



Catholic Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary & St. Kieran



Moe – Newborough

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2nd Sunday of Easter

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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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.

ON THE DEATH OF HIS HOLINESS, POPE FRANCIS

Let us entrust ourselves to him, for he alone can make all things new.

(cf. Rev. 21:5)! (Homily of His Holiness, Pope Francis, 20th April 2025)

The people of the Catholic Diocese of Sale join with millions of people around the world as we mourn the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis.

We remember that when he was presented to the world on the balcony of St Peter's on 13th March 2013, he bowed in humility and requested that we, the Church would pray for him. On that night as he commenced his Petrine Ministry as the Bishop of Rome and Pontiff of the world's Catholics, he showed us how he would lead.

In choosing the name Francis (after Saint Francis of Assisi), Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Buenos Aires, claimed a way of being Pope. At his election he took immediate action that his papacy would reflect a humility in style, dress and manner. He would not preside over a papal court. He chose to live as others live in the Vatican and took up residence at Santa Marta, rather than the papal apartment. Throughout the past twelve years we have seen traces of the great saint of Assisi modelled in the manner of Pope Francis' leadership: Compassionate to the poor; merciful to the forgotten; welcoming to the stranger; humble in lifestyle; courageous in addressing concerns of the modern world; a voice of challenge to the powerful and always deeply concerned to remind the Church that her mission was the same as the mission of Jesus. Of course, within *Laudato Si* the poetry of St Francis's Canticle of Creation echoes so profoundly, as we are called to steward the beauty of God's creation. He has modelled the synodal way of being Church – a Church which accompanies the other by deep listening, respectful dialogue, working co-responsibly, and always attuned to the Holy Spirit.

Throughout his Pontificate, he became someone to whom the world would turn. He was a moral compass. He lived his papacy as a service to others and a source of communion. In moments of international crisis, in conflicts and division, unrest among nations, in reaching out to refugees and asylum seekers, in speaking to the hearts of the women and men of our time, he brought the message of Jesus to life.

In the midst of the anguish of others he spoke of the mercy of God: He said, 'the face of God is mercy.' The mission of the beatitudes was real, tangible and a participation in the mission of the Kingdom of God.

In his encyclicals, pastoral letters, his preaching and his actions, Pope Francis never left anyone in doubt about the source of his life. His dream was that if we could really live in solidarity as sisters and brothers, then we could truly experience a lasting peace. His constant challenge to the powerful who exploit the poverty and rights of others often made some world leaders and others

Sunday Masses.

St Mary's: Saturday - 5pm

St Kieran's: Sunday - 10am

Weekday Masses.

Weekday Masses are held in the main body of our churches until further notice.

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.

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, Christine M., John Wirz, Zora, Patricia Pattinson, Dianne Harold, Tanja Bohl, Mark, Ray Jackiw, Shirley, Bill Stephens, Anita Herley, Louise, Cristina Disisto, Teresa Mullins, Stuart Dinnie, Michael Hans, Irena Bohl, Tony, Mary Gass, Hedy Hans, Lindsay George, Stephanie and Brendan.



We welcome for the Sacrament of Baptism at St Kieran's this weekend, Makaiah Tabano
Please keep Makaiah and her family in your prayers

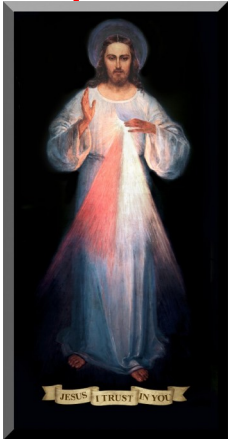
Diocesan Consultation & Assembly Prayer 2024-2025.

Holy Spirit of Wind and Fire, come! Startle us anew with your power and energy. Blow fresh life through our tired dreams. Fan into a flame the gifts you have given us. Light up the windows of our joy and purpose. Spark bright fires of optimism deep within us. Reveal more clearly a vision of what is possible. May we listen attentively to your quiet whisper at our very core. May we discern your call expressed in the voices and stories of others. May we build a Church that radiates and nourishes our unity of faith. May we be at one with all of humanity and the rest of God's creation. May we develop the courage to be people of mission, alert to opportunities, always on the move, bringing Good News to our needy world, wind and fire for one another.

Amen. Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Pray for Us.

DIVINE MERCY

This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. St Kieran's Church will be open from 2.30pm to 3.30pm for personal prayer and for those praying the Novena.



