



## HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH

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**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**  
Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 10.00am

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:**  
Wednesday & Friday: 9.15am

**Reconciliation: By Appointment or after 9.15am mass on Wednesday & Friday**

### 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

Fr Ralph Besterwitch SAC  
[fralph1@gmail.com](mailto:fralph1@gmail.com)

### SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Steve Evans  
[principal@hsvs.catholic.edu.au](mailto: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 27TH NOVEMBER 2022—FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT-YEAR A

### LIGHTING THE FIRST CANDLE OUR CANDLE OF HOPE

#### Celebrant:

Loving God, every word in scripture points to the gift of hope that we have because of the coming of your Son, Jesus. The Christmas story wasn't the beginning of that message of hope because of the Old Testament is full of glimpses of your plan to redeem your people and restore them to a loving relationship with you. Lighting this flame, feeding the hungry, comforting the sick, reconciling the divided, greeting the lonely and forgotten .... These are the gift of hope.

#### ALL:

We last commenced Year A in November 2019. We prayed for joy, hope and peace but 2020 struggled to deliver. Yet here we are again, so different yet still wanting to believe in the Christmas promise. We have experienced lock down, isolation, loneliness, illness, fear, anger and grief. Help us to see that you are with us always. Nothing is too difficult, too messy, too dirty for you. That first Christmas you gave us the gift of hope wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger. We light this candle, a feeble light, yet a positive sign of our faith, our hope in your promises, may it lead us closer to you through Jesus, our Holy Saviour. Amen.



**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Kevin McKernan  
(Michael's Brother)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** John Bakewell, Patricia Morrissey, Carmel Howard, Peter Hurley, Timothy & Annie Ryan

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Stephen Greene, Aidan Carroll, Edith Cheong, Graeme Potter, Pat Young, John McDermott

### ADVENT PREPARATION PROGRAM

Commencing on  
Wednesday evenings: November 30th, December  
7th, 14th & 21st  
at 7.30pm in the Church Café

### ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

**Sunday, 4th December**  
**7.00pm @ St Christopher's**  
Including opportunity for individual confession



### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meets 1st Thursday of the month.  
Next meeting is on **THURSDAY 1ST**  
**DECEMBER 2022**

9.30am till 11.00am in the Chapel  
Plain knitting skills is all that is  
required.

If you or someone you know are facing one of life's many challenges, having a shawl might make a positive difference.

Enquiries: Maree 0402 043 164



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL  
CHRISTMAS APPEAL  
10/11 DECEMBER 2022**

The Holy Saviour St Vincent de Paul Conference will be conducting its Annual Christmas Appeal on the weekend of 10/11 December, we are asking for your help. This is an opportunity to brighten the lives of people in need.

This Christmas our Conference is looking for financial assistance from our parishioners via Credit Card, cash donations or store vouchers from Coles or Woolworths.

They are also seeking donations of tinned or packaged dry food.

There will be SVDP envelopes available at each Mass. Please drop your donations in the SVDP Box at the church hall exit door.

Alternatively, you can donate directly by phoning 13 18 12 or online, [vinnies.org.au](http://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.*

Enquiries: Please contact Kevin, 0422 296 819

**1ST COLLECTION  
(PRESBYTERY OFFERING)**

to be taken up after the **homily** is for the Presbytery Account, which supports not only Fr Ralph, but also supports the other priests in our Parish.

**2ND COLLECTION  
(THANKSGIVING OFFERING)**

will be taken up immediately after the **Prayers of the Faithful**. All monies from this collection go towards meeting the running costs of the Parish and paying off debt

**HOLY SAVIOUR  
ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

We will be selling Christmas cards in the Church foyer over the next few weeks.

The cards with envelopes are in packs of 5 different cards and are selling for only \$5.00 a pack. If no one is attending please place your payment in the box provided.

**ANNOINTING MASS AND  
OVER 39ERS/SENIORS  
CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS**

**Wednesday, 14 December at 12 noon**

All are welcome to attend.  
A light luncheon will be provided.

For catering purposes,  
**RSVP to Carmel 0428 203 501  
or Rose 0411 706 016  
by 12 December.**

**HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH MINIFEST 2022.**

Our Parish Mini Fest two weeks ago - being our first festival for four years, was a great success. A great atmosphere prevailed, and people enjoyed meeting with each other.

Along with that, a pleasing financial result was achieved. There are still some minor expenses to be finalised, but I advise that the profit to the Parish will be around \$8700.

The success of our Mini Fest was due to the input of many people, and their efforts are appreciated by the Parish.

