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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.



*Thirty first Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
30 - 31 October 2021*

Gospel Mark: 12:28-34

LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD - LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR AS YOURSELF

Spiritual writers tell us that Jesus' command to Love our neighbour is so closely linked to his command to Love God that if we ignore our brother and sister we will soon ignore God also. In fact we will soon lose contact with God and our own immortal soul. There's a popular saying that expresses this point graphically. It says I sought my soul but my soul I could not see. I sought my God but God eluded me. I sought my brother/sister and found all three.

The key to loving contact with God and with our soul is loving contact with our neighbour. Today's gospel contains one of the most important teachings in all of the gospels: As such, it invites us to ask one of the most important questions we can ever ask ourselves.

How loving are we toward ALL members of our family? If the answer is "not very loving," then we are probably not very loving in our approach to God.

On the other hand, if we are loving toward ALL members of our own family, then we are probably loving in our approach to our neighbour. And if we are loving in our approach to our neighbour, we are probably loving in our approach to God.

A daughter prompted by the passing of her dear Mother wrote this letter on Facebook in part it reads: "Mom lived nearby. It would have been easy for me to drop in for a cuppa and a hug...". When I called Mum over the phone our conversation was brief and hurried. I feel ashamed when I think of the times I cut her short with "Sorry I have to run.!....."

"The world is full of daughters like me. I hope many of them will see this...and profit from it."

Many of us can relate I'm sure to this young daughter's remarks. We too have treated our parents or our children or people who need our love and affection in a similar way.

Today's gospel is therefore an invitation to each of us to take inventory of our lives and ask ourselves if, perhaps, we may be like this young daughter who wrote this letter on Facebook. If we are then, today's gospel is a challenge from Jesus himself to treat our neighbours with our time our heart and our love.

Where there is no love, let us sow love and we will reap love.

Where there is no love, let us put on love and we will find love.

I sought God and him I did not see. I sought my soul but it eluded me.

I sought my neighbour AND FOUND ALL THREE.

Remember to ask - R U O K

Love and blessing always

Dean Peter

PARISH CALENDAR

Events may change due to Covid Restrictions

Mon 1 Nov: All Saints Day

Tues 2 Nov: All Souls Day

21 - 22 Nov: First Communion Masses

26 Nov: Ecumenical Advent Conversation

NEW COVID DIRECTIONS commencing this weekend 30 to 31 October 2021.

We are pleased to be able to gather once again for the Eucharist and prayer under the guidelines of the Chief Health Office.

We ask that you kindly use the QR code provided which indicates your attendance and validates your vaccination status. If you do not have a mobile phone, please sign in providing name, contact detail and verifying your vaccination status.

We are also celebrating Masses for 20 parishioners at the Cathedral at 5.30pm each Sunday – for all people vaccinated or not. Weekdays Masses will continue to be for 20 people regardless of vaccination status.

We thank you for your respectful care of your sisters and brothers in faith. We thank all our people who sanitise our Cathedral and parish churches each week and would encourage more Parishioners to stop behind and assist with the sanitising process.

RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism Larrah Atienza daughter of Leonard & Jennifer. Congratulations to the family from us all.

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION The First Communion Program continues in the Parish. Children will attend a **Commitment Mass** with their families over the next few weekends. The next meeting will be a **parent/child workshop** on **Tuesday 9 November at 4.00pm** for 20 people and at **6.00pm in the assembly area of the Cathedral.**

31 CLUB REMINDER for 1 - 7 November 2021. Please pray for vocations

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

SYNOD OF BISHOPS if you would like more information about the Synod on Synodality 2023 you can find it at the Australian website:

<https://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>.

You may wish to access some of the following resources already available from the site:

- A captivating and easy-to-understand video explaining the Synod process (produced by the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation)

- The Synod of Bishops prayer (A4 and A5 versions) and a link to the Prayer in other languages.

- The Synod of Bishops logo

- Links to the Official Synod of Bishops website

- Links to Australian media articles

THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH Saint Joseph in Art. The Spirit of Joseph builds community. Liturgy 'Joseph the Worker: providing for all'. A time to think, reflect, & share our insights. Hatch plans to build up our parish communities SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL 2 Rowell St, Morwell (Park in the school yard) **Wednesday November 17th 7.30 pm – 9pm** Book by ringing Mike Hansen: 0417243703 Light Supper

INVITATION TO CATECHIST RETREAT DAY

You are invited to a Retreat day for all catechists, those involved in Children's Liturgy and friends. Where: Synan Room, Sion House, Witton Street Warragul. When: **Saturday 6th November, time to be confirmed.** Presenter: Sr. Mary Raeburn (Order of the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion) Theme: "Life has times of orientation, disorientation and reorientation; The Psalms and My Life." The day will be free of charge. If you are able attend, please contact Barbara Durand by 2nd November: Mobile 0414 965 079 Email – BarbaraD@sale.catholic.org.au Sr. Mary Raeburn is a member of the French Order of the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion. She currently teaches at Yarra Theological College and has a passion for the Psalms. She has also taught Biblical Studies at Ecco Homo in Jerusalem. PLEASE NOTE: To attend you need to be double vaccinated. Lunch will be catered for, but something for morning tea will be appreciated.

