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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 psale@cdsale.org.au.



Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B 24 - 25 April 2021

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY **WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS**

Today is the World Day of Vocations. Pope Francis tells us: "There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him. Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood."

Pope Francis – Message for 2021 World Day of Vocations. Saint Joseph:

"The Dream of Vocation 'God looks on the heart (cf. 1 Sam 16:7), and in Saint Joseph he recognized the heart of a father, able to give and generate life in the midst of daily routines. Vocations have this same goal: to beget and renew lives every day. The Lord desires to shape the hearts of fathers and mothers: hearts that are open, capable of great initiatives, generous in self-giving, compassionate in comforting anxieties and steadfast in strengthening hopes.' 'The priesthood and the consecrated life greatly need these qualities nowadays, in times marked by fragility but also by the sufferings due to the pandemic, which has spawned uncertainties and fears about the future and the very meaning of life. Saint Joseph comes to meet us in his gentle way, as one of "the saints next door". At the same time, his strong witness can guide us on the journey.' "

A prayer request:

We remember to pray for all our young people in our Diocese and their future. They are the present, future, and hope of the Church. God has a plan and hope for all of them to live out their vocational call whatever that may be whether that be marriage, the single life, and also amongst them are some who would make good priests or religious.

Holy Hours with prayer before the Blessed Sacrament are good opportunities for the parish to gather in silence to listen, discern and pray for the future of our young people. Let us support them and those entrusted to their formation especially parents, educators and role models, with our prayers.

FORMATION OF FUTURE SHEPHERDS

Following the ordination of three priests for our Diocese in December, we only have one now in formation at our provincial seminary, Corpus Christi College in Carlton. He is Mark Hughes of Cranbourne. To see photos and information about Mark and all the seminarians, go to www.corpuschristicollege.org.au

On the drop down menu, click on Seminarians under Our People. Mark is pictured in the 6th year group. He will be giving his vocation story this weekend in the newest Parish of our Diocese, St Thomas Apostle at Clyde North. Donations to the Bursary Fund supports Mark's formation and training.

While God continues to call people to be Shepherds after the heart of the Good Shepherd, please continue to pray that they will be moved to hear the call. And, respond generously, trusting that this will be a fulfilling way for them to live their response to God's love for them. Fr Michael Willemsen (Vocations Director)

Enquiry Day for prospective Seminarians Corpus Christi College - 22nd May 2021

An Enquiry Day for any young man who is interested to know more about a Diocesan Priestly vocation will be held at Corpus Christi College, Carlton for all the Diocese of the Province. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Fr Michael Willemsen at St Mary's, Bairnsdale. "The saints next door". At the same time, his strong witness can guide us on the journey.' "

Our Education of the Seminarians Bursary Fund Collection will be held next weekend on Saturday 2 May and Sunday 3 May at all Parish Churches.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday 25 April 11.00am: Anzac Day service at Sale War Memorial.

Thurs 1 May at 4.45pm: Serra Club Mass

Thurs 8 May 1.30pm: Liturgy Group Meeting

Wed 19 May 7pm: Parish Pastoral Council meeting

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.

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. For further information please phone Denise: 56221188. See CatholicCare Victoria's Careers page for full details www.ccam.org.au/careers

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: This year our last gathering for 2021: will be **Anzac Day this Sunday 25 April 11.00am** – at the Sale War Memorial

LITURGY GROUP MEETING will be held at **1.30pm on Thursday 6 May** in the Presbytery.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL meeting will be held on **Wednesday 19 May at 7pm**. If you have any issues you would like to be discussed please contact one of the representatives who are listed on the front page of this bulletin.

SACRAMENTS: Confirmation This 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 next 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.

COMING TO COMMUNION – COVID

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 aisle 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**. 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 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.

