



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 30TH APRIL 2023—4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER—YEAR A

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sharon Hayes (*Frank Clarke's niece*)

ANNIVERSARIES: Grace Watson, Catherine Ostojic, Marjorie Bowd, Walter Mullett, Peg Burt, Noel Walsh, Alan Mahoney, Ida Pinto (*nee Gomes*)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: John Graham, John Baird, Stephen Greene, Aidan Carroll, Graeme Potter

LECTOR TRAINING

Shortly we will be scheduling training sessions for new Lectors.

Training comprises two sessions of about two hours each, plus some background reading in between.

Sessions can be flexibly scheduled to accommodate existing commitments.

If you are interested, please contact:
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email: shrileywood@gmail.com,
David Wood – Mob 0404 859 685;
email: djwood_2000@yahoo.com

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meets 1st Thursday of the month from 9.30am till 11.00am.

Plain knitting skills is all that is required.

The next gathering will be:

Thursday 4th May in the **Parish Café**.

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

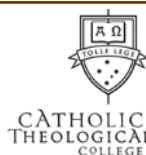
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY 2023

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Pope Francis tells us:

There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.



Corpus Christi College & Catholic Theological College Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

Support the training of priests for tomorrow's Church.

Your tax-deductible donation will support the costs of Corpus Christi College seminarians. Donations can be made:

<https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherd-sunday-appeal/>

MORNING TEA & A CHAT

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

Tea/coffee/biscuits will be provided.



PROJECT COMPASSION



Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2023 Lenten appeal.

Do you have Project Compassion Boxes or envelopes?

Could you please return same by

Sunday 14 May, 2023

to allow funds to be forwarded to Caritas before end of May.

2023 MASS COUNT

The annual mass count will be conducted across the Melbourne Archdiocese over four consecutive weekends in May. The count of mass attendance will commence next weekend of 6/7 May.



HOLY SAVIOUR PLAYGROUP

Open to all Parents, Grand-parents & Carers of babies & Pre-schoolers

Friday mornings 9.00am to 11.00am

during school term in the Holy Saviour Wellbeing Hub. It's a great opportunity to come along, relax and have a cuppa with other parents while the children are playing.

BYO Child's snack, morning tea and coffee supplied
Gold coin donation

All enquiries to Fran 0438 004 885

ANointing MASS

(OVER 39ERS/SENIORS GROUP)

The next gathering will be on
Wednesday 10th May
11.30pm @ **St Christopher's**
All are welcome.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

@ HOLY SAVIOUR

Presentation Mass

Sunday 21st May, 10.00am

Information Evening

Wednesday 31st May, 7.00pm

Reflection Day

Friday 2nd June, 9.00am-3.00pm

Sacrament of First Eucharist

Sunday 4th June, 2.00pm

Enrolment form is available from the parish website.

EASTER OFFERINGS

by your contribution, you help support your priests. Your kind consideration of this indispensable part of clergy support is much appreciated. Envelopes are available in the newsstand.

ALPHA 2023

Alpha 2023 will commence at
St Christopher's on **Wednesday 3 May**.
Alpha is an opportunity to explore life, faith and God in a friendly, open and informal environment.

Email: alpha@syndalcatholic.org.au

Phone: 9802 8538

Information flyer are available in the church foyer.

ROSTERS FOR 6/7 MAY 2023

READINGS: Fifth Sunday of Easter: 1st Reading: Acts 6.1-7; Resp Psalm: Ps 33.1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (*R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.*); 2nd Reading: 1 Pt 2.4-9, Gospel: Jn 14.1-12

	Saturday, 6.00pm	Sunday, 10.00am
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:	Bernadette Soesanto	Russell Davis
LECTORS:	Larry Dent	Chris Cameron
MASS CO-ORDINATORS:	Barry Hay	Terry Eastwood
MUSIC:	Joe & Bernadette	Joe & Bernadette
HALL CLEANING TEAM 9:	*Peter McCluskey, Gerald Burke, Bernadette Soesanto	
COUNTERS:	Judy Clarke, Carmel Grossek	
SACRISTANS:	Carmel Adams, Anne Faul	

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

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

GOD AND BEER: 'DIVINE RENOVATION'

Monday 8 May, 2023, 6.30pm-8.30pm

Notting Hill Hotel,

260-262 Ferntree Gully Road, Notting Hill

This month's speaker is Kevin Bailey, a champion of parish renewal and evangelisation in Australia. Kevin will talk about the Divine Renovation Parish Renewal program, which is a comprehensive and practical approach to revitalising Catholic parishes. The program aims to transform parishes into vibrant and evangelising communities, by emphasising the importance of leadership, Christian discipleship, and a clear mission.

