



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

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SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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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 JULY 2023—SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A

ANNIVERSARIES: Gemma Auld, Tom Ryan, Adrian Freeman, Reta County, Michael Dee

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Brian Rice, Connor Hodge, John Baird, Aidan Carroll, Graeme Potter

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VISITING THE SICK AND ELDERLY

We are in the process of seeking volunteers who may wish to visit and minister to the sick and elderly of our Parish. The Parish is also responsible for providing visits to Catholic residents at a number of aged care homes in our area.

Visiting would be arranged to meet the visitor's availability and preference for aged care and/or home visits. Visitors would normally commit to one visit a month, but more visits can be undertaken. **Training will be provided**, as necessary, with a "St Christopher's and Holy Saviour Handbook" and "Communion of the Sick" booklet provided. You will find that visiting the sick and elderly is a very rewarding experience and much appreciated by those visited.

If you feel called to join this ministry, please inform the Parish office asap to register your interest:
Tel: 9401 6340, email: glenwaverleynorth@cam.org.au

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.



WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU

If you are new to Holy Saviour, or if you haven't yet had a chance to get to know any fellow parishioners, please get in touch and let us know you're here.

Welcome events are scheduled periodically to facilitate the formation of new friendships and kick-start that very important sense of belonging within our community.

**The next event is currently scheduled for
Friday, October 20th at 7pm (Save the Date!)**

Let us know you're here via one of the following methods:

1. Email holysaviourPPC@gmail.com
2. Call Helen Forer, Welcoming Committee Leader, on 0417 428 004
3. Write your details on the new parishioners sheet located in the church foyer and include contact details which will allow us to reach out to you.

We look forward to meeting you.

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 3rd August in the Parish 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

Next gathering will be on:

Wednesday 12th August @ Holy Saviour

12noon, followed by lunch.

Please bring a plate to share.

Coffee/tea will be provided.

All are welcome

TWIG wishes to thank parishioners for their generosity on TWIG Sunday recently. \$727.40 was raised through the special collection for Opening the Doors Foundation which supports Aboriginal children in schools of their choice in Victoria.

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.

REFLECTION

Jesus uses the image of treasure to describe the reality of God's kingdom. A treasure isn't something we can earn, it's something we need to go out and search for, perhaps even for a long time. And look at how the two characters in the Gospel respond when they find their treasure: they sell all their possessions just to have that one treasure they have found. Jesus uses this parable to remind us that God is the greatest treasure in our lives, and perhaps also that we are God's own treasure; that, like the land-owner and the merchant, God will do anything to have us near him and belonging to him.



DID YOU KNOW

In ancient times, people often buried their treasures as they fled from enemies or invaders. Sometimes their owners may return to recover the treasure, but often it remained buried for many years. Among priceless discoveries of treasure buried as the owners fled invaders are the Dead Sea Scrolls, hidden from the Roman army in the late first century.

ROSTERS FOR 5/6 AUGUST 2023

READINGS: The Transfiguration of the Lord: 1st Reading: Dan 7.9-10, 13-14; Resp Psalm: Ps 97.1-2, 5-6, 9+12 (*R. The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.*); 2nd Reading: 2 Pet 1.16-19, Gospel: Mt 17.1-9

	Saturday, 6.00pm	Sunday, 10.00am
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:	Lumina Pinto	Judy Clarke
LECTORS:	Barry Hay	Connie Facciolo
MASS CO-ORDINATORS:	Larry Dent	Chris Cameron
MUSIC:	Joe & Bernadette	Joe & Bernadette
HALL CLEANING TEAM NO. 2:	*Peter Marburg, Erik Kusnadi, Nancy Mazza, Marie Tjio	
COUNTERS:	Joe Yardin, Brian Rice	
SACRISTANS:	Ruth Baird, Josie Carroll	

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

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

Join the fun at Holy Saviour's inaugural

THRONE OF GAMES

For all ages 0-100+

A team-based round robin of games and challenges suitable for all ages and abilities.

Connect with the community, share some laughs and renew the Holy Saviour spirit.

Sunday August 27th 2023

Holy Saviour church hall
765 Highbury Road, Vermont South

Enjoy a BBQ lunch at 11am. with games commencing at 11.30am.
Formal activities conclude at 1.30pm. Doors open till 3pm.



Food and drink
provided
(alcohol free zone)

Don't want to play?
Cheer squads are
welcome too!



Book a spot for the whole family at <https://www.trybooking.com/CKCDD>
\$5 per ticket. Don't miss out!

Email holysaviourPPC@gmail.com for more information

PARISH CONTACTS:

Thanksgiving Queries	Parish Secretary	9401 6340
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Bereavement Group	Judy Clarke	9955 4600
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St Vincent De Paul Group	Kevin McDermott	0422 296 819
Family Groups	Terry Eastwood	0417 112 731
The World Interest Group	Gerald Burke	0408 315 471
Safeguarding Officers	Damien Aile Marlene Fernandes	0418 587 136 0400 290 371

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3.5-12

A reading from the first book of Kings.

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David; because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. "And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this, your great people?" It please the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 119.57+72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130

R. Lord, I love your commands.

The Lord is my portion;
I promise to keep your words.
The law of your mouth is better to me
than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

Let your steadfast love become my comfort
according to your promise to your servant.
Let your mercy come to me, that I may live,
for your law is my delight.

Truly I love your commandments more than gold,
more than fine gold.

Truly I direct my steps by all your precepts;
I hate every false way.

Your decrees are wonderful;
therefore my soul keeps them.
The unfolding of your words gives light,
it imparts understanding to the simple.

R. Lord, I love your commands.

SECOND READING: Romans 8.28-30

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

We know that all things work together for good
for those who love God,
who are called according to his purpose.
For those whom God foreknew
he also predestined to be conformed
to the image of his Son,
in order that he might be the firstborn
among many brothers and sisters.
And those whom God predestined he also called;
and those whom he called he also justified;
and those whom he justified he also glorified

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries
of the kingdom.
Alleluia

GOSPEL: Matthew 13.44-52

*Anyone who finds a treasure in a field,
sells all and buys that field.*