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## *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A 18 - 19 July 2020*

### *Flawed Goodness*

*We tend to divide people into two categories: saints and sinners - this division is unreal, people are not so easily categorized. In the complexity of people we find there are things that are at odds in all of us. Many would remember the story of Oscar Schindler, the German industrialist who saved a thousand Polish Jews from the horror of the concentration camps. One of these people said of him, 'He was our father, mother, our only hope. He never let us down.' Yet many who saw the film Schindler's List were surprised, if not quite put off, by his vices. He was a man renowned with all the human vices. Hence, something of a puzzle. Schindler, was no saint.*

*In fact he was riddled with contradictions. Unfaithful to his wife, enjoyed the good life, cigars, drink and women....He was a Catholic, in name only. He was a member of the Nazi party, and his avowed aim was to end the war with 'trunks of money.'*

*But there was a better side to him a basic goodness about him. As the war went on he became appalled at the horrors of 'that final solution.' At considerable personal risk to himself he protected his workers from the death camps showing he was a courageous man. Schindler was no angel, he was a mere human being, an essentially good human being in spite of his flaws.*

*So things are not that simple, we know from personal experience all human beings are complex - including each of us. We are an extraordinary mixture of good and not-so-good. When we think on it we acknowledge that the roots of good are entwined with the roots of evil - that one can't be pulled up without pulling up the other.*

*We must learn to be patient and kind towards ourselves in the first place. We must be hospitable to all. We should acknowledge the dark side of ourselves, without conceding victory to it. We are to struggle on in spite of the weeds, confident that with God's help, the good will finally triumph. It is through struggle that we grow, provided we do not throw the towel in.*

*We must be lenient to others. Even though knowing things about a person we rush to judgement. We can be too quick to classify others as evil and cast them aside as people who have no hope. Only God has that right and full knowledge to judge, yet God is patient tolerant and kind. The danger is, that by concentrating on people's vices, we become blind to their virtues. Being eager to criticize we became reluctant to give a word of encouragement baring every road to improvement. Let us not knock others! Let us seek the good in everyone, reveal it, bring it out.*

*A person will be judged, not on a single act or stage in his/her life, but by his/her whole life. That is why judgement cannot come until the end. A man/woman may make a great mistake, but by the grace of God redeem themselves. Of what else but flawed creatures does God make saints?*

*Attempts to hide the streakiness of our holy people, though sometimes successful, are always dishonest (Anthony de Mello).*

*Look kindly on one another as Brothers and Sisters in Christ, 'love one another as I have loved you' Throughout this Coronavirus Pandemic we share the ups and downs of this time in love. Remember to call your neighbour - seek out the lonely - serve each other with care.*

*Dean Peter*

**PRAYER FOR BISHOP-ELECT  
GREG BENNET**

Eternal God, our Shepherd and Guide  
We bless and thank you for the appointment  
of your servant, Greg Bennet, as the tenth  
Bishop of Sale.  
May your Holy Spirit grace him  
with the gifts of wisdom and strength,  
gentleness and compassion,  
as he prepares to take up his role as our pastor  
and teacher.  
May he be a shepherd after your own heart,  
who will walk in your ways and, with loving care,  
watch over your people.  
May he be a leader of vision and a teacher of  
your truth.  
As Bishop-elect Bennet prepares to make his  
home among us, may we welcome him joyfully  
into our Diocesan community, now entrusted to  
his care and leadership.  
May we, as the Body of Christ in the Diocese of  
Sale, through our work and prayer together bear  
witness to Christ and the building up of your  
kingdom.  
We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ, in  
the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, for ever and ever. Amen,  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help pray for us  
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop pray for us.

**The ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering**  
for 2020 is now being offered as an online event  
for registered participants. This modified  
program will be delivered in four pre-recorded  
sessions of approximately 1 hour in length. Each  
session will offer input from a variety of speakers  
and musicians, along with a response and  
questions for group discussion or individual  
reflection. The program offers flexibility so that  
you may participate individually or gather with  
others from your parish/diocese or men's  
ministry group.

**Aim: To inspire and encourage all Catholic  
men with a vision for personal  
discipleship, service and mission in the  
family, parish, diocese and the world.**

**Cost: FREE**

**Registration: Available from Monday 29  
June**

**Event Program: Available from Saturday 15  
August, 2020**

**Go to: [www.catholicmensgathering.com.au](http://www.catholicmensgathering.com.au)**

**BOOKINGS FOR MASSES DAILY:** we are  
grateful for your kind consideration of others in  
keeping to the one Sunday Mass a month  
allowing others their opportunity to come. The  
overall response is wonderful we priests are  
grateful for your kindness and consideration.  
Last **Tuesday 14 July we went to one Mass  
per day** 9.30am Tuesday, Weds, Thurs, and  
11.00am Fridays, there will be no Saturday  
morning Mass except for the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Mass  
11.00am at Loch Sport.

**PARISH FINANCE MATTERS** Please don't  
hesitate to contact the Parish Office on 5144  
4100 or by email to [sale@cdsale.org.au](mailto:sale@cdsale.org.au) if you  
want assistance or information regarding your  
planned giving.

**LIVESTREAM MASSES** Helpers for Jeff Hobbs,  
who is doing wonderful work in producing our  
livestream Mass weekly, there are plenty of  
gifted people in and around our parish whose  
help we warmly call upon. Please contact Fr  
Peter or Clare in the parish office with offers of  
interest and help. We have one kind offer to  
date, we hope to build a good team around Jeff  
for the present and well into the future. Please  
come forward.

**EMMAUS SPIRITUALITY: FREE** – Introduction  
to Spiritual Direction. The Emmaus Team is  
offering a free 45-minute Zoom session to  
anyone who wishes to know more about Spiritual  
Direction and the Emmaus programs. This is an  
opportunity to meet with a team member and  
gain a greater understanding of what Spiritual  
Direction is about.

Phone: 0477 474 848 to arrange a suitable time  
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**31 CLUB REMINDER** for 20 - 26 July. Please  
pray for vocations.

**PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD** Please deliver a  
bulletin to anyone you know who might like one.  
It would be lovely if we could reach as many of  
our parishioners as possible, so they too may be  
aware of the changes happening in our Parish  
life.

**ONLINE RESOURCES DURING COVID:** Free  
access to the following online music and video  
resources Prayer: [https://www.cdsale.org.au/  
news/prayer-resources-in-time-of-need](https://www.cdsale.org.au/news/prayer-resources-in-time-of-need)

**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.*

**RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM:** This  
weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for  
Baptism Hugh Lazzaro son of Neil & Emma.  
Congratulations to the family from us all.

**ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP  
TRUST** The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust  
offers scholarships to enable lay  
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**Closing Date 31 July 2020**

**RECONCILIATION** From this Friday there will  
be an opportunity for Reconciliation during  
Exposition. Social distancing to be observed at  
all times.

**COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:**

Planned Giving:	\$896.00
Presbytery:	\$345.00
Credit Cards:	\$0.00
Direct Debits:	\$1,135.00
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.

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**Fri 17 July 11.00am: Les Marshall (A)**

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**Mass Timetable this week  
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A  
18 - 19 July 2020**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 18 July	5.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 19 July	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Briagolong Cathedral
Monday 20 July	<i>NO</i>	<i>MASSES</i>
Tuesday 21 July	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 22 July	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 23 July	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 24 July <i>Reconciliation during Exposition</i>	11.00am 11.30am	Cathedral Cathedral
Saturday 25 July	5.30pm	Cathedral

**Bookings are required for all Masses by ringing the Parish Office and/or the Priests on 5144 4100.**

**Prayer for the Year of Laudato Si'**

Loving God, Creator of Heaven, Earth, and all therein contained.  
Open our minds and touch our hearts, so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.

Be present to those in need in these difficult times, especially the poorest and most vulnerable. Help us to show creative solidarity as we confront the consequences of the global pandemic. Make us courageous in embracing the changes required to seek the common good. Now more than ever, may we all feel interconnected and interdependent.

Enable us to succeed in listening and responding to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor. May their current sufferings become the birth-pangs of a more fraternal and sustainable world.

We pray through Christ our Lord, under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians, Amen.

