



# The Combined Catholic Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham

~ Revealing the Kingdom together ~

## Weekend Mass Times

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## Weekday Mass Times at Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

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Parish Office: 5422 1261

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) - 25th October 2020

### 1st Reading – A reading from the book of Exodus 22:20–26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans. "If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him. "If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 17:2–4, 47, 51

#### R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**

Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. **R.**

### 2nd Reading – A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 1:5–10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

#### Alleluia, alleluia.

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. **Alleluia.**

### Gospel – A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 22: 34–40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

### Child Protection Compliance Notice

The Combined Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham, together with the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

## Parish Family Prayer

October is traditionally a month dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

I invite you to pray the Rosary with me as a parish family, each Friday during October. This would be via Zoom on each Friday evening at 7.00pm.

If you would like to take part in this precious devotion, please send an email to: [kyneton@cam.org.au](mailto:kyneton@cam.org.au) and an invitation link will be forwarded to you.

Fridays: 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th of October at 7.00pm.

You are welcome to join in on all or some of the evenings.

*May we pray together as one family.*

*Fr Declan.*

## Readings and Commentaries

“On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also”. So Jesus declares as the conflict between him and the Jewish authorities intensifies day by day. With good reason we could say that this twofold command – to love God with all our might and to love our neighbour as ourselves – is Jesus’ last will and testament, soon to be embodied in bread and wine.

In the Sermon on the Mount placed much earlier in the gospel, Jesus had summed up the Law and the Prophets somewhat differently: “. . . always treat others as you would like them to treat you”. This formula, known as the Golden Rule, is to be found in many religious traditions and their scriptures. Some would say it is a universal principle that offers humanity its best hope for the future.

Jesus does not invent these pithy sayings. They were already embedded in his own Jewish tradition as well as in others. The originality of Jesus lies in two things: the personal testimony of his own unconditional love of God and neighbour, and the revelation that in him the infinite love of God has taken flesh and dwelt among us. Love knows no bounds.

Commentaries taken from Liturgy Brisbane

## Gospel

The gospel text is short and well-known. The question put to Jesus by the Pharisees – “which is the greatest commandment of the Law?” – was not devious in itself. The issue was commonly debated among rabbis in those times. But Matthew attributes malign motives to the Pharisees in posing the question. This prepares his readers for the rejection and condemnation of Jesus that will soon follow. The negative portrayal of the Pharisees may also reflect later antipathy between Christian and Jewish communities.

Jesus’ reply is not original. He quotes two texts that would have been familiar to his audience, Deuteronomy 6:5 and Leviticus 19:18. Nonetheless he makes his reply with the sureness of an authoritative teacher. Before long he will bear witness to the spoken word in the manner of his death.

The implicit hostility in the Pharisees’ question does not need to be overplayed, but Jesus’ reply, now so familiar, should be proclaimed with deliberation and great warmth.

JESUS REPLIED: “LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND. THIS IS THE FIRST AND GREATEST COMMANDMENT. AND THE SECOND IS LIKE IT: ‘LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.’”  
MATTHEW 22:37-39

**Cooks Who Care—Home Cooked Meals Just A Call Away!** Our parish based, Cooks Who Care, have been very busy making up delicious home cooked meals. During these Covid times we understand not being always able to leave home for daily food essentials can be very stressful. We are all here to help. If you or someone you know would welcome a few meals contact Liz 0424 259 500 or Dorothy 0411 454 258. Please call the parish office if you would like to have a meal lovingly prepared by ‘Cooks Who Care.’

**Celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the canonisation of Saint Mary MacKillop** We invite you to order your free copy of Encountering St Mary MacKillop in Prayer. The Sisters of Saint Joseph have created a commemorative prayer booklet to inspire us all to “take fresh courage...” as Mary did so often. These prayers share details of her personal journey, highlighting Mary’s values and spirit, and offering prayers and blessings for our modern world. To order your exclusive copy please go to: [www.marymackilloptoday.org.au/prayer-book](http://www.marymackilloptoday.org.au/prayer-book) or call us on Ph: 02 8912 2777

### Pre-Loved Pedler

Enquiries:

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or call 5422 7134

A train was about to leave the station when a young man raced across the platform threw his bag through the closing door and just managed to slip in himself. He stood there panting and gasping for air. An older passenger looked at him and said: “You’re a young man, you shouldn’t be panting like that! Why, at your age I could catch the train at the last minute and never be out of breath.” The younger man looked at him, took a deep breath and said: “I missed this train at the last station.”



### IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER



We remember in the charity of our prayer those who have died recently:

We also remember those who's anniversaries occur around this time, especially:

Eternal Rest Grant into them O Lord,  
and may Perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they Rest in Peace.

For those who are unwell in our community and beyond, especially:

*Elizabeth Hutton*      *Maureen Green*      *Denise Guzman*  
*Chantel McIntyre*      *Austin Yeoman*      *Fabienne Toselli*

and anyone who is unwell, especially due to the Coronavirus.

