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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.



Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B

1 - 2 May 2021

BUILDING COMMUNITY

'I am the vine you are the branches'

Jesus wrote no books. He left no buildings or monuments behind. He did something greater – he built a community. 'I am the vine, you are the branches.'

This was the image he used to describe the community he had founded. The branches need the vine. Cut off from the vine the branches wither and die. Just as the branches need the vine, so do we need Christ. Jesus is alive and present in each sacrament, Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage, Holy Orders and Anointing of the Sick. He who is the vine, is truly present in each Sacrament.

Last weekend we, in our Cathedral Masses, promised prayer support for our young people preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation to be administered by Bishop Gregory Bennet on Pentecost Weekend 22nd/23rd May.

To help our recall Jennifer Fitzgerald has kindly left the Confirmation program on display on the Assembly area windows. They outline the similarities of the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. The steps in Baptism and Confirmation are so similar. Viewing them we ask that within our own spirit and heart, our sense of vision and mission as a disciple of the Lord, deepens our prayers for these young people whose first names are displayed also. View the display and pray 'Send them O Lord, The Holy Spirit, The Paraclete, give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety, fill them with the spirit of fear of the lord, Through Christ our Lord. Amen. - Desire these gifts anew in the Lord, build our Cathedral Community. Deepen your heart's desire to know each parishioner more. 'God has called you by your name you are mine.' Bishop Eugene Hurley who led our Priest's retreat last week, said 'If you don't walk with each other how can you know each other'. It is important to engage with people by knowing their name.

Pope John Paul who came to Australia all those years ago to the world youth gathering in Sydney said when greeting the young people – 'my dear young people I have been praying for you AND NOW WE ARE TOGETHER; I have been praying for you that these weeks for us will be a very fruitful time together.' It is our turn, as our young people are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation – WE ARE TOGETHER Let us pray for them, their sponsors and their families in these weeks of their preparation for Confirmation.

Gather before the display on the windows, enlighten your minds with thoughts to inspire your hearts, let us renew our Confirmation journey LET US BUILD COMMUNITY - Spirit of the Living God – Fall afresh on us, melt us, mould us, heal us, use us, Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on us.

*Love and Care always
Dean Peter*

PARISH CALENDAR

Thurs 6 May at 4.45pm: Serra Club Mass
Thurs 8 May 1.30pm: Liturgy Group Meeting
Wed 19 May 7pm: Parish Pastoral Council meeting.

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This Sunday at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome Brody and Chloe Dessent children of Jordan and Casey, as well as Isaac and Sebastian Lazzaro sons of Bryan and Kerryn who will be baptised immediately after **9.30am Mass**. At **5.30pm Mass** we welcome for Baptism Claire and Sophie Ryan daughters of David and Eva, as well as Liam Van Der Velden son of Brett and Jennifer. Congratulations to the families from us all.

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. 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.**

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.

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

SOCIAL DISTANCING requires no more than 3 people to a seat. Of course, families are exempt from this requirement. Social distancing requirements should still be taken into account as you find your seat. Thank you for your cooperation through this time.

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 Wantirna South. (Book early to avoid disappointment). Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au. Website : wwme.org.au

SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on **Thursday 6 May at 4.45pm for Rosary and 5.00pm Mass** followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies can be made to Irene Robertson 0428 992 576. **31 CLUB REMINDER** for 3 - 9 May. Please pray for vocations.

MARIAN DAY In honour of Our Lady, there will be a Marian Day at **St. Brigid's, Cowsarr on Saturday, May 8**. Beginning at **9am** with Adoration and confession, the **first Reflection will be at 11am. Mass at midday and Second reflection at 2pm**. The day will conclude with the **Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm**. BYO lunch, tea and coffee will be supplied.

LEGION OF MARY meet in the Chapter House from **10.30am each Wednesday**. All welcome.

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.*

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, many hearts.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 1 May 5.30pm: Francis Matthews (A)
Sun 2 May 9.30am: Raquel Waite (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: \$1,209.00
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Credit Cards: \$110.00
Direct Debits: \$764.00

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**Mass Timetable this week
Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B
1 - 2 May 2021**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 1 May	5.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 2 May	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Stratford Cathedral Cathedral
NO MONDAY MASS		
Tues 4 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Wed 5 May	9.15am 9.30am	Stratford Cathedral
Thurs 6 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Serra Club Mass	5.00pm	Cathedral
Fri 7 May	11.00am	Cathedral
Reconciliation & Exposition	11.30am	Cathedral
Saturday 8 May	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.*



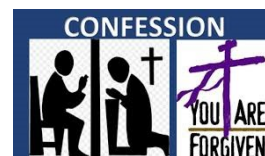
By Pope Francis

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to the children who made their First Reconciliation in March:

Molly Brayshaw	Felicity Burley
Zoe Cahill	Chloe Covino
Matilda Dower	Jack Donnelly
Oliver Dresser	Grace Fleming
Indy Foster	Asher Garoni
Piper Hanratty	Beth Kelly
Larissa Kemp	Erin King
Alexander Lavender	Hayden Lazzaro
Kaidan Mihalik	Tori Nikolic
Charli Paterson	Lavinia Ross
Angelina Ryan	Kobi Scicluna
Alyssa Short	Erin Smith
Remy Stevenson	

We hope you all continue to enjoy your Sacramental Journey.



DIOCESAN LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS:

Two more seminars will be held in a central location in the Diocese as follows:

Venue: **St Ita's, Drouin**

Dates:

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).

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

We offer prayers for those who have died **Nick Turra (Marie Centra's brother), Malcolm Hole, Terry O'Kane, Claire Cornwell**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Francis Matthews, Raquel Waite, Fr James Martin, Dean James Hegarty**. 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!

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

**O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.
May their hearts live for ever and ever! **(R.)**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **(R.)**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.' **(R.)**

SECOND READING :

A reading from the first letter of St John 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord;
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,
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:

Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year B

First Reading: **Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48**

Second Reading: **1 John 4:7-10**

Gospel: **John 15:9-17**

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.