



**Catholic Parish of  
Immaculate Heart of Mary & St. Kieran**  
Moe – Newborough  
**26th November 2023**  
**Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**  
Year A, 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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**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, you should 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

On Friday we remembered St Andrew Dũng-Lạc and his 118 companions, Vietnamese Martyrs. Among them were 96 Vietnamese Catholics, 11 Spanish missionaries and 10 French missionaries. When I was reading their stories, I was moved by the life and ministry witness of St. Valentin Faustino Berri Ochoa. St Valentin was a Spanish Dominican priest. He came from a poor family but was determined to become a priest. He achieved that despite finding studying difficult. In March 1858 he arrived in Vietnam where he was welcomed by Bp Joseph Suarez. The bishop was aware that he himself could be soon arrested and killed. Despite the danger he didn't want to leave Vietnam. He wanted to continue caring for Catholics there. The only fear the bishop had was that if he were killed the people of his diocese wouldn't have a bishop. That's why three months later Bishop Suarez asked Fr Valentin to become a bishop. On the night of 13<sup>th</sup> June 1858 Fr Valentin was ordained bishop during a quiet celebration. His bishop mitre (bishop's hat) was made of paper. His crosier (bishop's staff) was made of a bamboo stick wrapped in straw and yellow paper. He was 31 at the time. Bishop Suarez was right in predicting his arrest and death. It happened a month later. He died at the age of 40. His successor, bishop Valentin, ministered for three more years. He was arrested on 25<sup>th</sup> of October 1861 and was beheaded on 1<sup>st</sup> of November. Together with him bp Jerome Hermosilla and Fr Peter Almato were also martyred. Bp Valentin was 34 when he was killed. All of them are now venerated as Saints of the Catholic Church.

This Sunday as we adore Jesus Christ, Universal King, I wanted to share with you this glimpse into these Saints. They lived at a time when it looked as though Christ's reign meant nothing. Christians were persecuted. Still Jesus Christ reigned in his followers who chose being faithful to him despite threats and danger of death. These 118 Vietnamese Martyrs are only a small group selected out of 300,000 Catholics who were killed in 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Century Vietnam. Their blood, like the blood of martyrs before them, wasn't wasted. It 'watered' Vietnam where the Catholic Church is flourishing in a wonderful way.

This Sunday night Fr Vincent and I will attend a Mass at St John Vianney Church in Springvale North. During the Mass an Oblate Seminarian Br Benjamin will take his perpetual vows as a Missionary Oblate of Mary Immaculate. You may remember Br Ben from last Easter when he sang beautifully the Exultet at the Easter Vigil at St Mary's. Please say a prayer or two for Br Benjamin so that the Oblate Crucifix he will receive on Sunday will strengthen him to be a holy and courageous missionary.

Thank you to the parishioners who came along to the Blessing and Opening of the new learning facilities at St Kieran's School. Please keep both our Parish Schools in your prayers. There are many non-Catholics there. It means that our schools are our mission territories. What an opportunity for us as a faith community to evangelise. We don't need to go to faraway places to evangelise. We can do it here in the Valley. Well done to all students and staff of St Kieran's for organising such a wonderful celebration on Wednesday. We are proud of you.

I assure you of my prayers.

