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Second Sunday of Lent, Year C *16 - 17 March 2019*

TRANSFORMING

Today the 2nd Sunday of Lent the theme offered through the Lenten discussion program is Transforming. The take home material for those participating gives excellent suggestion on actions that transform us. I offer these thoughts to you

ACTS OF COMPASSION - TRANSFORMING US DAY – BY - DAY

“Lent is a transformation time, a time to shed those habits that diminish us as human beings.

It was in prayer that Jesus was changed and transformed. Let us ask ourselves

How can we use this period of Lent to commit to a time of prayer each day?

It could be as simple as a breath prayer prayed for just one minute: By choosing a simple prayer that can be prayed in two phases – one on the in-breath, and one on the out-breath such as

Loving God.....bring peace.

God of compassion ... live in me

Merciful God.....come near.

'Yes' God.....I choose you.

Prayer changes us. If our everyday activities become moments of prayer, we could be continuously transformed and become what we love.

Can our everyday lives be transformed, every moment with awareness of God's presence?

Making beds - thanksgiving for sleep; for rest; for loving relationships.

Washing dishes and clothes – cleanse me from my sins; make me whiter than snow - call to mind our sins and ask forgiveness

Dusting – we are made from dust and unto dust we return.

- An opportunity to pray for others.

Gardening or caring for pets – bringing awareness to the sacredness of creation.

Cooking – the gift of hospitality – sharing with others; nurture of body and soul.

Sweeping, mopping and vacuuming – what are the things I want to let go of today? To sweep out of my life?

Packing the dishwasher – a little examen – what needs to fit in my life, and what can be put aside?

Driving the car or the sound of a siren – prayer for emergency service workers and those in distress.

A blessing prayer for your family

Leader: God of light and glory. Our Lenten journey beckons us toward the cross of Christ and his Easter glory. May we enter into his pattern of self-denial and Sacrifice to be transformed and so to share in his glory. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Leader: May the Lord bless + and keep us, may the Lord shine his face upon us.

May the Lord turn his face towards us and grant us his peace. (Num 6: 24-26)

All: Amen Leader: Let us share a sign of peace”

Dean Peter - May almighty God bless us and keep us in his peace. Amen!

PARISH CALENDAR

Wed 20 March - Liturgy Group meet 2pm
Wed 20 March - Parish Pastoral Council meet 7pm
Fri 22 March - Stations of the Cross 6pm
Sun 24 March - Children's Mass 9.30am
Thurs 4 April - Serra Mass 4.45pm
Sun 7 April - First Sunday Cuppa, Indian Community
Sun 7 April - Daylight Savings ends.

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism Bronte Zidarich daughter of Cory and Sarah. Congratulations to the family from us all.

PLENARY NEWS The Listening and Dialogue stage of the journey has ended, we are now entering a new phase: the listening and Discernment time. Please check the noticeboard near the entrance of the Cathedral for Plenary News and updates.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE The passing of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help takes place on **Friday March 22**, as it leaves the Leongatha Parish for Korumburra Parish, we pray for the progress of the Icon and that the image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help inspires many hearts as the Diocesan Pilgrimage leads all to the Diocesan Assembly at Warragul Parish **September 13 - 14, 2019.**

PLANNED GIVING envelopes and receipts for cash givers as well as receipts for all other planned givers are available for collection at all Churches this weekend. Please take yours home as this saves the cost of postage for our Parish. Thanks to all who give so freely.

LITURGY COMMITTEE Meeting this **Wednesday 20 March 4.00pm** - Agenda will be discussion on Lectors, Eucharist Ministers, Offertory Procession, Easter Ceremonies, need for more musicians and development of our music ministry to support the Cathedral Choir and Easter ceremonies. Support for the Children's Mass Sunday next **24 March 9.30am.**

FAMILY GROUP LUNCH is being held at **12noon on Wednesday 20 March** at Lakeside Bowls Club, corner Foster St and Guthridge Parade. Contact: Nick 5144 3165 or Maree 0437 503 165.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Enrolments for the 2019 program can be made until the end of term one - **4 April**. Please call the Parish Office on 5144 4100 for more information.

