



**Catholic Parish of**  
**Immaculate Heart of Mary & St. Kieran**  
Moe – Newborough  
**07/09/2025**  
**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Year C, Weekday cycle 1



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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### Parish Newsletter

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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.

### **Father's Day's early origins**

In Catholic European countries since the Middle Ages fathers were honoured on March 19th, the Feast of Saint Joseph, which recalls Joseph as the father of Jesus and honours his example of ideal fatherhood. The Church supported celebrations of fatherhood from the 14th century.



These traditions came to America with Spanish and Portuguese immigrants. Father's Day as we know it began in the USA in 1908 following a tragic coal mining accident that killed 361 men. A memorial service remembered them as fathers and husbands and acknowledged the 1,000 children who were left fatherless. At that time, Mother's Day was gaining popularity, and many thought fathers deserved the same acknowledgement.

Sonora Smart Dodd began campaigning for the creation of a day to honour fathers. She was one of six children raised by their single father after her mother died in childbirth. Having been lovingly nurtured by her father, she wanted other men to be equally acknowledged. Her first Father's Day event was held on June 19th, 1910, in Spokane, Washington. Father's Day was surprisingly slow to take off, and it was not popularly observed for many years. Only in 1966 did President Johnson designate the third Sunday in June as Father's Day to honour all fathers.

### **Father's Day in Australia**

In Australia we celebrate Father's Day on the first Sunday of September. Again, official recognition of the day was slow, and most Australians didn't even know about it for several decades. Men, in particular, seemed reluctant to celebrate it.



In 1919 Father's Day church services began in some areas, although on no confirmed date. Mostly they followed America in using the third Sunday in June. There were no other celebrations for Dads until the 1960s. Ms Janet Heyden, in the 1920's, pushed for Australian dads to be showered with tokens of affection from their wives and children. In 1925, she organised the donation, collection, and delivery of small gifts to elderly men who were alone in hospitals or retirement homes. This began our tradition of giving gifts on Father's Day, and interestingly, many of these traditional presents are still given as Father's Day gifts today.

***A very happy Fathers Day to all our fathers!***

### Sunday Mass

**St Mary's: Saturday** - 5pm

**St Kieran's: Sunday** - 10am

### Weekday Mass (Currently in meeting rooms)

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

**St Kieran's:** Wednesday

5pm - Holy Hour (Silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Benediction)

6pm - Mass

**St Mary's:** Thursday 9:15am

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month – St Kieran's, 9am (in the church).

### Mass in local Aged Care Residences

**Calvary Narracan Gardens**

**Hillside**, 10.30am. 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month.

**Oaks** - 11am, 4th Tuesday of each month.

**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.

### 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.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

*Pope Francis*

### Recently deceased

**Frank Koolen:** Funeral: 12th September, 1pm, St Kieran's.




**St Kieran's Flowers.** September: Rosanna Colli

**Cleaning: St Kieran's** 8/9 Vicky, Nieves, Betty & Marlyn. 15/9 Tony & Mary 22/9 Anton & Vivie

**Newsletter:** 29/8 - 19/9 Lorraine Dyt. 26/9 Christine Herben.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
<b>Saturday 6 September 5pm</b> <i>For all Parishioners</i>	Margaret Cairnduff	Katy Zajarski	Anna Fogarty	Krys Broeren	Joe Vella
<b>Sunday 7 September 10am</b> <i>Libera De Magistris RIP</i>	Terry & Mena Underwood	Gerardine Stephens	Em Mitchell	Cy De Dios	Pat Ryan

<b>Monday 8 Sept.</b>	Mass - <b>St Kieran's</b> 9:15am	<i>Fr Cas birthday Intentions.</i> <i>Laura Bennett RIP</i>	Feast: <i>Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		
<b>Tuesday 9</b>	Mass - <b>St Kieran's</b> 9:15am	<i>Irene &amp; Walter Rooney RIP</i>	<b>CONGRATULATIONS</b>  <b>TERRY &amp; MARIE ROONEY</b> <b>60 YEARS MARRIED!</b> 		
<b>Wednesday 10</b>	<b>St Kieran's</b> Holy Hour - 5pm. Communion Service - 6pm				
<b>Thursday 11</b>	Communion Service - <b>St Mary's</b> 9:15am				
<b>Friday 12</b>	Communion Service - <b>St Kieran's</b> 9:15am				

