



Catholic Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary & St. Kieran

Moe – Newborough

21/4/24

4th Sunday of Easter

Year B, Weekday cycle 2



O God, the Creator and Giver of all good things, bless our Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary and St Kieran. Strengthen our faith, grant us a spirit of mission so that, through our service of neighbor, we will praise and glorify you.

Immaculate Heart of Mary: *Pray for us.*

St Kieran: *Pray for us.*

Mission Statement

Inspired by the Gospel as members of this Oblate missionary community, we celebrate and live out our Catholic faith.

Under the pastoral care of the

Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

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We are a Child Safe Parish

Any children, young persons and adults at risk have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, please immediately raise your concerns with a Safeguarding Officer.

Contact our safeguarding officers Carol Wilson or Teresa Dinnie via the Parish Office.

From the desk (and the heart) of Fr Daniel omi

L. J. C. et M. I.

Dear Parishioners

There are moments in life when we don't find energy to do anything. As I am looking at the screen of the computer at the moment I would rather stare through the window in my office, trying to switch my mind off. I find myself numb and hurting. A few hours earlier I was informed that a colleague of mine and a wonderful friend died. We were doing our doctorates at the same time, under supervision of the Late Professor Fr Austin Cooper OMI. I counted it as a blessing that I could share my research journey with Chris. After completion of our PhDs, we worked together at Catholic Theological College in East Melbourne lecturing in Christian Spirituality. If I was able to be your Parish Priest and a lecturer at Uni, it was because Chris understood parish life, and offered his support so that I could do both ministries: Parish and University.

Earlier today when our children were receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time, a group of girls came forward to lead us in Prayer of the Faithful. When I looked at them, I remembered Evie and Agatha, Chris' daughters. The photo of the girls was in Chris' University office where we met, discussed and planned so many things, flashed through my mind. I also remembered Chris' wife, Louise. What this poor soul must be going through right now. Please pray for eternal life for Chris and for strength and consolation for his wife and daughters. As I wrote earlier, we owe him a debt of gratitude for making my work at Uni easier so that I could have time and energy to minister in our Parish. In this dark situation I am grateful for my faith in Christ Jesus. Although my heart is heavy, I turn to the Lord looking for his grace and strength. I don't know how people with no faith can get through situations like this. When the world grows dark Jesus Christ always sends a ray of hope and consolation. On Wednesday I was doing a preparation session with a group of First Reconciliation candidates. I began by talking about Holy Week and Easter. When I asked the children what happened on Good Friday a little boy said: 'Jesus was doing the will of God.' When I heard it, I thought: 'It is so inspiring to hear from a child such deep insight.' The boy could easily say that Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday but the boy went much deeper saying that Jesus was doing the will of God. When I learnt about Chris' death the words of that little boy came back to me with their full force. God knew that I would need such words and to make them even stronger he put them into the mouth of an innocent child. I now keep repeating these words: 'Jesus was doing the will of God' thinking about Good Friday and thinking about Chris' passing. I repeat these words thinking about Chris whom I will not see until the Good Lord calls me to himself. But I also repeat these words thinking about Louise, Evie and Agatha.

On behalf of all our Parish, I offer prayer and congratulations to the boys and girls who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the First time. After the service I was talking to the Principal of St Mary's, Lisa Broeren, and we both agreed that it was such a powerful, personal, intimate and prayerful celebration. Thank you to all who contributed to it.

I hope to see you next Sunday at our AGM.

I assure you of my prayers for you and your families.

Yours in Jesus Christ and Mary Immaculate

Fr Daniel omi

Sunday Masses

St Kieran's: 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday of the month - 5pm
St Mary's: 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month - 5pm
St Mary's: Sunday - 9:30am
St Kieran's: Sunday - 11am

Weekday Masses.

