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Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C 29 - 30 June 2019

There is no turning back!

Frank O'Connor in his autobiography, An Only Child, recalls vividly the night he finally decided to become a writer. He had lost his job and had no money. His neighbours regarded him as a mad good-for-nothing. Nevertheless, he gave his first public reading of something he had written. He wrote 'What mattered was the act of faith, the hope that somehow, somewhere, I would be able to prove that I was neither mad nor a good-for-nothing; because now I realised that whatever it might cost me, there was no turning back.!' In the Gospel Jesus dealt in somewhat similar fashion with three would-be followers - he said to them, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Highlighting the need for commitment saying there could be no turning back. If you keep looking back you won't do a good job. You need dedication and commitment. If you begin such a task, you should give it your all

All of us have put our hand to some 'plough' or other. Young people to their studies...husbands and wives to their marriage...priests to their ministry. In baptism we have put our hands to another plough – the following of Christ as his disciples. If we keep looking back our attention will be divided. So too will be our energy. We won't be fully committed. To look back suggests that we are having second thoughts, and perhaps doubts and regrets. Maybe other things that we thought we had given up are still tugging at our hearts?

But if we keep looking forward, we will give our undivided attention to the chosen task. We will be completely committed. We will be wholehearted. That will give us great strength. All our resources will be enlisted and harnessed to the task at hand. And so we have an excellent chance of completing the task. Those who are wholehearted find joy in the task, despite hardship. There is no such joy for the half-hearted. So the message is: Don't turn back; don't even look back.

In the Gospel we see the best example in Jesus himself. He set his direction towards Jerusalem, even though he knew that rejection, betrayal, and death awaited him there. He would not be deflected from that path. He has given an example to his followers of the kind of dedication that is required. That kind of dedication is a great challenge to all of us. It may be easy at the start. But to persevere, we need the grace of God. That grace will keep us faithful to God and to one another. God will help us stay on the chosen way, to persevere at the chosen task. Then we will know the joy of the dedicated, the joy of being found fit for the Kingdom. Fidelity is not an easy road. Jesus didn't hide this from his disciples. He urges us to be faithful, has set us an example himself, and promises to help us.

The Lord still calls people today! What does it mean to follow Christ? It means to be called to be a Christian where you are and in your chosen profession. There are many ways of serving Christ and his Gospel. The call is in the first instance to be a Disciple.

'We are one in the Spirit we are one in the Lord – let us build the city of God!'

Kind wishes and prayers to all – may there be no one lonely among us

Dean Peter

PARISH CALENDAR

Thurs 4 July - Serra Club Mass

Sun 7 July - First Sunday Cuppa, Polish Community

Tues 9 July - Liturgy Group Meeting 2.30pm Sun 14 July - Parish Lunch, Sale Greyhounds

Wed 17 July - PPC meeting 7pm

Sun 21 July - CONFIRMATION 9.30am

Sun 28 July - Children's Mass 9.30am

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE The passing of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help took place on Friday 28 June. as it left the Lakes Entrance Parish for Orbost Parish. We pray for the progress of the Icon and that the image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help inspires many hearts as the Assembly at Warragul Parish September 13 -14, 2019.

PLENARY NEWS please check the Plenary News and updates.

Confirmation in your prayers.

VISITING PRIEST - We welcome among us Fr Tom Cleary from the Columbans who is coming to Sale whilst Fr Edwin enjoys his holidays till his return on 2 August. We are delighted to have his company and wish him KSC LUNCH You are invited to lunch with safe travels to and from Sale.

MASS TIMES:- Please note there will be no Mass at Freemason's due to a funeral on Tuesday afternoon at Traralgon. Fr Peter is looking after St Michael's Traralgon whilst Fr Francis is overseas on holidays.

Wednesday 3 July 10.30am will be a Liturgy of the Word at Ashleigh House. No Mass this week

Thursday 4 July - No morning Mass. Serra Mass will be at 5pm.

Saturday 6 July - No Mass or Reconciliations on Saturday Morning

FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA: Next Sunday 7 July, the Polish Community will be our hosts for the 1st Sunday Cuppa in St Mary's Cathedral assembly Area. Everyone is invited to stay after Mass to enjoy a cuppa.

Story, Celebrating Our Faith, Sharing our Future. The Diocesan Assembly will be the first for over 15 years, in September this year. Convened in the Spirit of the preparation for the Plenary Council 2020 in which we have already been engaged for the past eighteen months the Diocese wants to hear from people all across Gippsland, about the vision they have for the diocese and parishes in living the joy of the Gospel. The Diocesan Assembly will be held at Marist Sion College Warragul on Friday 13 beginning at 5.00pm and concludes Saturday 14 September at 4.00pm.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL winter appeal has been held during the month of June. There will be a Diocesan Pilgrimage leads all to the Diocesan leaving collection at all churches this weekend 29 - 30 June. Donations will assist in meeting the needs of the disadvantaged and vulnerable within our community. A Conference member will noticeboard at the back of the Cathedral for be available to issue receipts. (for tax purposes) after each Mass at the Cathedral.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Please keep the SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the children preparing for the Sacrament of Cathedral next Thursday 4 July at 4.45pm for Rosary and 5.00pm Mass followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies to Maureen Henebery on 5149 2443. 31 Club reminder for the 3 - 9 July. Please pray for vocations.

