

Catholic Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary & St. Kieran

Moe – Newborough 8/12/2024

2nd Sunday of Advent

Year B, Weekday cycle 2



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

Oblate Community

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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

From the desk (and the heart) of Fr Daniel omi

L. J. C. et M. I.

Dear Parishioners

Happy Third Birthday!!! It was three years ago when on 8 December we welcomed Bp Gregory Bennet to celebrate a Mass marking the amalgamation of St Kieran's and St Mary's into a one united parish. After the Mass we went to The Turfside for our celebratory dinner. I invite you all this weekend to say a prayer at home for our parish and I will pray so that your home may become an outstation of our churches in Moe and Newborough. I hope that this weekend Masses as well as our Parish Dinner on Sunday will inspire in you a Christian joy and pride for belonging to this Parish of ours. I would happily wear rose vestments this weekend to express my joy at having been here for nearly four years. Unfortunately, it is not a Third Sunday of Advent this weekend so no chance for rose colour this time. I think that the best solution can be keeping celebrating our joy for the whole week to include the rose Sunday next week in our Parish anniversary. On this special parish day, it is my joy and privilege to announce the four delegates who will represent our Parish at the Diocesan Assembly in Warragul next Year. Sharron Wolski, Cathy Noy, Jane Dinnie and Jean-Michel Andre. I extend my gratitude to them for accepting this important role. Thank you also to the parishioners who nominated them. I am also grateful to our Parish Council for the prayerful discernment of the nominations. Let us pray for our delegates as they will contribute their wisdom, love and passion for Christ, his Church and for the wider Gippsland community during this crucial Assembly on 14/15 February 2025.

Last Wednesday Br Rupesh and had a good time at St Kieran's School Production Spellbound. It was wonderful seeing our students performing so well and having so much fun at doing it. Their acting was very good. A good example was when the student playing the evil Lord Voldemort appeared on the stage. The student's acting was so convincing that a little child in the audience took fright and starting crying. I felt very proud of our Parish School. On behalf of us all in the Parish I extend our congratulations to all students, the staff and all people who contributed to such a fantastic and magical night. Well done.

This week Year Six students from our Parish Schools will have their graduation ceremonies. As their move to high schools, we send them there with our love and prayers. Let us pray so that they may continue growing to be beautiful and holy people. God bless you.

I assure you of my prayers for you and your families. Yours in Jesus Christ and Mary Immaculate Fr Daniel omi

Sunday Masses.

St Mary's: Saturday - 5pm St Kieran's: Sunday - 10am

Weekday Masses.

Weekday Masses will be held in the main body of the church at

<u>both St Kieran's and St Mary's until further notice</u> **St Kieran's:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday – 9am

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 9am

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

Latrobe Valley Retirement Village: 10am every Thursday.

Reconciliation: 9.30am Saturdays, St Kieran's, and by

appointment

We remember the sick and all in need of prayer especially: Lachlan, Christine M., John Wirz, Patricia Pattinson, Dianne Harold, Zora, Tanja Bohl, Mark, Chloe Durkin, Dermot Murphy, Ray Jackiw, Shirley, Bill Stephens, Anita Herley, Louise, Cristina Disisto, Teresa Mullins, Stuart Dinnie, Michael Hans, Dani Hall, Rita Elswyk & Irena Bohl

Please keep our recently deceased in your thoughts and in your prayers.

Diocese of Sale Consultation Process

Information regarding the Diocese of Sale Consultation Process of 2024 is available at www.cdsale.org.au

2nd Sunday of Advent		Welcomer		mmentator	Reader	Communion		Laptop
Saturday December 7th 5pm		Margaret C.	Anne B.		Carol W.	Krys B.		Peter S.
Paula Zajac RIP								
Sunday December 8th 10am 1. All Parishioners 2. Ugo Celima RIP		Volunteer needed	-	Teresa D.	Jane D.	Louis/Doris .		Musicians
Monday 9th Mass, St Kieran's 9am			·	Lyn Sergeant Intentions			The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Tuesday 10th	Mass - St Kieran's 9am			Simon Anseline RIP				
Wednesday 11th Holy Hour - St Kieran's 5pm Mass - St Kieran's 6pm				Molly Hewitt RIP				
Thursday 12th Mass - St Mary's 9am			Eileen Maher RIP					
Friday 13th	y 13th Mass - St Kieran's 9am			Nick Cersosimo RIP			St Lucy	
Saturday 14th	Reconciliation-St Kieran's 9:30am						St John of	the Cross
3rd Sunday of Advent		Welcomer	Con	nmentator	Reader	Communion		Laptop
Saturday December 14th 5pm		Gordon C.	Sh	arron W.	Anna F.	Willy J.		Peter S.
1.All Parishioners								
2.Helen Mihaly & Ma	ary Thompson RIP							
Sunday December 15th 10am Louis Savanah RIP		Volunteer needed	Ма	atthew G.	Peter S.	Louis/Doris.		Musicians

<u>St Kieran's Flowers</u>. December: Em M. <u>St Kieran's Cleaning.</u> 9/12 Vicky, Nieves & Betty, Marlyn. 16/12 Tony & Mary <u>St Mary's Cleaning:</u>

The Parish Office will be closed until the 18th of December, we apologize for the inconvenience

Booking Mass intentions

Please remember that one priest may only offer one Mass intention per Mass (a Mass intention means an intention booked by one person, it can include a number of people for whom the Mass is offered).

