



## 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 13TH AUGUST 2023—NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A**



### 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](mailto: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.*

### THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday, 15th August

### MASS TIMES

@ Holy Saviour

11.45am and 7.30pm



### CATHOLICCARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL

**This weekend is the Catholic-Care Victoria Sunday Appeal.**

CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Your compassionate generosity will help the most vulnerable members of our community—those facing unemployment and homelessness, those experiencing mental health challenges, families struggling with relationship problems, people in hospitals and prisons, and those experiencing grief and trauma.

You can donate using the appeal envelope available in church foyer or donate online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call 9287 5513

*All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible*

### 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.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Daphne Misso, Doris Avery

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Diogenes Mascarenhas, David Gay, Ron Hay, Nelle Fox, Bill Martin, Paschal Quinn, Pierina Gianello

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

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK  
6-13 AUGUST 2023**

Please pray for our priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in our community. Please pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that the saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from our community.

**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](mailto:glenwaverleynorth@cam.org.au)

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 27<sup>th</sup> 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/CXCDD>  
\$5 per ticket. Don't miss out!

Email [holsaviourPPC@gmail.com](mailto:holsaviourPPC@gmail.com) for more information

## ROSTERS FOR 19/20 AUGUST 2023

**READINGS: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time:** 1st Reading: Is 56.1, 6-7; Resp Psalm: Ps 67.1-2, 4-5, 6-7 (*R. O God, let all the nations praise you!*); 2nd Reading: Rom 11.13-15, 29-32, Gospel: Mt 15.21-28

	Saturday, 6.00pm	Sunday, 10.00am
<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:</b>	Larry Dent	Dennis Cavagna
<b>LECTORS:</b>	Kenneth James	Kevin McDermott
<b>MASS CO-ORDINATORS:</b>	Larry Dent	Chris Cameron
<b>MUSIC:</b>	St Christopher's Choir	Joe & Bernadette
<b>HALL CLEANING TEAM NO. 4:</b>	*Russell Davis, Brian Fonseca, Ben & Jacintha Silva, Joe Yardin	
<b>COUNTERS:</b>	Chris Mooney, John Fitzpatrick	
<b>SACRISTANS:</b>	Lorraine Martin, Jill Doley	

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

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

## REFLECTION

The readings for the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time share a common theme: finding faith amidst life's storms. In the First Reading, Prophet Elijah learned that faith is found in the stillness of our hearts, even in turbulent times. The Gospel tells of Peter walking on water towards Jesus but doubting amidst the storm. Yet, Jesus reminded him that true faith keeps our focus on Him.

Both stories show that faith is not just a feeling or the absence of difficulties. It's a steadfast trust in God's presence and power. When we face challenges, we must turn to God and listen for His voice.

In life's storms, God's gentle presence brings comfort, just as He whispered to Elijah and rescued Peter. With unwavering faith, we can overcome trials. God is always with us, inviting us to trust Him and anchor our faith in His love.

## GANGLAND TO PROMISED LAND: JOHN PRIDMORE

John Pridmore was a serious face in London's East End, living the 'high life' until he found himself nearly killing a man. What happened next can only be called extraordinary. Don't miss his incredible conversion story when he visits Melbourne in August and September. John has spoken to millions around the world about his past and remarkable conversion, inspiring countless individuals through his powerful talks, conferences and parish missions.

Please join John at

**St Benedict's Parish, 301 Warrigal Rd, Burwood.**

Each night is held in the church and goes for 1 hour. The mission will occur over three evenings focusing on the following themes:

**Night 1 – Mon 4 September, 7.30pm-8.30pm**

God's Love—*"Getting to know the depth of God's love."*

**Night 2 - Tues 5 September, 7.30pm-8.30pm**

God's Mercy—*"A chance to personally experience the mercy of Jesus."*

**Night 3 - Wed 6 September, 7.30pm-8.30pm**

God's Healing—*"Healing service – allowing Jesus to heal us."*

Each night will include John's talk, music and scripture readings, and a time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

*Admission is free*

If you would like to contribute - An offering will be collected on the evening to assist the parish in covering the cost of the mission.

## 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.

## ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH NOTICES

# BAKE Sale

a fundraiser for Elevate Youth



Don't Miss It

**SUNDAY YOUTH MASS  
20TH OF AUGUST**

@ 10.30am

# Be the Light

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**FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19.9, 11-13**

A reading from the first book of Kings.

When Elijah reached Horeb,  
the mountain of God,  
he came to a cave, and spent the night there.  
Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying,  
“Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord;  
for the Lord is about to pass by.”  
Now there was a great wind,  
so strong that it was splitting mountains  
and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord,  
but the Lord was not in the wind;  
and after the wind an earthquake,  
but the Lord was not in the earthquake;  
and after the earthquake a fire,  
but the Lord was not in the fire;  
and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.  
When Elijah heard it,  
he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out  
and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 85.8ab+9, 10-11, 12-13**

**R.**      *Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.*

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,  
for he will speak peace to his people.  
Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;  
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.  
Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,  
and righteousness will look down from the sky.

The Lord will give what is good,  
and our land will yield its increase.  
Righteousness will go before him,  
and will make a path for his steps

**R.**      *Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.*

**SECOND READING: Romans 9.1-5**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

I am speaking the truth in Christ.  
I am not lying;  
my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit.  
I have great sorrow  
and unceasing anguish in my heart.  
For I could wish that I myself were accursed  
and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people,  
my kindred according to the flesh.  
They are Israelites,  
and to them belong the adoption, the glory,  
the covenants,  
the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises;  
to them belong the patriarchs,  
and from them,  
according to the flesh, comes the Messiah,  
who is over all,  
God be blessed forever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Psalm 130.5**

Alleluia, Alleluia  
I hope in the Lord,  
I trust in his word.  
Alleluia

**GOSPEL: Matthew 14.22-33**

*Lord, command me to come to you on the water.*

