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The Ascension of the Lord, Year C *1 - 2 June 2019*

Dear Father Bickley and members of the Parish Community

SALE COMMUNITY

I have recently advised Bishop O'Regan that the Brothers will close their Sale community in 2019.

It is now nine years since the last Brother, Paul Kane, finished his term as Principal of the College. At that time, the Melbourne Provincial Council made a deliberate decision to maintain a community in Sale, despite no longer having a Brother Principal. In fact, the Council continued this commitment, even when it became more difficult to do so and other communities were closing, such as the one at Assumption College Kilmore. Since the formation of the Province of Australia over six years ago, this commitment has been maintained. We have gladly continued a presence in the school and Diocese.

At the end of 2018, the last Brother on the staff, Br Paul Turner, concluded his ministry at the College. There is no one to replace him and so we have reluctantly decided to close the Community at Sale. The Brothers will leave during the course of the year.

Peter Synan's wonderful 2014 history of St Patrick's, *'Strive After Better Things'* recounts the College's journey. While focusing mostly on the period 1922 to 1973, it briefly covers the years after the merger of Our Lady of Sion and St Patrick's to form Catholic College Sale. The book outlines the major developments and successes of the College, and tells the stories of those who have benefited from the education it provided them.

Marist Brothers led the College from 1922 until 2010, and for much of that time constituted the majority of the staff. During those years, well over 150 Brothers have served the community in Sale, some with distinction, most with excellent intentions, dedicated work and strong faith. I trust they will be remembered fondly and respectfully. For any shortcomings or failures, wrongs or hurts, I offer our apology and our collective commitment to healing and redress.

With its consolidation onto one site and the building projects that are planned to enable this, the College is entering a new phase of its history. Through Marist Schools Australia, we will maintain our co-governance role in the College and a close connection with community. The Brothers leave Sale proud of the College and confident in its future.

I take this opportunity to thank you and the broader community for the support and encouragement you have offered us over the past 97 years. Please keep us in your prayers. For our part, be assured of our continuing support, affection and good wishes.

Yours sincerely

Br Peter Carroll FMS
Provincial



PARISH CALENDAR

1 & 2 June - Confirmation Commitment Masses
2 June - First Sunday Cuppa, St Thomas School
2 June - Healing Mass 12pm
6 June - Serra Club Mass 5pm
19 June - PPC meeting 7pm

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE The passing of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help took place on **Friday 31 May**, as it leaves the Berwick Parish for **Koo Wee Rup 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**.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Confirmation

This 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. May God bless them as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

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 Claire Everard on 5144 4905.

31 Club reminder for 5 - 11 June. Please pray for vocations

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

ST MARY'S PRIMARY Principal to retire after 40 years of service. Cathy Mesaric, Principal of St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Sale since 2011, has announced that she will retire at the end of this year. Ms Mesaric said she was most proud of her student's academic, sporting and social achievements.

"We've had children win the Gippsland spelling competition, and we've had state finalists in basketball and netball.

"We've got a wonderful community, and the children are very aware of social justice issues. Last year the children raised \$1700 that we donated to the paediatric ward at Sale Hospital.

"It's been a privilege to lead this wonderful school. I have a truly wonderful staff, and whoever takes over will be very lucky. I'm sure they'll be welcomed with open arms," she said.

Under Ms Mesaric's leadership, there has been significant growth and renewal at St Mary's School. Enrolments have increased from 143 students in 2011 to 175 students in 2019, every classroom at the school has been renovated, and a new administration block and senior classroom have been added.

Director of Catholic Education for the Diocese of Sale, Ms Maria Kirkwood, commended Ms Mesaric for her outstanding contribution to Catholic education.

"Cathy has been a dedicated, distinguished and caring school leader who will be missed by the many families and teachers she has worked with over the years," Ms Kirkwood said.



TRINITY FAMILIES collection raised **\$1,383.95**. Thank you for your generosity.

