

# ST MARY'S PARISH, SALE

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## **FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**1 - 2 February 2020**

*Simeon's words after holding the saviour in his arms as he was presented in the temple were 'Now Master you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel!'*

*These are intimate and joyful words of a person who in his daily prayers awaited the coming of the Saviour. Simeon, an upright and devout man, spent his whole life living near the temple – the house of God – He looked forward to the comforting of Israel – The Holy Spirit rested upon him!*

### **AUSTRALIA DAY**

*Traditionally awards are given to men and women whose life's work, dedication, and generous service for the well-being of us all are recognised. Congratulations to the many unrecognised John and Mary Australian Citizens giving gifts of peace and love, to the lonely, the lost and, to those who walk without hope.*

### **BUSHFIRES**

*Australia has suffered the sad and tragic loss of lives, the terrible destruction of our lands, properties and communities. We are not surprised to have witnessed the unique and wonderful spirit in Australians still responding in kindness, with words of heartfelt care, making personal sacrifices to ease terrible sufferings upon families and communities. These fires have destroyed years of valuable history, hard work, and love that boasted proud achievements in our great south land Australia.*

*Never outdone, the Australian spirit combined to advance Australia Fair as many responded with a generosity and prayer that is the Spirit and soul of all Australians.*

*Our own St Vincent's Conference and volunteers supported the hard work of the Bairnsdale St Vincent's conference and volunteers - giving tired overworked members and volunteers much needed time to recover by serving as support relief to allow rest and recovery emotionally and spiritually.*

**OUR LEAVING COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND** raised an amazing \$6,216.80 in our humble Cathedral Parish this is great response of care and sacrifice and gives evidence to the fruits of your prayers and love of God. A contribution we know that will be well used through the Bairnsdale Conference going directly to ease and support those left with real needs. **THANK YOU, ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH SALE.**

### **FIRIES, POLICE, SERVICE GROUPS**

*Firies have our deep gratitude, Men and women so incredible, we are in admiration, words fail us as we try to speak our heartfelt thanks. To those in policing and to the various councils, to the numerous support groups many still working tirelessly – Thank You. What an incredible land – Australians all – so fortunate to be together with our Aboriginal history, our diverse nations – for those who come across the seas - building this great nation- WE ARE IN AWE 'Now master, my eyes have seen the salvation you have prepared for all the nations to see – a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.' We continue with the Spirit of God in our Hearts.*

*Care and Love for everyone -  
Dean Peter*

## PARISH CALENDAR

**6 Feb** - Serra Club Mass & meeting 5pm  
**11 Feb** - Liturgy Group Meeting 11.15am  
**19 Feb** - PPC meeting 7pm  
**1 Mar** - Diocesan Rite of Elect 3pm  
**8 Mar** - Mass with prayers and anointing 12pm

## PARISH COUNCIL PRAYER AND REFLECTION DAY

Thursday 6 February, 2020. Our Parish Pastoral Council will be having a day of Reflection and Prayer on our Parish Prayer, which we say each weekend at all Masses. The Day will commence at 9.00am finishing with Mass at 2.30pm at St Rose of Lima - Rosedale. The Emmaus Spirituality Team will be leading the day. I invite all parishioners to keep us in your prayers for the success of this important day as we commence to serve you throughout 2020. If you would like to join with us for Mass – 2.30pm Rosedale.

**PLEASE NOTE** there will be no Mass on Thursday 6 February at 9.30am.

**LITURGY GROUP** meeting will be held at 11.15am on Tuesday 11 February in the Bishop's House.

**SERRA CLUB:** The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on Thursday 6 February at 4.45pm for Rosary and 5.00pm Mass followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies to Maureen Henebery 0407 492 465. There will be the Serra Mass at 5.00pm Mass in the Cathedral – First Thursday of each Month.

**31 CLUB REMINDER** for 5 - 11 March. Please pray for vocations.

**FR STANLY DEVASIA**, newly ordained, is to say Mass at 9.30am on Sunday 23 February. Welcome one and all as we gather around him for this special celebration.

**CATHEDRAL MASS ROSTER** for the February to May 2020 period is available for collection in the Assembly area of the Cathedral. Thank you to our many willing volunteers.

**BAPTISMS:** By arrangement through the Parish Office or with Veronica, phone 5144 4100.  
**ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament**, Friday after Mass 11.30am—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.

**PARISH CELLS OF EVANGELISATION** The Parish Cells will resume their weekly gatherings on **Monday, February 3**. If any parishioner would like to take part in a weekly Gospel Discussion and discuss a teaching, then Parish Cells will welcome you. The Gospel set for February 3 gathering will be Matthew 5: 13-16.

**VOLUNTEERS:-** Responding to the Lord's call. I know there are many things asked of us – but the most special I would ask you to experience is the privilege of being involved in the life and prayer of our Masses each weekend. As you can see, sadly, we have a smaller and smaller number of parishioners available for the ministries within our weekend-masses. Some of us have held back genuinely feeling unworthy and of course that is respected. Let me remind you it is in serving the Lord that he makes us more worthy for what he asks of us. (I've felt a joy grow in those who proclaim the word and in those who have the privilege of distributing communion to the faithful and to the sick). It is in giving that we receive! Would you be so kind as to respond to becoming - an Adult Server, a Reader of the Word, a commentator, a Minister of the Eucharist, one who assists as a collector, and be a volunteer for the offertory procession. (This can be a family coming forward bringing the Offertory Gifts through the people for the people, to the Altar of God).