31 Club reminder for the 20 - 26 March . Please pray for vocations.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Meeting this **Wednesday 20 March at 7.00pm - 8.30pm.** Should you have any matters you wish to have brought to the Parish Council please contact parish secretary, Clare O'Brien, on 51444100, who will pass them on to the Chair of the Parish Advisory Council, Mr John Clancy. A new Photo board of Parish Council Members will soon be in place. Please pray for our Parish Advisory Council in its deliberations to serve all needs in our Parish.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS A good number of parishioners attended the prayer of the Stations of the Cross last Friday. An opportunity is open for parishioners each Friday during lent to come with families or just yourselves to join in this reflection of the sufferings of Christ **Friday 22 March 6.00pm Cathedral & 6.00pm St Patrick's Briagolong** followed by an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

HELP NEEDED

Flower Team (s) to help set up Cathedral for **Easter Ceremonies:** - Palm Sunday & the Altar of Repose Holy Thursday & Easter Vigil - please leave your contact details with our parish secretary 5144 4100

Help is requested for the development of our **Cathedral Gardens** and ongoing care around the Cathedral grounds - please leave your names with our parish secretary 5144 4100

CHILDREN'S MASS & BLESSING

On Sunday **24 March at 9.30am Mass** we are inviting all the children of our Parish to attend this special Children's Mass. Children will be involved in the different parts of the Mass. If your children would like to be involved in this Mass please call Brenda Burditt on 0407 441 995. Please bring a plate of food to share.

COUNTERS: 17 March: Team 1: Robert McKenzie, Mark Durrant, Lou Centra
24 March: Team 2: Mary Cooper, Pat Lord

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,576.00
Presbytery: \$1,016.60
Credit Cards: \$0.00
Direct Debits: \$680.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: No flowers during Lent.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sun 17 Mar 9.30am: Antoni Myrdzio (A)

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**Mass Timetable this week
Second Sunday of Lent, Year C
16 - 17 March 2019**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Sunday 17 March	9.30am 9.30am 6.00pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
Monday 18 March	9.30am	Cathedral (<i>St Patrick's Day Mass</i>)
<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	1.30pm	Rosedale
Tuesday 19 March	9.30am	Cathedral
<i>Feast of St Joseph</i>	10.30am	Wilson Lodge
Wednesday 20 March	9.00am 10.30am	Stratford Ashleigh House
Thursday 21 March	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 22 March	9.15am 11.00am 6.00pm	St Thomas' School Cathedral Cathedral
<i>Stations of the Cross & Reconciliation</i>	6.00pm	Briagolong
Saturday 23 March	9.30am 11.00am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Loch Sport Cathedral Rosedale
<i>Reconciliation after 9.30am Mass</i>		

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.*

TOUR OPPORTUNITY: When Irish Eyes Are Smiling! Inviting parishioners to join me on the 2019 Celtic Winter Wonderland Tour of Ireland (November 27 to December 11) with an optional add on tour of the German Christmas Markets (December 11 – 14) Enjoy 2 glorious weeks traversing the spectacular Irish countryside; experience the hospitality of the Irish people whilst learning about their history and story. Enjoy Celtic music, cuisine, glowing open fires and the unique Celtic spirituality. Travel in comfort by coach and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of a small tour with Irish singer tour guide Maria Forde. (20 people max) If you are concerned about traveling alone or have never ventured overseas before please be assured that you will be supported and made very welcome by an Irish driver, guests and me. For an itinerary please contact Tour Director Maria Forde on 0411158593, Debbie at Emerald Travel on 03 96902123 or mariaforde1@gmail.com or go to www.mariaforde.com and click on Celtic Tour 2019 link then 2019 itinerary. Destinations include Dublin, Belfast, Donegal, Sligo, Galway, Clare, Limerick, Kerry, Cork, Kilkenny and Wicklow. Cead Mile Failte!

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 **Shayne Lange, Harold Lennon (Yarram), Brett Dennis** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr Walter O'Connor, Fr Andrew Ryan, Mgr Joseph (Joe) Daly, Antoni Myrdzio**. We pray for those who are sick **Sr Lauraine Brice, Elly Cox, Peter Smyth, Anna Pohlodora & husband, Maureen O'Kane, Des Surkitt., Bill Young, Lynne Young**. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date: 24/03/2019	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Brenda Burditt	Margaret Shirreffs Bryan Leak		Frank Fidge, Theo Smolenaars, Damian Hogan
Sunday 9.30am	Vince Beer	Sue Mattson	Brenda Bowden Jeff Hobbs	John & Therese Cooper	John Vermaelen, Bill & Lenie Smolenaars
Sunday 6.00pm		Nelly Coomber	Colin Coomber Louie Minoza		Lindsay & Stephanie Broughton, Rosemary Webster

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

If you would like to join a Family Group ☐

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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 15:5-12, 17-18

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life
before whom shall I shrink? **(R.)**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' **(R.)**

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek, hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. **(R.)**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! **(R.)**

SECOND READING :

A reading from St Pauls letter to the Philippians 3:17-4:1

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

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 Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.



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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, Year C

First Reading: **Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15**
Second Reading: **1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12**
Gospel: **Luke 13:1-9**

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN
CHAPTER HOUSE

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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 - 6.00pm