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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 16 - 17 November 2019

*Sharing our powerlessness
November the month of all souls*

Jesus saw that Jerusalem was heading for destruction. He foresaw that the magnificent Temple would be reduced to a pile of rubble. To the everyday Jew this was unthinkable. The Temple symbolized the entire Jewish system of worship.

Jesus' prophecy came true to the letter. Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans in the year 70 AD. The Temple was burned to the ground. Jesus dearly wanted to save Jerusalem, but was unable to do so. Once with tears in his eyes he said 'Jerusalem, Jerusalem! I longed to gather your children to myself, as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, but you refused.'

Many have experienced how terrible it is to be at the bedside of a family member, a friend who is suffering or dying, and not be able to save him/her. We feel inadequate. Powerless. It is comforting to know that Jesus shared our powerlessness. He felt like we do. Like Jesus we didn't walk away – our ministry is simple presence, difficult we know, it is precious and vital. Like Mary at the foot of the cross, we stay with the suffering or dying person. A reassuring supportive presence can mean the world to the sufferer.

As I look daily at our Cross of remembrance at the front of the Cathedral and read the many names of loved ones written on a heart I image many standing supporting their loved ones, with a sense of helplessness, relieving pain and fear through the great bond developed between them. Spending long nights, sleeping alongside loved ones praying with their priests and responding to any cry for help.

I have witnessed many times by the bedside of someone dying, many whose simple presence shared care making a world of difference, even though it may not have taken away pain or been able to hold back the advance of death.

To know that that there is someone who cares, makes a world of difference to the sufferer. It saves him/her from the awful prospect of dying alone and abandoned.

No particular skills are needed for this kind of presence (I like to call it - ministry). Just Love! Those who truly love offer the suffering incalculable strength, just by being their.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

This Thursday evening at 6.00pm there will be many assembling in our Cathedral for the Mass that prays for loved ones who passed away over these twelve months, and for the many whose names have been lovingly placed on our cross - we will pray too for all souls as November the month of all souls invites us to pray for those known and unknown souls in purgatory (that place defined as a 'purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.' - Catholic Catechism). Please come as we gather to pray for all souls in this month of November dedicated as a special time to pray for the dead.

And so we pray

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. May the Souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

Peace to all – Dean Peter

PARISH CALENDAR

17 Nov - PPC nominations due
21 Nov - Remembrance Mass 6pm
1 Dec - Children's Mass 9.30am
2 Dec - Parish volunteers dinner 6pm
3 Dec - Plenary Gathering 7pm
8 Dec - Healing Mass 12pm
10 Dec - Parish Reconciliation Night 7pm

PARISH RECONCILIATION NIGHT will be held in the Cathedral on **Tuesday 10 December at 7pm**. Let's all make this a good opportunity to prepare for Christmas. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

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

ST PATRICK'S ART SHOW will be open for viewing this **Sunday 17 November** from **10.30am -12.30pm**. Tea and coffee will be available at St Patrick's primary school, Stratford. All welcome.

TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER Liturgy of the Word will be in the Cathedral at **11.30am** with students from St. Francis Xavier, Berwick attending with their Deacon, Graeme Pender leading the service. All parishioners welcome.

WELCOME to Sale Deacon Jithin Anto. We hope you enjoy your time at St Mary's Cathedral Parish.

INVITATION TO PARISHIONERS to place names of deceased loved ones on the Cross draped in front of the Cathedral. November is the month of All Souls. This week on **Thursday 21 November at 6.00pm** our Mass for all Souls will be held. Following will be supper.

CHILDREN'S MASS on **Sunday 1 December at 9.30am**, First Sunday of Advent. Mass will include a family blessing and we are fortunate to have the presence of the St Joseph's children's Choir, Cranbourne leading the music. Welcome to all young people with their families to this Mass. Please stay on for refreshments and valuable time together. See you there. St Mary's Cathedral, Sale. Please come.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS

BOOKLETS The Sale Cathedral parish has copies available of the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections. The booklet commences at the start of Advent on 1 December. Parishioners can purchase a book in the Parish Office for \$5 each. If any parishioner would like to lead a group on these reflections please call Clare in the parish office on 5144 4100.

