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Second Sunday of Lent 7 - 8 March 2020

THE TRANSFIGURATION

Each year on the second Sunday of Lent the Church puts before us the transfiguration of Jesus. His face shone and his clothes became dazzlingly white. We too can experience transfiguration. Virtue transfigures us. But sin disfigures us. Through our Lenten prayers, our fasting and alms-giving we in Lent are helped to turn to the lord for the help we need so that we can transfigure our lives by the practice of virtue.

Last week in his homily on the First Sunday of Lent Bishop Pat gave these thoughts to help us find deeper meaning for our Lenten journey we are grateful to him

'Fast from pessimism, and feast on optimism.

Fast from criticism, and feast on praise.

Fast from self-pity, and feast on joy.

Fast from bitterness, and feast on forgiveness.

Fast from idle gossip, and feast on purposeful silence.

Fast from jealousy, and feast on love.

Fast from discouragement, and feast on appreciation.

Fast from complaining, and feast on hope.

Fast from selfishness, and feast on service.

Fast from fear, and feast on faith.

Fast from anger, and feast on patience.

Fast from self-concern, and feast on compassion for others.

Fast from discontent, and feast on gratitude.'

Lent is a time for adoration, the Gospels show clearly that Peter was a man of action, on Mount Tabor he wanted to build three tents – there is a time for stillness, contemplation, wonder, for adoration in the presence of God – a time to heed the words of the psalmist -'be still and know that I am God.' Let us stop our business – I invite you to reflect on the words Bishop Pat so kindly shares and discover we would be better to be silent, to be listening, to be wondering, and to be in the adoring presence of God. A good reflection prayer is offered each Friday evening 6.00pm as we walk the stations of the cross together in our wonderful Cathedral. Lent: Prayer – Fasting – Alms-giving - our project is compassion have you remembered to pick up your project compassion box or envelope?

Care and love to all – Dean Peter

PARISH CALENDAR

8 Mar - Mass with prayers and anointing **12pm**
12 Mar - Liturgy Group meeting **11.15am**
13 Mar - Stations of the Cross **6pm**
26 Mar - Parish Lenten Reconciliation **6pm**
27 Mar - Stations of the Cross **6pm**
29 Mar - Children's Mass **9.30am**
20-21 Apr - Pilgrimage of the relics of St Therese
26 Apr - Child Safe Training **2pm**

CONGRATULATIONS to Kirsten Sciberras and Lincoln VanDerSteen who were married in the Cathedral at 3.00pm on Saturday 7 March. We wish them every happiness and blessing.

CHILD SAFE TRAINING Could all Parish volunteers please note we have compulsory training on **Sunday 26 April from 2pm to 4.30pm** for our Parish Child Safe training. Training is also available at:
- Bairnsdale on **Saturday 21 March from 10.00am to 12.30pm**. Phone Bairnsdale parish office on **5152 2942**.

FR PAUL TURNER: The Catholic Diocese of Sale is delighted to welcome back Fr Paul Turner, from the Diocese of Kansas City-St Joseph. He will be in our Diocese for two days of presentations. **Monday 16 March at 7.30 pm** at **St Patrick's Parish Centre, Pakenham**. Public Workshop. All are welcome. Booking details on the flyer on the noticeboard..

LITURGY GROUP meeting will be held at **11.15am this Thursday 12 March** in the Bishop's House.

MASS WITH PRAYERS AND ANOINTING FOR HEALING: will be held this **Sunday, 8 March** in St Mary's Cathedral, Sale at **12noon**.

EASTER CHOIR PRACTICE will be held on **Tuesdays - 10/3, 17/3, 24/3 & 31/3** from **5 - 6pm**. All welcome.

HANDCRAFTED ITEMS in the Cathedral on **14 & 15 March** there will be handcrafted olivewood biblical items made by Christian artisans of Bethlehem available for purchase. This will help the artisans to improve their livelihood.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL meeting will be held at **7pm on Wednesday 18 March**.

The Parish offers it's prayers for the comfort of Fr Edwin on the death of his sister Mary Ejale. Details of her funeral will become known at a future time.

COVID 19 CORONAVIRUS LETTER INSERT this weekend the Priest's will have spoken to the letter sent by Bishop Pat. The recommendations will be implemented from next weekend.

ABUSE AND FAITH Has your faith been affected by the revelations of historical sexual abuse within the church? Are you affected by current or recent events related to this? If so you may wish to attend an open conversation around this, with Arda Tymensen, an experienced family counsellor, as facilitator.

Where: The Marian Room at St Joseph's Church, Warragul.

When: **Thursday 26 March at 7.30 pm**.

For further information contact the **Parish Office on 5623 1642 or Warragul@cdsale.org.au** and ask for Joan or Fr Peter.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM ENROLMENTS

We welcome you and your child to make a commitment to the 2020 Sacramental program.