St Kieran's Flowers. May: A. Miller & A. Tachdjian
Cleaning: St Kieran's. 28/4 Vicky, Nieves, Betty & Marlin.
5/5 Tony & Mary. 12/5 Anton & Vivie. **St Mary's: Volunteers wanted!**

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)	Welcome	Commentate	Read	Communion	Laptop
Saturday April 26 5pm 1. All parishioners 2. Don Fry RIP	G. Cantwell	P. Burke	A. Barrett	C. Jamieson	J. Vella
Sunday April 27 10am Pat Pace RIP Anniv.	T. & M. Underwood	G. Stephens	T. Underwood	M. Underwood	Musicians

Monday 28th	Mass - St Kieran's 9:15am	Mary Anne Fiteni RIP	Memorial: St Peter Chanel
Tuesday 29th	Mass - St Kieran's 9:15am	Des O'Meara RIP	Memorial: St Catherine of Siena
Wednesday 30th	St Kieran's Holy Hour - 5pm. Mass - 6pm	Mary Anne Fiteni RIP	
Thursday 1st May	Mass - St Mary's 9:15am	Mariana Rooney, birthday	
Friday 2nd	Mass - St Kieran's 9:15am	Frank McGrath RIP	Memorial: st Athanasius
Saturday 3rd	Mass - St Kieran's 9am	MAMI	Feast: Sts Philip & James, apostles

3rd Sunday of Easter	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Communion	Laptop
Saturday May 3rd 5pm Joseph & Maria Columbo RIP	M. Cairnduff	K. Zajarski	A. Fogarty	M. Dyt	Volunteer
Sunday May 4th 10am Teresangela & Giuseppe DiSisto RIP	T. & M. Underwood	C. Dougan	E. Mitchell	C. De Dios	Musicians

uncomfortable. He was unafraid. He was tireless. As we wondered at this stamina, he continued to go to the peripheries to be a sign of hope and connection. Papal visits were opportunities for him to deeply connect with the faith of people, and also to bring an international lens to the forgotten, the oppressed and the marginalized. As he aged, he also showed us that even the challenge of growing older did not diminish his spirit. In him, vulnerability brought strength.

Pope Francis often spoke of his own sinfulness and the mercy of God in his life. He worked hard to address concerns of the misconduct of others. He confronted clericalism and any sense of entitlement or careerism. He was steely in his resolve to address issues of abuse. Curial reform was high on his agenda. He introduced reforms to the style of leadership he expected and wished the various dicasteries of the Holy See to model cooperation and accountability. He addressed the management of the economy of the Vatican and pursued reforms to address misappropriation of assets and finances. His appointment of women to significant positions of leadership within the Vatican and entrusting authority to their voice have been hallmarks.

I had the opportunity to meet Pope Francis and to be in his company on several occasions. He was always quick witted. Incisive and insightful. He did not suffer fools. His every response flowed from the scripture: He was clearly a man close to God and the Word had found a home in him. He spoke directly but with kindness. His words and witness were a powerful testimony on how we bishops were to live among our people. His famous quote that pastors should “know the smell of the sheep” said it all. That priests should know us as fathers and not be orphans! He was a man of personal integrity who practised what he preached, and by doing so, restored for many their trust in the Church, especially in those parts of the globe, like Australia, where trust had been so broken by the scandal of clerical sexual abuse of minors.

In January this year Pope Francis, released his autobiography, *Hope*. A beautiful reflection on the story of one man’s life. He writes, “we Christians must know that hope doesn’t deceive and doesn’t disappoint. All is born to blossom in an eternal springtime.”

And so, Pope Francis now enters the promise of eternal life in this, the Year of Hope, welcomed, we pray, by the God who inspired his first breath and who accompanied his last. We will miss him as our spiritual father, our bridge of unity, and our leader in faith. We entrust him to the mercy of the Father. We give thanks for the life and ministry of Pope Francis who has shown us how to be pilgrims of hope. We offer our prayers for him, confident that the loving arms of his merciful God are opened for him: ‘welcome, good and faithful servant.’

May Pope Francis rest in peace.



+Greg Bennet
Bishop of Sale

Planned-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.

Working With Children

A friendly reminder to check if you need to renew your Working With Children’s Check. If you have any issues please contact the Parish Office.

BAPTISMS.

Baptisms at St Mary’s are now on the **2nd Sunday of the month** and at St Kieran’s on the **4th Sunday of the month**.

Baptism Workshop. All involved in Baptism preparation are invited to attend a workshop aimed at helping provide a resource for the Baptism Preparation of Infants in our Diocese. If you are already involved, or are interested in becoming involved, you are warmly encouraged to attend a session.

All are very welcome.

7pm to 8.30pm , St Kieran’s, Tuesday 29th April.

Bon Voyage! Fr Casmir will be going home for a holiday this Sunday. He will be back on May 23.

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. R. v.1

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.**

Let the sons of Israel say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let the sons of Aaron say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let those who fear the Lord say:

‘His love has no end.’

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.

O Lord, grant us salvation;

O Lord grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;
the true God is our light.

A reading from the book of the

Apocalypse Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe

tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

**You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!**

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord