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15th / 16th July 2017

The importance of the Word

How many words were spoken to us when we were young? How many seeds were dropped into the soil of our minds and hearts? Those special words came from our parents and many others. Words of greeting and welcome, encouragement and affirmation, advice and guidance, correction and chastisement, warning and caution, comfort and consolation.

At the time we may have not appreciated those words, but we needed to hear them. Only God knows how many of those words took root in our lives. One thing is clear – our lives would be immensely poorer without the sowing of all those words.

As adults we still need the sowing of the word – happy those who hear the words of encouragement, love and peace. Human words no matter how necessary, will never fully nourish us. We need the word of God. The word of God gives guidance in times of doubt, reassurance in times of difficulty, comfort in times of sorrow, correction in times of foolishness, challenge in times of laziness, warning in times of danger, and hope in times of despair.

God's word is never a negative word. It is spoken in love. Just as food nourishes the body, so the word of God nourishes the mind, the heart, and the spirit. God speaks to us in the most hidden parts of our being. How then can we hear or even recognize God's quiet word in the midst of words coming at us from all sorts of areas, the radio, the television, social media etc – We can do so only by creating a little bit of stillness and quietness within us.

It is not enough to remember the word; we have to do it. With some people, the word of God goes in and comes straight back out. They are mere hearers of the word. But those who 'keep the word', that is, who act on it, are transformed by it.

May the word rest well in our hearts, minds and soul and may we live it in our lives

God's word is a lamp for our feet!

*Every best wish
Dean Peter*

Parish Stewardship Program – commences very soon. I'm calling on and hopeful all of us will truly own this important program. Please be spontaneous in offering your help, by generously stepping forward – by giving and using your gifts, from the heart because you love your parish, and value the call of our parish to be present to the needs of our parishioners. God bless you for your many prayers, gifts and life giving spirit.
Dean Peter.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM 2017

Our Parish Stewardship Program commences next week. Under the banner of Parishes - the heartbeat of the Church, the Program will provide a wonderful opportunity to reflect on what it means to be a member of Our Parish Community here at St Mary's Cathedral Parish. Please participate in the Program, making time to read the materials, listen to our speakers and discuss the issues raised with your families and fellow parishioners. Please also mark in your calendar the date of our Parish Information Meeting – see details below.

INFORMATION MEETING: All parishioners are warmly invited to the key meeting of the Program, the Parish Information Meeting, at 7.00pm on Thursday the 10th of August, in the Assembly Area. At this meeting we will gather as a parish community to celebrate our achievements and plan for the future. Light refreshments will also be provided.

WORKING BEE: There will be a working bee on Friday the 21st of July at 10.30am in the Chapter House, to package envelopes with special Program materials. If you are able to help us fold and prepare these envelopes please come along and share a cuppa and some fun with your fellow parishioners. Your assistance will be very much appreciated.

Please join our parish community in praying for the success of the Program.
and to give without counting the cost.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

PARISH WEB SITE: St Mary's Catholic Cathedral Sale website is now online at <http://www.stmaryscathedralsale.com.au/>

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM PRAYER

Lord, we thank you for calling us
to be your Church.

Through our Baptism we are called
to service and to witness.

In the Eucharist we sustain
and strengthen that call.

By serving others we follow your example
and proclaim our beliefs.

By our Christian generosity we demonstrate
our love and care.

Lord, help us always to worship you
as you deserve,

to grow in faith and service
and to give without counting the cost.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism Ameika Jade Leckie and Ella Grace Leckie daughters of Gareth and Krystle and Jack Stanley Aitken, son of Timothy and Brooke. Congratulations to the families from all of us.

FUNERAL PRAYERS for the repose of the soul of Mrs Janette McLeigh Weston will be held in St Mary's Cathedral on Monday 17th July at 11.00am.

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

Two of our seminarians, Avinash George and Hiep van Nguyen, will be ordained Deacons for the Diocese of Sale on Saturday 2nd September at 11.00 am at St Mary's Cathedral, Sale.

A Diocesan Choir is being formed to lead the singing at the Ordination Mass. We are also looking for instrumentalists.

If you are interested in joining the choir/musicians for this wonderful occasion, please contact Mrs Sophy Morley, Diocesan Director of Music, as soon as possible.

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Singers/Musicians will receive a music pack and details of rehearsal times and venues around the diocese.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL:

Grateful thanks to all who contributed to our Winter Appeal. \$1,686.00 was raised.

NEXT WEEKEND.
OUR PARISH LUNCH
SUNDAY JULY 23RD
AT THE SALE BOWLS CLUB
AT 12 NOON.

To assist with bookings please notify the Parish Office of your intention to attend. Phone 5144 4100
All Welcome!



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

15th July 5..30pm Vera Ellen Kingwill (A)

16th July 9.30am Bernard & Eileen Drake (A)

19th June 10.30am Teresa Bennett & Anaya

SACRISTY:

Team 2: (July 23rd) Anne Fleming, Shirley Slater, Rosie Collins

Team 3: (July 30) Emmy Van Berkel, Lana Nedelko and Caramel Allman

COUNTERS:

This week: Team 4 (Substitute Team)
Kath & Jodie Bird

Next week: Team 5: Margaret Goss, Jack and Jenny Noone.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,853.00

House: \$1,027.90

Seafarers Mission \$ 489.40

With thanks from a grateful parish.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Cathedral:

Friday after Mass from 11.30am—12noon
1st Friday of each Month 11.30am to 4.00pm

Reconciliation:

Cathedral: Saturday.

Following 9.30am Mass to 10.30am.

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
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 16th July 2017**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 15th July	5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 16th July	9.30am 9.30am 5.00pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
Monday 17th July	9.30am	Cathedral
Tuesday 18th July	9.30am 10.30am	Cathedral Wilson Lodge
Wednesday 19th July	9.30am 10.30am	Stratford Ashleigh House
Thursday 20th July	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 21st Jul	11.00am	Cathedral
Saturday 22nd July	9.30am 11.00am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Loch Sport Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 23rd July	9.30am 9.30am 5.00pm	Cathedral Briagolong Cathedral

PARISH COUNCIL STATEMENTS.

MISSION STATEMENT.

We the parish of Sale believe in the message and mission of Jesus Christ. As a Parish, we seek to live out this belief by enriching the quality of our Parish life and providing opportunities to grow together in God's love.

MOTTO.

Believe! Live! Give!

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.

May we be a welcoming and serving community,

always discerning and doing your will for one another.

*Make us grateful for your gifts as we journey through our
lives together.*

We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima



Most Holy Virgin, who appeared at Fatima, to reveal to the three little shepherds the treasures of grace hidden in the recitation of the Rosary,

Inspire our hearts with a sincere love of this devotion, in order that by meditating on the Mysteries of our Redemption that are recalled in it, we may gather the fruits and obtain the conversion of sinners, and (*here name the other favours you are praying for*), which we ask of you in this Novena, for the greater glory of God, for your own honour, and for the good of souls.

Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, pray for us.

We remember those who have died recently, **Janette Weston, Maria Bogatay and Kevin Davis (Morwell)** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr John Allen, Fr Michael McAlroy, Gerarda (Gerry) Gordijn, Peter Counahan, Vera Ellen Kingwill, Bernard and Eileen Drake.** **We pray for those who are sick including** Harry Fuest, Cath Smyth, Luke Packham, Rosa Maria Santos, Liz Gross, Daniel Waugh, Fr. Frank Freeman SDB, Joyce Leeds, Jaxon Kent, Kevin Kelly, John Cunningham, Noreen Waud, Valda Armstead, Caroline Robinson, Aussie Boyd and Rosie Carroll. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date 23/07/2017	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
5.30pm Saturday		Brenda Burditt	Maureen McLeod Ann Neville		Frank Fidge, Wilbert Smits Brian Leak
9.30am Sunday	Dalia Ellison	Diane Ward	Clare O'Brien Ann O'Brien	Carmel Kuinzenga	Pam Edgely, Chris Randell Elisabeth Staberhofer
5.00pm Sunday		Nelly Coomber	Colin Coomber Lyn Althaus		Jennifer Fitzgerald, Sue Harvey, Kathleen Telling

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

You care for the earth, give it water,
you fill it with riches.
Your river in heaven brims over
to provide its grain. (R.)

And thus you provide for the earth;
you drench its furrows,
you level it, soften it with showers,
you bless its growth. (R.)

You crown the year with your goodness.
Abundance flows in your steps,
in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. (R.)

The hills are girded with joy,
the meadows covered with flocks,
the valleys are decked with wheat.
They shout for joy, yes, they sing. (R.)

SECOND READING :

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 8:18-23

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' 'Because' he replied 'the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you, but they are not revealed to them. For anyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. So in their case this prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled:

You will listen and listen again, but not understand,
see and see again, but not perceive.
For the heart of this nation has grown coarse,
their ears are dull of hearing,
and they have shut their eyes,
for fear they should see with their eyes,
hear with their ears,
understand with their heart,
and be converted
and be healed by me.

'But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! I tell you solemnly, many prophets and holy men longed to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it.

'You, therefore, are to hear the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in his heart: this is the man who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the man who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But he has no root in him, he does not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and he falls away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so he produces nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.'

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise..



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READINGS NEXT WEEK:

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19;

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27;

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43.

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Thurs-

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. Briargolong 9.30am (2nd & 4th)

Sunday Stratford -9.30am (1st,3rd & 5th)

Sunday: Cathedral - 5.00pm (EST) 6.00pm (DST)

**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! If you complete the form below, you could place it on the plate at Mass or hand it in to the Parish office. We'll hope to catch up soon.

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Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program ☐
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