*Russell Davis (Festival Treasurer)*

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.  
Holy Saviour Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

**Safeguarding Officers:**

Damien Aile, 0418 587 136  
Marlene Fernandes, 0400 290 371

**ROSTERS FOR 3/4 DECEMBER 2022**

**READINGS: 2nd Sunday of Advent:** Is 11.1-10, Resp Psalm: Ps 72.1-2, 7-8, 12-13 (*R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.*); 2nd Reading: Rom 15.4-9; Gospel: Mt 3.1-12

	<b>6.00PM</b>	<b>10.00AM</b>
<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:</b>	Larry Dent	Gerrard Kavanagh
<b>LECTORS:</b>	Megan Pinto	Mike Delaney
<b>MASS CO-ORDINATORS:</b>	Marlene & Trevor Fernandes	Ed Lemanski
<b>MUSIC:</b>	Recorded Music	Joe & Bernadette
<b>HALL CLEANING TEAM 4:</b>	*Russell Davis, Brian Fonseca, Ben & Jacintha Silva, Joe Yardin	
<b>COUNTERS:</b>	Maree Lemanski, Michael Brazel	
<b>SACRISTANS:</b>	Jill Doley, Lorraine Martin	

*There will be a Special Collection for Catholic Deaf at all masses this weekend*

### REGULAR MORNING TEA & A CHAT

All parishioners are invited to stay for a cuppa & a chat after the Sunday 10.00am mass.  
All are welcome.

### RUSSELL'S WALK TO FIGHT CANCER

With fundraising having now concluded, I wish to advise that my final total raised for Peter Mac Cancer Centre is \$8465. Again, my sincere thanks go to the many who donated.

You're invited:

## Holy Saviour Art Show

765 Highbury Rd  
Vermont South

December 1st 3.30pm-4.30pm

December 2nd 8.30am-11.30am or  
3.30pm-4.30pm

### CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT ST CHRISTOPHER'S

Alone this Christmas?  
Can't have Christmas at home?  
Celebrate with us!  
Places are limited!  
RSVP ESSENTIAL!

12PM—2PM  
SUNDAY, 25th December 2022  
St Christopher's  
Hennessy Hall  
RSVP by 15th December 2022  
Contact: 0412 367 566

Email: [stchristpherschristmas@gmail.com](mailto:stchristpherschristmas@gmail.com)

### CATHEDRAL CONCERT: 'REJOICE! A STAR IS RISEN, THE LIGHT HAS COME'

FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER 2022, 6.00-7.30pm

Cathedral Organist, Dion Henman, presents a program of Advent and Christmas music played on the grand organ of St Patrick's Cathedral.

Tickets \$25.00 at door or via trybooking

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=772036&>

Enquiries: [music@cam.org.au](mailto:music@cam.org.au)

### ORDINATION OF TIN MINH TRINH.

Last Saturday, along with a few other fellow Holy Saviour parishioners, I had the privilege of joining with St Christopher's parishioners of being present at their church to witness the ordination to the priesthood of Tin Minh Trinh, his ordination being conferred by Bishop Tim Norton, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

It was a most joyous occasion, with his parents and some other family members, from Vietnam, able to be present. Fr Tin will now spend some time with his family in Vietnam before taking up his posting to Taiwan.

The photos give a sense of the occasion. *Russell Davis*





**FIRST READING: Isaiah 2.1-5**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw  
concerning Judah and Jerusalem.  
In days to come  
the mountain of the Lord's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hills,  
all the nations shall stream to it.  
Many peoples shall come and say,  
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths."  
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.  
He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;  
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more.  
O house of Jacob, come,  
let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 122.1-2, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9**

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

I was glad when they said to me,  
"Let us go to the house of the Lord!"  
Our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,  
as was decreed for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.  
For there the thrones for judgment were set up,  
the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
"May they prosper who love you.  
Peace be within your walls,  
and security within your towers."

For the sake of my relatives and friends  
I will say, "Peace be within you."  
For the sake of the house of the Lord, our God,  
I will seek your good.

**R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

**SECOND READING: Romans 13.11-14**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters,  
you know what time it is,  
how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.  
For salvation is nearer to us now  
than when we became believers;  
the night is far gone, the day is near.  
Let us then lay aside the works of darkness  
and put on the armour of light;  
let us live honourably as in the day,  
not in revelling and drunkenness,  
not in debauchery and licentiousness,  
not in quarrelling and jealousy.  
Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and make no provision for the flesh,  
to gratify its desires.

The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL: Matthew 24.37-14**

*Keep awake, therefore, you also must be ready.*

