

The Combined Catholic Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham

Revealing the Kingdom together!

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Year C

23rd November 2025

First Reading: A reading from the second book of Samuel (2 Samuel 5:1-3)

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **(R.)**
2. Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord. **(R.)**
3. For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. **(R.)**

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians (Colossians 1:12-20)

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation,
for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,
and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,
he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

The Word of the Lord

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Kyneton	6.00pm
Sunday Trentham	8.30am
Sunday Kyneton	10.30am
Sunday Blackwood	4.00pm
(2 nd Sunday of every month)	

Weekday Mass Times at Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Tuesday	5.00pm
Thursday	9.00am
Saturday	9.00am

Word & Communion Service at Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Friday	9.00am
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Weekday Mass Times at St Mary Magdalen, Trentham

Wednesday	10.00am
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Administration

Admin: Leanne Maynes

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Tues & Thurs 9.00am – 4.00pm

Outside of these hours, please leave a message and your call will be returned.

Parish Liaison (Trentham)

Rosalie White

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Gospel Acclamation: Mark 11:9. 10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according Luke (Luke 23:35-43)

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

The Gospel of the Lord



Luke 23, 35-43

Thought of the Week

We are shaped by our thoughts; we become what we think.

Combined Parish Finance Advisory Council

Fr. Declan and the Combined Parish Finance Advisory Council members would like to thank Tim Walsh and Jennifer Flanagan for all their hard work and service to the committee over many years. Their rotation time has come to an end. We also would like to send our best wishes to Peter Hansard. Next meeting will be held in February 2026.



From the desk of the Parish Priest



This week is the last one in the Church's year. Next Sunday we begin, again preparing for Christmas and, after that, embarking on Lent and the Easter season, allowing ourselves to be caught up once more in the cycle of God's love. The liturgical seasons remind us of the different ways we encounter the Lord in all times and places of our lives. This week's gospel readings are not always the most cheerful, speaking as they do of the end time when we should pray for 'strength to survive all that is going to happen'. Yet they do offer a springboard into the hope we celebrate in Advent. Perhaps this week we can think of all the reasons we have to be grateful since this time last year. What thank gift could you or give to God? What words would we write on a card if we could send one to God?

Fr. D

Liturgy Rosters

Preparation for next rosters is around the corner. If you would like to change your commitment, or would like to join the Welcomer, Reader or Eucharistic Minister rosters, please contact Kerri on 0412 339 112 or e:ruffkerri@gmail.com

Advent Scripture Reflection Evening



7pm Thursday
27th November
Our Lady of the Rosary
Church Kyneton
Led By Sr Liz Dowling,
Sister Of Mercy, Ballarat



Parish Notice:

Working Bee at Tylden Cemetery on Sunday 30th of November 9 am-1pm. Refreshments provided. Enquiries Kath Morrison 0419661630.

Parish Pastoral Team

Plans are now commencing for 2026 PPT. If you might be interested in finding out more about the PPT or being invited to join Team, please contact Chair, Kerri Ruff on 0412 339 112 or e:ruffkerri@gmail.com

PARISH GROUPS

We are grateful for the generosity of those who contribute to the following groups

Parish Finance Committee

Fr. Declan
Deacon Joe (Chair)
Lindy Priest, Tim Walsh
Jennifer Flanagan
Andrew Banks
*'a Parish Council to advise the
Parish Priest on financial
governance and financial
management'*

Parish Child Safety Committee

Fr. Declan

Parish Pastoral Team

Fr. Declan, Deacon Joe
Alice Walsh
Damien Sandercock
Kerri Ruff (Chair)
Josephine Rutledge, Les Jones
Darren Egberts, Carol Bracher
*'a Parish Team to work with the
Parish Priest and support all
Parish groups'*

St Mary Magdalen's Op Shop

*Volunteers Always
Welcome*



Bridge Street
Trentham

Phone: 0423 476 629

Cooks Who Care

Meals for those in need...

A foodbank of frozen meals is kept at the Parish Office for anyone in need who calls. If you are in need and would like a meal please contact the Parish Office.

Meet for a Cuppa

Angie's Cafe
Mollinson Street
COFFEE & A CHAT
Wednesday 10th December
10.30pm
Everyone Welcome

St Mary Magdalen's Church Cleaning Group

This month: Madelene
Sutton
Volunteers always
welcome
Contact Parish Office

Grounds Maintenance

This month:

Gerard Noonan 16/11/25 –
30/11/25

**More volunteers to assist with
general clearing and
weeding greatly appreciated.
Contact Parish Office.**

We Care: For Help of Any Sort

Kyneton:
Liz: 0424 259 500
Dorothy: 0411 454 258
Trentham:
Janet: 5424 1830

Preloved Pedlar

Volunteers Always
Welcome
136 Mollison Street
Kyneton
Phone: 5422 7134
Email
prelovedpedlarolr@gmail.com

Scripture Study Group

Every Thursday at 2.30pm
for 1 hour in the side
chapel – Our Ldy of the
Rosary – Kyneton
Contact Terry Summers
on 0448 341 272 for
further details

Flower Arranging

Volunteers Appreciated.