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

*The simple and loving act of Spiritual Communion (written by St. Alphonsus Liguori) can be made when we are unable to attend Mass and receive the Eucharist. Pray these words:*

**My Jesus,  
I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I long for You in my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
As though You have already come,  
I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;  
never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.**

### Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation

[www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne) 03 9890 1101

'Meditation & Mindfulness - Reflection' Via Zoom, Saturday 7 Nov 2020, 10am-1pm. Facilitated by Carol Dyer (B.A. (Psych), Transpersonal & Experiential Psychotherapy Level 5 (Trainer), Cert. Spiritual Direction). Provides opportunity to broaden your ways of accessing your inner world and listening to what God is inviting you to at this time. Some input to enable participants to learn theory of meditation and mindfulness practices as well as time away from Zoom screen for meditation and mindfulness practise. Cost \$25. Bookings: [www.trybooking.com/663916](http://www.trybooking.com/663916)

**Are You Called to be a Spiritual Director?** Full-time or part-time program to form Spiritual Directors. Commencing 4th February 2021. Face-to-face, online via Zoom, or a combination of both. It may be studied as a Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction at the University of Divinity, with Fee-Help available if eligible. Brochure, application form or further details, please contact us.

### Catholic Theological College 2020

#### Knox Public Lecture

Thursday 5th November 2020  
7.00pm—Online

Speaker: Sheree Limbrick

'Safe Church: Commitment, awareness & action  
for cultural change'.

Bookings and Info: [ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture](http://ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture)

Enq: [sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au](mailto:sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au) or 9412 3333



### Weekly address by Archbishop Peter Comensoli

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mk3TNuEw79w&t=81s>

### Saint's Feast Days for the week

Oct 28 St Simon, Apostle (Feast) & St Jude, Apostle (Feast)



### Advent Preparation ~ 'Finding Christ in a Covid Christmas'

You are invited to attend a four week series of Advent preparation sessions - Finding Christ in a COVID Christmas - being offered by the Proclaim: Office for Mission Renewal.

These Advent formation sessions are ideal for liturgy and parish leadership teams, but open to all. In the first two weeks, guest speaker Ria Greene will offer an overview of the Gospel of Mark (Year B) and the Advent readings. In the third week, musician and liturgist Fiona Dyball will explore developing a suitable seasonal repertoire as we begin

to celebrate a new liturgical year, then in the final session the Proclaim: Office for Mission Renewal will explore the practical implications for parish services in the current Covid-19 climate. Sessions held virtually via zoom and are free but prior registration is essential). [www.trybooking.com/BLYHE](http://www.trybooking.com/BLYHE)

Time : 7.30-9.00pm Venue Zoom (Link sent upon registration)

Dates: Tues 20 Oct: 'Gospel of Mark'      Tue 27 Oct: 'Sundays of Advent'      Wed 4 Nov: 'Musical repertoire'  
Tues 10 Nov: 'Practical tips for parishes to navigate the Advent/Christmas journey'

**Financial Offering.** Only if you are in a financial position to do so, you may wish to help towards the upkeep of the parish, especially during this time of Covid 19 restrictions. There are three ways to do this. Whatever your contribution, it is most gratefully received.

- **Envelope** Can be left under the door of the Parish Office in Kyneton. Please contact the office if you wish to set this up.
- **Credit Card or Direct Debit** Please contact the Parish Office to seek further information and set up.
- **Online contribution** you may give directly to our bank - details as follows: *Please ensure reference details are clear*

**St Mary Magdalen Trentham:**

BSB 083 347; A/c # 451603919;

Reference: Thanksgiving + your name

**Our Lady of the Rosary Kyneton:**

BSB 083 347; A/c # 678889421;

Reference: Thanksgiving + your name

## Something for our young parishioners — or the young at heart

### 'Online safety for grandparents and carers'

The eSafety Commissioner has recently published a free e-book resource 'Online safety for grandparents and carers' which provides advice about online safety issues that children and young people may experience. This resource provides “key advice about online safety issues that can affect children and young people” including practical tips to help grandparents and carers to talk about these issues with children and young people and manage them. Helpful topics include: setting up devices safely; managing time online; preventing unsafe contact from strangers as well as a guide to some of the most popular sites and apps.

Grandparents and carers can order a hard copy or download and view the resource online:

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/seniors/online-safety-grandparents-carers>

### Something to Think About

“Love the Lord your God, and your neighbour as yourself.”

### The Story

The religious leaders are trying to trick Jesus again in today's story, by asking him which is the greatest commandment.

This is an easy one for Jesus!

First of all you must love God and secondly, you must love your neighbour. The two commands go together and form the basis of the entire Scriptures.

♥ What does it mean to love someone?

♥ Who do you love?

♥ Sometimes it seems easy to love people but, at other times, loving is not easy.

♥ Is there someone that you find difficult to love

♥ Since God loves us so much, we are called to love God and other people.

### Family Discussion

Parents—invite your children to describe the love you have for them.

Then ask them to describe the love that God has for them.

Invite the whole family, grandparents etc., to share stories about the ways they have seen other people demonstrating their love for another person or for God.

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