



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
fralph1@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 24TH SEPTEMBER 2023—25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Doran, Mary Tan, Doug Young, Catherine Royal, Joanne Valentini, Christopher Marrone, Carmela Buhagiar

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Loretta Delaney, Helen Styring, Leonie Gallagher, Serge Nayna, Brian Rice, Connor Hodge, John Baird, Aidan Carroll, Graeme Potter

MEETING TO LAUNCH THE HOLY SAVIOUR VISITING TEAM TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Holy Saviour Church Hall

Wednesday 27th September, 4.00pm

At the meeting Father Ralph will launch the new Holy Saviour Visiting Team to the Sick and Elderly.

All existing and potential new volunteers, including those that have provided their names to the Parish Office, are invited to attend.

The meeting will be an opportunity for existing and potential visitors to meet together with Father Ralph and the Visiting Team Coordinator to learn about the new arrangements which will include the issue of a visiting team handbook to guide visitors.

If you have any questions, please contact the Visiting Team Coordinator Peter Natoli

Email: peter_natoli@hotmail.com

Mobile: 0468 671 630.

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 7.00pm (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.

Migrants and Refugees Sunday Mass

Sunday 24 September 2023,

2pm Rosary, 3pm Mass

St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

All are welcome to celebrate with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli and migrant communities from across Melbourne



We congratulate Jack Keith Lorenz, son of Benjamin & Ellie Lorenz who will be baptized this weekend.

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 5th October 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 11th October

@ **Holy Saviour**

12noon, followed by lunch.

Please bring a plate to share.

Coffee/tea will be provided.

All are welcome

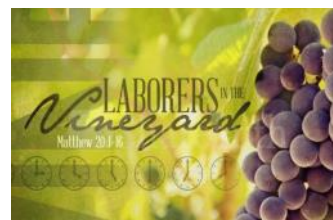
Please note there will be **NO 9.15am Mass** on 11th October

REFLECTION

This Sunday is world Day of Migrants and Refugees, the theme of which is, 'Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay'. It's an opportunity to honour those who have come to Australia seeking a new life and to tell their stories.

In today's Gospel, we hear a parable about workers who were employed at different times of the day yet paid the same wage at the end of the day. God's ways are certainly not our ways. In the Kingdom of God, there is no privileged class. Whether we were baptised as infants and have worked for God all our lives or whether we heard God's call later in life and converted to Christianity as adults, we are all invited to share the same heaven. God loves those who have come late to the vineyard just as much as the early ones. We are all workers in the Lord's vineyard and each of us contributes in our own way in building up Christ's Body, the Church.

The Pharisees thought they were God's first friends but they failed to recognise His ways. We too can fall into this same trap. Some Christians think they have a right to claim a better place in God's Kingdom because they are "saved". Some think that God loves them more than those who are not "saved". This parable warns us to discard such thoughts when we start comparing ourselves to others or the work we do in comparison to what others do, we are no longer aligned to God's ways.



ROSTERS FOR 30 SEPTEMBER/1 OCTOBER 2023

READINGS: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1st Reading: Is 55.6-9; Resp Psalm: Ps 145.2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (*R. The Lord is near to all who call on him.*); 2nd Reading: Phil 1.20-24, 27, Gospel: Mt 20.1-16

	Saturday, 6.00pm	Sunday, 10.00am
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:	John Battista	Maree Lemanski
LECTORS:	Shirley Wood	Russell Davis
MASS CO-ORDINATORS:	Shirley Wood	Felix Carroll
MUSIC:	Joe & Bernadette	Joe & Bernadette
HALL CLEANING:	No Hall Cleaning	
COUNTERS:	Kevin Quigley, Dennis Cavagna	
SACRISTANS:	Jill McKernan, Carmel MacGregor	

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

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



HOLY SAVIOUR TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY 7TH OCT

Holy Saviour Primary School
765 Highbury Road, Vermont South

Tickets \$25pp
purchase using link or QR code
<https://www.trybooking.com/CLFIT>

Arrive 7pm for a 7:30pm start
Bring \$2 or \$5 for games - EFTPOS available -
Each ticket includes event entry
and a ticket for the door prize.
Adults only - friends and family welcome!

Silent Auctions
\$5 beer and wine
Prize for 1st place
BYO Food

This night will be in memory of Stephen Greene and his contribution to the Holy Saviour Community
Wear a touch of green in his honour

IN HIS FOOTSTEP ...

Travel from Melbourne/Sydney to Holy Land and back

24th February to 8th March 2024

Daily Mass with an accompanying priest for Renewal of Baptismal vows & Marriage vows

Total Cost (A\$3,700.00) includes:

Hotel accommodation in 5 star/4 star hotels (*Israel, Jordan & Egypt*)

Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner

All transfers in deluxe AC coaches

Daily sightseeing with experience guide

Entrances to all sightseeing

Visa costs

Escort accompanying the group

Tips

Cost Excludes: Airfares on Emirates & Insurance

If you are interested in joining the trip, kindly contact

Fr Jacob at St Christopher's 9802 8538

For further details, please see flyer on the foyer noticeboard

2024 STUDY TOUR

Journey with Paul: Türkiye – Greece:

20 September – 6 October 2024

Tour Leader: Dr Rosemary Canavan

Online Information Sessions:

7 October 2023 at 2pm

Participants have the opportunity to undertake a study unit with CTC in conjunction with the tour for credit towards an award

RSVP & further information:

rosemary.canavan@ctc.edu.au

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

We are delighted to announce the return in October 2023 of our popular online lecture series, **Engaging Your Faith**. Fourteen stand-alone sessions on a range of themes will be presented by members of our lecturing staff. For full details please see the attached flyer.

These sessions would be an ideal opportunity for lay leaders and other interested people in your parish to explore the possibilities offered at CTC for personal, theological, and spiritual development.

Topics include the following:

Explorations in the Bible

Basic Listening Skills for Pastoral Ministry

Catholic Social Teaching

The Plenary Council, the Catholic Church, and being a Catholic

Lectio Divina

Science and faith issues

Cost: \$25 per session or \$40 if seeking teacher accreditation.

Book and pay directly through the website:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1118680>

DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

In the Greco-Roman world, casual labourers used to gather in the agora or town-square waiting for employers to hire them.

- In the early church, those who had believed in the risen Christ from the earliest days—and had thus suffered persecution for their faith—were sometimes jealous of those, especially Gentiles, who came to belief later on.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

The 'vineyard' in the Hebrew Scriptures always referred to Israel, the people of God, while the 'master' was God. This parable would have been clearly understood as being about the experience of being gathered into God's people and about who was welcomed into the kingdom. The unbounded generosity of God is highlighted.

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.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55.6-9

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the Lord,
that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God,
for he will abundantly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 145.2-3, 8-9, 17-18

R. The Lord is near to all who call on him.

Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.

The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all he has made.

The Lord is just in all his ways,
and kind in all his doings.
The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

R. The Lord is near to all who call on him.

SECOND READING: Philippians 1.20-24, 27

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters:
It is my eager expectation and hope
that I will not be put to shame in any way,
but that by my speaking with all boldness,
Christ will be exalted now as always in my body,
whether by life or by death.
For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain.
If I am to live in the flesh,
that means fruitful labour for me;
and I do not know which I prefer.
I am hard pressed between the two:
my desire is to depart and be with Christ,
for that is far better;
but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you.
Live your life in a manner
worthy of the gospel of Christ,
so that, whether I come and see you
or am absent and hear about you,
I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit,
striving side by side with one mind
for the faith of the gospel.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 20.1-16

Are you envious because I am generous?

