



HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH GLEN WAVERLEY NORTH

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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.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 10.00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Wednesday & Friday: 9.15am

Reconciliation:

After 9.15am mass on Wednesday & Friday

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 3RD MARCH 2024—THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT-YEAR B

RECENTLY DECEASED: Moira Mayberry (*former parishioner & sister of Dennis Cavagna*)

ANNIVERSARIES: Albert Mannas, Brian McCusker, Angelo Facciolo, Ted Fitzgibbon, Sr Frances Dunlop, Fr Frank Bellett

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Marian Van Grieken, Phil Cowan, Leonie Gallagher, Serge Nayna, 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 7th March 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



OUR LENTEN BANNERS:

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Lenten Theme: "Challenge of Living in Harmony"

We began Lent in the desert with Jesus,
facing a decision.

Where is life leading?

Which path do we take?

Are our choices leading to life or death?

We journeyed to the mountain top where Jesus was
revealed as the way to life, but do we stay on the
mountain where we feel safe, or continue the journey?
The path for Jesus and us is often difficult, filled with
challenges. Lent is a time to look at our challenges
and look to Jesus. We look back to the mountain and
see hope. It gives us courage to continue the journey.

Where will the path lead?

What is our destination, new life or death?

The choice and the challenge are ours!

NEW!

YOUTH PROGRAM FOR GRADES 5, 6 AND 7

The PPC would like to initiate a series of events
throughout the year (approximately one per term),
designed for kids in grades 5, 6 and 7, with a focus
on fun.

We are looking for volunteers for a sub-committee
to design and plan activities to appeal to this age
group.

If you or someone you know is a good fit for this
role, please contact Anne in the parish office, or
email HolySaviourYouth@gmail.com

OVER 39ERS / SENIORS MONTHLY MASS

Next gathering will be on:

Wednesday 13th March

@ St Christopher's

11.30am followed by lunch.
Please bring a plate to share.

All are welcome

Please note there will be NO 9.15am Mass
on 13th March



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.

SEEKING THREE NEW PPC MEMBERS

The Parish Pastoral Council meets once per month (on a Thursday evening), with a jam-packed agenda ensuring action and purpose is achieved at every session. We need three new members, and invite you to nominate yourself or someone else to this important and rewarding position (refer to the role description below). Please complete a nomination form, and drop it in the box in the foyer, or reach out to Anne in the office.

The purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is to promote and support the evangelising mission of the Parish, working in collaboration with the Parish Priest, to foster the spiritual and pastoral life of all the Christian faithful. The Parish Pastoral Council enables the members of the Parish community to fulfil their baptismal calling to share in Christ's mission and to connect their needs and their strengths with the Parish's plans for the future.

No training or experience required; however, PPC members should be involved in parish life. The expected commitment is 2 hours monthly (meeting attendance), plus any time required to organise various activities.

Requirements: A current Victorian Working with Children Check and should complete the Safeguarding Essentials Online training module annually.

WELCOME

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

1. Email holsaviourPPC@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.

NEW!

HOLY SAVIOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

In 2023 the parish enjoyed the Throne of Games, and the Holy Saviour Day party where we danced to music by the amazing Joe Fernandes. Wouldn't it be great to have a parish social event every few months?!

To make this possible, the PPC is seeking to establish a Holy Saviour Social Committee.

If you have a knack for putting together fun activities, then we need you!

Or perhaps you can offer complementary skills such as:

- Digital design
- Marketing
- Decorating
- Logistics
- Project management

To contribute to this rewarding mission, creating social events that inspire and engage our community, please reach out to Anne in the parish office, or email Kimberly D'Lima at kimberlydlima@gmail.com

ROSTERS FOR 9/10 MARCH 2024

READINGS: 4th Sunday of Lent: 1st Reading: 2 Chron 36.14-17a, 19-23; Resp Psalm: Ps 137.1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (*R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!.*); 2nd Reading: Eph 2.4-10; Gospel: Jn 3.14-21

	Saturday, 6.00pm	Sunday, 10.00am
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST:	Brian Rice	Eloisa Armstrong
LECTORS:	Larry Dent	Connie Facciolo
MASS CO-ORDINATORS:	Barry Hay	Robert Hagan
MUSIC:	Henry & Netty	HS Choir
HALL CLEANING TEAM 8:	*Larry Dent, Kevin McDermott	
COUNTERS:	Terry Eastwood, Peter McCluskey	
SACRISTANS:	Jill Doley, Lorraine Martin	

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

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

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respect to them and their cultures.



PROJECT COMPASSION 2024



Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.

