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Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year C *25 - 26 May 2019*

Shalom - The Gift of Peace

During the Last Supper Jesus said to the apostles, 'Peace I leave with you, my own peace I give to you. A peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. So, do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.' You will agree with me, these are indeed beautiful words.

I wonder if you remember The Hebrew word for peace is SHALOM used in many places throughout the bible. So rich in its content that the English word for 'peace' conveys only a fraction of what it means. In general it conveys a sense of universal completeness, a condition in which nothing is lacking. The state of perfect well-being which the word signifies belongs only to God. When one possesses peace, one is in perfect communion with God.

The false prophets prophesied peace when there was no peace. Jesus, on the other hand, is sometimes referred to as a 'disturber of the peace'. But the peace he disturbed was a false peace. An essential component of peace is righteousness. So, where there is no righteousness, there is no genuine peace. So, there is no peace for the wicked.

Peace is not just the absence of war or dissension, nor is it simple harmony. Peace is a state of inner calm, and designates right relations with God and with others. Peace in this complete sense, a peace which surpasses all human thought, cannot be created by human effort alone. It is a gift of God.

God desires the gift of those who serve him. God speaks of peace to his people. In biblical times SHALOM was an ordinary greeting. It was an expression of good wishes. Peace is one of the greatest gifts we can give to one another. But we cannot give it if we haven't got it. And we cannot give to one who doesn't want it or who is unable to receive it. We can create the conditions where peace is able to take root, but we cannot impose peace.

Jesus was able to offer peace to his apostles because he had it himself: 'My own peace I give to you.' Peace is communion with God. Since Jesus is in perfect communion with God, he can give us the gift of peace. What other peace can we give but our own? The Christian has a vocation to peace. But often alas! Instead of giving peace to others, we inflict on them our own unrest and unhappiness.

When Jesus appeared to the apostles after the resurrection he didn't scold them for failing him. Instead, he broke through the closed doors of their fears and doubts and spoke words they desperately needed to hear. He said 'Peace be with you.' By using these reassuring words he turned their despair to hope, and their sadness into joy.

As Jesus' disciples are we not fortunate to taste the peace of Jesus? A peace which surpasses all understanding, A peace the world cannot give, A peace no one can take away from us, A peace which can exist in the middle of our troubled worlds and in the midst of our unresolved problems. Peace is God's gift to us but it can also be our gift to one another.

*Remember this hymn? His Peace He Gives to us
'His peace he gives to us, His peace he leaves with us, not for us alone
but that we might give it again to all men. '*

Peace and Love to all

Dean Peter

PARISH CALENDAR

25 - 26 May - Trinity Families Collection
26 May - Mystagogia Mass 2pm
29 May - Liturgy Group Meeting 2pm
30 May - Parent Confirmation workshop 7pm
31 May - Peace Mass Bishop Phelan Stadium 11am
1 - 2 June - Confirmation Commitment Mass
2 June - First Sunday Cuppa, St Thomas School
2 June - Healing Mass 12pm
6 June - Serra Club Mass 5pm

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This weekend at St Rose of Lima, Rosedale, we welcome for Baptism Nate Pawley son of Jake and Ashlea. Congratulations to the family from us all.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Confirmation

Soon children from the Cathedral Parish will commence their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This **Thursday 30 May at 7.00pm** a parent only workshop will be held in the open area of the Cathedral. Next weekend, **Saturday 1 June & Sunday 2 June**, the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be presented at Masses in Sale and Stratford. These children, along with their families and parishioners, will take part in the Rite of Acceptance, promising to fulfill their obligations to the sacramental program and to support each other in prayer. Parishioners will be invited to take home a prayer card with a child's name on it and over the preparation period pray for the child and their family. Children will also be presented with their share sheets at all Masses which marks the start of their preparation period. May God bless them as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

LITURGY GROUP MEETING will be held at 2pm on **Wednesday 29 May** in the Bishop's House.

MYSTAGOGIA MASS will be held in **St Mary's Cathedral at 2pm this Sunday 26 May**. This Mass of Thanksgiving is a fitting conclusion to the formal journey of RCIA each year. Bishop Patrick O'Regan will be the celebrant. After Mass there will be an afternoon tea and a time to share our stories. Please bring a plate to share.

MINISTERS of the WORD and MINISTERS of EUCHARIST A number of ministers are going off for their winter break, please be kind enough to arrange a replacement or kindly contact Clare at the Parish office.

ALTAR SERVERS: We are wanting to really get this ministry up and going - Parents would you be so kind as to encourage your family member - Grade 3 upwards to consider taking on this privileged ministry and contact Fr Peter or Fr Edwin or Clare in the Parish office 5144 4100- with names and phone numbers to enable contact to be made.