If you would like to assist
with this in any way.

Contact Parish Office.

November Offering Envelopes

November Offering Envelopes are available at both churches if you haven't already received one in your Thanksgiving envelopes, please feel free to take one. If you would like to sign our November Altar Cloth of Remembrance with names of your departed loved ones, pens are available on the altar for your use.

PRELOVED PEDLAR CHRISTMAS STOCK



The Preloved Pedlar now has a selection of religious Christmas Cards, Gift Cards and Columban calendars for sale. We also stock a supply of small religious items suitable for gifts.



Aid to the
Church in Need

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Red November: Pray for persecuted Christians

Aid to the Church in Need invites all Catholics to remember,

pray for and support persecuted Christians throughout **Red November**. Please pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Nigeria, Sudan and the Middle East, where Christians are facing grave danger right now. Watch the official video and download your Red Rosary prayer card by scanning the QR code or visiting www.rednovember.org



Priest & Presbytery by Direct Debit

Anyone not already contributing to the 1st Collecton – Parish Clergy and 2nd Collection- Parish Upkeep expenses who would like to contribute may do so by direct debit to the accounts below:-

Our Lady of the Rosary Presbytery Kyneton

BSB 083 347 Account 678241473

Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kyneton

BSB 083 347 Account 678889421

St Mary Magdalen's Presbytery Trentham

BSB 083 347 Account 842535335

St Mary Magdalen's Church Trentham

BSB 083 347 Account 451603919

Please use your surname as the reference.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 1/11/2025 – 30/11/2025 – November Offering Envelopes
- 27/11/2025 – Scripture Reflection evening at OLR Kyneton in the lead up to Advent. Led by Sr Liz Dowling (Sister of Mercy based in Ballarat) at 7.00pm
- 6/12/2025 & 7/12/2025 – Both Parishes Cuppa after Mass weekend

Parish Notice: Looking for volunteers to assist with the Cuppa after Mass Weekend on the Sunday after Mass. If you are interested on being placed on the roster, please contact Parish Office on 5422 1261

Feast Days this Week: Monday 24th November – St Andrew Dung-Lac & companions & Tuesday 25th November – St Catherine of Alexandria.

Next Week's Rosters: 29th November 2025 & 30th November 2025

	Saturday 6.00pm Kyneton	Sunday 8.30am Trentham	Sunday 10.30am Kyneton
Introduction & The Prayers of the Faithful:	Kerri Ruff	Ceri Spain	Stella Egberts
Readers	Carol Ong Madeline Duckett	Janet Sims	Andrew Banks
Special Ministers	Michael O'Sullivan	Deacon Joe	Victoria Porter
Counters	24 th November 2025	Jackie Robson & Brenda Marschall	
Flowers - Kyneton	27 th November 2025	No Flowers	
Flowers/Cleaning – Trentham	November 2025	Madelene Sutton	
Bulletin Folding:	November 2025	Bev & Kevin Lynch	



IN OUR PRAYERS

We continue to pray for the sick in our parish, including Fr. Shane Hctor, Adrienne Ryan, Mary Eppingstall, Sara Little, Mark Hunter, John Vallance, Matthew Lynch, Catherine Manning, Oliver and James Mendis, KJ Meldrum, Joseph Hickman, Jenny Bowe, Helen Courtney and Audrey Tunks.

We pray for those who have died recently including Jean Mulhearn, Bill O'Connell and Gary Gleeson and we pray for those who have died in any war torn countries.

We also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Joe Donovan.

Parish Financials

Profit and Loss Statements for both parishes are available at the Parish Office.



Geelong Welsh Ladies Choir



Last Sunday the **Geelong Welsh Ladies Choir** performed their Christmas Concert titled **"Kyneton Celebrates Christmas"** at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Kyneton at 2.00pm. It was a great time had by all who attended.

Fr. Declan posted on FaceBook *"even though it's a little too early to be celebrating the birth of Christ.....That being the case we celebrate Christ among us everyday"*.

Those in attendance were invited to donate a gold coin. The Geelong Welsh Ladies Choir raised in excess on \$300 and have kindly donated the monies raised to Our Lady of the Rosary Church.

Baptisms

Are arranged by appointment with the Parish Priest.
Baptisms are usually last Sunday of the Month.

Marriages

Arranged by appointment with Fr Declan at least 6 months in advance.
Brochure and Booking Form available from Parish Office after initial discussion with Fr Declan.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9.30am-10.00am & 5.00pm – 5.30pm

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. Any issues relating to Child Safety, please ring 0478 850 754

The Combined Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham community warmly welcomes visitors and new parishioners. We invite new parishioners to introduce themselves to Fr Declan, fill in the information sheet found on the table at the back of the church and place it on either collection plate or contact Leanne directly at the Parish Office on (03) 5422 1261

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