES:** Giacomina Mazza, Antonio Gangi, Bryan Sowersby, Geoff Miller, Rosa Terzigni, William Ryan, Frank Murphy

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

Congratulations to
Rachel & Andrew Guillaume
who are celebrating their
39th Wedding Anniversary
this weekend

Happy Anniversary



RUSSELL DAVIS "UNITE TO FIGHT CANCER"

Once again, I am participating in the annual Unite to Fight Cancer fundraiser, raising funds for our

Peter Mac Cancer Centre.

I will be walking 60 Kms over ten days - 14th to 23rd October, to show I stand with those battling cancer.

I am hoping to raise \$5000.

To help me reach my target, you may donate online to: https://unitetofightcancer.org.au

- * select Sponsor Someone,
- * enter my name and follow the prompts.

For any queries, please call me on 0422252373. Thank you so much Russell

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 20/09/21 TO SUNDAY 26/09/21: 2021 Current Weekly Pledge: \$2890.01

1st Collection (Presbytery) includes direct debits, credit cards: \$365.00

2nd Collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes): \$70.00 2nd Collection (Credit Cards/Direct Debits): \$190.00

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

FUNERAL: The funeral for Mee Ying Wong will be livestreamed on Thursday at 11.00am from Holy Saviour Parish. Please check the Parish Website for the link closer to the date.

A LOCKDOWN PRAYER by David Wood

In recent lockdown weeks, it's been a privilege attending Mass as a Lector. It's also seemed very strange being one of just five people in the Church.

On radio, I'm used to being in an empty studio talking to myself and a microphone, but that's the way it mostly is - Covid or otherwise. In the Church it is different as, for live stream Masses, the camera replaces the congregation. Proclaiming God's word across rows of empty chairs, is very different to the norm.

We pray that soon this lockdown and restrictions will end and the Church will fill with choirs and congregations once more. We pray that as a congregation, we will become the living body of Christ again.

In these Covid times, we pray
That lockdowns will cease one day,
That choirs and congregations,
Not jabs and vaccinations,
Will enrich all our lives.

For when the Body of Christ thrives In us, we become His ways On earth, filling all our days With His spirit, love and word. We pray that our prayer is heard,

In these lockdown days. Amen.

Dear Holy Saviour's parishioners,
We are delighted to invite you to our first ever
online fundraising event on
Friday, 22nd October, 7.30-9pm.

St. Christopher's Youth Ministry will be raising funds to help UNHCR support and empower refugees to build a better future.

The evening features a family friendly trivia, scavenger hunt, and other mini games suitable for all ages!

Please register for zoom link and kindly donate here:

www.trybooking.com/BUKUE

We are also looking for two youth (age 15-30) from Holy Saviour's church to help us run the online trivia. If you or your child are interested, please contact us via Instagram:

@elevateyouthgroups or email us:
elevateyouthminister@gmail.com

Hope to see you there!

READINGS NEXT WEEK

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Psalm: 89:12-17 (Fill us with love, O Lord, and we will

sing for joy!)

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13 Gospel: Mark 10:17-30



LOCKDOWN LIGHT—WEEK FIVE

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

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: HOW TO KEEP OUR KIDS CATHOLIC

In this episode of The Word on Fire show, Bishop Robert Barron and Brandon Vogt discuss what helps children retain their faith into young adulthood. Listen at www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving5

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE: SCIENCE AND THE BIBLE: ARE THEY OPPOSED?

Getting Started: In this video, Bishop Robert Barron firmly debunks the common claim that science and religion are diametrically opposed.

Watch at www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted5a and visit www.reasonfaithscience.com for further resources.

Going Deeper: This video skilfully explores a Catholic understanding of the Book of Genesis' account of creation through a tapestry of voices. View here www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper5

SEASON OF CREATION

by Nick Brodie

Jesus repeatedly called out the Pharisees' inflexible attitudes and hypocritical behaviours. They were seemingly fixated on the letter of the law at the expense of its spirit. Given that, Jesus' reply to the Pharisees' loaded question about divorce is fascinating. Jesus answers a deliberately provocative legal question by referring to two data points: law and creation. When the two appear at odds in this instance Jesus prioritises creation. With this in mind, we would do well to remember this episode's wider import as this Season of Creation draws to a close. The weight which Jesus gave to creation's divine purpose is surely significant. In that light we should perhaps revisit the spirit of Moses' law, especially that section in chapter 23 of Exodus which commands the people to let the land lie fallow every seventh year. This was for the benefit of the poor and the wild animals. Even the idea of everyone resting on the sabbath every week was partly and explicitly so that the community's oxen and donkeys could have a rest. In the long view, therefore, protecting creation is an ancient part of our faith's tradition. The question is: do we still live up to its spirit?

DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- In this text, Jesus is quoting from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 2:24), citing the second and earliest of the creation stories contained in the first two chapters of that book.
- Orthodox Jews believe that Moses was the author of the first five books of the Old Testament, known as the Pentateuch or the Torah, which means Law. Thus the designation of 'the Law of Moses'.
- In the New Testament world, both a husband and a wife could initiate divorce, but only for the gravest of reasons. This differs from the biblical Israelites, who had no law that allowed a woman to initiate divorce.
- This is one of the few gospel texts in which Jesus offers a direct teaching in opposition to that of Judaism at his time.

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FIRST READING: Genesis 2:7, 8, 18-24

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. Then the Lord God said,

"It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner."
So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.

The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner.

So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept,

then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh.

And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man.

Then the man said:

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The word of the Lord.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 2:9-11

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

We do indeed see Jesus
who for a little while was made lower than the angels,
now crowned with glory and honour
because of the suffering of death,
so that by the grace of God
he might taste death for everyone.
It was fitting that God,
for whom and through whom all things exist,
in bringing many children to glory,
should make the pioneer of their salvation

For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father.

For this reason

Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters.

The word of the Lord.

perfect through sufferings.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 10:2-16

What God has joined together, let no one separate.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

R. May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

Happy is the one who fears the Lord, who walks in his ways.

You shall eat the fruit of the labour of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you. **R.**

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. *R*.

Thus shall the man be blessed who fears the Lord. The Lord bless you from Zion.

May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. *R.*