PARISH CELLS Would any parishioner in possession of books belonging to the Parish Cells of Evangelisation, please return them via the office. Thank you. Marg Goss

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE The passing of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help took place on **Friday 24 May**, as it leaves the Pakenham Parish for **Berwick Parish**. We pray for the progress of the Icon and that the image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help inspires many hearts as the Diocesan Pilgrimage leads all to the Diocesan Assembly at Warragul Parish **September 13 - 14, 2019**.

SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on **Thursday 6 June** at 4.45pm for Rosary and **5.00pm** Mass followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies to?
31 Club reminder for 29 May - 4 June. Please pray for vocations.

PLENARY NEWS please check the noticeboard at the back of the Cathedral for Plenary News and updates

TRINITY FAMILIES COLLECTION will take place in all churches this weekend (**25 - 26 June**). The theme this year is "Be the reason someone smiles today." Your generosity in supporting this annual appeal will be greatly appreciated. Cheque and credit card donations can be posted back to the diocese, but we ask that cash donations are placed in the envelope and returned in the Sunday collection. Tax deductible receipts will be provided if you give your email or postal address. The Trinity Families website www.trinityfamilies.org.au has details if you wish to donate by direct debit. Envelopes are available in all Churches which can be used for donations.

HEALING MASS: The Healing Mass will be held next **Sunday, 2 June in St Mary's Cathedral, Sale commencing at 12pm**.

CATECHISTS A luncheon will be held at **12.30pm on Wed 5 June** at the Star Hotel, Raymond St Sale. Come along and renew old friendships. Please contact Lorel on **0488 587 259 by 3 June** if you would like to attend

COUNTERS: 26 May: Team 3: Reg & Pat Carmody

2 June: Team 4: Jack & Jenny Noone

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,699.00
Presbytery: \$757.05
Credit Cards: \$0.00
Direct Debits: \$1,485.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: 30 May & 6 June: Team 6:
Pam Young, Liz Ronchi, Phyl Capraro

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

Sat 25 May 5.30pm: Grace Harvey (A)
Sun 26 May at 9.30am: Maurice (Maury) O'Neill (A)
Wed 29 May at 10.30: Harold & Vera Trew (A's)

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**Mass Timetable this week
Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year C
25 - 26 May 2019**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 25 May	5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 26 May <i>Mystagogia Mass</i>	9.30am 9.30am 2.00pm 5.30pm	Cathedral Briagolong Cathedral Cathedral
Monday 27 May	<i>NO</i>	<i>MASS</i>
Tuesday 28 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 29 May	10.30am	Ashleigh House
Thursday 30 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 31 May <i>Peace Mass</i>	11.00am	<i>Bishop Phelan Stadium</i>
Saturday 1 June <i>Reconciliation 10.00am</i>	9.30am	Cathedral

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.*

PEACE MASS

Friday 31 May 2019
11.00am
Bishop Phelan Stadium



Please note there will be no Mass at the Cathedral on Friday 31 May as the Peace Mass will be celebrated at this time.

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 **Bernard McCarthy, Kay V Christian, Bernie Coloe**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr Peter Kilduff, Bishop James Corbett, Fr Jim McGuigan, Fr James O'Neill, Fr Cornelius Cremin, Maurice (Maury) O'Neill, Grace Harvey, Harold and Vera Trew, Matilde Lara, Humberto Gatica, Dan Lothian**. We pray for those who are sick **Fr Bernard Buckley, Elly Cox, Peter Smyth, Anna Pohlodora & husband, Bill Young, Lynne Young and Maureen O'Kane**. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date: 2/06/2019	Welcomer	Commentator	Readers	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Jan Slattery	Damian Hogan Sandra Smolenaars		Sue Harvey, John Cooper, Theo Smolenaars
Sunday 9.30am	Mary Harkin	Jeff Hobbs	Ann Neville John Vermaelen	Doug Waite	Peter Centra, Pam Edgely, Lenie Smolenaars
Sunday 5.30pm		Jennifer Fitzgerald	Brenda Bowden Yvonne Hope		Rosemary Webster, Kath Telling, Anna Allen

NEW IN THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?
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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

RESPONSE: O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. **(R.)**

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. **(R.)**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say:

I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you forever, alleluia.



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Cathedral: 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

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

First Reading: **Acts 1:1-11**
Second Reading: **Ephesians 1:17-23**
Gospel: **Luke 24:46-53**

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN CHAPTER HOUSE

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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 Stratford - 9.30am (1st,3rd & 5th)
Sunday. Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th)
Sunday: Cathedral - 5.30pm