FAMILY GROUP Our next Family Group lunch will be at the George Gray Café, Maffra at **12 noon on Thursday 13 June**. RSVP by **Monday 10 June** to Pat Lord on 5144 2391.

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

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 – with names and phone numbers to enable contact to be made.

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.

PARISH OFFICE Clare will be away from **Friday 7 to Tuesday 11 June**. During this time please call the Parish number on **5144 4100** before attending the Office.

CONGRATULATIONS to Hannah Walsh, from Catholic College Sale, who received a \$4,000 bursary from CDF for the active role she plays in enhancing her school and Parish communities.

90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to John and Diliana Toonen who celebrate their 90th birthday's this weekend.

COUNTERS: 2 June: Team 4: Jack and Jenny Noone

9 June: Team 5: Len and Lyn Althaus

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1781.80

Presbytery: \$1,029.00

Credit Cards: \$30.00

Direct Debits: \$604.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

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

13 June: Team 1: Lyn Althaus and Jenny Rebecchi

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 1 Jun: Ricardo Elgueta (A)

Sun 2 June 9.30am: Katie Long (A)

Sun 2 June 5.30pm: Jerome Fernando (Thanks)

Fri 7 June 11.00am: Rose Marslen (A)

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**Mass Timetable this week
The Ascension of the Lord, Year C
1 - 2 June 2019**

| Day/Date | Time | Place |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Saturday 1 June | 5.30pm 7.00pm | Cathedral Rosedale |
| Sunday 2 June <i>Healing Mass</i> | 9.30am 9.30am 12noon 5.30pm | Cathedral Stratford Cathedral Cathedral |
| Monday 3 June | NO | MASS |
| Tuesday 4 June | 9.30am 3.00pm | Cathedral Royal Freemasons |
| Wednesday 5 June | 10.30am | Ashleigh House |
| Thursday 6 June <i>Serra Club Mass</i> | 9.30am 5.00pm | Cathedral Cathedral |
| Friday 7 June | 11.00am | Cathedral |
| Saturday 8 June <i>Reconciliation 10.00am</i> | 9.30am 11.00am | Cathedral Loch Sport |

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.*

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.*

LISTEN TO WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING: Poster – Registrations now open www.acyf.org.au Perth, WA 8-10 December 2019. Australian Catholic Youth Festival – Perth 2019
Music/Dialogue/Service/Prayer/Leadership/Worship/Pilgrimage.

PRIESTHOOD: Witness to love, Service, Faith Community.
Please pray for our Seminarians –
Mark Hughes, Confidence Masvosva, Jithin Anto and Paul Zaher.
If you have any enquiries about Diocesan Priesthood please contact the Director: Fr Michael Willemssen
Email: vocations@sale.catholic.org.au Phone: 03 5152 3106

We offer prayers for those who have died **Kevin O'Bryan, Bernard McCarthy** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Mgr Edward Hynes, Fr James Byrne, Katie Long, Rose Marslen, Ricardo Elgueta.** We pray for those who are sick Fr Bernard Buckley, Elly Cox, Peter Smyth, Bill Young, Lynne Young and Maureen O'Kane. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

| Date: 9/06/2019 | Welcomer | Commentator | Readers | Offertory Procession | Extraordinary Minister of Communion |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Saturday 5.30pm | | Jo Jones | Margaret Shirreffs Br Ron Campbell | | Brenda Burditt, Damian Hogan, Sue Harvey |
| Sunday 9.30am | Lorel Donnelly | Sue Mattson | Brenda Bowden Ann Neville | Pam Edgely | John Vermaelen, Frank Fidge, John Cooper |
| Sunday 5.30pm | | Jennifer Fitzgerald | Yvonne Hope Lyn Althaus | | Anna Allen, Len Althaus, Rosemary Webster |

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!

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth. /R

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise. /R

God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne /R.

SECOND READING

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Ephesians 1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made

him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this. 'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, 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:

PENTECOST SUNDAY

First Reading: **Acts 2:1-11**

Second Reading: **Romans 8:8-17**

Gospel: **John 14 :15-16, 23-26**

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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