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Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C 27 - 28 July 2019

The Lord's Prayer

It is good to think of the Our Father as the first and greatest of all Christian prayers. With short and simple phrases it embraces every step between us and God. Yes it tells us what to pray for and how to pray for it.

You might agree with me that as a congregation we tend to say the Our Father so hurriedly and unthinkingly that we are in danger of loosing its meaning. This is a pity, because properly understood the Our Father contains a whole programme for Christian living. If we were to live up to what it contains, we would be perfectly in tune with the mind and heart of Christ.

We begin this beautiful prayer by acknowledging God's existence, by calling God 'Father'. God is a parent to us, we are God's children. Often-times God acts like a father and like a mother. Then we praise God.

We pray for the coming of the kingdom – a kingdom of truth and life, holiness and grace, justice, love and peace. We have a part to play in making God's kingdom a reality. We pray that God's will may be done on earth. 'On earth' means in our lives too. God's will may not always be the easiest thing to do, but it is always the best thing.

In the second part of this beautiful prayer we find the prayer speaks for us and all our needs. We begin by praying for our daily bread. 'Bread' stands for all our material needs. All we really need, however, is enough for each day.

Humbly we pray for forgiveness for our own sins, and for the grace to be able to forgive those who sin against us. Inability to forgive others makes it impossible for us to receive God's forgiveness. We pray not to be led into temptation. God does not put temptation in our path but life does. And we ourselves walk into temptation of our own accord. We are asking God to help us cope with the temptations that come to us, and to avoid those of our own choosing.

Finally we pray to be delivered from all evil, both physical and moral. We cannot expect never to encounter evil. What we are asking God for is the grace to be victorious over all evil, but especially moral evil. Notice that the whole of the Our Father is couched in plural terms. This shows that we are one family under God, and that there can be no salvation for us independent of others.

Let us pray

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. AMEN.

KINDEST WISHES TO ALL DEAN PETER

PARISH CALENDAR

Sat 27 & Sun 28 July - Commitment Masses for First Reconciliation

Sun 28 July - Children's Mass 9.30am Thurs 1 August - Serra Club Mass

5.00pm

Sun 4 August - First Sunday Cuppa, Sale Catholic College

Wed 7 August - RCIA Information Evening 7pm

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This St Mary's Cathedral, we weekend at welcome Freya Stubbe Baptism of daughter Joshua and Hannah. Congratulations to the family from us all.

HOLIDAYS: Dean Peter ANNUAL commences holidays on Wednesday 31 July flying first to Germany, then Tuscany and final leg to Fatima enjoying his holiday with Fr Denis O'Bryan and Fr Damian Hogan he feels comfortable with the two younger priests looking after him. Dean Peter returns CHILDREN'S MASS We warmly welcome on Thursday night 29 August.

Welcome back Fr Edwin, refreshed after his return home to Nigeria with Fr Solomon. We thank Fr Tom Cleary, Fr Mark Godridge and the Salesian Father for their coming to us to support our priests on their holiday breaks.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE The passing of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help took SALE DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY: Sharing place on Friday 26 July, as it left the Traralgon Parish for **Churchill Parish**.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

FIRST RECONCILIATION: Commitment Masses for the children taking part in the First Reconciliation program will be this weekend, 27 and 28 July. Please keep the children preparing for the Sacrament of months. The Diocesan Assembly will be Reconciliation in your prayers.

Sunday 4 August, Sale Catholic College September at 4.00pm. will be our hosts for the 1st Sunday Cuppa.

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 Wednesday 7 August at the Star Hotel, Raymond Street, Sale. Come along and renew old friendships. Please contact Lorel on 0488 587 259 by 5 August if you would like to attend.

SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on Thursday 1 August at 4.45pm for Rosary and 5.00pm Mass followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies to the caterer.

