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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 6 - 7 October 2018

THE MARRIAGE COMMITMENT

Today many people think when emotional love ends, they no longer love one another.

Harold Kushner, an American Rabbi speaks of a young couple who came to him, asking he officiate at their upcoming wedding.

At one point the young groom asked. 'Rabbi, would you object if we made a small change in the wedding ceremony? Instead of pronouncing us husband and wife till death do us part, could you pronounce us husband and wife for as long as love lasts? We talked about this and we both feel that, should the day come when we no longer love each other, it wouldn't be morally right for us to be stuck with each other.'

The rabbi replied 'I appreciate your honesty. But you must understand that a marriage commitment is not just a mutual willingness to live together, but also a commitment to accept the frustrations and disappointments that are an inevitable part of two imperfect human beings relating to each other. It's hard enough to make a go of marriage even when you give it everything you've got. But if only apart of you is involved in the relationship, then you have virtually no chance.'

When two people get married, their lives are linked together. From that point on they have a common destiny. They are committed to one another, and are responsible to and for one another. God seals and blesses this bond. However, the bond is not made of unbreakable material. It is made of human, and therefore, imperfect material.

God made us for love - to receive and to give it. Love is something that has to be learned. The real journey that married couples have to make, and not just them but single people too, is the journey from selfishness to love.

Nothing is a greater challenge to love, nothing provides a greater opportunity for growth in love, than marriage. It calls for a lot of maturity. Gold Fish in a bowl get along easily. But bring two human beings together and you soon have problems. When two people get married they bring to it their strengths and weaknesses, loves and hates, hurts and wounds, hopes and fears. However, the difficulties they encounter can be opportunities for growth. There is more depth to a relationship that has weathered some storms. The fragility of the bond should make the couple eager to seek God's help.

We ask God's blessings on all marriages, that they be happy and fruitful. That their love mirrors the love of the holy family, Jesus Mary and Joseph. May the Lord protect and enrich you all the days of your married love.

Love to all

Dean Peter

PARISH CALENDAR

7 October - First Sunday Cuppa

9 October 11am - Liturgy Group Meeting

11 October 7pm - Parent only First Communion workshop

13 - 14 October - First Communion Commitment Masses

14 October 12noon - Parish Family Groups lunch at Sale Greyhounds Club

24 October 7pm - Plenary Council Listening and Dialogue Session

17 October 7pm - Parish Pastoral Council meeting

11 November 9.30am - Friends of Sion Gathering

13 November 7.30pm - Plenary Council Listening and Dialogue Sessions with Bishop Patrick O'Regan.

FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA: Today **Sunday 7 October**, Jack and Jenny Noone will be hosts for the 1st Sunday Cuppa in St Mary's Cathedral assembly Area. Everyone is invited to stay after Mass to participate

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM this week the First Communion Program begins in the Parish. A parent only workshop will be held in the Cathedral at 7pm on **Thursday 11 October**. Children will attend a **Commitment Mass** with their families on **Saturday 13 or Sunday 14 October**. The next meeting will be a **parent/child workshop** on **Thursday 22 October** at 4pm or 6pm.

PLENARY NEWS please check the noticeboard at the back of the Cathedral for Plenary News and updates or refer to the Parish Calendar above.

WELCOME BACK Fr Solomon - Parish Council, Parish team with Parishioners welcome your smiling face amongst us once again.

31 Club reminder for 10 - 16 October. Please pray for vocations.

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.

2018 FRIENDS OF SION GATHERING will commence at 9.30am on **Sunday 11 November 2018** with Mass in the Cathedral. Gather and spend time with friends, past school mates, teachers and the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion at the Sion Campus in Sale, Victoria. The event this year will include the launch of Sr. Patricia Watson's new book about Mother Raphaela. The schedule for the day is outlined on the flyer on the bulletin board in your church. For more information contact C. Kingwill by emailing: wjck@inet.net.au

VOLUNTEER OVERSEAS - The Cagliari Project, Salesians of Dob Bosco. We are seeking volunteers for **January 2019** departure, working with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, Zambia & Solomon Island. Applications close **15 October**. Send us an inquiry - www.cagliari.org.au

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MISSION TEAM The Bishop would like to set up a group to promote the work of Catholic Mission in our diocese. If you would like to be a part of this very important group, please contact Cathy Dougan: phone 5622 6690 or email pa@sale.catholic.org.au.

PARISH FAMILY GROUP MEMBERS are invited to gather at Sale Greyhounds Club from **12noon on Sunday 14 October** for lunch. Please contact Bryan Leak on 0429 398 881 or Marist Brothers on 5144 4225

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Murphy's Other Laws:

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

WE THANK Jane Mitchell who will lead the our music at 9.30am Mass today. Our Choir are having a well deserved rest.

Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.*

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.*

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

COUNTERS: 7 October: Team 2: Mary Cooper, Pat Dowd, Pat Lord

14 October: Team 3: Reg & Pat Carmody

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,692.00

House: \$958.55

Direct Debit: \$532.00

Credit Cards: \$3,168.33

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: 11 October: Team 6: Pam Young, Liz Ronchi, Phyl Capraro

18 October: Team 1: Lyn Althaus, Jenny Rebecchi

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat 6 Oct 5.30pm: Roma & Eddie Jansen (A's)

Sun 7 Oct 6pm: Leo Harkin (A)

Tues 9 Oct 9.30am: Sr Margaret Fahey (A)

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**Mass Timetable this week
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
6 - 7 October 2018**

Day/Date	Time	Place	<p align="center">PARISH PRAYER. <i>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.</i></p>
Sunday 7 October <i>Daylight savings commences today</i>	9.30am 9.30am 6.00pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral	
Monday 8 October		NO MASS	
Tuesday 9 October	9.30am 10.30am	Chapter House Opal Aged Care	
Wednesday 10 October	10.30am	Ashleigh House	
Thursday 11 October <i>St Mary's Grade 5 Mass</i>	9.30am	Chapter House	
Friday 12 October	11.00am	Cathedral	
Saturday 13 October <i>Reconciliation 10 - 10.30am</i>	9.30am 11.00am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Loch Sport Cathedral Rosedale	

PLENARY COUNCIL DIALOGUE SESSIONS WITH THE BISHOP

TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER AT 7.30PM

This month, as the next stage in our journey towards the Plenary Council 2020, we begin the series of *Listening and Dialogue Sessions with the Bishop*. The Church in Australia is now in the Listening and Dialogue phase of the preparation for the Plenary Council, where, as communities of faith we respond to the question:

“What is God asking of us in Australia at this time?”

We began our Plenary 2020 journey with the round of open parish information meetings presented by Bishop Pat, held between February and June, and last month, we completed the training for Plenary Animators and Teams in 5 Regional Training and Formation sessions around the Diocese.

Now, parishes and schools are gearing up to organise *Listening and Dialogue Encounters* within their communities and small groups. The discussion and questions arising from these gatherings will form the basis of local submissions to the Plenary Council by parishes, schools, small groups and individuals. This stage of the process will conclude on Ash Wednesday 2019. It will also assist the Diocese in the planning for a Diocesan Assembly to be held on 13th- 14th September 2019. As part of this Listening and Dialogue phase, Bishop Pat is inviting everyone to participate in one of the 5 *Listening and Dialogue Sessions with the Bishop* to be held around the Diocese in October and November.

The meeting outline is provided below. It is important that we use the plenary process for beginning the conversation, so that the discussion and questions that follow may be shaped by fruitful reflection, listening and sharing.

LISTENING AND DIALOGUE SESSIONS WITH THE BISHOP

MEETING OUTLINE

7.00-7.30 pm Registration	7.30 pm Welcome (5 minutes)	7.35 pm Prayer (10 minutes)
7.45 pm Outline of Plenary Process and Tonight's Meeting (Facilitator) (10 minutes)		
7.55 pm Listening and Dialogue Encounters Using the Plenary Council Process (small groups) (45 minutes)		
8.40 pm Open Forum (40 minutes)	Small groups to share their insights	Questions for the Bishop
9.20 pm Final Comments	9.25 pm Closing Prayer & Blessing	9.30 pm Supper (please bring a plate to share)

We remember those who have died **Gina Lomagno, Sr Mariana Handley, Patricia Smith** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr John Walsh, Fr Michael O'Leary, Fr John Gavin, Fr Alfred Davis, Leo Harkin, Sr Margaret Fahey, Cecily Allman, Roma and Eddie Jansen**. We pray for those who are sick **Fr Brian O'Connor, Ellen Delany, Rosie Carroll, and Maureen O'Kane**. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date: 14/10/2018	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Brenda Burditt	Damian Hogan Ann Neville		Wilbert Smits, Theo Smolenaars, Bryan Leak
Sunday 9.30am	Lorel Donnelly	Diane Ward	Carmel Kuizenga Clare O'Brien	Doug Waite	Pam Edgely, Lenie Smolenaars, John Vermaelen
Sunday 6.00pm		Brenda Bowden	Yvonne Hope Louie Minoza		Lindsay & Stephanie Broughton, Jennifer Fitzgerald



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heavens and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.' This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. (R.)

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R.)

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! (R.)

SECOND READING :

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Hebrews 2:9-11

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another,
God will live in us in perfect love.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

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: 10am to10.30am.



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READINGS NEXT WEEK
28th Sunday in Ordinary time, Year B

1st Reading: **Wisdom 7:7-11**
2nd Reading: **Hebrews 4:12-13**
Gospel: **Mark 10:17-30**

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 - 6.00pm (Summer)

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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