Let us not be afraid – let us grow in the opportunity to serve the Lord through these ministries. Please contact Clare at the Parish office 51444100 to register your name; we will be most grateful.

Ever grateful to those faithfully serving us each weekend and invite your joining, please do.  
Dean Peter

**A SPECIAL LITTLE GIFT** has arrived in Dean's Peter's hands. She is a border collie cross. Dean Peter is inviting names.

## 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.*

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** meeting will be held on **Wednesday 19 February at 7pm** in the Bishop's House

**CHILD SAFE TRAINING** Could all Parish volunteers please save the date of **Sunday 26 April from 2pm to 4.30pm** for our Parish Child Safe training. If you know you will not be available on that date please talk to Lorel Donnelly or John Clancy, Child Safeguarding Officers about the possibility of attending training on a different date with another parish. More details will be available closer to the date of training.

**COUNTERS: 2 Feb: Team 7:** Mary Lonsdale, Libby Johnson, Theo & Sandra Smolenaars

**9 Feb: Team 8:** Lenie & Bill Smolenaars, Nick & Maree Centra

### COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

**Planned Giving:** \$1,782.00

**Presbytery:** \$1,303.80

**Credit Cards:** \$0.00

**Direct Debits:** \$660.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

**FLOWERS: 6 Feb: Team 3:** Pam Young, Liz Ronchi, Phyl Capraro

**13 Feb: Team 4:** Lenie Smolenaars & Huong Clancy

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**Sun 2 Feb 9.30am:** Giulio Ravagnolo (A)

**Tue 4 Feb 9.30am:** Bill Harkin (ill)

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**Mass Timetable this week  
The PRESENTATION of the LORD  
1 - 2 February 2020**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Sat 1 February	5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Rosedale
Sun 2 February	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
Mon 3 February	<b>NO</b>	<b>MASS</b>
Tues 4 February	9.30am 3.15pm	Cathedral Royal Freemasons
Wed 5 February	10.30am	Ashleigh House
Thurs 6 February <i>Serra Club Mass</i>	<b>NO</b> 5.00pm	<b>MORNING MASS</b> Cathedral
Friday 7 February	11.00am	Cathedral
Sat 8 February <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.*

**Ecumenical Lenten Conversation**

Following on from the success of the previous Ecumenical Conversations, don't miss this opportunity on **21 February** at Raymond Island. Bishop Richard Treloar, Anglican Bishop of Gippsland and Bishop Pat O'Regan, Catholic Bishop of Sale invite clergy and lay people from both Dioceses to join them for a Conversation for Lent.

Conversation on the day will be lead by the Reverend Professor Mark Lindsay, Professor of Historical Theology Trinity College Theological School, and Dr Frances Baker RSM, Senior Lecturer in Moral Theology and Systematic Theology, Catholic Theological College, with a time for all to participate.

A light lunch will be served, catering charge \$20. Bookings essential for catering purposes. See the flyer in your local Church for more details on how to book. **RSVP 14 Feb 2020** via <https://www.theabbey.org.au/contact/> . If you would like to attend and don't know how to book please see Clare in the Parish Office for assistance in booking your spot.

We offer prayers for those who have died **John Waugh, Fr John O'Kelly** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr David Quinn Giulio Ravagnolo, Christine Sullivan, Alessandro Cappozzo**. We pray for those who are sick Bill Harkin, Lorna Ray, Elly Cox, Marie Adjemovic, Angela Jones, Ercilia Tobar, Ann (Bernie) Formaran, Fr Bernard Buckley and Maureen O'Kane. **We pray in**

Date: 8 - 9 Feb	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Jo Jones	Margaret Shirreffs		Frank Fidge, Damian Hogan, Sue Harvey
Sunday 9.30am	Lorel Donnelly	Sue Mattson	Brenda Bowden	Pam Edgely	John Vermaelen, Bill & Lenie Smolenaars
Sunday 5.30pm		Nelly Coomber	Colin Coomber		Anna Allen, Lindsay & Stephanie Broughton

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:** Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

**FIRST READING:**

A reading from the prophet Malachi 3:1-4

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire and the fuller's alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old.

The Word of the Lord

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!**

O gates, lift up your heads;  
grow higher, ancient doors.  
Let him enter, the king of glory! (R.)

Who is the king of glory?  
The Lord, the mighty, the valiant,  
the Lord, the valiant in war. (R.)

O gates, lift high your heads;  
grow higher, ancient doors.  
Let him enter, the king of glory! (R.)

Who is he, the king of glory?  
He, the Lord of armies,  
he is the king of glory. (R.)

**SECOND READING**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 2:14-18

Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Jesus too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God's religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted.

The Word of the Lord

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

This is the light of revelation to the nations,  
and the glory of your people Israel.

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 2:22-32

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God; and he said:

'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace,  
just as you promised;  
because my eyes have seen the salvation  
which you have prepared for all the nations to see,  
a light to enlighten the pagans  
and the glory of your people Israel.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON: My eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.**



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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:**  
**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**  
First Reading: **Isaiah 58:7-10**  
Second Reading: **1 Corinthians 2:1-5**  
Gospel: **Matthew 5:13-16**

**MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN CHAPTER HOUSE**  
Serves 'Soup and Sandwiches' on Thursdays, from  
12 - 1.30pm  
Tea and Coffee provided.  
**All welcome.**



**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