



The Combined Catholic Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham

~ Revealing the Kingdom together ~

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Kyneton 5.00pm*
Sunday Trentham 10.00am*
Sunday Blackwood 12.00pm*
Sunday Kyneton 5.00pm*

*NB: Mass time changes @ 7th Feb 2021. See overleaf

Weekday Mass Times at Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Tues 5.00pm
Wed & Thurs 9.00am
Fri 9.30am
Sat 9.00am

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Sunday, 31st January 2021

1st Reading: A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 18:15–20

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.'"

Psalm: Ps 94:1–2, 6–9

R. If today, you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R**

Come in, let us kneel and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R**

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R**

2nd Reading: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 7:32–35

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 1:21–28

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority. In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

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.

Reflection on the Gospel

Mark wastes no time drawing us into the hurly burly of Jesus' ministry. No sooner has Jesus summoned the four fishermen to follow him than he is fully engaged in the two activities that most characterise his ministry in Mark: teaching and healing. More than that, he does both with power and authority. His teaching has the full force of authenticity, and his healing word is dramatically effective.

Curiously, Mark notes that this first ministry of Jesus takes place on the sabbath but records no controversy about Jesus' conducting an exorcism on this day of rest. He will turn to the issue of Jesus' actions on the sabbath and the debate they stirred up a little later on.

A recurring theme in Mark is the wilful unbelief of the disciples. By contrast those who recognise Jesus as God's holy one are the unclean spirits and outsiders. Time and again Mark will confront us with the question of who Jesus is.

- Liturgy Brisbane -

Our Community in 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: *John Walsh*

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:

*With the beginning of the new year,
please advise if you would like prayer
for any of the intentions listed below.*

*Recent death
Anniversary of death
Unwell
General intentions*

Saint's Feast Days

Jan 31	St John Bosco, Priest (Memorial)
Feb 2	Presentation of the Lord (Feast)
Feb 3	St Blasé, Bishop & Martyr (Optional) St Ansgar, Bishop (Optional)
Feb 5	St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr (Memorial)
Feb 6	St Paul Miki, Martyr (Memorial)
Feb 7	Blessed Pius IX
Feb 8	St Jerome Emiliani, Virgin (Optional) St Josephine Margaret Bakhita, Virgin (Optional)
Feb 10	St Scholastica, Virgin (Memorial)
Feb 11	Our Lady of Lourdes (Optional)
Feb 14	St Cyril, Monk & St Methodius (Memorial)
Feb 17	Ash Wednesday Seven Holy Founders of the Servites (Optional)
Feb 21	St Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (Optional)
Feb 22	Chair of St Peter (Feast)
Feb 23	St Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial)

Blessing for the Beginning of the New Year

May God, the source and origin of all blessing, grant us grace, pour out his blessing in abundance, and keep us safe from harm throughout the year. **Amen.**

May he give us integrity in the faith, endurance in hope, and perseverance in charity with holy patience to the end. **Amen.**

May he order our days and our deeds in his peace, grant our prayers in this and in every place, and lead us happily to eternal life. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on us and remain with us for ever. **Amen.**

(Adapted from the Solemn Blessing for the Beginning of the Year, Roman Missal p 710)

The Announcement of Easter and the Movable Feasts for 2021

(From the Roman Missal, Third Edition, Appendix 1)

Lenten Season

Ash Wednesday 17th February

The Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday 1st April

Good Friday 2nd April

Easter Saturday (Vigil) 3rd April

The Paschal Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ

Easter Sunday 4th April

The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ

Thursday 13th May

Pentecost

The Feast of Pentecost 23rd May

Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Sunday 6th June

Advent

First Sunday of Advent of Our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen

The Presentation of the Lord

~ Also known as Candlemas ~

Tuesday, 2nd February, 5pm

You are welcome to bring candles from home to be blessed during 5pm Mass this Tuesday as we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.



World Day of Prayer 2021

Friday, 3rd March, 10.30am

Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton will be the host this year. Further information to follow.

Position Available: A Trentham family is looking for someone to do in-home after school care for a minimum of two nights per week (could be more) for two children aged 8 and 11.

Applicant will be good humoured, flexible, and willing to facilitate after school activities. License and working with children check required. ABN preferred. Please call 0428241626 if interested.

Covid Reminder—Masks Whilst it is no longer mandatory to wear a mask in church, we are reminded to carry one with us at all times. If you are more comfortable wearing a mask in church, you are most welcome to do so.

We must maintain social distance and adhere to density requirements.

Result of Sunday Mass Times

Thank you one and all for your feedback about Mass Times for Sunday. I have tried my best to listen and hear what you have been saying, and from the various conversations I have had with you all, I realise that I cannot and will not be able to please everyone in our combined parishes about Mass times. With that in mind, as of **Saturday February 6th, 2021**, Mass times within the parish of Kyneton, Trentham and Blackwood will be as follows:

From Saturday 6th February (next weekend)

8.30 am Sunday Mass Saint Mary Magdalen's Church in Trentham

11.00 am Sunday Mass Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

(This later start to the Kyneton Mass, will ensure that I can spend a little extra time with the good people of Trentham Parish and allowing for a safe return to Kyneton.

4 pm Sunday Mass Saint Malachy's Church, Blackwood

Saturday evening Mass Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton
As of Saturday evening February 6th, our Vigil Mass will revert to being celebrated at 6 pm.

Fr Declan

For our younger parishioners

The Story

In today's gospel story, Jesus teaches the people with great wisdom and authority. People were amazed at his teaching and they listened to him. Today's story is also a miracle story where Jesus is presented as a great healer. Jesus cures the man of the evil spirit, and shows how the power of God is stronger than pain and suffering.

Something to Think About

Jesus spoke and acted with great authority, and people listened to him.

Think about some people you know who are good leaders.

What makes them a good leader?

Family Discussion

There are many ways to heal. What are some different ways to 'heal' someone, for example someone who has been bullied, someone who is lonely or misunderstood, someone who has lost someone they love. Invite the children to reflect on their own ability and willingness to 'heal' others.



Activity

SHREDEDDED STICKY NOTES

You will need: coloured sticky notes, pens and markers.

Jesus is stronger than all of our fears.

Give each child a post-it note and ask them to write or draw something they are afraid of, or something they are worried about.

After reminding children that they don't need to be afraid because Jesus is with them, ask the children to tear up their post-it notes and throw the pieces of paper behind them!

(The activity concludes with everyone helping to pick up the pieces of paper and put them in the bin!)

Prayer

**Dear Jesus,
We know that you
are powerful and that
nothing can keep us
from your love.
Help us with our fears
and lead us to
bring your healing
to others.**

Amen

