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Jennifer Fitzgerald, Filomena Padula, Nelly Coomber, Margaret Shirreffs, Len Althaus, Andrew Liyanage

**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](mailto:psale@cdsale.org.au).



## *The ASCENSION of the LORD, Year B* 15 - 16 May 2021

### **SAFEGUARDING - SAFE PARISHES**

When we were baptised (you and I) the decision to be part of God's family was made for us by our parents and godparents. It was a communal commitment together - priest, baptismal family and the congregation.

By your presence here today, you have chosen to remain part of that commitment.

The Priest cannot do it all by himself. We need to take up the roles as we did before and become involved in our Parish again.

In the past Parishioners put up their hand to read the word of God, help with the distribution of communion, welcome people at the entrance of the church with a smile and hand out the parish bulletin. These were the people we saw but there were also people we didn't see. They were the sacristans, cleaners, gardeners, the ladies who did the flowers for the Church, the counters, the office staff - running the day-to-day activities of the Parish and the sacramental co-ordinators. The Priest is further supported by the Finance Committee, the Pastoral Council, Legion of Mary (visitation) and Mary's Soup Kitchen.

As a result of the Royal Commission into Child Abuse, which now includes care for vulnerable adults, new laws and regulations have been put in place in regard to volunteering your time in the Parish. These changes have the full support of the Australian Bishop's Conference

From now on, every parishioner encouraged to put their hand up and volunteer in **ANY** capacity, will have to obtain a Working with Children Check (card), read and sign the Parish's Code of Conduct (every year) and complete an on-line computer module outlining the importance of the new legislation and what it entails. There will be help available for those who do not have access to a computer or who are not comfortable using one.

This is a real commitment. Take the time to think what I can do to help protect some of the members of my Parish Family. Step up and open your heart.

Parish Safeguarding Officers,  
Lorel Donnelly and Bill Smolenaars.

*Safe Parishes Notice:- Please read carefully,*

*We are indebted to Lorel Donnelly and Bill Smolenaars for this latest advice for our update and information.*

*I know this can be confronting but the Catholic Church is committed to implementing these requirements as set out by the Royal Commission. These directives are very important to safe-guarding vulnerable young, families, and the elderly and all in need within our parish and communities. I respectfully encourage everyone to get behind these suggestions. I'm hopeful you will continue your generous role in the Ministries that help the smooth running of the Cathedral Parish and the important service we pastorally and liturgically provide throughout the parish.*

*With prayers and love,  
Dean Peter*

## PARISH CALENDAR

**Tue 18 May 6pm:** Confirmation Reconciliation  
**Tues 18 May 1.30pm:** Liturgy Group meeting  
**Wed 19 May 7pm:** Parish Pastoral Council meeting.  
**Sat 22 May 5.30pm CONFIRMATION**  
**Sun 23 May 9.30am: CONFIRMATION**  
**Sun 30 May 2.00pm:** Stratford Ecumenical Service

**RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM:** This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome Dakota Edwards daughter of Terry & Mary Chiller, Benjamin Wroe son of Chris & Shelley, Maya Mason daughter of Steve & Vanna and Stephanie Covino daughter of Peter & Nyssa. Congratulations to the families from us all.

**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.

**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. Please remember social distancing as you go up to receive communion or a blessing. Thank you for your cooperation through this time.

**PLEASE NOTE** well beforehand – The Mass on **Tuesday 25 May will be at 5.00pm** not 9.30am as both Priests have meeting commitments away from the Parish that morning.

**UNWELL PARISHIONERS** Would Parishioners who know of those who have become unwell within the Parish please contact your Priests so that pastoral care and the sacrament of the sick may be administered Phone 5144 4100

**31 CLUB REMINDER** for 17 to 23 May. Please pray for vocations.

## PRAYING FOR AN END TO THE PANDEMIC COVID 19

Rosary is being recited every day in the **Month of May: Pope Francis has invited all Catholic Parishes around the world to pray the Rosary, for an end to the worldwide Pandemic Covid 19. I am pleased so many have entered into the praying of the Rosary as they enter into our Churches. (Our Lady of the Rosary's Month of May). It is heart-warming to hear everyone together praying this beautiful prayer. The Rosary commences a quarter of an hour before the Mass, enabling all parishioners to participate in this prayer praying for an end to the world pandemic – Covid 19**

**CONFIRMATION: Reconciliation before Confirmation** will be held this **Tuesday 18 May at 6pm** in the Cathedral. Please come and support our many students – who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation at either the 5.30pm Saturday Evening Vigil Mass – Pentecost Weekend and next Sunday Pentecost Sunday at the 9.30am Mass. We will have the pleasure of having Bishop Gregory Bennet who will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**WANTED: LOVING MARRIED COUPLES** Become a Sponsor couple. SmartLoving is a Catholic marriage ministry and is calling for enthusiastic married couples to journey with an engaged couple as they prepare to be married in the Catholic Church. Find out more at this free information session: **Wed, 19 May - 7.30pm AEST** [www.smartloving.org/webinars](http://www.smartloving.org/webinars)

**STRATFORD ECUMENICAL SERVICE** Invitation to Our Ecumenical Service **30 May 2021 at 2pm** St Patrick's Church Stratford Please join us for a liturgy & afternoon tea. Parishioners please bring a plate of food to share.

