



Catholic Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary & St. Kieran

Moe – Newborough

24/08/2025

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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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.

The two feasts of Mary in August complement each other and are liturgically connected.

The Assumption of Mary

August 15, 2023



In our Catholic Church, the liturgy celebrates two principal Marian feasts in August. The first is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary on August 15, and the second is the Feast of the Queenship of Mary on August 22. While the two may not seem directly connected at first glance, a closer look will discover layers of spiritual meaning.

The feast of the Assumption has been celebrated by the Church since at least the 6th century, and for many years its celebration was extended by an octave.

In the history of the Church all major feasts were celebrated for a period of eight days. This meant that essentially the same liturgy was said, using the same liturgical texts each day of the octave.

The eighth day of the octave was seen as a final "farewell," honoring the spiritual themes of the feast for the last time. For this reason, a complimentary feast was often instituted on this eighth day.

Octave day of the Assumption

When it came to the Assumption, it had an octave celebration for many centuries. Then on May 4, 1944, Pope Pius XII established the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on August 22, the octave day of the feast of the Assumption. He did this so that by her intercession may be obtained "peace among nations, the conversion of sinners, the love of purity and the practice of virtue."

However, Pope Paul VI decided to switch the feasts of the Immaculate Heart and the Queenship of Mary. The feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary was joined to the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (celebrated on the Saturday following the feast of the Sacred Heart, typically in June) and the Queenship of Mary was moved to August 22.

This is most fitting as "chronologically speaking," Mary became the "Queen of Heaven," after she was assumed, body and soul, into Heaven by her son, the King of Heaven.

It also corresponds to Pope Pius XII's declaration of the dogma of the Assumption in 1950, followed by his declaration of Mary's Queenship in 1954.

He wrote in his encyclical *Ad Caeli Reginam*, about the two beliefs of the Catholic Church and how the two feasts are interconnected.

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Sunday Masses.

St Mary's: Saturday - 5pm

St Kieran's: Sunday - 10am

Weekday Masses. (In meeting rooms)

St Kieran's: Monday, Tuesday, Friday – 9:15am

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 9:15am

St Kieran's: 1st Saturday of the month – 9am (In the Church)

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 at St Kieran's, and by appointment.

We remember the sick, their families, and all in need of prayer, especially Lachlan, John Wirz, Zora, Dianne Harold, Patricia Pattinson, Tanja Bohl, Ray Jackiw, Shirley, Mark, Bill Stephens, Anita Herley, Louise, Teresa Mullins, Stuart Dinnie, Michael Hans, Irena Bohl, Tony, Mary Gass, Hedy Hans, Brendan, Lindsay George and Des Cairnduff.

Recently deceased

Frank Koolen and Zbigniew (Stan) May

Mr May's funeral is at St Mary's, 11am, Tuesday 19th August.
Frank's funeral is on 12th September, 1pm at St Kieran's.

In your prayers, please remember Stan, Frank and all who have died.



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
Saturday August 23 5pm <i>Hector Mac Lean RIP</i>	Volunteer	Peter Burke	Anna Fogarty	Marinus Dyt	Carol Wilson
Sunday 24 10am <i>For all Parishioners & Irene & Walter Rooney RIP</i>	Terry & Mina Underwood	Gerardine Stephens	Terry Underwood	Mina Underwood	Musicians
Monday 25	Mass - St Kieran's 9:15am		<i>Jenny & Vari Intentions</i>		
Tuesday 26	Mass - St Kieran's 9:15am		<i>Joan McNamara Birthday Intentions</i>		
Wednesday 27	St Kieran's Holy Hour - 5pm. Mass - 6pm		<i>Kathleen Hubburt RIP</i>		<i>St Monica</i>
Thursday 28	Mass - St Mary's 9:15am				<i>St. Augustine</i>
Friday 29	Mass - St Kieran's 9:15am		<i>Ward Rooney Birthday Intentions</i>		<i>The Passion of St John the Baptist</i>
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
Saturday August 30 5pm <i>For all Parishioners</i>	Margaret Cairnduff	Volunteer	Anne Barrett	Volunteer	Volunteer
Sunday August 31 10am 1. <i>Sam & Francies Sultana</i> 2. <i>Emmanuel Schembri RIP</i>	Volunteer	A. Miller	T/M Rooney	L. Vella	Musicians

St Kieran's Flowers. August: V. Frendo

Cleaning: St Kieran's 25/8 Pat & Jo. 1/9 Louis, Gerardine & Sophy. 8/9 Vicky, Neives, Betty & Marlyn

Newsletter: 29/8 Lorraine. 5/9 Christine

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It is gratifying to recall that we ... who had assembled from every part of the world, defined the dogma of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven where she is present in soul and body reigning, together with her only Son, amid the heavenly choirs of angels and Saints ... in response to petitions which have come to Us from all over the world...have decided to institute the liturgical feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen. This will afford a climax, as it were, to the manifold demonstrations of Our devotion to Mary, which the Christian people have supported with such enthusiasm.

