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An Extraordinary Story People can Change 28 - 29 April 2018

Any way we look at it, Paul's story is an extraordinary one. Before his conversion he was a fanatic, prepared to kill in the service of his vision. He fiercely persecuted the first Christians. But he was converted on the road to Damascus. From a fierce persecutor of the Christians he became one of the greatest champions Christianity ever had.

A few days after his conversion he began to preach in the local synagogues that Jesus was the Messiah and Son of God. The people found it hard to believe that this was the same man. Pretty soon things turned nasty. Even in Jerusalem many of the disciples were suspicious of him. They could not believe he was a genuine disciple! Barnabas came to his aid, introduced Paul to the apostles, things began to improve for Paul. Soon he began preaching about Jesus in Jerusalem - but things turned against him. When one considers the harm he had done to the Church it is easy to understand the doubts. His role in the stoning of Stephen deepened doubts about him. We need to understand what happens in a conversion.

In every conversion a person's gifts are not lost but redirected – that is continuity. Often, we won't allow the possibility that a person can change. We resort to old clichés – such as 'a leopard cannot change its spots.' It doesn't help that ours is an unforgiving culture.

Paul's conversion was genuine. On the road to Damascus he saw the error of his ways. The experience released his true self, the self he was called to be. And he went on to become a champion of the Christian faith. At the end of his life he was able to say: "I have fought the good fight, I finished the race, I kept the faith" (2 Tim 3:7).

The story of Paul shows that a person can change. In him we see the power of grace working through human weakness and sinfulness. His conversion is described in Acts as passing from darkness into light. As he himself said later: "God has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son" (Col 1:13).

These lovely words sum up the story of Paul's life. They could sum up our lives too.

Peace and Easter Joy

Dean Peter

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism: **Daisy Alexandra Lazzaro** daughter of Neil and Emma; and **Ruby Hope Lazzaro** daughter of Glenn and Bronwyn. Congratulations to the families from all of us.

CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED More Choir members needed – without the current leadership of Pam Whelan and members we would be lost in this most special of areas. Our Choir is a valuable tradition here in our Cathedral Parish. We are in urgent need for parishioners to step up and join the Choir. Please consider prayerfully and generously your call to join our choir.

FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA: Next weekend, **Sunday 6 May**, the Indian Community will be our hosts for the 1st Sunday Cuppa in St Mary's Cathedral assembly Area. Everyone is invited to stay awhile after Mass to enjoy a cuppa and a chat with fellow parishioners.

SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on **Thursday 3 May at 4.45pm for Rosary and 5.00pm Mass** followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome.

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will be meeting at the Chapter House on **Tuesday 1 May at 1.30pm**.

HEARING LOOP has been repaired and levels are still being adjusted. Could any parishioners who rely on the hearing loop please let Clare in the Parish Office, on 5144 4100, know if you are still having issues with the Hearing Loop. Thank you to parishioners who have already given feedback.

PROCLAIM 2018 will focus on inspiring, equipping and encouraging parishes and Catholic communities to engage in Evangelisation and Renewal. 12-14 July at Edmund Rice Arts Centre, St Laurence's College, South Brisbane. For more information visit www.proclaimconference.com.au or refer to the brochure at the entrance to the Cathedral.

BE A VOLUNTEER OUT THERE Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but immerse themselves in overseas communities for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, share them with our global family! Come to the **Palms Info Session: Saturday 5 May 10:30am** Ross House, Jenny Florence Room 247 Flinders Lane, MELBOURNE. Go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer or Contact Palms on 02 9560 5333

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018. If you would like more information please refer to the brochure on the notice board of the Cathedral.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND 2018 Melbourne weekend dates: 1-3 June, 17-19 August and 9-11 November 2018. Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/Bookings: PH: Andre and Maria 0411 225 992. Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: www.wwme.org.au

A DAY TO CELEBRATE OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be held at St Brigid's Church, Church St Cowwarr on Saturday 12 May from 9am to 4pm. Enquiries to Pat Crozier on 0400 218 417. For more information refer to the brochure in your local Church.

STAMPS FOR THE MISSIONS Ann Broberg is requesting that Parishioners please save their used stamps for Missions. Stamps can be left at the Piety Stall in the Cathedral. Ann can be contacted on 5144 6631.