## 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.*

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** thank you to our very generous parishioners who raised \$1,052.50 at very short notice for victims of the Coronavirus pandemic in India. Well done to all.

**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).

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sat 15 May 5.30pm:** Alfredo Segafredo (A)  
**Wed 19 May 10.30am:** Harold and Vera Trew (A's)  
**Fri 21 May 11.00am:** Katie Long (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:** \$2,122.00  
**Presbytery:** \$867.10  
**Credit Cards:** \$30.00  
**Direct Debits:** \$1,620.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

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**Mass Timetable this week  
The ASCENSION of the LORD, Year B  
15 - 16 May 2021**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 15 May	5.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 16 May	9.30am	Stratford
	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
<b>NO MONDAY MASS</b>		
Tues 18 May	9.30am	Cathedral
<i>Reconciliation before Confirmation</i>	6.00pm	Cathedral
Wed 19 May		
<i>Funeral Mass Johanna Maley</i>	1.00pm	Cathedral
Thurs 20 May	9.30am	Cathedral
<i>Funeral Mass June Foster</i>	1.00pm	Cathedral
Fri 21 May	11.00am	Cathedral
<i>Reconciliation &amp; Exposition</i>	11.30am	Cathedral
Saturday 22 May	9.30am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Loch Sport
<b>CONFIRMATION</b>	5.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 23 May	9.30am	Briagolong
<b>CONFIRMATION</b>	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	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*

**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Fr Peter celebrates his 47th anniversary of Priesthood on **Tuesday May 18**. The **9.30am Mass** will be a mass of thanksgiving for all the blessings I have received throughout these many years – Father Peter on that day and throughout all these years has recited the Peace Prayer of St Francis and wanted these sentiments to mature and be present in his priesthood.

**Peace Prayer of St Francis**

Lord make me an instrument of your peace  
Where there is hatred/ et me sow love  
where there is injury/pardon  
where there is doubt/ faith  
where there is despair/hope  
where there is darkness/light  
and where there is sadness/joy \*

O Divine Master/grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console  
to be understood as to understand. To be loved as to Love \*

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned and, it is in dying that we are born to eternal life \*

St Francis of Assisi



“They were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other Apostles, Brothers - what then must we do?” Acts 2:37

The National Catholic Men’s Gathering for 2021 will be launched online on **Saturday 31 July**.  
Join a diocesan group with your Bishop, or with your Men’s Ministry/Parish group or individually.  
Three sessions will be provided online, along with reflection questions for group discussion or individual reflection.

**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: [www.catholicmensgathering.com.au](http://www.catholicmensgathering.com.au)**  
**Program: Available from Saturday 31 July 2021**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

We offer prayers for those who have died **Frank Costa, Johanna Maley, June Foster, Bill Plozza, Noreen Waud, Nick Turra**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Alfredo Segafredo, Harold Trew, Vera Trew, Katie Long, Fr Robert Mead, Fr Martin Roche**. We pray for those who are sick **Harold Hopkins, Peter Kerr, Troy Barney, Dilianna 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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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

**Men of Galilee, why gaze at in wonder at the heavens?  
This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven  
will return as you saw him go, alleluia.**

**FIRST READING:**

A reading from the Act of the Apostles 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.' As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

**The Word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:  
a blare of trumpets from the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands,  
cry to God with shouts of joy!

For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,  
great king over all the earth. **(R.)**

God goes up with shouts of joy;  
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

Sing praise for God, sing praise,  
sing praise to our king, sing praise. **(R.)**

God is king of all the earth.

Sing praise with all your skill.

God is king over the nations;

God reigns on his holy throne. **(R.)**

**SECOND READING :**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

**The Word of the Lord.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
Go and teach all people my gospel.  
I am with you always, until the end of the world.  
**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 16:15-20

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.' And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

**Behold, I am with you always,  
even to the end of the age, 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:**  
**PENTECOST SUNDAY, YEAR B**  
First Reading: **Acts 2:1-11**  
Second Reading: **Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 (from Year A)**  
Gospel: **John 20:19-23 (from Year A)**

**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.**