> Bishop Pat O'Regan on Saturday 24th August. The lunch will be at the Black Tie Function Centre, 90 Alfred St, Warragul, 12noon. The two course lunch will cost \$45 and wine, beer and soft drinks will be available at bar prices. The event is open to men and women who want to support this venture. This event is proudly hosted by the Knights of the Southern Cross, Diocese of Sale and all proceeds will go to the bursary fund for the education of Sale Diocese Seminarians. Tickets are available at: https://www.trybooking.com/BDRJN

> PARISH LUNCH will be at the Sale Greyhounds Club on Sunday 14 July. Please save the date and notify the Parish Office of your attendance on 5144 4100.

PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT: -

St Mary's Primary School - February 2020

Due to the impending retirement of Mrs Cathy Mesaric in February 2020 and interviews having been conducted for her successor, we are pleased to inform all, the successful applicant is Mr Brett Morris. Brett has been a most loval and trusted Deputy - Principal at St Mary's over many vears. We are delighted at his appointment as the next Principal of St Mary's Primary School

GREENMOUNT CEMETERY BLESSING OF THE GATES

Save the Date: Sunday 15 September 2019 11.00am Confirmation Mass – St Mary's Yarram 12.30pm Lunch – Mary McKillop Hall Carpool to cemetery

2.00pm Blessing at Greenmount by Bishop Patrick O'Regan

If anybody wishes to have a plague made for relatives with unmarked graves please contact Judy McAninly on 03 5182 5899.

A DEFIBRILATOR is now available in the Cathedral for when it is needed. Training is being arranged for interested Parishioners.

COUNTERS: 30 June: Team 8: Lenie & Bill Smolenaars, Nick & Maree Centra 7 July: Team 1: Robert McKenzie, Mark Durrant, Lou Centra

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

\$2,275.00 Planned Giving: Presbytery: \$1.024.65 **Credit Cards:** \$30.00 **Direct Debits:** \$819.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: 4 July: Team 2: Emmy Van Berkel, Lana Nedelko, Carmel Allman 11 July: Team 3: Maree Centra, Angela Ronchi, Margaret Hickey & Huong Clancy

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: Friday11.30am 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 30 June 9.30am: Jack Harvey (A) Fri 5 July 11.00am: Vic Chirgwin (A)

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Mass Timetable this week Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 29 - 30 June 2019

| Day/Date | Time | Place |
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| Saturday 29 June | 5.30pm 7.00pm | Cathedral Rosedale |
| Sunday 30 June | 9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm | Cathedral Stratford Cathedral |
| Monday 1 July Funeral Prayers Aline Margaret Glass | 11.00am | Cathedral |
| Tuesday 2 July | 9.30am | Cathedral |
| Wednesday 3 July Liturgy of the Word | 10.30am | Ashleigh House |
| Thursday 4 July Serra Club Mass | 5.00pm | Cathedral |
| Friday 5 July | 11.00am | Cathedral |
| Saturday 6 July Reconciliation 5.00pm | No | Morning Mass |

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.

CHILDREN'S MASS & BLESSING

On Sunday <u>28 July at 9.30am Mass</u> we are inviting all the children of our Parish to attend this special Children's Mass. Children will be involved in the different parts of the Mass. If your child/ren would like to be involved in this Mass please call Brenda Burditt on 0407 441 995. Please bring a plate of food to share.

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 Aline Margaret Glass, Patrick Mayne (Traralgon), Neville Judd and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Fr Michael Dwyer, Mgr John Gallagher, Fr William Hannify, Fr Mat White, Fr John Heffernan, Mary Kuzmiak, Jack Harvey, Vic Chirgwin. We pray for those who are sick Ann (Bernie) Formaran, 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: 7 July 2019 | Welcomer | Commentator | Readers | Offertory Procession | Extraordinary Minister of Communion |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Saturday 5.30pm | | Jo Jones | Brenda Burditt Margaret Shirreffs | | John Cooper, Br Ron Campbell, Sue Harvey |
| Sunday 9.30am | Dalia Ellison | Jeff Hobbs | Brenda Bowden Clare O'Brien | Pam Edgely | John Vermaelen, Peter Centra, Frank Fidge |
| Sunday 5.30pm | | Yvonne Hope | Louie Minoza Lyn Althaus | | Kath Telling, Anna Allen, Rosemary Webster |

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| j | NEW IN THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS? |
| li | Please let us know we'd like to meet you! |
| l | NAME: |
| | ADDRESS: |
| | PHONE: |
| | EMAIL: |
| | Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program If you would like to join a Family Group |
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FIRST READING:

A reading from the first book of the Kings 19:16, 19-21

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.'
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. (R.)

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. (R.)

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians 5:1, 13-18

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 9:51-62

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.



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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:

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14
Second Reading: Galatians 6:14-18
Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

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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