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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 [psa.sale@cdsale.org.au](mailto:psa.sale@cdsale.org.au).



*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B  
6 - 7 February 2021*

## Sunday of the Word of God

This Sunday we celebrate Word of God Sunday. We invite you to go to the access link at <https://www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday> to access links.

Below is the link to an interesting article from CathFamily on the Archaeology of the Word. The Jewish approach to scripture has been likened to the archaeological practice of digging down through layers of history. In the Archaeology of the Word (a term coined by Br Jack Discroll, CFC), we 'excavate' the text to discover precious insights hidden beneath the superficial, or literal, meaning of the words.

<https://cathfamily.org/archaeology-of-the-word/>

### Pope Francis Prayer intentions – February

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

### Year of St Joseph

This year's focus is on St Joseph, Spouse of Mary and loving father to Jesus. St Joseph is the patron saint of :

- Universal Church
- Families
- Fathers
- Married couples
- Workers
- The dying

St Joseph is remembered especially on the Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 19th March. It's especially significant for those churches and schools who are named after St Joseph.

There are some resources online at the Australian Catholic Bishops site <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

### With a Father's Heart

"Even through Joseph's fears, God's will, his history and his plan were at work. Joseph, then, teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses."

POPE FRANCIS

**Prayer cards for the Year of St Joseph are available for you at each entry point to our Churches.**

**Please collect a copy of the Bishops' of Victoria letter to the Premier expressing profound concern over the change or Suppression (Conversion) Prohibition Bill 2020. A copy is available for your taking in each Church.**

With special wishes to you all,  
Dean Peter

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Ash Wednesday - 17 February  
Stations of the Cross Fridays Feb: 19, 26  
Fridays March: 5, 12, 19 & 26  
Palm Sunday: March 28,  
Mass of the Holy Oils: Tuesday March 30,  
Holy Thursday: April 1, Good Friday: April  
2, Holy Saturday: April 3, Easter Sunday:  
April 4.

**MASS REQUIREMENTS:** Mass can now be held for up to 140 people in the Cathedral. All standard Covid-19 directives to be strictly followed. Use the QR code to register your attendance or use the have sign in sheet to mark your attendance. Please social distance and use the hand sanitisers' provided. **Masks are required to be worn and bookings are no longer required to attend Mass.**

**ALTAR SERVERS** – Fr Jithin, with your help, desires to build a very efficient team to serve at the Altar – please encourage your children in a generous response to assist. Contact Fr Jithin anytime on 5144 4100.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** meeting will be held at 7.00pm in the Presbytery (come via the front door on the Highway side) on **Wednesday 17 February**. If you have ideas or initiatives you would like discussed please approach any member of the PPC who are listed in the banner of this bulletin.

**LITURGY GROUP** will meet this Tuesday **February 9, 1.30pm** in Front room (recently renewed) of Presbytery. Enter presbytery via Highway entry, adjacent to the Parish Office.

**RECONCILIATION:** During Lent – a perfect season to really make a special effort to renew our journey with the Lord, in the Sacrament of Confession. Fr Jithin and I will be available immediately following each daily Mass for up to half an hour – at the end of daily Mass we will simply move to the confessional.

**31 CLUB REMINDER** for 8 - 14 February. Please pray for vocations.

**BRISBANE LENTEN PROGRAMS** are currently on order and will soon be available to you for just \$5.00

**BAPTISMS:** By arrangement through the Parish Office or with Veronica, phone 5144 4100.  
**ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament,** Friday after Mass 11.30am—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.

**VISITING THE SICK:** Oftentimes during this Covid period, the priests have been denied entry to visit the sick as the Covid requirements allow just one or two visitors, which means we may have to go at another time, arranged with the person concerned and/or their family. Would you be kind to ring for Fr Jithin or Fr Peter, who will in turn upon arrival give the persons name at the front desk. The person at the desk will ring the ward and get affirmation of the request and after confirmation will allow the visit to happen. (Complicated days are with us I'm afraid.) We would appreciate your cooperation in this special regard.