Boxes and Envelope packs for your generous donations are available on the foyer tables. Please note weekly envelope contributions should be placed in the **TWIG** box inside the Church entrance.

All boxes and envelopes should be returned by **27 April** to allow receipts to be



prepared and the proceeds forwarded to CARITAS by the due date.

caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Dear friends,

I would like to thank you for your prayers for Vocations over the years. We were delighted to accept eight men to the Seminary for Melbourne this year:

Chinh Tran, Rohan Prince, Luke Kennedy, Luke Emslie, Tung Phan, Joseph Maae, Patrick Harris and Mathews Noble.

Many of you have personally helped and encouraged these men along their journey to apply to join the Seminary; it truly is a team effort!

Please continue to pray for them!

Part of the work of the Vocations Office is to promote Vocations throughout our Archdiocese. Please feel free to contact us if you have any thoughts/plans of how we can do so better.

In Christ,

Fr Dishan and the Vocations Team



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OF MELBOURNE



2024 FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION

All families are invited to take part in our 2024

Holy Saviour Footy Tipping Competition. Anyone can enter, costing \$20 for each participant, paid to the **school office** by the end of Round 8.

The season commences Thursday March 7 with Sydney taking on Melbourne.

Follow the link below to get to the competition website: https://www.footytips.com.au/comps/HS_Footy_Tipsters&p=hsvs3133

Once you have filled in your details on the website, join the "HS Footy Tipsters" competition. The password to get in should be **hsvs3133**

There will be prizes for 1st - 3rd (if tippers finish on equal tips, the prize will be split, eg. 1st & 2nd prize combined & split between the two), the more people involved, the bigger the prize pool.

A couple of rules, or things to note:

- * if you don't tip, you will get the lowest score for the round -1
- * if you tip all games correctly, you will get a bonus point
- * there may be up to 5 "Joker" rounds where scores will be doubled
- * the last 5 rounds will be "Blind" rounds - no one will be able to see the ladder

AVILA COLLEGE

AN EVENING WITH GEMMA SISIA

Founder of the School of St Jude in Tanzania

"Courage to Care", Fighting Poverty Through Education

Holy Saviour hosted Gemma and the School of St Jude a few years ago, Australian born Gemma firmly believes that education is the right of all children and the strongest weapon in fighting poverty. Join us for an evening of inspiration and transformation as we hear from a woman who had the courage to care and alleviate poverty through education.

Tuesday, 19 March, 7.00pm—8.30pm

Avila College

35 Charles Street, Mt Waverley

Tickets: \$2.00

Book via <https://events.humanitix.com/courage-to-care-or-fighting-poverty-through-education>

or link on Avila College Website:

<https://www.avila.vic.edu.au/>

GREAT WOMEN OF FAITH

Portrait exhibition by Barbara Skorupa

Friday 1 March – Sunday 10 March 2024 | St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne

Cost: Free

This unique exhibition in St Patrick's Cathedral will feature 24 beautiful portraits of extraordinary women of faith by Cologne-based artist Barbara Skorupa. The portraits have been selected from the artist's collection of more than 100 paintings of extraordinary women from different cultures and eras, including Australians St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Dr Sr Mary Glowrey JMJ and Eileen O'Connor.

For opening times, please visit: <https://maryglowreymuseum.info/exhibition>

FIRST READING: Exodus 20.1-3, 7-8, 12-17

A reading from the book of Exodus.

God spoke all these words:
 I am the Lord your God,
 who brought you out of the land of Egypt,
 out of the house of slavery;
 you shall have no other gods before me.
 You shall not make wrongful use
 of the name of the Lord, your God,
 for the Lord will not acquit anyone
 who misuses his name.
 Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.
 Honour your father and your mother,
 so that your days may be long in the land
 that the Lord your God is giving you.
 You shall not murder.
 You shall not commit adultery.
 You shall not steal.
 You shall not bear false witness against
 your neighbour.
 You shall not covet your neighbour's house;
 you shall not covet your neighbour's wife,
 or male or female slave, or ox or donkey,
 or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 19.7, 8-9, 10

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
 reviving the soul;
 the decrees of the Lord are sure,
 making wise the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right,
 rejoicing the heart;
 the commandment of the Lord is clear,
 enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure,
 enduring forever;
 the ordinances of the Lord are true
 and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold,
 even much fine gold;
 sweeter also than honey,
 and drippings of the honeycomb.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1.18, 22-25

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The message about the cross
 is foolishness to those who are perishing,
 but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
 For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom,
 but we proclaim Christ crucified,
 a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,
 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks,
 Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
 For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom,
 and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
 God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
 that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: John 2.13-25

Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

