



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
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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 4TH DECEMBER 2022—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT-YEAR A

RECENTLY DECEASED: Richard Holloway (*Mary Nolan's brother*)

ANNIVERSARIES: Francis & Teresa Mendonca, Luzia Potsch, Ivo Vaz, Pat Rice, Margaret Anthony, Michelle Bartos, Harry Chun, Taliya Kandamudali, Herry Susanto, Mary Larkins, Beryl Moore, Fr John Martin

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

ADVENT PREPARATION PROGRAM

Wednesday evenings: December 7th, 14th & 21st
at 7.30pm in the Church Café
All are welcome



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 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

ANOINTING MASS

Wednesday, 7 December, 11:30am

at **St Christopher's** followed by lunch in the Fellowship area.

This is the special Christmas breakup Luncheon.
All Parishioners most welcome



ANOINTING 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.

LIGHTING THE SECOND CANDLE OUR CANDLE OF PEACE

Celebrant:

Lord, as we light our 2nd Advent candle, at this time when every heart should be happy and light, many are struggling with heaviness of life, burdens that steal the joy right out of our Christmas stockings. Tragedy arrives as wars continue and innocent victims suffer both here and throughout the world.

We need your peace, Lord Jesus. We confess that our hearts are too often filled with wonder of a different kind: wondering if our bills can be paid, when will violence and terror stop, when will rest come. Will it ever? Is the Christmas message still true?

In a world where worry, not peace, prevails, stir up that good news again. This Advent, make it real in our hearts. Never have we needed Your joy and peace as we do now.

All:

Heavenly Father, you are the God who promises peace. You promised rest for the weary, victory for the battle scarred, peace for the anxious and acceptance for all. Our 2nd candle reminds us that because of Jesus we can experience a Christmas free from turmoil and chaos. Regardless of our circumstances or our situations, in Jesus we can find peace.

Father keep us in your peace we seek the truth of your powerful love. Help us to trust fully in you and live lives that bring your peace into your troubled world. This we pray in the name of Jesus, the perfect Christmas gift. Amen.



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.



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.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve

24th December, 6.00pm
(Carols from 5.45pm)



All children are welcome to dress up in their favourite Nativity Scene characters: Mary, Joseph, shepherds, wisemen/wisewomen, angels ...

24th December, 8.30pm
(Carols from 8.15pm)

Christmas Day
10.00am

CARE AND SHARE APPEAL

The appeal will be held at all Christmas Masses and are shared between TWIG (Third World Interest Group) and SVDP (our St Vincent De Paul Conference).

This year TWIG has nominated Alola Foundation as their beneficiary.

More information to follow over the coming weeks.

PARISH CONTACTS:

Thanksgiving Queries	Parish Secretary	9401 6340
Parish Management/Finance	Shirley Wood	0450 129 768
Parish Liturgy Group	Parish Secretary	9401 6340
Lector Co-ordinator	Shirley Wood	0450 129 768
Bereavement Group	Judy Clarke	9955 4600
Mass Co-ordinator	Kevin Burt	0497 819 838
St Vincent De Paul Group	Kevin McDermott	0422 296 819
Family Groups	Terry Eastwood	0417 112 731
Third World Interest Group	Gerald Burke	0408 315 471
Safeguarding Officer	Damien Aile Marlene Fernandes	0418 587 136 0400 290 371

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

Holy Saviour Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES

By your contribution to Christmas Offering, you help to support your priests. Your kind consideration of this indispensable part of clergy support is appreciated. Christmas Offering envelopes are available in the foyer newsstand.

Thank You

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

Thank you for your generous support the Catholic Deaf appeal last weekend, the total raised = \$535.40.

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: stchristopherschristmas@gmail.com

CATHEDRAL CONCERT: A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Sunday 18 December, 2022

3.00pm – 4.30pm

A family concert of traditional and modern Christmas favourites, featuring Brass, organ and choir in the beautiful and inspiring space of St Patrick's Cathedral.

Performance will include audience participation, a children's segment and 'special guest' appearance.

Tickets: \$25 at door or via trybooking.

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

Children 15 years and under, admitted free.

Contact Details:

Philip Matthias, Email: music@cam.org.au

Second Sunday of Advent

The wilderness holds a special place in scripture. Time spent in the wilderness is associated with a time of preparation for undertaking a special purpose. When Moses led the people from Egypt they wandered in the wilderness for 40 years. This was a time of renewing themselves after their time in Egypt and rediscovering their covenant with God. After his baptism, Jesus retreats to the wilderness to prepare for his public ministry. It was also out of the wilderness that a lot of rebellion and unrest emerged. A desire for change and action is what comes out of the wilderness.



ROSTERS FOR 10/11 DECEMBER 2022

READINGS: 3rd Sunday of Advent: 1st Reading: Is 35.1-6a, 10, Resp Psalm: Ps 146.6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10 (*R. Lord, come and save us.*); 2nd Reading: Jas 5.7-10; Gospel: Mt 11.2-11

	6.00PM	10.00AM
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:	Carmel Grosseck	Libby Cavagna
LECTORS:	Shirley Wood	Jim Lawrenson
MASS CO-ORDINATORS:	Marlene & Trevor Fernandes	Ed Lemanski
MUSIC:	Henry & Netty	Choir
HALL CLEANING TEAM 5:	*Bernie Flynn, Terry Egan, Rose Lawrenson	
COUNTERS:	Peter Marburg, Michael McKernan	
SACRISTANS:	Carmel Adams, Anne Faul	

FIRST READING: Isaiah 11.1-10

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

On that day:

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.
The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid;
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.
The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall
put its hand on the adder's den.
They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand
as a signal to the peoples,
the nations shall inquire of him,
and his dwelling shall be glorious.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 72.1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

R. *Justice shall flourish in his time,
and fullness of peace for ever.*

Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to a king's son.
May he judge your people with righteousness,
and your poor with justice.

In his days may righteousness flourish
and peace abound, until the moon is no more.
May he have dominion from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

For he delivers the needy when they call,
the poor and those who have no helper.

He has pity for the weak and the needy,
and saves the lives of the needy.

May his name endure forever;
his fame continue as long as the sun.
May all nations be blessed in him;
may they pronounce him happy.

R. *Justice shall flourish in his time,
and fullness of peace for ever.*

SECOND READING: Romans 15.4-9

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Whatever was written in former days
was written for our instruction,
so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement
of the scriptures we might have hope.
May the God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus,
so that together you may with one voice
glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Welcome one another, therefore,
just as Christ welcomed you,
for the glory of God.
For I tell you
that Christ has become a servant
of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God
in order that he might confirm
the promises given to the patriarchs,
and in order that the Gentiles
might glorify God for his mercy.
As it is written:
"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,
and sing praises to your name."

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: Matthew 3.1-12

Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.