**CONTACTING YOUR PRIESTS FOR PRAYERS:** Fr Jithin and Fr Peter are available at any time for a call requesting prayer for any concerns for family members who are ill, for mental illness for times of loved ones who have died. **Prayer is healing,** brings peace and consolation. Let us never lose sight of the power of prayer. Let us pray for those whose family member has died of mental illness, this is a most trying time for families and friends who suffer such a loss. Please phone for prayer and make contact to invite discussion through these your trying and stressful times. **LET US PRAY FOR EACH OTHER.** (Dean Peter)

**2021 SACRAMENTS PROGRAM** is commencing soon for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. **Reconciliation** is offered to children in Grade 3 (and older) who have received the Sacrament of Baptism. **First Communion** is offered to children in Grade 4 (and older) who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Reconciliation. **Confirmation** is offered to children in Grade 6 (and older) who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Reconciliation. The first workshop for **First Reconciliation** is the parent only workshop at **4pm or 6.00pm on this Tuesday 9 February in the Cathedral.** To contact the Parish Office please phone 5144 4100. Completed forms can be returned to the Parish office or emailed to [sale.sacraments@cdsale.org.au](mailto:sale.sacraments@cdsale.org.au) Enrolments close on **Tuesday 9 February 2021.**

**SATURDAY MORNING MASSES:** From this month: Saturday Morning Mass 9.30am will resume – with the opportunity for Reconciliation 10.00am to 10.30am

## 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.*

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** There are many ways we carry our Cross as Christians: Let us bring our family to the reflective prayer of the Stations of the Cross on one of the Fridays in Lent. The prayer begins at **6.00pm**

**RITE OF ELECTION** for Catechumens and the Formal Recognition of Baptised Candidates will be celebrated this year on **Sunday 21 February** (1st Sunday of Lent) at **3.00 pm** at St. Mary's Cathedral Sale.

A choir will be formed to sing at the Rite of Election. Please email Sophy Morley at [smorley@sale.catholic.org.au](mailto:smorley@sale.catholic.org.au) if are interested in participating in this Choir. You will need to provide a copy of your current working with children check to Sophy.

**LENT** begins Wednesday February 17 – we welcome this special season of fast and abstinence: Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way with the whole church we prepare for Easter with those who are to be baptised. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of fasting binds those who have completed their 18th year, until the beginning of their 60th year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their 14th year.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sat 6 Feb 5.30pm: Alessandro Cappozzo (A)**  
**Sun 7 Feb 9.30am: Keith Best (A)**

## COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving:	\$1,112.00
Presbytery:	\$395.70
Credit Cards:	\$2,395.00
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With thanks from a grateful parish.

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**Mass Timetable this week  
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B  
6 - 7 February 2021**

Day/Date	Time	Place
<i>Weekend Masses</i>		
<b>Saturday 6 February</b>	5.30pm	Cathedral
<b>Sunday 7 February</b>	9.30am	Stratford
	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
<i>Weekday Masses</i>		
<b>Tues 9 February</b>	9.30am	Cathedral
<b>Wed 10 Feb</b> <i>(Residents only)</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
<b>Thurs 11 February</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	Ashleigh House
	9.30am	Cathedral
<b>Fri 12 February</b> <i>Reconciliation &amp; Exposition</i>	5.00pm	Stratford
	11.00am	Cathedral
<b>Saturday 13 February</b> <i>Weekend Masses</i>	11.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Loch Sport
<i>Use QR Reader or the sign in sheets and to record your attendance please.</i>	<i>Use hand Sanitiser</i>	<i>Please social distance and wear masks</i>

**ASH WEDNESDAY 2021**

<b>9.00am</b>	St Pat's Stratford School Mass <i>(school only)</i>
<b>9.30am</b>	St Mary's Cathedral - <i>(Parishioners in the body of Cathedral Primary School in Assembly Area)</i>
<b>10.30am</b>	Ashleigh House - Liturgy of the Word <i>(Residents only)</i>
<b>11.00am</b>	St Thomas' School Mass <i>(school only)</i>
<b>12.00noon</b>	Cathedral - Parishioners <i>(up to 140)</i>
<b>6.00pm</b>	Cathedral - Parishioners <i>(up to 140)</i>

Due to current Covid restrictions, Parishioners are not permitted to be at any of the School Children's Masses.