St Kieran's: Monday, Tuesday, Friday – 9am
St Kieran's: Wednesday (5pm - Holy Hour: Evening Prayer, Silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Devotions to our Lady) 6pm-Mass
St Mary's: Thursday 9am
St Kieran's: 1st Saturday of the month – 9am.
Calvary Narracan Gardens Aged Care: Hillside, 10.30am on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, each month. **Oaks** on 4th Tuesday at 11am.
Latrobe Valley Retirement Village: 10am every Thursday.
Reconciliation: 9.30am Saturdays, St Kieran's.
 And by appointment

Sunday Vigil Mass (Saturday evening 5pm)

April 20th, St Kieran's, Moe
 April 27th, St Mary's, Newborough
 May 4th, St Kieran's, Moe
 May 11th, St Mary's, Newborough

We remember the sick and all in need of prayer especially: Alex, Christine M. John Wirz, Patricia Pattinson, Dianne Harold, Zora, Tanja Bohl, Mark, Chloe Durkin, Dermot Murphy, Ray Jackiw, Shirley, Bill Stephens, Anita Herley, Louise, Cristina Disisto, Teresa Mullins, Pat Pace, Toni Spencer, Stuart D.

Recently Deceased: Chris Morris

DIOCESAN MYSTAGOGIA MASS

The Diocesan Mystagogia Mass will be held on Saturday 11th May at the 6pm Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Church Clyde North. This Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated by Bishop Greg and is a fitting conclusion to the formal journey of RCIA each year. Your newly baptized and those received into full communion in the church are encouraged to attend, with their Sponsors, parish members, families, and Team members.

4th Sunday of Easter	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
Saturday 20th April 5pm Emmanuel, Benedetta, Frances & Con Vella RIP	Margaret C.	Anne B.	Anna F.	Louis V	Lisa B.
Sunday 21st April 9.30am All Parishioners	Trish M..	Katy Z.	Trish M.	Krys B.	Paul M.
Sunday 21st April 11am John Kenter Birthday RIP	Volunteer	Amparo M..	Peter S.	Carel M	Lorraine D.

Monday 22nd	Mass, St Kieran's 9am			
Tuesday 23rd	Communion Service, St Kieran's 9am			
Wednesday 24th	Holy Hour - St Kieran's 5pm Mass St Kieran's 6pm	Frank McGrath RIP		
Thursday 25th	Mass, St Mary's 9am	Anton Hackenberger Birthday	ANZAC Day	
Friday 26th	Mass, St Kieran's 9am	Rudolf Haberl RIP	St Mark	
Saturday 27th	Reconciliation St Kieran's 9.30am			

5th Sunday of Easter	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
Saturday 27th April 5pm Don Fry RIP	Gordon C.	Renee L.	Anna B.	Anna F.	Jane M.
Sunday 28th April 9.30am For all parishioners	Janet M.	Peter B.	Cathy D.	Marinus D.	Annette D.
Sunday 28th April 11am Giovanna Diamente RIP	Terry & Menu U.	Andrew K.	Terry U.	Menu U.	Sarah D.

St Kieran's Flowers. April - Em Mitchell. **St Mary's Cuppa.** May 5th 5/5 Nina and Janet.

St Kieran's Cleaning. 22/4 Pat & Jo, 29/4 Louis & Geraldine, 6/5 Belinda & Tom, 13/5 Vicky, Nieves & Betty.

Plan-giving envelopes & Direct Debit

To support the mission of our Parish. Please collect a green form from the foyer and return it filled out to the Parish Office (you can also place it on the collection plate) to make a commitment to an ongoing financial support of our Parish.

Wedding anniversaries are important occasions to celebrate and share. Therefore we invite and encourage parishioners celebrating 25th, 50th, 60th or 70th Anniversary of their Catholic Church Wedding to inform the parish office at least three months in advance of their upcoming anniversary. It will give us enough time to organize a special blessing certificate from our Bishop. There is also an opportunity to request a Papal Blessing for such a

We welcome **Kade Lowater** for his **Baptism** this weekend. We congratulate Kade and his parents, **Scott and Amy**, as they begin their spiritual journeys.

Parish Council will meet on Monday, 22 April at 6pm in Ryan Room at St Kieran's. If you have any items to be tabled, please submit them to the Parish Office.

Liturgy committee- will meet on Thursday at 4pm in the meeting room at St Mary's.