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
<b>Saturday 13 September 5pm</b> <i>Baby Papworth RIP</i> <i>Patrice Anseline RIP</i>	Volunteer	Sharron Wolski	Anne Barrett	Wilhelmina Jamieson	Volunteer
<b>Sunday 14 September 10am</b> <i>Marie &amp; Terry Rooney 60th Wedding Anniversary</i> <i>Polly Tabone RIP</i>	Volunteer	Teresa Dinnie	Jane Dinnie	Louis or Doris Vella	Jelinics

**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.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- ♦ **Today - Soup & sandwiches after each Mass**
- ♦ **- Leaving Collection Father's Day Appeal**
- ♦ **8th - 12th September: Oblate retreat**
- ♦ 12 September: Safeguarding Sunday
- ♦ 28 September: **Migrant and Refugee Sunday**
- ♦ 12 October: SVDP Anniversary Mass
- ♦ 19 October: Jubilee of Missions Mass at St Kieran's
- ♦ 26 October: Spinete Mass
- ♦ 30 Nov. - 2 Dec: Australian Catholic Youth Festival

### Father's Day Appeal

#### for the Sale Diocese Priests' Welfare Foundation.

This fund supports the priests and deacons of our Diocese in times of sickness or retirement. Currently it is supporting nine priests and three deacons and their wives in retirement and is responsible for the other priests and deacons in times of sickness.

Over the next year the budgeted expenditure will be over \$200,000. This includes wages for a clergy care nurse. Online donations can now be made at <https://www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation>

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. The foundation is most appreciative of your support for our priests and deacons in sickness and retirement.

### *Leaving Collection this weekend*

Parishes around Australia will be celebrating **Migrant and Refugee Sunday** on the weekend of 27-28 September. On this weekend we give thanks to God for the gift of migrants and refugees to Australia and the richness that we experience for their presence in our society. **Fr Casmir would like a couple of volunteers to offer a brief reflection after Communion at the weekend Masses** to speak about the experience of leaving their homeland and settling in Australia. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Fr Cas [carul@oblates.com.au](mailto:carul@oblates.com.au) or phone the parish office on 5127 1057



This week our priests are attending the

### Oblate Annual Retreat.

Please keep them in your prayers.

### Stay Updated on Diocesan Events!

There are many exciting events happening across the Diocese. Stay informed and up to date by visiting the Diocesan Events Page. It's a great resource to find details on upcoming celebrations, gatherings, and important dates.



Visit: <https://www.cdsale.org.au/events>



### Fathers' Day Soup and Sandwiches

This weekend in both Churches

St Mary's meeting room  
St Kieran's Ryan Room

### Please come and join us after Mass.

You are welcome to bring a plate of sandwiches, finger food or cakes to share.

More information: Sophy Morley (Newborough) & Lina De Vent (Moe)

### Working with Children Check.

A check is required 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>.

### 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 Casmir, by Thursday if possible, at

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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.

### FATHER'S DAY HUMOUR

#### My wife is singing in the house



I'm sitting outside so the  
neighbors don't think I'm  
hitting her



## 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **A reading from the book of Wisdom**

Wisdom 9:13-18

What man can know the intentions of God?  
Who can divine the will of the Lord?  
The reasonings of mortals are unsure  
and our intentions unstable;  
for a perishable body presses down the soul,  
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind.  
It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth,  
laborious to know what lies within our reach;  
who, then, can discover what is in the heavens?  
As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had  
you not granted Wisdom  
and sent your holy spirit from above?  
Thus have the paths of those on earth been  
straightened  
and men been taught what pleases you,  
and saved, by Wisdom.

#### ***The Word of the Lord.***

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17. R. v.1

**In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

You turn men back into dust  
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'

To your eyes a thousand years  
are like yesterday, come and gone,  
no more than a watch in the night.

You sweep men away like a dream,  
like grass which springs up in the morning.  
In the morning it springs up and flowers:  
by evening it withers and fades.

Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?  
Show pity to your servants.

In the morning, fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.  
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:  
give success to the work of our hands.

### **A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon**

Philemon: 9-10, 12-17

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self.

I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

#### ***The Word of the Lord.***

**Gospel Acclamation** Psalm 118:135

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Let your face shine on your servant,**  
**and teach me your laws.**  
**Alleluia!**

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

Luke 14:25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

#### ***The Gospel of the Lord***