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Safeguarding - Our Parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people
with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk.

Our Safeguarding Officers are Lorel Donnelly and Bill Smolenaars who can be contacted via psale@cdsale.org.au.



Twenty second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B *28 - 29 August 2021*

STATEMENT ON AFGANISTAN

Wednesday 25 August 2021

Members of the Catholic community in Victoria,

The Catholic Dioceses of Melbourne, Ballarat, Sandhurst and Sale,

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We hold the people of Afghanistan in our prayers, and express a commitment to compassionate outreach for them throughout the world and here in Victoria. In Victoria, we have the largest number of Afghan-born people in Australia and have two 'world famous' places deeply enriched by Afghan culture: Dandenong and Shepparton. Afghans hold an important place in the hearts of Victorians, especially at this difficult time. We recognise the pain of family separation, and are deeply concerned for those who are living in safety in Australia while their homeland experiences such rapid and devastating changes. We know there is deep concern from the Afghan community in Victoria for their family members and friends who remain in Afghanistan. We join with them in this concern.

While we recognise the limitations of the role that Australia can play in the context of this international crisis, and the complexity of the situation, we affirm that a just and compassionate response should guide our Government's decision making. Our country's involvement in the conflict should urge a just and compassionate response to the current situation now, and our policies should be person-focused, and adapt to the fundamentally changed situation. Families being able to be together safely should be a priority at this time.

We hold particularly in our prayers the 5,100 Afghan refugees in the Australian community who are separated from family and loved ones because of the danger related to their own personal situations that required them to leave their homes and families, and by the continuing Australian Government policy that precludes them from applying for humanitarian visas for their immediate family members to join them in safety in Australia.

We ask that compassion and justice be the guide of Australian Government decisions going forward, as together Catholic organisations, hospitals, parishes, schools and communities across Victoria continue to support those in the Afghan community through this difficult time. We commit to pray for and welcome all new arrivals from Afghanistan during the coming months, as we remember how the Holy Family received welcome in Egypt when they sought safety.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
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PARISH CALENDAR

Events may change or be cancelled due to Covid Restrictions

Sun 29 Aug: Social Justice Sunday

Wed 1 Sep: RCIA information evening 7pm

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2021-2022:

Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor.

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on the 29th of August. The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, invites us to join in responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals. The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded. More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or Tel (02) 6201 9845.

RETIREMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS: Bishop Greg accepts **RETIREMENT** from formal appointments of three of our priests. **Fr Peter A Bickley**, will retire as administrator, St Mary's Cathedral Sale with effect from **12 January 2022**. He will also retire from other Diocesan appointments. **Fr Peter Kooloos** will retire as Parish Priest of Koo Wee Rup and Iona-Maryknoll with effect from **12 January 2022**. Fr Peter will retire from other Diocesan appointments as well. **Fr Bernard "Bernie" Krotwaar** will retire as Parish Priest of Trafalgar with effect from **30 August 2021**. Fr Bernie has considered the challenges of health, listened to clear advice of medical professionals and discerned his decision to seek retirement. Fr Bernie hopes to establish a pastoral presence within Andrews House Trafalgar and live his daily ministry among the residents and staff.

APPOINTMENT: **Fr Bernard Buckley**, Administrator (Pro Tem), St John's Trafalgar with effect from **30 August 2021 - 12 January 2022**. We are delighted that Fr Bernard is able to return to an appointment in the Diocese - let us continue to pray for his wellbeing.

LIVESTREAM MASS from the Cathedral this **Sunday 29 August at 9.30am**. The YouTube link is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiD2hf8AixPXAJV3nEYTZQ>

CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS:

Currently there are no public Masses until 2 September when we are due to come out of lockdown. Stay safe and check in on your friends, fellow parishioners and neighbours.

MASS AT HOME a reminder that Mass for You at Home is an option for those looking for Mass on television (**6am on Channel 10, 10am on Foxtel Aurora Channel 173**) or online at www.massforyou.com.au or <https://www.youtube.com/massforyouathome> any time from 7am AEST.

31 CLUB REMINDER for the 30 Aug - 5 September. Please pray for vocations.

RCIA INFORMATION EVENING

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 Eucharist?

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.

The first meeting will be held at **7pm on Wednesday 1 September**. The meeting will proceed via Zoom connection. For information and to book your attendance please call **Veronica Barnes at the Parish Office on 5144 4100**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun 29 Aug 9.30am: Michael Callaghan (A)

Fri 3 Sep 11.00am: Dorothy & John McKee (A's)

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.

PRAYER:

Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:
the bush grown more silent,
the birdsong less vibrant,
the stream's sluggish ripple.

Have mercy and open our ears.
Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the soil depleted,
the sky smudged,
the oceans rubbished and the great currents
slowed.

Have mercy and help us to see.
Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the workers who struggle to get by,
the women subjected to violence,
the people who are excluded.

Have mercy and help us to see.
Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:
the sound of hungry children,
the distress of the mentally ill,
the silent pain of homeless women and men.

Have mercy and open our ears.
Send your Spirit upon us Lord to renew our
sight,
to restore our hearing,
and to reclaim your reign of justice for all people
and peace for creation.