Yours in Jesus Christ and Mary Immaculate, Fr Daniel omi

<p align="center"><b>Sunday Masses</b></p> <p><b>St Kieran's: 1st, 3rd &amp; 5th Saturday</b> of the month - 5pm  <b>St Mary's: 2nd &amp; 4th Saturday</b> of the month - 5pm  <b>St Mary's:</b> Sunday - 9:30am  <b>St Kieran's:</b> Sunday - 11am  <b>St Kieran's:</b> Sunday - 5pm</p> <p align="center"><b>Weekday Masses.</b></p> <p><b>St Kieran's:</b> Monday, Thursday, Friday – 9am  <b>St Kieran's:</b> Wednesday (5pm - Holy Hour: evening prayer, silent adoration, devotion to Mary Immaculate. Mass 6pm)  <b>St Mary's:</b> Tuesday 9am  <b>St Kieran's:</b> 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month – 9am.</p> <p><b>Calvary Narracan Gardens: Hillside,</b> 10.30am on 1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, each month. <b>Oaks</b> on 4th Tuesday at 11am.  <b>Latrobe Valley Village:</b> 10am every Thursday.  <b>Masses not open to other parishioners. (Covid restrictions).</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Reconciliation: 9.30am Saturday, St Kieran's.</b>  <b>And by appointment.</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>Sunday Vigil Mass (Saturday evening 5pm)</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b>November 25,</b> St Mary's Newborough  <b>December 3,</b> St Kieran's, Moe  <b>December 10,</b> St Mary's Newborough  <b>December 17,</b> St Kieran's, Moe</p> <p><b><i>We remember the sick and all in need of prayer especially:</i></b>  Alex, Christine M. John Wirz, Steven, Patricia Pattinson, Dianne Harold, Zora, Tanja Bohl, Mark, Chloe Durkin, Dermot Murphy, Ray Jackiw, Shirley, Bill Stephens, Anita Herley, Louise, Cristina Disisto &amp; Teresa Mullins.</p> <p>Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently, especially <b>Elizabeth Van Lambaart</b> (requiem Mass 11am, 30/11 at St Kieran's) &amp; and also <b>Eileen Mitchell</b>, the mother of Emlyn (funeral 11am, 30/11 at the Presbyterian Church, Moe). May our loving God welcome all who have died to the joy of heaven.</p>
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Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe		Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
Saturday 25 November 5pm <i>November Intentions</i>		Gordon C.	Renee L.	Carol W.	Not needed	Jane M.
Sunday 26, 9.30am <i>Aaron William Tatterson RIP</i>		Janet M.	Peter B.	Cathy D.	Marinus D.	Annette D.
11am <i>November Intentions</i>		Terry & Mena U.	Volunteer	Terry U.	Mena U.	Volunteer
5pm <i>Parishioners</i>			Lorraine D.	Anne B.	Not needed	Peter S.
Monday 27	Mass, St Kieran's 9am				<i>November Intentions</i>	
Tuesday 28	Mass, St Mary's 9am				<i>November Intentions</i>	
Wednesday 29	St Kieran's 5pm <i>Adoration &amp; Devotions.</i>					
	Mass, St Kieran's 9am				<i>November Intentions</i>	
Thurs. 30	Mass, St Kieran's 9am		Feast: St Andrew, apostle		<i>November Intentions</i>	
Friday 1	Mass, St Kieran's 9am				Jack & Anna Van Gulik; 50th Wedding Anniv. int.	
Saturday 2	Mass, St Kieran's 9am				M.A.M.I.	

First Sunday of Advent	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
<b>Saturday 2 December 5pm</b> <i>Hazel Fraser RIP</i>	Margaret C.	Carol W.	Anna F.	Not needed	Lisa B.
<b>Sunday 3, 9.30am</b>	Janet M.	Cathy D.	Katy Z.	Maurice C.	Annette D.
<b>11am</b> <i>Ugo Celima RIP</i>	Terry & Mena U.	Gerardine S.	Amparo M.	Cy De D.	Volunteer
<b>5pm</b> <i>Parishioners</i>		Lorraine D.	Emlyn M.	Not needed	Peter S.

**St Kieran's Flowers, November.** Kathryn & Colleen. December: Emlyn.

**St Kieran's Cleaning:** 27/11 Louis & Gerardine. 4/12 Belinda & Tom. 11/12 Vicky, Nieves & Betty. 18/12 Mary F.

**St Mary's 1st Sunday Cuppa:** 3/12 Krys & Jackie 5/1? Nina & Janet

This weekend we celebrate the Baptism of **Adley-Mae Wood**. Please pray for her and her family.