If there are two priests at Mass two intentions may only be offered. Therefore, we encourage parishioners to book a Mass intention in advance, particularly for Sundays.

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.

Apologies for the parish bulletin not being sent electronically this weekend.

There has been a wide spread technical issue of the communication network we are part of.

Christmas Dinner and Raffle tickets!

Parish Christmas Dinner will be held at St Kieran's Hall on Sunday 8th of December at 11.30am. It will mark the third anniversary of the amalgamation of St Kieran's and St Mary's. It will be also our opportunity to celebrate Fr Vin's 94th Birthday. If you have registered for lunch, please make you way to St Kieran's Hall directly after 10am Mass.

Raffle tickets can be purchased before and after Mass. Various and exciting prizes to be won. One ticket for \$2 or three tickets for \$5. During the dinner Christmas raffles will be drawn.

The Diocesan Consultation process results

The collated responses from parish meetings held for Phase 2 of the Diocesan Consultation process are available in the foyer of the church.

The results of all the response from parishes, schools and agencies will form the basis of the content of the Diocesan Assembly to be held in Warragul on 14-15 February 2025.

More information is available at www.cdsale.org.au

Pilgrims of Hope

In 2025 Pope Francis has invited all followers of Christ to a year of Jubilee, a year of grace and conversion. A jubilee is held every 25 years or during other years as called by the Pope. You may recall in 2000 we celebrated the Great Jubilee and in 2015 the Holy Year of Mercy

In our Diocese the Jubilee Committee has set a Calander providing opportunity for parishes and diocese to come together and to rejoice in the work of God in our lives. Each month we will be recognising ministries and charisms in our community.

We invite all parishioners to an opening Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on New Years day at 11:00

Mary's Cathedral on New Years day at 11:00 am celebrated by Bishop Greg.

Throughout the year we will have many opportunities to encourage, evangelise and affirm each other as Pilgrim of Hope. Don't let fear prevent us from committing to our Jubilee

Singing Group for the Newborough Christmas Vigil Mass. Wanted! Singers and musicians wanted for our 5.00 pm Christmas Vigil

Wanted! Singers and musicians wanted for our 5.00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass at St Mary's Newborough.

We would love to see you at our Christmas rehearsals

7.00 – 8.30 pm Wednesday 11 December, St Mary's Church

7.00 - 8.30 pm Wednesday 18 December, St Mary's Church

Contact: Sophy sophymorley@gmail.com

Evening Advent Prayer

The Christian Communities of Newborough and Moe warmly invite you to join us for EVENING PRAYER IN ADVENT as we prepare for the Birth of Jesus Mondays 7 – 8pm:

9 December, St Aidan's Anglican Church, Torres Street, Newborough.

16 December, St Mary's Catholic Church, Monash Road, Newborough

Supper Served after Evening Prayer

RCIA 2025

RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It may also be referred to as 'the Catechumenate.' It is a process of Christian formation offered to those who seek to become Catholic.

The initiation of new members is a gradual process allowing enquirers time to grow in faith and become full participants of the Catholic community. People undertaking this journey of initiation, unless they have been baptized into another Christian community, are called catechumens. At Easter Vigil they are baptized, confirmed and they receive Holy Communion. If they have been previously baptized, they are called candidates and, while they normally undertake the same formation in the Catholic faith as catechumens, they are initiated into the Church through Confirmation and Eucharist only. Our parish is inviting the people who believe that Jesus Christ is calling them to become Catholics to join RCIA. For more information, please contact Parish Office (5127 1057 or moc@cdsale.org.au) or Fr Daniel (dszewc@oblates.com.au)

Christmas Notices

Christmas Mass rosters are available in the foyer. Please indicate your availability to help your Parish to celebrate Christmas Masses.

Christmas offering envelops are available in the foyer. Thankyou for your support and generosity.

Decorating St Mary's for Christmas. Parishioners are invented to approach Fr Daniel to help to prepare the church for Christmas.

Christmas Celebrations 2024

December 24:

5pm - Christmas Vigil at St Mary's

6.40pm – Carols singing at St Kieran's

7pm – Christmas Vigil at St Kieran's

December 25: 10am - Christmas Mass at St Kieran's

2nd Sunday of Advent

A reading from the prophet Baruch

Baruch 33:14-16

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress, put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever, wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you, put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head: since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven, since the name God gives you for ever will be, 'Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness'. Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights and turn your eyes to the east: see your sons reassembled from west and east at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has remembered them. Though they left you on foot, with enemies for an escort, now God brings them back to you like royal princes carried back in glory. For God has decreed the flattening of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the valleys to make the ground level so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God. And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide shade for Israel at the command of God; for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory with his mercy and integrity for escort.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 125. R.v.3

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (R)

- 1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. (R)
- 2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. (R.)
- Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears, will sings when they reap. (R)
- 4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves (R.)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Philippians 1:3-6. 8-11

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 3:4 Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of Ituraea and Trachonitis, Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah, in the wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah: A voice cries in the wilderness; Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley will be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, winding ways will be straightened and rough roads made smooth. And all mankind shall see the salvation of God. The Gospel of the Lord.



St Vincent de Paul Christmas Giving

Please take a tag with a suggested gift from the tree in the foyer. You can leave your donations under the tree.