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.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND An opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication. Come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing! The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. The next residential weekend is on **21 -23 May 2021** in Wantima South. (Book early to avoid disappointment). Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

PLEASE REMEMBER that each **1st Thursday** our Serra Club is fully present at the **5.00pm Mass** preceded by the Rosary that commences at **4.45pm**. The **9.30 am Mass on Saturdays** is for vocations to the Priesthood and to the Religious life - we remember also in these masses - our deceased Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious who over the history of our diocese have served as faithful good-shepherds and religious, planting the seed of God's love in many hearts. **31 CLUB REMINDER** for 25 April - 2 May. Please pray for vocations.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun 25 Apr 9.30am: Rosa & John Centra (A's)

Sun 25 Apr 5.30pm: John Pritchett (A)

Wed 28 Apr 11.00am: Patricia Howard (A)

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.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,200.00

Presbytery: \$773.15

Credit Cards: \$0

Direct Debits: \$1,175.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

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**Mass Timetable this week
Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B
24 - 25 April 2021**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 24 April	11.00am 5.30pm	Loch Sport Cathedral
Sunday 25 April	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Rosedale Cathedral Cathedral
NO MONDAY MASS		
Tues 27 April	9.30am	Cathedral
Wed 28 April	9.30am	Cathedral
Thurs 29 April	9.30am	Cathedral
Fri 30 April	11.00am 11.30am	Cathedral Cathedral
Reconciliation & Exposition		
Saturday 1 May	9.30am	Cathedral
<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*



ANZAC DAY APRIL 25


On the 25th April – ANZAC DAY – We remember all those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in war. As each year passes by, the brave young men of WW1 pass from our sight to become legends of the future. Anzac Day is a time for all of us to stop and reflect on the tremendous efforts and sacrifice of our Diggers to keep the freedom we enjoy today. WW1 affected nearly every Australian Family – parents, wives, brothers, sisters and friends were left to mourn the heavy losses for the rest of their lives. Australia lost a whole generation of men 58,961 were never to come home and 166,811 were casualties coming home from the war with broken minds, bodies and hearts. The terrible heartbreak may have lessened with each generation – we can now talk more easily about war – but many of our grandmothers, great grandmothers' families wouldn't speak of it – the pain of remembering was just too much. For many years ANZAC DAY MARCHES slowly declined – but now we see an increased interest and our crowds are filled with young faces. Remembering and honouring our ANZAC memory is a wonderful thing to do. 'Do you think that we'd forget our mate, with the slow march of years? That as time passes we'd wipe the slate, of your sorrow and your tears. Do you think we'd scorn your sacrifice, find no honour in the dead, when your lives paid our freedoms price, how then could we forget? And that's the Diggers legacy, the freedom we hold yet. We never can repay them. And we should never forget.' (Written by the man who wrote "And the Band played Waltzing Matilda", Eric Bogle). Lest We forget.

Let us pray: Gracious and loving God, the cross of Christ is the sign of your desire for justice and peace for all. Open our minds to your vision as we remember all who suffered through Australia and New Zealand's involvement in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations. Grant all servicepersons who sacrificed health and life for the good of all, the gift of your deep peace. May we who inherit the freedom for which they fought become instruments of your peace in our homes, workplaces and world. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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).

**Corpus Christi College and Catholic Theological College
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL, Sunday 3 May 2021**

 CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE UNIVERSITY OF DIVINITY	<p><i>Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal</i> Your (tax deductible) donation will support the living arrangements and education for the Corpus Christi College seminarians.</p>	
Donate via our website: www.ctc.edu.au		

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

We offer prayers for those who have died **Malcolm Hole (Margaret Hickey's brother), Terry O'Kane, Claire Cornwell, Joan Quigley, John Bergin snr, Robert Hopkinson**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Patricia Howard, John Pritchett, Sr Teresa Lyne, Rosa Centra, John Centra Fr Maurice Hoyne, Fr Tim O'Brien**. We pray for those who are sick **Harold Hopkins, Peter Kerr, Troy Barney, Noreen Waud, Diliaana 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.**

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

FIRST READING:

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**The stone rejected by the builders
has become the cornerstone.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:

it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes. **(R.)**

I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**

Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;
and you are my saviour.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end. **(R.)**

SECOND READING :

A reading from the first letter of John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd.

The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.**

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

READINGS NEXT WEEK:
Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B

First Reading: **Acts 9:26-31**
Second Reading: **1 John 3:18-24**
Gospel: **John 15:1-8**

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.