



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 1ST OCTOBER 2023—26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A

ANNIVERSARIES: Giacomina Mazza, Antonio Gangi, Bryan Sowersby, Geoff Miller, William Ryan, Frank Murphy

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

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



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.

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



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
 BYO Food
 Prize for 1st place

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

REFLECTION

This week's gospel passage is one of many within Matthew's gospel that show Jesus at odds with the religious authorities of his day. The picture of the religious leaders that comes through Matthew's gospel is one of hypocrisy. Jesus is frequently portrayed as criticising the leaders for holding too strongly to the letter of the law and ignoring the spirit of the law and the call to compassion. This week's passage has Jesus seeking the opinion of the chief priests and elders on a hypothetical situation (a common style of debating a point of law in the Jewish tradition). He describes two sons, each asked by their father to go and work in the family vineyard. The first says 'No' but later does his father's bidding. The second says 'Yes' but doesn't follow through on his commitment.

Jesus is criticising the religious leaders of his time who, with their words, said 'Yes' to God but by their actions said 'No'. He most certainly would have upset the leaders by telling them that tax collectors and prostitutes would enter the kingdom of God before them. Whilst these tax collectors and prostitutes were regarded by the religious authorities as 'sinners' beyond redemption, Jesus holds them up in the image of the first son of the story. Although they may have said 'No' to God through their poor choices, ultimately they are saying 'Yes' to God in their acceptance of Jesus and the message of the kingdom of God. On the other hand, the leaders have said 'Yes' to God publicly through abiding by all the religious laws and maintaining a 'religious profile' but in their hearts and actions they have not truly said 'Yes!'

ROSTERS FOR 7/8 OCTOBER 2023

READINGS: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1st Reading: Is 5.1-7; Resp Psalm: Ps 80.8+11, 12-13, 14-15, 18-19 (*R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*); 2nd Reading: Phil 4.6-9, Gospel: Mt 21.33-43

	Saturday, 6.00pm	Sunday, 10.00am
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:	Brian Rice	Michael McKernan
LECTORS:	Agnes De Roza	Connie Facciolo
MASS CO-ORDINATORS:	Peter Tuncks	Felix Carroll
MUSIC:	Joe & Bernadette	HS Choir
HALL CLEANING:	No Hall Cleaning	
COUNTERS:	Larry Dent, Carmel Grosseck	
SACRISTANS:	Ruth Baird, Josie Carroll	

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

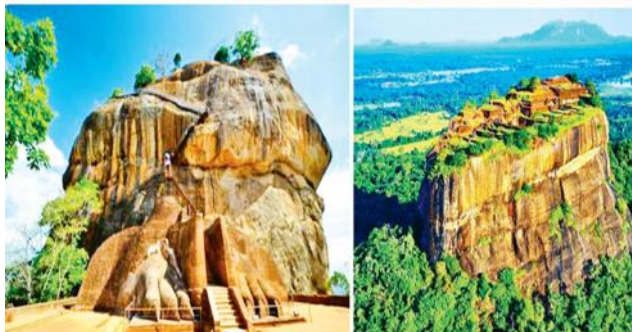
Holy Saviour Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

EXPLORE SRI LANKA IN 13 NIGHTS / 14 DAYS

TENTATIVE DATES

5TH-19TH AUGUST 2024

There will be an information night to be held on Monday 9 October at 7.00pm, St Christopher's Parish, in the Fellowship Hub.



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>

HOLY SAVIOUR PLAYGROUP

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

Friday mornings 9.00am to 11.00am

in the Holy Saviour Well being Hub

Playgroup will resume back for Term 4 on Friday 6th October.

GOD AND BEER: How to Fix Catholic Education with Prof John Haldane

Notting Hill Hotel, 260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd,
Notting Hill

Monday, October 9, 2023

6:30pm – 8:30pm

Dinner is available for purchase from 6.30pm.

Talk begins at 7.30pm

Prof John Haldane is a 'rock-star philosopher' and one of the leading thinkers in the world. A former papal adviser and current chair of the Royal Institute of Philosophy, Prof Haldane splits his time between Baylor University in the USA, Notre Dame University in Sydney, and the University of St Andrews in Scotland.

For all enquiries, email John at jtsmyth@gmail.com

To Register: <https://app.tickets.org.au/GodandBeer/GABOctober2023>

MASS FOR
Marriage Anniversaries
SUNDAY 22 OCTOBER 2023, 11AM
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, EAST MELBOURNE

Couples and their families are invited to join us as we celebrate our annual Anniversary Mass.

Couples who register and are celebrating the following anniversaries – 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th or 40 years and above – will receive a commemorative certificate.

Register by Sunday 15 October:
trybooking.com/CLKRB

For any queries please contact us
9926 5761 or proclaim@cam.org.au

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: Ezekiel 18.25-28

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.

The Lord says this:
 You object, O House of Israel!
 You say, The way of the Lord is unfair.
 Hear now, O house of Israel:
 Is my way unfair?
 Is it not your ways that are unfair?
 When the righteous turn away
 from their righteousness and commit iniquity,
 they shall die for it;
 for the iniquity that they have committed
 they shall die.
 Again, when the wicked turn away
 from the wickedness they have committed
 and do what is lawful and right,
 they shall save their life.
 Because they considered and turned away
 from all the transgressions that they had committed,
 they shall surely live;
 they shall not die.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 25.4-5a, 6+7b, 8-9**R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.**

Make me know your ways, O Lord;
 teach me your paths.
 Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
 for you are the God of my salvation.

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord,
 and of your steadfast love,
 for they have been from of old.
 According to your steadfast love remember me,
 for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

Good and upright is the Lord;
 therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
 He leads the humble in what is right,
 and teaches the humble his way.

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.**SECOND READING: Philippians 2.1-11**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If there is any encouragement in Christ,
 any consolation from love,
 any sharing in the Spirit,
 any compassion and sympathy,
 then make my joy complete:
 be of the same mind,
 having the same love,
 being in full accord and of one mind.
 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit,
 but in humility regard others as better than yourselves.
 Let each of you look not to your own interests,
 but to the interests of others.
 Let the same mind be in you
 that was in Christ Jesus,
 who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,
 but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 being born in human likeness.
 And being found in human form,
 he humbled himself,
 and became obedient to the point of death—
 even death on a cross.
 Therefore God highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
 so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
 and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 10.27

Alleluia, Alleluia
 My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
 I know them, and they follow me.
 Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 21.28-32

*The son changed his mind and went.
 The tax collectors and the prostitutes are going
 into the kingdom of heaven ahead of you.*