AMEN

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$0.00
Presbytery: \$0.00
Credit Cards: \$0.00
Direct Debits: \$1,320.00
Cathedral EFTpos: \$70.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

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
Twenty second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
28 - 29 August 2021**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 28 August	<i>NO</i>	<i>PUBLIC MASS</i>
Sunday 29 August <i>Livestream Mass</i>	<i>NO</i> 9.30am	<i>PUBLIC MASS</i> Cathedral
Monday 30 August	<i>NO</i>	<i>MASS</i>
Tuesday 31 August	<i>NO</i>	<i>PUBLIC MASS</i>
Wednesday 1 September	<i>NO</i>	<i>PUBLIC MASS</i>
Thursday 2 September	<i>NO</i>	<i>PUBLIC MASS</i>
Friday 3 September <i>Reconciliation & Exposition</i>	11.00am 11.30am	Cathedral Cathedral
Saturday 4 September	9.30am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 5 September	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
<i>Use the QR Reader to record your attendance please.</i>	<i>Use hand Sanitiser</i>	<i>Please social distance</i>

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION
TO ST JOSEPH**

O dearest St. Joseph,
I consecrate myself to thy honour
and give myself to thee,
that thou mayest always be my father,
my protector,
and my guide in the way of salvation.
Obtain for me a great purity of heart
and a fervent love of the interior life.
After thine example, may I do all my actions
for the greater glory of God,
in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus
and the Immaculate Heart of Mary!
And do thou, O Blessed St. Joseph,
pray for me that I may share in the peace
and joy of thy holy death.
Amen.



**FIFTH PLENARY COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA
AGENDA**

As children of God, disciples of Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, the Members of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia are called to develop concrete proposals to create a more missionary, Christ-centred Church in Australia at this time. *'I dream of a "missionary option", that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelisation of today's world rather than for her self-preservation.'*
Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium 27

There are six agenda items that the Plenary Council will be considering:

- 1. Conversion** - how do we meet the needs of all Australians, particularly indigenous Australians and vulnerable children and adults, how do we meet the call to Ecological conversion, and how do we heal the wounds of abuse and how do we partner with and learn from others (Christians, people of other faiths, community groups, government) to do this.
- 2. Prayer** - how might we become a more contemplative people, committing more deeply to prayer as a way of life, celebrating the liturgy of the Church as an encounter with Christ who sends us out to "make disciples of all the nations"? How might we better embrace the diverse liturgical traditions of the Churches which make up the Catholic Church and the cultural gifts of immigrant communities to enrich the spirituality and worship of the Church in Australia?

3. Formation - how might we better form leaders for Mission, how might we better equip ordained ministers to be enablers of ministry discipleship and how might formation better foster the development of Bishops, Priests and deacons as enablers of the universal Christian vocation to holiness live in missionary discipleship.

4. Structures - how might parishes better become local centres for the formation and animation of missionary disciples? and how might the Church in Australia be better structured for mission, considering the parish, the diocese, religious orders, the PJPs and new communities?

5. Governance - how might the People of God, lay and ordained, women and men, approach governance in the spirit of synodality and co-responsibility for more effective proclamation of the Gospel? And how might we recast governance at every level of the Church in Australia in a more missionary key?

6. Institutions - how might we better see the future of Catholic education (primary, secondary and tertiary) through a missionary lens? and how might we better see the future of Catholic social services, agencies and health and aged care ministries as key missionary and evangelising agencies?

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

We offer prayers for those who have died **Terry Pratt (Glenburn QLD), Maureen Lourey (nee: Dyer), Peter Delahunty, Christian Belde, Orland Farrugia**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Josie Howard, Michael Callaghan, Dorothy McKee, John McKee, Fr John Kavanagh**. Please pray for those who are sick **Connie Tantaró, Dawn Carroll, Sr Margaret Daly (sister of Bishop Noel), Helen Cantwell, Wes Dryden, Dixie Simpson, Anthony Lee, Michael McGrath, Harold Hopkins, Peter Kerr, Troy Barney, Dilianna Toonen, Miguel Stehr, Bernard Clancy, Kim Yacoub, Celie Smith, Bill Harkin, Cynthia Freshwater and Maureen O'Kane**. We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.

NEW TO THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

**Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long,
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart. **(R.)**

He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. **(R.)**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **(R.)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,
that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of

the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service,
while their hearts are far from me.

The worship they offer me is worthless,
the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**How great is the goodness, Lord,
that you keep for those who fear you**

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
As though you have already come,
I embrace You and Unite myself entirely to You:
never permit me to be separated from You. Amen



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday from 11.30am—12.00pm

RECONCILIATION: Cathedral

Every Friday from 11.30am –12.00pm

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

Twenty third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

1st Reading: **Isaiah 35:4-7**

2nd Reading: **St James 2:1-5**

Gospel: **Mark 7:31-37**

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN

CHAPTER HOUSE

Mary's Soup Kitchen Thursdays

'Soup and Sandwiches' from Noon -1.00pm

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WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month)

Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm Vigil

Saturday: Rosedale - 7.00pm

Sunday: Cathedral - 9:30am

Sunday: Stratford - 9.30am (1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the Month)

Sunday: Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month)

Sunday: Cathedral - 5.30pm

Please check the bulletin each week for weekday Mass times.