**Christmas Hampers** (to help those doing it tough). Envelopes are now in our foyers. Cash donations only,



**Prayer for the Synod:**  
*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.*

### Volunteers needed for St Mary's

1. To take care of the grounds around St Mary's church (keep the pavements and the stairs tidy and look after the shrubs and other plants). If you can help your parish in this regard or if you require more information please contact the parish office.
  2. To open and close St Mary's church and to set up the church for the Vigil Mass (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month), 9.30am Mass every Sunday and 9am Mass on Tuesday morning.
- The information and initial training session will be offered on Tuesday, November 28 after 9am Mass.** Ideally we need two people or two teams for each Mass.

**Next Sunday.**  
**Morning Tea after 9.30am Mass**  
**BBQ after 11am Mass**

**MAMI CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS:** At Christmas we celebrate the greatest gift of all, the birth of Jesus Christ. In the true spirit of Christmas, your gift can be a gift to those less fortunate - a gift of love. **Chickens \$10; Development \$15; Toolbox \$20; Education \$25; Goat \$30.** Orders now being taken. Please arrange through the Parish Office. Tax deductible.



**Celebrating**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of our parish**  
**93<sup>rd</sup> birthday of Fr Vin**  
*and commissioning of our new*  
**Parish Council**  
Sunday December 17  
11am Mass  
followed by lunch in  
St Kieran's hall.

Please bring a plate to share.

*For catering purposes indicate your attendance on the sheets provided in the foyer.*

**RCIA 2023.** If you believe that Jesus Christ calls you to become a Catholic or if you know someone who discovers this call please contact Fr Daniel [dszewc@oblates.com.au](mailto:dszewc@oblates.com.au) to begin this exciting journey of giving your life to Jesus Christ.

### Parish Liturgy Committee Meeting

3.30pm, Wednesday, 29 November  
in the meeting room at St Mary's Newborough.  
If you love Liturgy and are passionate to contribute to making our celebrations profound, faith inspiring, beautiful and smooth join our Parish Liturgy Committee.

### Welcome to Adore, the De Mazenod Family Advent Program for 2023.

This year's Advent program offer four reflections to guide you through the four weeks of Advent. This time the focus is on the Nativity through the eyes of four artists: Giotto, Van Der Goes, Botticelli and Caravaggio. This Advent, we hope this program allows you time and space to forget about the busyness of our daily lives, and to stop and prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord while trying to find the beauty in all that is around us.

You can access the program <https://demazenodfamily.com.au/adore-2023/>

**If you need a hard copy please put your name on the sheets provided in the foyer. Your copy will be available for collection next Sunday.**

**De Mazenod Family Education Network**  
**Charism Pilgrimage 19<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.**  
Join the De Mazenod family on a journey of discovery, reflection, and connection.  
**Visiting:** Paris - Aix-en-Provence – Rome.  
**Cost (Land Only!):** \$6590 - twin share.  
All are welcome.  
More information visit: [www.omi.com.au](http://www.omi.com.au)

**Wedding anniversaries** are important occasions to celebrate and share. We invite and encourage parishioners celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 70<sup>th</sup> 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 significant occasion.

### Parish Pastoral Council

Will meet on Monday December 4 in the Ryan Room at St Kieran's church. If you have an item to be tabled for the discernment of the Parish council please contact the Parish office in person or [moe@cdsale.org.au](mailto:moe@cdsale.org.au)

**The Yallourn**  
**Madrigal Singers**  
presents  
**"Rejoice and Be Merry",**  
a concert of sacred  
Christmas music, on  
Saturday  
9 December  
at St James  
Anglican Church,  
Traralgon  
at 2.00 pm.  
Afterwards, a  
delicious afternoon  
tea will be served.



## Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**A reading from the prophet Ezekiel** Ez 34:11-12. 15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 22:1-3, 5-6, R. see v.1

**The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.

You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever.

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the  
Corinthians** 1 Corinthians 15:20-26. 28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation** Mark 11:9-10

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessings on him**

**who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Blessings on the coming kingdom  
of our father David!**

**Alleluia!**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Matthew.**

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**