**PARISH MASS ON YOUTUBE** if you would like to watch our Parish Mass at 9.30am each Sunday the YouTube link is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiD2hf8AlxPXAUVG3nEYTZQ>. Alternatively, you can find the link on our Parish website at: <http://www.stmaryscathedralsale.com.au/>

We offer prayers for those who have died **Marie McKenna (mother of Bishop Michael of Bathurst)** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Les Marshall, Harry Lee, Fr Denis O'Callaghan, Fr Martin Hayes, Mgr John O'Hea**. We pray for those who are sick Zita Sutherland, Kim Yacoub, Joan Whitford, Bill Harkin, Marie Adjemovic, Cynthia Freshwater, Angela Jones, Ercilia Tobar, Ann Formaran, Fr Bernard Buckley and Maureen O'Kane. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

**A PRAYER FOR HEALTH AND SOLIDARITY**  
**(adapted from Caritas Australia)**

As parts of our Diocese are once again in lockdown, we pray for them and particularly those who are most vulnerable, both here in Australia and throughout the world.

God of life,  
During this time of isolation,  
may we continue to keep our hearts open  
to our human family around the world.

May we, who have access to medical facilities and services,  
remember those who do not have basic health care.

May we, coming to terms with the effects of this pandemic,  
remember the words of scripture  
"Be still and know that I am God"  
and find comfort and solace in your loving mercy and care.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, your son and our brother.  
Amen.

**REDISCOVERING THE OTHER TREASURES OF THE CHURCH'S**  
**LITURGICAL TRADITION**

For Catholics, much of our liturgical worship is experienced through our participation in the Mass. But did you know that there are other rich gifts the Church has, that are there for strengthening our faith and equipping us as disciples of Christ?

This time of pandemic offers us a timely opportunity to explore these treasures of liturgical prayer and encourage us to pray at home, building up the domestic Church for the sake of Christ's mission in transforming the world. There are some ways in which we can do this:

**1. Pray the Liturgy of the Hours** (Divine Office) with the global Catholic community – versions of Morning and Evening Prayer can be found at <https://universalis.com> or download the prayer app onto your phone or tablet from Give Us This Day (Apple App Store or Google Play) Info at <https://giveusthisday.org>

**2. Pray the Liturgy of the Word:** read and pray with the Sunday scriptures. [www.liturgybrisbane.net.au](http://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au)

**Daily Prayer**

Short daily Gospel reflections with access to readings and prayers of the faithful can be found at <https://www.pray.com.au>

**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:** See I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

**FIRST READING:**

A reading from the book of Wisdom 12:13.16-19

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly. Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

**The Word of the Lord**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,  
full of love to all who call.

Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer  
and attend to the sound of my voice. (R.)

All the nations shall come to adore you  
and glorify your name, O Lord:  
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,  
you who alone are God. (R.)

But you, God of mercy and compassion,  
slow to anger, O Lord,  
abounding in love and truth,  
turn and take pity on me. (R.)

**SECOND READING :**

A reading from the letter of St Paul's to the Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

**The Word of the Lord.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:**

A reading from the gospel of Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

He told them another parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfil the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

**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**

**Cathedral:** 1st Friday of each Month  
9.30am - 10.00am  
11.30am - 12.00pm

**RECONCILIATION: Cathedral**  
Not being held until further notice

**READINGS NEXT WEEK:**

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

First Reading: **1 Kings 3:5, 7-12**  
Second Reading: **Romans 8:28-30**  
Gospel: **Matthew 13:44-52.**

**MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN CHAPTER HOUSE**

Cancelled currently due to  
Coronavirus restrictions.



**SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE - Bookings Required 5144 4100**

**Saturday:** Loch Sport - 11.00am (1st Saturday of the Month)  
**Saturday:** Cathedral - 5.30pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** Cathedral - 9.30am (Live-streamed)  
**Sunday:** Rosedale - 9.30am (2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month)  
**Sunday:** Stratford - 9.30am (1st & 5th Sunday of the Month)  
**Sunday:** Briagolong - 9.30am (3rd Sunday of the Month)  
**Sunday:** Cathedral - 5.30pm