Confirmation is available to children in **Grade 6 or older** who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Reconciliation.

First Communion is available to children in **Grade 4** who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Reconciliation.

Reconciliation is available to children in **Grade 3** who have received the Sacrament of Baptism.

Enrolment information and forms are now available at the parish office.

Phone: Jennifer Fitzgerald on 5144 4100.

Email: Sale.sacraments@cdsale.org.au or Sale@cdsale.org.au. And at our Catholic Primary Schools: St Mary's Sale, St Thomas' Sale, St Patrick's Stratford.

Forms can be returned to the Parish office in Sale or to your Catholic Primary School.

Enrolments close Thursday 26 March 2020.

CHILDREN'S MASS will be held in the Cathedral at **9.30am on Sunday 29 March**. All welcome.

PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION will be held at **6pm on Thursday 26 March** in the Cathedral.

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.*

EASTER CEREMONIES the Liturgy Committee will be seeking support and help for our Easter Ceremonies. Please respond generously when approached.

MESSAGE FROM CATHOLIC MISSION Your support of the Ghana Appeal enables Church workers in 1047 mission dioceses to offer Good News to their local communities. Thank you for contributing to the amount of **\$904.20** which was raised by **St Mary's Cathedral** community for Catholic Mission. Our partnership with local churches in over 160 countries is dependent upon the prayerful and financial support of many. Through your contribution, children living with disability in Ghana look forward with hope as new educational and vocational opportunities open up to them. **THANK YOU.**

COUNTERS: 8 March: Team 4: Jack & Jenny Noone

15 March: Team 5: Len & Lyn Althaus

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$2,238.50

Presbytery: \$1,001.65

Credit Cards: \$2,265.00

Direct Debits: \$464.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

FLOWERS: NO FLOWERS DURING LENT

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sun 8 March 9.30am: Gina Ravagnolo (A)

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.

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**Mass Timetable this week
Second Sunday of Lent
7 - 8 March 2020**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Sat 7 March	5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Rosedale
Sun 8 March	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Briagolong Cathedral
Mon 9 March	NO	MASS
Tues 10 March	9.30am 10.30am	Cathedral Opal Aged Care
Wed 11 March	9.00am 10.30am	Stratford Ashleigh House
Thurs 12 March <i>Funeral Mass - Eileen Waugh</i>	9.30am 1.00pm	Cathedral Cathedral
Friday 13 March	9.15am 11.00am	St Thomas' school Cathedral
Sat 14 March <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.*

PILGRIMAGE OF THE RELICS OF ST THERESE OF LISIEUX AND HER PARENTS LUIS AND ZELIE:

The Relics of St Therese of Lisieux and her parents Louis & Zelig Martin have arrived in Australia and will be on pilgrimage throughout Australia from 1 February to 10 May 2020. **The Diocese of Sale will host the Pilgrimage from Monday 20 April until Thursday 23 April 2020.**

The Relics will visit St Mary's Cathedral (20-21/4); St Michael's Traralgon & St Joseph's Warragul (21/4); St Laurence's Leongatha, St Agatha's Cranbourne (22/4) and Our Lady Help of Christians, Narre Warren (22 - 23/4) before departing for Adelaide. At this stage there will be the opportunity to attend an all-night Vigil at St Mary's Cathedral Sale (20/4).

RCIA

Dean Stuart Brown, Kim Leanne Gleeson, Tammy Lee Joyce Hanratty (Catechumens) and Cindy Pauline Foat (Candidate) were accepted at the Rite of Election and now commence their intense preparation towards Easter. Our Catechumens will be baptised and our Candidate will be received into full communion in the Catholic Church. The next three Sundays will see the First, Second and Third Scrutinies inviting your prayerful support leading to Easter when we will welcome them as our Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

We offer prayers for those who have died **Mary Ejale, Eileen Waugh, Sheila Edgar, David Rebbechi, Fr Rod Pitts** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Gina Ravagnolo**. We pray for those who are sick **Bill Young, Kim Yacoub, Joan Whitford, 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 thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date: 14 -15 March	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Damian Hogan	Brenda Burditt		Anna Neville, Frank Fidge, Sue Harvey
Sunday 9.30am	Lorel Donnelly	Diane Ward	Joel Brayshaw	Pam Edgely	John Vermaelen, Peter Centra, John Cooper
Sunday 5.30pm		Yvonne Hope	Cristine Enad		Kath Telling, Anna Allen, Jennifer Fitzgerald

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: Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Genesis 12:1-4

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:
I will curse those who slight you.
All the tribes of the earth
shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

SECOND READING:

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy 1:8-10

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.



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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:
Third Sunday of Lent
First Reading: **Exodus 17:3-7**
Second Reading: **Romans 5:1-2, 5-8**
Gospel: **John 4:5-42**

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