

# ST MARY'S PARISH, SALE

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## *28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 13 - 14 October 2018*

"If you take things from people, they are impoverished; but if you get them to give them up, they are enriched." People are essentially good, but this goodness has to be awakened and called forth, if they are to enter the kingdom of love."

### **True Goodness**

This weekend's Gospel tells the story of the rich young man who approached Jesus asking this question 'Good master, what must I do to gain eternal life?' We wonder why he came to Jesus as surely he must have been happy with his financial success – his social standing yet-perhaps, just perhaps there was something he saw and admired in Jesus for him to call him 'Good Master', that led him to look in on himself. Whatever the observation it took him on a path of an inner search, that endeared him to Jesus.

No doubt this young man led a good life having kept the commandments since his days of youth, a respected young man the kind of son any parent would be proud of. In essence what he was saying was: 'I haven't killed, stolen, committed adultery, I haven't dishonoured my parents. We tend to regard this as the highest criterion of virtue. But it is a negative criterion. Having had no blot on his copybook sure, but did that mean he was an outstanding young man? Well Jesus was about to test him. He saw this young man was capable of more- he offered him a new vision of goodness – a positive one, this consisted in doing good.

**He said to him. 'If you want to be perfect, sell all you have. Give it to the poor. Then come back and follow me, and you will have treasure in heaven'.** Religion doesn't merely appeal to our weaknesses, but also to our strengths.

Unfortunately, the young man wasn't up to the challenge, returning to his old comforts, he went away sad. Why sad? Because sadness falls on those who say 'no' to love and choose to live for themselves.

Jesus let him go. He respected his freedom as there is no point in forcing people to make sacrifices. This is an important message for us. **This is a discipleship story.** Love of material possessions and comforts is one of the chief obstacles in the way of discipleship.

No way does selling what you have mean – that a disciple must be destitute. The life of the poor, with its hardships and suffering, is not set forth in Mark's Gospel as an ideal for the Christian disciple. The question remains **what sacrifices are we willing to make for the sake of the kingdom?**

Every one of our families have witnessed the generosity and sacrifices of our parents and family members because there is love. In the Diocese of Sale we have many priests and religious who have left their homelands and embraced a culture completely different to theirs We have in our Cathedral Parish many volunteers serving in the many ministries that give witness to Jesus' Kingdom being a Kingdom of love and peace.

Disciples who are living witnesses that Jesus' kingdom is a kingdom of love and service. in our parish and I am proud of them all -it is a pleasure to be your parish priest and I know too, it is a pleasure for Fr Solomon to know and love you and serve you as he does so generously.

### **Final Blessing on all parishioners**

May you gain wisdom of heart in the love of the Lord

May you walk before the Lord with blameless hearts.

With every good wish many prayers and love

Dean Peter

## PARISH CALENDAR

**13 - 14 October** - First Communion Commitment Masses

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

**17 October 7pm** - Parish Pastoral Council meeting

**20 - 21 October Masses** - Celebrating the Month of the Rosary.

**Leaving collection for Mission Sunday**

**24 October 7pm** - Plenary Council Listening and Dialogue Session

**25 October 4pm or 6pm** - First Communion **parent/child workshop**

**3 November 10am** - Cemetery Mass at Gippsland Funeral Services Chapel

**8 November 6pm** - Remembrance Mass at the Cathedral

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

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM** The First Communion Program continues in the Parish. Children will attend a **Commitment Mass** with their families on **this weekend**. 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. A parish Listening and Dialogue session will take place on **Wednesday 24 October at 7pm** in the Chapter House.

**NOVEMBER MASSES** This year's Cemetery Mass will be held at **10am on Saturday 3 November** at the Gippsland Funeral Services Chapel.

A Bereavement Mass will be held in the Cathedral at **6pm on Thursday 8 November** with a light supper to follow.

**31 Club** reminder for 17 - 23 October. Please pray for vocations.

## ROSARY IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

On Sat 20 Oct, following 9.30am Mass for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life, there will be a solemn procession to the Our Lady Statue on the front lawn in front of the Parish Office (Bishop's House). Rosary will be recited for the Bishop, Priests and deacons of the Diocese. All welcome to join in this prayer. In the Cathedral following the 5.30pm Mass Saturday 20 Oct, we will gather at the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help to pray the Rosary. On Sunday 21 Oct, 9.15am preceding the 9.30am Mass and 5.45pm preceding the 6.00pm Mass. Rosedale: Rosary will be at 6.40pm preceding the 7.00pm Mass. Stratford: Rosary will follow the 9.30am Mass.

## MARIAN DAY OF PRAYER RETREAT -

I encourage parishioners to please take the opportunity to hear Fr Hugh Thomas C.Ss.R speak on **Tuesday 16 October** at a day retreat at **St Brigid's Church, 19 Church St, Cowwarr** from 11am - 3.30pm. Please BYO lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. The theme for the Retreat will be **"Adoration, a great need for today's world"** - presented by Fr Hugh Thomas C.Ss.R. Fr Thomas is Responsible for the Marian Movement of Priests (MMP) in NSW and currently is conducting MMP Day Prayer Retreats in Victoria. Father has hosted missions & retreats in Australia & overseas for many years, promoting Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The day will include Holy Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, MMP Cenacle Rosary and reflections, Confession and an Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. For more information contact Marianne Bagguley on 0407 353 750.