PLENARY GATHERING Our next Listening and Discerning gathering is **Tuesday 3rd December from 7-9pm** in the Chapter House. The theme we will be looking at is 'Missionary and Evangelising'. Come and join us as we pray and discuss ways we can fulfil our mission as baptised children of God in Australia and our local community.

FLOWER ROSTER As we have had a number of volunteers resign from the flower roster we are seeking more volunteers before we issue a new roster. The call on your time is for an hour on two consecutive Thursdays every eight to ten weeks depending on the number of volunteers we have available. If you cannot be on the roster but have flowers in your garden we can use or wish to be added to the roster please notify Clare in the Parish Office on 5144 4100.

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.

CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS we are seeking volunteers to sing in the choir at the **9pm Mass on Christmas Eve (Tuesday 24/12)**. Rehearsals will be held from **5 - 6pm on Tuesday 3 and Tuesday 17 December** in the choir loft.

31 CLUB REMINDER for 20 - 26 Nov. Please pray for vocations

COUNTERS: 17 Nov: Team 4: Jack & Jenny Noone
24 Nov: Team 5: Len & Lyn Althaus

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$2,651.50
Presbytery: \$876.55
Credit Cards: \$30.00
Direct Debits: \$574.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

FLOWERS: 21 Nov: Team 6: Pam Young, Liz Ronchi, Phyl Capraro

28 Nov : Team 1: Lyn Althaus and Jenny Rebecchi

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

Wed 20 Nov 10.30am: Ian Howard (A)

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**Mass Timetable this week
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
16 - 17 November 2019**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Sat 16 November	5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Rosedale
Sun 17 November	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
Mon 18 November <i>Funeral Mass Margaret Slater</i>	1.00pm	Cathedral
Tues 19 November <i>Liturgy of the word</i>	11.30am	Cathedral
Wed 20 November	9.00am 10.30am	Stratford Ashleigh House
Thurs 21 November <i>Mass of Remembrance</i>	9.30am 6.00pm	Cathedral Cathedral
Friday 22 November <i>Year 12 Valedictory Mass</i>	9.15am 11.00am 6.00pm	St Thomas' school Cathedral Cathedral
Sat 23 November <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.*

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL is seeking parishioners to join. We thank you we have three nominations to date.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS DINNER Parish volunteers are invited to attend the Dinner at **6pm on Monday 2 December** at the **Chapter House**. Please join us if you have volunteered in 2019.

**St. Mary's Primary School
Christmas Concert**

All parishioners are warmly invited to attend our annual Christmas Concert.
Entry by donation.

DECEMBER 12TH | 6.30PM START | BISHOP PHELAN STADIUM

We offer prayers for those who have died **Lucie Ingram, Margaret 'Marg' Slater, Helena Predkiewicz, Kevin Hogan**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr Edward O'Malley, Bishop Jeremiah Coffey, Fr Tim McInnes, Ian Howard, Sebastiano (Sammy) Tantaro, David Smyth**. We pray for those who are sick **Eliza Watkins, 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: 23 - 24 Nov	Welcomer	Commentator	Readers	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Ann Neville	Damian Hogan Margaret Shirreffs		Frank Fidge, Wilbert Smits, Please offer
Sunday 9.30am	Dalia Ellison	Diane Ward	Brenda Bowden John Vermaelen	Doug Waite	John Cooper, Pam Edgely, Bill Smolenaars
Sunday 5.30pm		Yvonne Hope	Colin Coomber Nelly Coomber		Lindsay & Stephanie Broughton, Kath Telling

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
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Please place on the plate at Mass or drop into the Parish Office

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and will lead back your captives from every place.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Malachi 3:19-20

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. **(R.)**

Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples.

Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. **(R.)**

For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 3:7-12

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 21: 5-19

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place.'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.



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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:
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Year C
First Reading: **Samuel 5:1-3**
Second Reading: **Colossians 1:12-20**
Gospel: **Luke 23:35-43**
Last Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

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