Parish AGM will be held on Sunday, April 28 after 11am Mass at St Kieran's Parish Hall. It will be a crucial discernment step in deciding on the best usage of our resources to ensure the continuation of the Catholic mission in our area.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Commitment Sunday– April 27, 5pm St Mary's, Newborough April 28, 11am St Kieran's, Moe

Celebration of the Sacrament by Bp Gregory - May 30, 6pm St Mary's, Newborough

Prayer supporters for Confirmation candidates – we invite you to pray for the candidates. Please put your details on the sheets provided in the foyer and you will be allocated a candidate to pray for.

Volunteers needed

Setting up St Mary's church for the Vigil Mass on 2nd and 4th Saturday of the Month please see a priest or contact the parish office (we need two teams)

Cleaning St Mary's church. If you require more information talk to a priest or contact our Parish Office.

Catholicism Series. Bishop Robert Barron created the Catholicism series program as a thematic presentation of what Catholics believe and why, so that adults can come to a deeper understanding of their faith. The Catholicism series is not a video lecture, Church history or scripture study; instead, this engaging and interesting formational program uses the art, architecture, literature, music and all the treasures of the Catholic tradition to illuminate the timeless teachings of the Church.

This Sunday, the session will start at 5pm. Bring along some friends and relatives who may be searching for God.

PRAYER FOR SYNOD ON SYNODALITY 2021-23

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path

nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life

and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,

in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO

*The Ordination
to the
Priesthood*

of
Br. Jesington Logu, OMI
(Sri Lanka- Province of Jaffna)

By His Lordship
Rt. Rev. Dr.
F. L. Emmanuel Fernando
(The Bishop of Mannar)

on THURSDAY
09th of May 2024 at 09.30 a.m
at St. Sebastian Cathedral,
Mannar.

*Mass of
Thanksgiving*

of
Fr. Jesington Logu, OMI
(Sri Lanka- Province of Jaffna)

on SATURDAY
11th of May 2024 at 8.00 a.m

at St. Mary's Church,
Mutharipputhurai.

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Join Us on the De Mazenod Family Education Network Charism Pilgrimage

We are thrilled to extend an invitation to all members of the De Mazenod family to embark on a journey of discovery, reflection, and connection. Originally designed for the dedicated staff of Oblate colleges attending an international education conference, the De Mazenod Family Education Network Charism Pilgrimage is now open to everyone eager to explore the profound heritage and spiritual legacy of our beloved founder, Saint Eugene de Mazenod.

What to Expect:

A Spiritual Awakening: Immerse yourself in the rich history and spirituality of Saint Eugene de Mazenod. Experience the transformative power of his charism, which has touched countless lives around the world.

Historical Exploration: Walk in the footsteps of Saint Eugene, visiting significant sites and shrines where he found inspiration and solace.

Community Building: Connect with fellow members of the De Mazenod family, building friendships and a sense of unity that transcends borders and generations.

Details:

Dates: 19th – 30th June 2024

Location: PARIS - AIX EN PROVENCE – ROME

Indicative Cost (Land Only!): \$6590 - twin share

Open to All: This pilgrimage is no longer exclusive to Oblate college staff. All are welcome to join and experience the De Mazenod legacy.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to strengthen your connection to the De Mazenod family and deepen your spiritual journey.

Space is limited, so be sure to reserve your spot today!

For more info visit: www.omi.com.au

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4th Sunday of Easter

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R. v.22

(R.) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:
it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes. **(R.)**
2. I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**
3. Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end. **(R.)**

A reading from the first letter of St John

1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been
revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:
the good shepherd is one who lays
down his life for his sheep.
The hired man, since he is not the
shepherd
and the sheep do not belong to him,
abandons the sheep and runs away
as soon as he sees a wolf coming,
and then the wolf attacks and
scatters the sheep;
this is because he is only a hired man
and has no concern for the sheep.
I am the good shepherd;
I know my own
and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me
and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for my sheep.
And there are other sheep I have
that are not of this fold,
and these I have to lead as well.
They too will listen to my voice,
and there will be only one flock
and one shepherd.
The Father loves me,
because I lay down my life
in order to take it up again.
No one takes it from me;
I lay it down of my own free will,
and as it is in my power to lay it down,
so it is in my power to take it up again;
and this is the command I have been
given by my Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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