31 CLUB REMINDER for 31 July - 6 August. Please pray for vocations.

the children of St Mary's Cathedral Parish to our Children's Mass today. Thank you to Dean Peter, Brenda Burditt and Cijo Kuriakose who have organised this Mass. Many thanks also to the parents, teachers and schools who have supported us in preparation for this Mass.

our Story, Celebrating Our Faith, Shaping 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 held at Marist Sion College Warragul on Friday 13 September beginning at FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA: Next weekend, 5.00pm and concludes Saturday 14

RCIA INFORMATION EVENING

Will be held on Wednesday 7 August at 7pm in the Bishop's House.

Are you someone or do you know someone who....

- ◆Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- ◆Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptised?
- ◆Was baptised Catholic as a child, but has not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Fucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together as a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teaching and experience of Church and prepare individuals to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children and youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

information, please contact Veronica Barnes at the Parish Office on 5144 4100.

COUNTERS: 28 July: Team 4: Jack &

Jenny Noone

4 August: Team 5: Len & Lyn Althaus

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,689.00 Presbytery: \$1,306,45 **Credit Cards:** \$30.00 Direct Debits: \$919.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: 1 August: Team 4: Mary Cooper, Sue Harvey, Therese Cooper 8 August: Team 5: Lenie Smolenaars, Sue Harvey

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

Sat 27 July 5.30pm: Tim Johnson (A) Tuesday 30 July 11am: Ilona Townsend (A)

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Mass Timetable this week 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 27 - 28 July 2019

Day/Date	Time	Place	
Saturday 27 July	5.30pm	Cathedral	
Commitment Masses for First Reconciliation	7.00pm	Rosedale	
Sunday 28 July			
Children's Mass	9.30am	Cathedral	
Commitment Masses for	9.30am	Stratford	
First Reconciliation	5.30pm	Cathedral	
Monday 29 July	NO .	MASS	
Tuesday 30 July Diocesan Pilgrimage Mass Year 5's	11.00am	Cathedral	
Wednesday 31 July	NO	MASS	
Thursday 1 August			
Liturgy of the Word	9.30am	Cathedral	
Serra Club Mass	5.00pm	Cathedral	
Friday 2 August			
Liturgy of the Word	11.00am	Cathedral	
Saturday 3 August Reconciliation 10.00am	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.

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE WEEK

Will be celebrated on the week of 19 - 25 August 2019. The celebration for Migrant and Refugee Sunday will be held **on Sunday 25 August**. There are posters in all our Churches about this event with links if you would like to know more. Pope Francis says, in part:

The presence of migrants and refugees – and of vulnerable people in general – is an invitation to recover some of those essential dimensions of our Christian existence and our humanity that risk being overlooked in a prosperous society. That is why it is not just about migrants. When we show concern for them, we also show concern for ourselves, for everyone; in taking care of them, we all grow; in listening to them, we also give voice to a part of ourselves that we may keep hidden because it is not well-regarded nowadays.'

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 Marie Gridley, Hazel Brooks, Val Huczyk, Christie Wood and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Fr Michael Murphy, Fr Red Wilson, Fr John McGirr, Tim Johnson, Charlotte Cullen, Henry Cullen, Les Blanks, Wally Bateson, Ilona Townsend. We pray for those who are sick Monsignor John Allman, Ann (Bernie) Formaran, Fr Bernard Buckley, Elly Cox, Bill Young, Lynne Young and Maureen O'Kane. We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.

Date: 4 Aug 2019	Welcomer	Commentator	Readers	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Jo Jones	Br Ron Campbell Liz Tabuteau		Brenda Burditt, Sue Harvey, John Cooper
Sunday 9.30am	Lorel Donnelly	Ann Neville	Margaret Shirreffs Jeff Hobbs	Pam Edgely	Bill & Lenie Smolenaars, John Vermaelen
Sunday 5.30pm		Yvonne Hope	Brenda Bowden Lyn Althaus		Len Althaus, Jennifer Fitzgerald, Kath Telling

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: God is in his holy place, God who GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives mite and Alleluia, alleluia! strength to his people.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Genesis 18:20-32

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and GOSPEL: Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. (R.)

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

SECOND READING:

A reading from St Paul's Letter to the Colossians 2:12-14

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The Word of the Lord

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children. and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

Alleluia!

A reading form the Holy Gospel according to Luke 11:1-13 Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test." He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.



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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:

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

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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