PROJECT COMPASSION Please return all Project Compassion monies urgently.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

29 April 9.30am: Maria & Pasquale Scarfo, Francesco & Pasqualina Chila, Caterina Trancreadi (A's)

COUNTERS: 29 April: Team 3:

Reg & Pat Carmody

6 May: Team 4: Margaret Goss, Jack & Jenny Noone

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$2,055.10

House: \$1,180.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: 3 May: Team 1: Lyn Althaus, Jenny Rebbechi

10 May: Team 2: Emmy Van Berkel, Lana Nedelko, Carmel Allman

BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office or with Veronica, phone 5144 4100. **ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament**, Friday after Mass 1130am—12.00noon **First Friday of the Month** 11.30am-4.00pm At St Rose of Lima, Rosedale on 1st Wednesday of each month 9.30am-10.30am **RECONCILIATION: Cathedral: Friday** 11.30am after Mass, **Saturday** After the 9.30am Mass—10.30am **Stratford and Briagolong on Sunday or Rosedale on Saturday evening:** Before or after Mass or anytime by arrangement with the priest. **MARRIAGES:** Not less than six months notice please.

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**Mass Timetable this week
Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B
28 - 29 April 2018**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 28 April	9.30am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Loch Sport
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	7.00pm	Rosedale
Sunday 29 April	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Stratford
	5.00pm	Cathedral
Monday 30 April	9.30am	Cathedral
Tuesday 1 May	9.30am	Cathedral
	3.00pm	Royal Freemasons
Wed 2 May	10.30am	Ashleigh House
Thursday 3 May <i>Serra Mass</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.00pm	Cathedral
Friday 4 May	11.00am	Cathedral
Saturday 5 May <i>Reconciliation after 9.30am Mass</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	7.00pm	Rosedale
Sunday 6 May	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Stratford
	5.00pm	Cathedral

PARISH PRAYER.

***God our loving Father, we give you thanks and praise for our Cathedral Parish of Sale, for your people and your Creation.
Nourish us by your daily Word and Eucharist.
Enrich us in our faith, hope and love.
Strengthen us with the spirit of your mercy and grace. Make us grateful for your gifts as we journey through our lives together.
May we be a welcoming and serving community, always discerning and doing your will for one another.
We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord.***

Amen



The Annual Trinity Families Appeal is held from 6 May to 27 May 2018. Trinity Families, formerly known as the Bishop's Family Foundation, was established by the Diocese of Sale to provide support for families within our region. More details about the appeal will be in future bulletins.

A leaving collection will be held in our Parish Churches on **19—20 May 2018.**

We remember those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr Patrick Moore, Fr James Martin, Fr James Hegarty, Maria & Pasquale Scarfo, Francesco & Pasqualina Chila, Caterina Tancredi, Maria Fuest, John & Catherine Van Vliet.** **We pray for those who are sick** Val Mogridge, Ivy Acquino, Raquel Waite, John Cunningham, Aussie Boyd, Rosie Carroll, Noreen Lyttle, Maureen O'Kane and Suzanne Wheeler. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date 6/05/2018	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Liz Tabuteau	Brenda Burditt Bryan Leake		Theo Smolenaars, Ann Neville Sue Harvey,
Sunday 9.30pm	Harold & Mary Hopkins	Sue Mattson	Jeff Hobbs Joel Brayshaw	Racquel & Doug Waite	Bill Smolenaars, Brian Donnelly, Lenie Smolenaars
Sunday 5.00pm		Brenda Bowden	Jennifer Fitzgerald Lydia Camp		Rosemary Webster, Len & Lyn Althaus

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.
May their hearts live for ever and ever! (R.)

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. (R.)

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.' (R.)

SECOND READING :

A reading from the first letter of St John 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord; Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Cathedral: Friday after Mass from 11.30am -12noon
1st Friday of each Month 11.30am - 4.00pm
Reconciliation:
Cathedral: Saturday: Following Mass: 9.30am to 10.30am.



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READINGS NEXT WEEK
Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year B
First Reading: **Acts 10:25 –26, 34-35, 44-48**
Second Reading: **1 John 4:7-10**
Gospel: **John 15:9-17**

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE
Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm Vigil
Saturday: Rosedale - 7:00pm Vigil
Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th)
Sunday: Cathedral - 9:30am
Sunday. Briagolong 9.30am (2nd & 4th)
Sunday Stratford -9.30am (1st,3rd & 5th)
Sunday: Cathedral - 5.00pm

NEW IN THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR?
NEED PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?

Please let us know we'd like to meet you! If you complete the form below, you could place it on the plate at Mass or hand it in to the Parish office. We'll hope to catch up soon.

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Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program
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