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Fourth Sunday of Lent, Year C 30 - 31 March 2019

Reconciling

Continuing our Reflections for Lent let us take the theme 'RECONCILING'

As we know Lent is a time for allowing God to embrace our hurts. The Father was filled with hope that his son would come home, constantly looking out for his return.

How do we live as hope-filled people when our relationships break down?

The Father in this story gives us a wonderful image of God

What is your heart's response to God's words, "all that is mine is yours"?

With whom do you need to be reconciled? Are you willing to simply let go and move forward saying 'Bring a robe, the best one....and sandals....and a ring'?

The Father continues to be generous at all times. In a culture which has a tendency towards self-absorption, we sometimes need to make a conscious effort to become more pro-actively generous.

Hold a door for someone.

Be present to someone with the intention of listening to and affirming them.

Send someone a message of encouragement or hope – letter, email, text, phone call

Help someone with a task that is theirs not yours.

Sacrifice something for someone else – something that matters to you.

Give someone the benefit of the doubt.

Notice 'good' and affirm people for it.

Let someone else have that parking space without grumbling.

Spend five minutes more than you intended with someone.

Invite someone to lunch, dinner or a coffee – give them your time.

Play a game together as a family.

Offer to pray for someone or with someone.

Take a meal to someone who might need a 'night off'.

"In the heart of each person is the possibility to bring the love of God to others in a unique way – whether they notice, appreciate, receive it or not. Being faithful to the desire to act in a way that allows this to happen is our daily way of honouring God in public."

It might be good to ask ourselves – how is our Lenten time in prayer fasting and alms-giving going? Let us this week re-visit our sacred space in prayer with our good lord.

You might like to be part of our weekly Friday reflection nights as we contemplate the mystery of Jesus' suffering by walking the way of the cross for our sins. 6.00pm in the Cathedral. Please keep in your calendar our Parish Reconciliation night, lets make it a family night – Tuesday April 9, 6.30pm St Mary's Cathedral.

Take Care – let us continue to pray for each other

Dean Peter.

PARISH CALENDAR

Thurs 4 April - Serra Mass 5pm

Sat 6 April - Cathedral working bee 9am

Sun 7 April - First Sunday cuppa, Indian Community

Sun 7 April - Daylight Savings ends 5.30pm Mass

Tues 9 April - Parish Reconciliation 6.30pm

Sat 13 April - Serra 40th Anniversary Mass 5.30pm

Sun 14 April - Palm Sunday

Tue 16 April - Mass of the Oils 11am

Wed 17 April - Service of Shadows, 7.30pm

LITURGY GROUP MEETINGS: Bishop's House **Thursday 4 and 11 April 3.00pm** to prepare for the Easter Ceremonies - from these meetings we will request wider parishioner involvement, if you so desire please feel welcome to these meeting (in this way we are sharing the load)

END OF SCHOOL TERM: Friday **April 5.** We wish a well-earned rest to students and Teachers and staff and we thank all for their School Masses, Class Masses and reconciliation times during the first term. Please be with us in our Holy Week. Let's combine to have strong presence at our Palm Sunday Mass in procession with Bishop, Priests and Parishioners leading into our Holy Week Ceremonies. Dean Peter

DAYLIGHT SAVING: Sunday **April 7** The request to change the **Sunday evening Mass time to 5.30pm** instead of 5.00pm **has been accepted**, this time will stay in place throughout the year, keeping it in tune with the 5.30pm Saturday time.

PARISH RECONCILIATION: in the lead up to Easter the Parish reconciliation will be **Tuesday April 9 at 6.30pm.** This is our opportunity to meet the Church's invitation for us to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year - from Easter to Easter.

PLANNED GIVING envelopes and receipts for cash givers as well as **receipts** for all other planned givers have been mailed out. Thanks to all who give so freely.

PLENARY NEWS please check the noticeboard at the back of the Cathedral.

PALM SUNDAY - April 14. The Solemn Procession of Palms will take place at the 9.30am Mass: Celebrant is Bishop Pat. Hopefully many parishioners will be able to assemble in our Parish groups, our multi-cultural colours. etc - Joyfully we commemorate the Lord's entry into Jerusalem, with the blessed Palms. (The Passion will be read in three parts, by priest, deacon and lay-people - it is proclaimed without candles, incense, greeting, signs of the cross and final acclamation. The homily follows.)

STRATFORD:- Palm Sunday April 14 From St Patrick's Catholic Church Stratford at **11.00am.** A Combined procession will move through the streets of Stratford. Let us make this a wonderful sharing of joyful prayer between all our churches in Stratford.

HOLY WEEK embraces the last days of Lent (until Holy Thursday) and the Easter Triduum. The Sacrament of Penance is an excellent way to conclude the penitential season of Lent. It is best celebrated before Holy Thursday (**Tuesday April 9, Cathedral 6.30pm**) so that, with heart and mind renewed, all may focus on the celebration of the Paschal Mystery.

