

HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH
GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH
Church: 765 Highbury Road, Vermont South 3133
Presbytery: 5 Sherwood Rise, Vermont South, 3133
Telephone: 9401 6340
Website: https://holysaviourparishvs.com.au/ Email: glenwaverleynorth@cam.org.au

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 frralph1@gmail.com

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 29TH JANUARY 2023—FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YEAR A

ANNIVERSARIES: Yolanda Meggetto, Sonia Cook, Maryanne Calleja, Lyn McGie

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: David Pignolet, John Baird, Stephen Greene, Aidan Carroll, Edith Cheong, Graeme Potter, Pat Young

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATE

The newly formed Parish Pastoral Council consists of ten members:

> Russell Davis Kimberly D'Lima Kathy D'Souza Connie Facciolo Trevor Fernandes Briony Greene Nil Kandamudali Tanva Rogers

Angela Walsh

and Fr Ralph

At its first meeting on Monday 23rd January, the group did some brainstorming to identify and determine pastoral priorities for the coming year. There was clearly a need to find ways to draw in and engage the young, creating opportunities for school families to be more directly involved in the life of the parish was another. The PPC will work with the school community to plan social events and fundraisers that will be mutually beneficial for the parish and the school. Music at our weekend liturgies was another area that we felt could be improved. So in time we will work out short term and long term goals.

If you have some good helpful suggestions, feel free to pass them on to one of the team.

LENTEN DISCUSSIONS 2023

It is that time of the year when you are invited to sign up for Lenten Discussions.

This year's offering is titled "God is on the Journey, Too" by Christopher Monaghan.

Lenten Discussion groups meets weekly, running for a period of six weeks on

Wednesday evenings, 7.30pm in the Foyer Cafe (Begins 22nd February)

Friday mornings, 10.00am in the Chapel (Begins 24th February)

Please insert your contact details on the sign-up sheet in the Church Fover so we can purchase the correct amount of booklets.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meets 1st Thursday of the month from 9.30am till 11.00am. Plain knitting skills is all that is required. The first gathering for 2023 will be: Thursday 2nd February

in the Chapel

If you or someone you know are facing one of life's many challenges, having a prayer shawl might make a positive difference. Enquiries: Maree 0402 043 164

OVER 39ERS / SENIORS MONTHLY MASS

First gathering for 2023 Wednesday 8th February

12 noon in the Chapel, followed by lunch. Please bring a plate to share. Coffee/tea will be provided.

All are welcome

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish or have recently joined us over the last 12 months, the Parish would like to welcome you and your family at a social gathering to be held soon,

Please email the Parish Office with your family's details.

CARE AND SHARE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This appeal is shared between TWIG and our St Vincent de Paul Conference. **TWIG** received \$824.95, the Alola Foundation in Dili, Timor Leste, will be the recipients of these funds.

TWIG thank you, the parish community, for your great generosity.

HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH MINIFEST RESULT

After careful examination of income and expenses from our most successful 2022 Mini Fest, I am delighted to advise that the event resulted in a nett profit of \$9526.50.

Thanks go to each and every person who helped leading up to the event and on the day.

We now look forward to a much larger festival in 2024 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Holy Saviour Parish.

*Russell Davis (Treasurer)

GOSPEL FOCUS

The structure of the Beatitudes can be seen as yet another attempt by God to re-establish a covenant between Godself and the people. Throughout Jewish history, God called the people back into relationship and re-established God's covenant with them. Like all the previous versions of the covenant, the Beatitudes contain both a series of demands and a series of promises. It is a two-way deal. The first part of each Beatitude is a statement of what the people are called to do and the second part is God's promise of how they will be rewarded for their right action.

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 146.6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever, who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.
The Lord sets the prisoners free.

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind and lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous and watches over the strangers.

The Lord upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The Lord will reign forever; your God, O Zion, for all generations.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1.26-31

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Matthew 5.12

Alleluia, Alleluia
Rejoice and be glad;
your reward will be great in heaven.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5.1-12a

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.



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

ROSTERS FOR 4/5 FEBRUARY 2023

READINGS: Sunday 5 February: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1st Reading: Is 58.6-10, Resp Psalm: Ps 112.4-5, 6-7, 8a-9 (R. A light rises in the darkness for the upright.); 2nd Reading: 1 Cor 2.1-5, Gospel: Mt 5.13-16 **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:** 6.00pm: Brian Rice; 10.00am: Rose Lawrenson

LECTORS: 6.00pm: Barry Hay; 10.00am: Mike Delaney

MASS CO-ORDINATORS: 6.00pm: Peter Tuncks; 10.00am: Chris Cameron HALL CLEANING TEAM 7: *Robert Hagan, Lendl D'Lima, Mary Tan

MUSIC: 6.00pm: Recorded Music; 10.00am: Choir

COUNTERS: Russell Davis, Helen Yap **SACRISTANS:** Ruth Baird, Josie Carroll