

ST MARY'S PARISH, SALE

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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.



*Third Sunday of Easter, Year B
17 - 18 April 2021*

The Easter Season

The Easter season is an opportunity for us to cultivate a spirit that defines who we are as children of God. So, during this season it is important for us to live in the spirit of Easter. The resurrection of Jesus Christ brings us the paschal joy, a life without fear and an opportunity to live our life with newness.

Joy is a deep-down gladness that cannot be taken away, even in the midst of sorrow. The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus teach us that suffering is transformed through faith in the Risen Christ. With this faith, we are able to hold on to an enduring sense of joy even in the midst of the sadness we experience.

The Resurrection teaches us that God can overcome anything, even death. When the Risen Christ appears to the women at the tomb and later to his disciples, his first words are "Do not be afraid!" (Mt 28:10) These words speak to our hearts, helping us cope with fear. Our faith allows us to trust that God can overcome our most serious problems.

Easter means to live with a sense of newness. The Resurrection of Jesus makes "all things new." (Rev. 21:5) The Easter spirit is a spirit of renewal that enables us to show up at work with a positive attitude, to renew relationships that have been taken for granted, and to express appreciation and affection to those closest to us. It means to see the world through new eyes — God's eyes.

We can use this season of Easter to cultivate an Easter spirit that enables us to be truly Christian: embracing joy, living without fear, and seeing the world again — as if for the first time.

Kind regards
Jithin Anto



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

9.30am Tues 20 April: Liturgy of the Word with Communion

9.30am Wed 21 April: Liturgy of the Word with Communion

9.30am Thu 22 April: Liturgy of the Word with Communion

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism Peter and Charles Hill sons of Byron and Madeline.

Congratulations to the family from us all.

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.

31 CLUB REMINDER for 12 - 18 April. Please pray for vocations.

COUNSELLOR FOR BUSHFIRE RESPONSE PROGRAM, CatholicCare East Gippsland. CatholicCare is seeking a qualified counsellor or psychologist to work in the bush fire affected region in East Gippsland. Full time or part-time, hours negotiable. It is an exciting role working with a small dedicated team within the wider CatholicCare Gippsland suite of services. For further information please phone Denise: 56221188. See CatholicCare Victoria's Careers page for full details www.ccam.org.au/careers

PRIEST AVAILABILITY IN APRIL

Dean Peter and Fr Jithin will be away on retreat from **Monday 19 to Friday 23 April** at Pallotti College Millgrove. The weekday Masses for the week of **20 to 22 April** will be replaced by a minister lead **Liturgy of the Word with Communion**. Mass will be held at **11.00am on Friday 23 April**. This Mass is a funeral Mass for Terry O'Kane. There will be no Reconciliation or Exposition on **Friday 23 April**.

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 REQUIREMENTS: Mass can now be held for up to 140 people in the Cathedral. All standard Covid-19 directives to be strictly followed. Mark your attendance by using the QR code to register or use the sign in sheet. Please social distance and use the hand sanitisers' provided. **Bookings and masks are no longer required to attend most Masses.**

CATHEDRAL OPEN DAILY Churches can be open for private prayer. Please adhere to sanitising and signing in requirements. The Cathedral will be open from **after 9.30am or 11.00am Mass** and closes usually at **5.00pm unless services are being held.**

CHURCHES OF SALE GATHERINGS:

There are a number of opportunities for the churches of Sale to come together in shared prayer - this year 2021:

- **Anzac Day (Sunday 25 April) 11.00am** – at the Sale War Memorial

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. Copies are available from the Cathedral.

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

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

A message from *Aid to the Church in Need Australia*: In many places religious sisters are the custodians of the faith, but often these communities struggle just to live. Across the course of a year ACN supports more than 18,000 religious sisters in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America. Could you help support a religious sister? Visit www.aidtochurch.org/sisters

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.

SACRAMENTS: Confirmation Next weekend, on **Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 April**, the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be presented at Masses in Sale. These children, along with their families and parishioners, will take part in the Rite of Acceptance, promising to fulfill their obligations to the sacramental program and to support each other in prayer. Children will also be presented with their share sheets at all masses which marks the start of their preparation period. **The first Parent/Child workshop will be held on Tuesday 27 April at 4pm or 6pm** in the Assembly Area of the Cathedral. May God bless them as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun 18 April 9.30am Briagolong: **Peter Duggan (A)**

Sat 23 April 9.30am: **Pauline Vermaelen (Birthday Anniversary)**

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,512.00
Presbytery: \$734.20
Credit Cards: \$2,335 (Two weeks)
Direct Debits: \$2,620 (Two weeks)

With thanks from a grateful parish.