Pius XII firmly believed in the power of the Queenship of Mary and how she is a "Queen of Peace." He added that, "We are instituting a feast so that all may recognize more clearly and venerate more devoutly the merciful and maternal sway of the Mother of God. We are convinced that this feast will help to preserve, strengthen and prolong that peace among nations which daily is almost destroyed by recurring crises. Is she not a rainbow in the clouds reaching towards God, the pledge of a covenant of peace?"

After her assumption into Heaven, Mary has become our Queen and is right there beside her Son, listening to our prayers. She is the true "Queen of Peace," who can help us turn the tide of war through her powerful intercession.

God bless

Fr. Casmir Arul OMI

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- ◆ 6 & 7th September: Soup & sandwiches after each Mass
- ◆ 8th - 12th September: Oblate retreat
- ◆ 12 October: SVDP Anniversary Mass
- ◆ 19 October: Jubilee of Missions Mass at St Kieran's
- ◆ 26 October: Spinete Mass
- ◆ 30 November - 2 December: Australian Catholic Youth Festival
- ◆ 7th December: St Mary's 70th: Anniversary Mass & luncheon.

IMPORTANT!

A **Working with Children Check** is needed for every person who does **any** voluntary work in our parish. If you volunteer already and don't have a WWC Check, or you wish to start volunteering, please contact the Parish Office on 5127 1057. Its free for volunteers, and not difficult to arrange.

Do you need to renew your check? Find out online at <https://www.vic.gov.au/working-with-children-check>.

Father's Day Appeal for the Priests' Welfare Foundation of the Diocese of Sale

This fund supports the priests and deacons of our Diocese in times of sickness or retirement. At present the Foundation is supporting nine priests and three deacons and their wives in retirement and is responsible for the other priests, including our overseas priests, and deacons in times of sickness. The budgeted expenditure of the Foundation for them over the next year will be over \$200,000. This includes wages for a clergy care nurse (two days per week equivalent).

Online donations can now be made at <https://www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation> The foundation is most appreciative of your support for our priests and deacons in sickness and retirement. All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and a receipt for tax deduction purposes will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Donations may also be made

Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

We welcome for the **Sacrament of Baptism, Mariah Ghneim and Elijah Padula** at St Kieran's this Sunday

Please keep Mariah and Elijah and their parents in your prayers.



Baptism Preparation evenings

1st Thursday of the month at 5pm in the Ryan Room. Bookings essential.

Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sundays at St Kieran's

2nd & 4th Sundays at St Mary's.

Having an anniversary? A birthday?

A special occasion?

If you would like others to know about it you can contact Fr Cas by email and your special event will be put in the bulletin. You can also organise a blessing during Mass.

To send any information for the parish bulletin

please contact Fr Casimir, by Thursday if possible, at Carul@oblates.com.au

We invite and encourage parishioners celebrating a **25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 70th Anniversary of their Catholic Church Wedding** to inform the parish office at least three months before their upcoming event. This 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 significant occasion.

New Rosters

Copies are available in the foyer of the church for those who are not on email.

Many thanks!

Visitors Register Sheets: These sheets are now in the foyer of both our churches. If you are for **cleaning, setting up, etc.** please put your name on the sheet.

Cenacle Holy Hour: *Praying for Priests*

All are welcome to pray with us in the Ryan room after Mass on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. Booklet Provided.



Newborough Mass on Saturday 6 September will be followed by a Soup and Sandwich Supper in the Church Meeting Room.

Please come and join us for Mass and Supper. If you can make a plate of sandwiches or bring some finger food or cakes to share, please write your name on the sheet in the foyer.

More Information: Sophy Morley, Anne Barrett and Anna Fogarty.

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A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 116. R. Mk 16:15

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples!

Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever.

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.**

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord



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