Dinner available for purchase from 6.30pm. Talk begins at 7.30pm.

For any enquiries, email John Smyth at jtsmyth@gmail.com or call 0406 747 123.

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT:

MICHAEL PETRUCCELLI

Sunday 14 May, 3.00pm-4.00pm

Australian operatic tenor Michael Petruccelli and internationally recognised pianist Coady Green will visit St Patrick's Cathedral on Mother's Day for a vocal recital guaranteed to warm the heart.

Tickets: \$30 (adults) | \$25 (concession) at door or trybooking.com/BRYBS

Children aged 15 years and under admitted free

For all enquiries, email music@cam.org.au

REFLECTION

Today we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday. In the three different cycles of the liturgical year, the gospel on this Sunday comes from John, chapter 10 – an extended discourse by Jesus on the image of himself as the good shepherd. This year the reading is the beginning of the chapter and stops just immediately before the words, 'I am the good shepherd'.

Our understanding of this whole image and the scene that is set in today's passage is very dependent upon a contextual understanding of the times. Whilst shepherds were generally regarded as being little better than criminals, they often put their lives in danger to tend to their flocks. Of a night time, several flocks of sheep would be penned in a communal sheepfold, usually made of stone walls. There was only one entrance to the sheepfold and one of the shepherds would effectively become the gate by sleeping across the entranceway. This was to keep the sheep in but also to guard against thieves. Thieves might climb over the wall into the sheepfold but the sheep were trained to respond to their shepherd's voice alone so thieves could only steal what sheep they could carry off or those that were not sufficiently trained to their shepherd's commands.

When Jesus described himself as the gate of the sheepfold, his audience would have immediately understood the analogy. For a shepherd to become the gate to the sheepfold of a night was to risk his life for not only his own sheep but all the sheep in the fold overnight. It took courage and demonstrated utter commitment.

We could pause for a moment to attune our ears to the sound of the Shepherd's voice and follow Him so that He may lead us to pastures where we can have life, abundantly.

POSITIONS VACANT:

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

- * Discipleship Specialist - Marriage and Family Accompaniment
 - * Retail Shop Assistant - St Patrick's Cathedral Shop
 - * Parish Secretary - St Andrew's Parish, Clayton South
- Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

PARISH CONTACTS:

Thanksgiving Queries	Parish Secretary	9401 6340
Parish Finance Committee Chairperson	Shirley Wood	0450 129 768
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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 Officers	Damien Aile Marlene Fernandes	0418 587 136 0400 290 371

FIRST READING: Acts 2.14a, 36b-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the days of Pentecost had come,
Peter, standing with the eleven,
raised his voice and addressed the crowd.
Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty
that God has made him both Lord and Messiah,
this Jesus whom you crucified.
Now when the people heard this,
they were cut to the heart
and said to Peter and to the other apostles,
Brothers, what should we do?
Peter said to them,
Repent, and be baptized every one of you
in the name of Jesus Christ
so that your sins may be forgiven;
and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
For the promise is for you, for your children,
and for all who are far away,
everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.
And he testified with many other arguments
and exhorted them, saying,
Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.
So those who welcomed his message were baptized,
and that day about three thousand persons
were added to their number.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 23.1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

*R. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.

*R. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.*

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2.20b-25

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Brothers and sisters:

If you endure when you do right and suffer for it,
you have God's approval.
For to this you have been called,
because Christ also suffered for you,
leaving you an example,
so that you should follow in his steps.
He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.
When he was abused, he did not return abuse;
when he suffered, he did not threaten;
but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly.
Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,
so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness;
by his wounds you have been healed.
For you were going astray like sheep,
but now you have returned
to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 10.1-10

I am the gate for the sheep.