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**Mass Timetable this week
Third Sunday of Easter, Year B
17 - 18 April 2021**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 17 April	5.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 18 April	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Briagolong Cathedral Cathedral
NO MONDAY MASS		
Tues 20 April <i>Liturgy of the Word</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
Wed 21 April <i>Liturgy of the Word</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
Thurs 22 April <i>Liturgy of the Word</i>	9.30am	Cathedral
Fri 23 April <i>Funeral Mass Terry O'Kane No Reconciliation & Exposition</i>	11.00am	Cathedral
Saturday 24 April	9.30am 11.00am	Cathedral Loch Sport
<i>Use the QR Reader or the sign in sheets to record your attendance please.</i>	<i>Use hand Sanitiser</i>	<i>Please social distance</i>

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

DIOCESAN LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS:

Three seminars will be held in a central location in the Diocese as follows:
Venue: **St Ita's, Drouin**
Dates:
Saturday, 17 April: God's promise of the Holy Spirit
Saturday, 22 May: New Life in God's Spirit
Saturday, 19 June: Community in the Lord; Commissioning Mass with Bishop Greg
Time: **10.30 am** each day.
"May our Diocesan Life in the Spirit Seminar be an opportunity for us to fan into a flame the gift of God anew (1 Tim 1:6) and renew the gift of our baptism which calls us forth in missionary service."
(Bishop Greg Bennet, Sale Diocese).

COMING TO COMMUNION – COVID RESTRICTIONS

SOCIAL DISTANCING: It is very important dear parishioners we don't become distracted in keeping to the Covid restrictions – especially in keeping to the social distancing directions as we come forward to receive Communion. The Tapes on the floor in the centre isle are there to assist you in keeping to social distancing (1.5 metres).

A practical way of doing this would be to have communicants come forward **one row and one side of the row at a time**. As you look to the Altar, my suggestion is the **right hand side** be the first row to come forward. The procession to communion to start from the **front seat proceeding to the back seat**. I repeat please be conscious to keep your distance in line with the Social distancing directions as per Covid 19. You will notice the tapes on the floor set there to clearly determine our correct distancing. Come to the tape, stop there until the person in front processes on, then and only then proceed in your turn to the next tape and so on, then to the Priest to receive Holy Communion.
Once the back row of the right hand side is reached, then the back row on the left hand side falls in behind (start from the back row proceeding to the front row of the left hand side).

I am grateful for your co-operation. Should you be available after Mass, would you be so kind as to help in the wiping down of seats and doors and windows – there will be a person to guide you in what is necessary to do – please don't wait to be asked this would be a great help to them. Let us not take their generosity in cleaning and sanitising, for granted. The best way we can show our appreciation is by offering to ease their load.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

We offer prayers for those who have died **Terry O'Kane, Claire Cornwell, Joan Quigley, John Bergin snr, Robert Hopkinson**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Peter Duggan, Pam Meehan, Josephine Carubia, Fr Richard Buckley, Fr John McCormack, Fr John McCann, Fr Michael Hallinan, Fr Thomas Hurley, Fr Maurice Hoyne**. We pray for those who are sick **Harold Hopkins, Peter Kerr, Troy Barney, Noreen Waud, Diliana Toonen, Mary Bailey, Barbara Webster, Miguel Stehr, Bernard Clancy, Daryl Leggett, Kim Yacoub, Celie Smith, Joan Whitford, Bill Harkin, Angela Jones, Cynthia Freshwater 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: _____
ADDRESS: _____
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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:

**Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! **(R.)**

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. **(R.)**

'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. **(R.)**

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **(R.)**

SECOND READING :

A reading from the first letter of St John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours, but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments, is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.
But when anyone does obey what he has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**The Christ had to suffer and on the third day
to rise from the dead;
in his name repentance and remission of sins
must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.**



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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:

Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B

First Reading: **Acts 4:8-12**
Second Reading: **1 John 3:1-2**
Gospel: **John 10:11-18**

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN

CHAPTER HOUSE

Mary's Soup Kitchen Thursdays

'Soup and Sandwiches' from Noon -1.30pm

Tea and Coffee provided. **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 Sundays of the Month)

Sunday Stratford - 9.30am (1st & 5th Sundays of the Month)

Sunday. Briagolong - 9.30am (3rd Sunday of the Month)

Sunday: Cathedral - 5.30pm

Please check the bulletin each week for weekday Mass times.