SERVICE OF SHADOWS:- St Mary's Cathedral parish will host the Service of Shadows - please save the date **Wednesday 17 April** in your calendar. We will gather to commence the prayer at **7.30pm** in the Cathedral open area with members of the combined churches of Sale.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE The passing of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help takes place on **Friday 5 April** as it leaves the Wonthaggi Parish for Cowes Parish, we pray for the progress of the Icon and that the image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

EASTER SERVICES volunteer sign up sheets are in the Cathedral. We need many willing helpers for Service of the Shadows, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Please put your name and contact number down if you are able to help.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Enrolments for the 2019 program can be made until the end of term one - **4 April.** Please call the Parish Office on 5144 4100 for more information.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS An opportunity is open for parishioners each Friday during Lent to come with families or just yourselves to join in this reflection of the sufferings of Christ **Friday 5 April 6.00pm Cathedral** followed by an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

HELP NEEDED

Help is requested for the development of our **Cathedral Gardens** and ongoing care around the Cathedral grounds - please leave your names with our parish secretary 5144 4100

SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on **Thursday 4 April** at 4.45pm for Rosary and **5.00pm** Mass followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies to Lyn Althaus on 0417 497 531.

31 Club reminder for the 3 - 9 April . Please pray for vocations.

FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA: The Indian Community will be our hosts for the first Sunday Cuppa next Sunday **7 April** in the Cathedral assembly area. Everyone is **invited to stay after Mass to enjoy a cuppa.**

WORKING BEE AT THE CATHEDRAL On **Saturday, 6 April,** we will be having a working bee at the Cathedral from **9.00am to 12.00pm.** Any time you can spare on this day would be greatly appreciated. BYO Cleaning supplies. Tea and coffee provided.

CHOIR PRACTICE in preparation for Easter the choir will be practising from **5.00—6.00pm on Tuesday 2 April and Tuesday 9 April.**

COUNTERS: 31 March: Team 3: Reg & Pat Carmody

7 April: Team 4: Jack & Jenny Noone

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,698.50

Presbytery: \$944.50

Credit Cards: \$0.00

Direct Debits: \$860.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: No flowers during Lent

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.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sun 31 March 9.30am: Kathleen Luscombe (A)

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**Mass Timetable this week
Fourth Sunday of Lent, Year C
30 - 31 March 2019**

Day/Date	Time	Place	<p align="center"><u>Plenary Council Prayer</u></p> <p align="center"><i>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.</i></p> <p align="center"><i>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.</i></p> <p align="center"><i>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.</i></p> <p align="center"><i>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.</i></p>
Sunday 31 March	9.30am 9.30am 6.00pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral	
Monday 1 April	NO	MASS	
Tuesday 2 April	9.30am 3.00pm	Cathedral Royal Freemasons	
Wednesday 3 April	9.00am 10.30am	Stratford Ashleigh House	
Thursday 4 April	9.30am	Cathedral	
Friday 5 April <i>Stations of the Cross and Reconciliation</i>	11.00am 6.00pm	Cathedral Cathedral	
Saturday 6 April <i>Reconciliation after 9.30am Mass</i>	9.30am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale	

THE SERRA CLUB OF SALE

Is celebrating its **40th anniversary** at their annual sports day, dinner and raffle draw on **Monday 15 April**. All are welcome to come along to any or all of the activities. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Pat and Dean Peter on Sunday evening **14 April at 5.30pm (remember new time of 5.30pm)** in the Cathedral to begin the proceedings. This will be followed on Monday with golf, bowls in the afternoon and dinner and raffle draw in the evening refer to notice on board at back of the Cathedral. To join in any sports or book for the dinner please contact Reg Carmody Phone: 0427 443 349. Please join with our Bishop, Priests, Seminarians, and other Clergy to show support and thanks for the great work they do for us.

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.*

We offer prayers for those who have died **Jerome Baldwin, John Hrizo, Marshall McLinden**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr Patrick O'Brien, Fr John Carley, Fr E Curran, Kathleen Luscombe, Mary Georgina Lee, Bernard Saunders**. We pray for those who are sick **Sr Lauraine Brice, Elly Cox, Peter Smyth, Anna Pohlodora & husband, Des Surkitt, Bill Young, Lynne Young and Maureen O'Kane**. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date: 7/4/2019	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Margaret Shirreffs	Brenda Burditt Damian Hogan		Sue Harvey, Wilbert Smits, Theo Smolenaars
Sunday 9.30am	Vince Beer	Jeff Hobbs	Bill Smolenaars Clare O'Brien	Barb Muegel	John Vermaelen, Pam Edgely, John Cooper
Sunday 6.00pm		Colin Coomber	Nelly Coomber Brenda Bowden		Rosemary Webster, Len & Lyn Althaus

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!

NAME:
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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. (R.)

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. (R.)

SECOND READING :

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 5:17-21

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:
Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together

everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.



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READINGS NEXT WEEK

Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year C

First Reading: **Isaiah 43:16-21**

Second Reading: **Philippians 3:8-14**

Gospel: **John 8:1-11**

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Friday after Mass from 11.30am - 12noon
1st Friday of each Month
11.30am - 4.00pm

RECONCILIATION:

Cathedral - Saturdays Following Mass:
10.00am to 10.30am

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 Stratford - 9.30am (1st,3rd & 5th)

Sunday. Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th)

Sunday: Cathedral - 5.30pm