**PARISH FAMILY GROUP MEMBERS** are invited to gather at Sale Greyhounds Club from **12pm today, 14 October**, for lunch. Please contact Bryan Leak on 0429 398 881

**SECRETARIAL LEAVE** Parish Secretary, Clare O'Brien, will be on leave from **18 to 31 October**. We are fortunate to have Kath Bird in the Office on Mondays and Fridays. Our parish Manager Mark Durrant in the office on Wednesdays. Please note the **office will be unattended on the Tuesdays & Thursdays** during Clare's leave. Dean Peter and Fr Solomon can be contacted via the phone and at the Presbytery.

**MISSION SUNDAY LEAVING COLLECTION** Next Sunday is Mission Sunday. We will be having a leaving collection for this worthwhile cause after all Masses next weekend.

**CASSEROLE DINNER FOR BAPTISM FAMILIES.** Invitations have been sent to all families who have had children baptised in the past year to a casserole dinner on Tuesday 23 November at 5pm. As this will be catered for the families I would appreciate any donations of casseroles or dessert. If you would like to help please ring the Parish Office on 5144 4100. Veronica Barnes, Parish Baptism Coordinator.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

**Murphy's Other Laws:** A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.

**COUNTERS: 14 October: Team 3:** Kath & Jodie Bird

**21 October: Team 4:** Jack & Jenny Noone

## COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

**Planned Giving:** \$2,384.50

**House:** \$739.40 **Direct Debit:** \$1,150

**Credit Cards:** \$0

**With thanks from a grateful parish.**

**SACRISTY: 18 October: Team 1:** Lyn Althaus, Jenny Rebecchi

**25 October: Team 2:** Emmy Van Berkel, Lana Nedelko

**BAPTISMS:** By arrangement through the Parish Office or with Veronica, phone 5144 4100. **ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament,** Friday after Mass 11.30am-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.

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**Sunday 14 October 9.30am:** Bruce Soares (recently deceased)

**Friday 19 October 11.00am:** John Harvey (sick)

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**Mass Timetable this week  
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B  
13 - 14 October 2018**

Day/Date	Time	Place
<b>Sunday 14 October</b>	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Briagolong
	5.00pm	Cathedral
<b>Monday 15 October</b>		<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday 16 October</b>	9.30am	Chapter House
	10.30am	Wilson Lodge
<b>Wednesday 17 October</b>	9.15am	Stratford
	10.30am	Ashleigh House
<b>Thursday 18 October</b> <i>St Mary's Whole School Mass</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
<b>Friday 19 October</b>	9.15am	St Thomas' School
	11.00am	Cathedral
<b>Saturday 20 October</b> <i>Reconciliation 10 - 10.30am</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	7.00pm	Rosedale

**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*

**PLenary COUNCIL DIALOGUE SESSIONS WITH THE BISHOP**

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. Flyers have been sent out around the Diocese last week. (See further details below.) 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**

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

We remember those who have died **Patricia Smith, Bruce Soares** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr Thomas Egan, Fr James (Frank) Rowe, Fr James Kennedy, Mary Cooper (Ballarat), Emilia and Joseph Turra, Cecily Allman, Ray Edgely**. We pray for those who are sick **Fr Kevin Hennessy (CP), Fr Brian O'Connor, John Harvey, Ellen Delany, Rosie Carroll and Maureen O'Kane**. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date: 21/10/2018	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
<b>Saturday 5.30pm</b>		Jo Jones	Brenda Burditt Margaret Shirreffs		Ann Neville, Frank Fidge, Sue Harvey
<b>Sunday 9.30am</b>	Dalia Ellison	Jeff Hobbs	Jeff Hobbs Carmel Kuizenga	Pam Edgely	John Vermaelen, Peter Centra, John Cooper
<b>Sunday 5.00pm</b>		Brenda Bowden	Yvonne Hope Lyn Althaus		Kath Telling, Anna Allen, Lisa Durrant

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

**FIRST READING:**

A reading from the book of Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;  
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.  
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;  
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.  
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,  
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,  
and beside her silver ranks as mud.  
I loved her more than health or beauty,  
preferred her to the light,  
since her radiance never sleeps.  
In her company all good things came to me,  
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

**The Word of the Lord**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?  
Show pity to your servants. (R.)

In the morning, fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.  
Give us joy to balance our affliction  
for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)

Show forth your work to your servants;  
let your glory shine on their children.  
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:  
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

**SECOND READING :**

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

**The Word of the Lord.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:**

A reading from the Gospel of Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you

lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

**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 to 10.30am.



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<b>MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN</b> <b>CHAPTER HOUSE</b> Serves 'Soup and Sandwiches' on Thursdays, from Noon-1.30pm Tea and Coffee provided. <b>At Chapter House.</b> <b>All welcome.</b>	<b>READINGS NEXT WEEK</b> <b>29th Sunday in Ordinary time, Year B</b> 1st Reading: <b>Isaiah 53:10-11</b> 2nd Reading: <b>Hebrews 4:14-16</b> Gospel: <b>Mark 10:35-45</b>
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**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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