Arrangements for the 9.30am Cathedral Mass - Ash Wednesday Feb 17 - Parishioners are asked to enter the Cathedral via the front doors and take up their seats in the body of the Cathedral and to exit the Cathedral via their entry door (front door of the Cathedral).

St Mary's Primary School students and teachers are to be seated in the Assembly gathering area entering via the single glass door entry door (kitchen end) and to leave via the same entry point. Children 12 and under are not required to wear masks. **All over 12 are required to wear masks.**

*Use QR Reader or the sign in sheets and to record your attendance please.*

**YEAR of ST JOSEPH**

**Prayer to St Joseph**

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.  
Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*



By Pope Francis

**2021 Friends of Sion Gathering**



**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> March,  
2021**

Due to the decommission of the Sion campus on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2021, this is the last opportunity for the Friends of Sion to gather in the grounds.

Due to COVID-19 regulations, the format for the gathering is different from previous years.

Ensure you have a mask with you and if you have a cold, snuffle or feel unwell, please do not attend this event.

We look forward to seeing you!

**ITINERARY:**

9:30 am	Mass in Cathedral (sign in required)
10:30 am (approx.)	St. Patrick's Campus open for viewing
11:30 am	Registration in Marcellin Room at Sion - collect your name tag and register for Liturgy in Chapel if you wish to attend
12 noon	Garden Party in Sion Campus grounds Bring your own picnic lunch, drinks, chairs/rug If raining, lunch will be in the building on Raglan Street
1:00-2:15 pm	Sion Convent Building open for guests to say farewell
2:15-2:30 pm	Liturgy in Chapel (If COVID restrictions limit numbers, it will be the nuns attending, followed by registered attendees)

There is no need to reply to this invitation as catering and numbers are not required.

We look forward to seeing you at this event!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

We offer prayers for those who have died **Riley Pearce (Fr Peter's Grand-Nephew), Claudia, Richard, Marie Slattery, Brian Goodison, Fr Bernie O'Brien OMI** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Alessandro Cappozzo, Keith Best, Fr David Quinn**. We pray for those who are sick **Miguel Stehr, Bernard Clancy, Sue Barr, Barry Lyon, Daryl Leggett, Kim Yacoub, Celie Smith, Robert Hopkinson, Fr Brian O'Connor, Joan Whitford, Bill Harkin, Angela Jones, Cynthia Freshwater, Fr Bernard Buckley 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?

Please let us know we'd like to meet you!

NAME:

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## **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

**O Come, let us worship God  
and bow low before the God who made us,  
for he is the Lord our God.**

## **FIRST READING:**

A reading from the book of Job 7:1-4,6-7

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service,  
his time no better than hired drudgery?

Like the slave, sighing for the shade,  
or the workman with no thought but his wages,  
months of delusion I have assigned to me,  
nothing for my own but nights of grief.

Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?'

Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'

Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.

Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed,  
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.

Remember that my life is but a breath,  
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

**The Word of the Lord.**

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.**

Praise the Lord for he is good;  
sing to our God for he is loving;  
to him our praise is due. **(R.)**

The Lord builds up Jerusalem  
and brings back Israel's exiles,  
he heals the broken-hearted,  
he binds up all their wounds.  
He fixes the number of the stars;  
he calls each one by its name. **(R.)**

Our Lord is great and almighty;  
his wisdom can never be measured.

The Lord raises the lowly;  
he humbles the wicked to the dust. **(R.)**

## **SECOND READING**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

**The Word of the Lord.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

He bore our sickness,  
and endured our suffering.

**Alleluia!**

## **GOSPEL**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.**

### **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:**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

First Reading: **Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46**

Second Reading: **1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1**

Gospel: **Mark 1:40-45**

### **MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN CHAPTER HOUSE**

**Mary's Soup Kitchen is held each Thursday**

& serves 'Soup and Sandwiches' from Noon -1.30pm

Tea and Coffee provided.

**At the Chapter House. All welcome.**



### **WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE**

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

**Saturday:** Cathedral - 5.30pm Vigil

**Sunday:** Cathedral - 9:30am

**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