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.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION TO ST JOSEPH

O dearest St. Joseph,
I consecrate myself to thy honour
and give myself to thee,
that thou mayest always be my father,
my protector,
and my guide in the way of salvation.
Obtain for me a great purity of heart
and a fervent love of the interior life.
After thine example, may I do all my
actions
for the greater glory of God,
in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus
and the Immaculate Heart of Mary!
And do thou, O Blessed St. Joseph,
pray for me that I may share in the peace
and joy of thy holy death.
Amen.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun 31 Oct 9.30am: Kevin Maxfield (A)
Tues 2 Nov 9.30am: Ern Durrant (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:	\$767.00
Presbytery:	\$717.10
Credit Cards:	\$30.00
Direct Debits & Credits:	\$1,125.00
Cathedral EFTpos:	\$50.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

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**Mass Timetable this week
Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
30 - 31 October 2021**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 30 October	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	7.00pm	Rosedale
Sunday 31 October	9.30am	Stratford
Livestream Mass	9.30am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS		
Monday 1 November	9.30am	Cathedral
ALL SAINTS DAY		
Tuesday 2 November	9.30am	Cathedral
ALL SOULS DAY	5.30pm	Cathedral
Wednesday 3 November	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 4 November	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 5 November	11.00am	Cathedral
Reconciliation & Exposition	11.30am	Cathedral
WEEKEND		
Saturday 6 November	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	7.00pm	Rosedale
Sunday 7 November	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Stratford
	11.00am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
<i>Use the QR Reader to record your attendance please.</i>	<i>Use hand Sanitiser</i>	<i>Please social distance</i>

Victorian Covid-19 Restrictions for Places of Worship

From 6:00pm on Friday 29 October 2021:

- Face Covering must be worn indoors
Hygiene precautions must be maintained at all levels
Parishes should update and have their COVID-safe plans available

If everyone is fully vaccinated:

Up to 500 people can attend Masses, Weddings, Funerals and Religious liturgies indoors (DQ 4), OR outdoors (DQ 2).

If vaccination status is unknown:

Up to 30 people can attend a religious service per facility (DQ4).
Up to 30 people can attend a funeral per facility (DQ4), and those necessary to conduct the Funeral.

Up to 30 people can attend a wedding per facility (DQ4), and marrying couple plus those needed to conduct the wedding.

Regional Victoria and metropolitan Melbourne will unite and share the same restrictions, enabling people to travel between Melbourne and regional Victoria.

Music ministry – Singing is permitted. It is advisable to limit your music ministry to a small group. Choir must keep physical distancing of at least 2 metres between each person while singing. Keyboards, music stands and instruments should be cleaned between Masses. Congregation should be encouraged to either refrain from singing, or to do so softly without removing their masks. **Please note: Victorian places of worship must use the Victorian Government QR Code Service to check-in everyone including workers, customers and visitors.** A COVID Check-in Marshal must be present at all public entrances whenever the facility is operational. You must display signage at each public entry to indoor and outdoor spaces. This must show the venue capacity and that face mask restrictions apply. You must also display Service Victoria QR codes at each public entrance to indoor and outdoor spaces. Reusable and communal resources such as prayer/service sheets, religious texts may be used but ensure they are cleaned between uses. Devotional items may be left in place but should be venerated in ways that do not involve touching or kissing them (such as by bowing or other faith appropriate action).

Bishop's Note: If possible 'Unknown Vaccination Status' Masses should be offered in each Parish to enable the faithful to attend. This must be judged on your pastoral context: e.g. weekday, Sunday etc

Understanding fines and enforcement: Ensure you comply with current restrictions and advice from the Victorian Chief Health Officer. You may need to provide evidence of your compliance, including your updated COVIDSafe Plan, work premises rosters, time and attendance data, and other site attendance records. Victoria Police and Victorian Department of Health Authorised Officers regularly check to ensure compliance with current restrictions

INVITATION TO AN ECUMENICAL ADVENT CONVERSATION

Bishop Richard Treloar, Anglican Bishop of Gippsland and Bishop Greg Bennet, Catholic Bishop of Sale invite clergy and lay people from both Dioceses to join them for an Advent Conversation – a seasonal study of Luke, titled 'Prepare the way of the Lord; Ecumenical Reflections on the Advent readings in Year C.'

The Conversation will be led by Biblical Scholars from the University of Divinity, Melbourne: The Rev'd Dr Robert Derrenbacker, Frank Woods Associate Professor in New Testament, Trinity College Theological School, and The Rev'd Fr Francis Obo, Lecturer in Biblical Studies, Yarra Theological College and parish Priest of St Michael's Traralgon.

There will be time for those present to participate. **Friday 26 November 2021 10.30am – 3.30pm. A light lunch will be served. Catering charge \$20 per person. 1-25 First Parade, Raymond Island 3880.**

RSVP 19 November 2021. Booking essential for catering purposes. Phone: The Abbey on (03) 5156 6580 Email: info@theabbey.org.au

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

We offer prayers for those who have died **Kevin Robinson, Vincenzina Minchella** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Pat Corcoran, Kevin Maxfield, Ern Durrant, Fr Peter Curran, Fr Patrick Sterling**. Please pray for those who are sick **Fr Brian O'Connor, Andrew Geary, Gabriel Hall, Connie Tantaró, Dawn Carroll, Helen Cantwell, Anthony Lee, Michael McGrath, Harold Hopkins, Peter Kerr, Troy Barney, Miguel Stehr, Bernard Clancy, Kim Yacoub, Celie Smith, Bill Harkin, 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:

**Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: "If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow. Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart."

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I love you Lord, my strength.

I love you Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour,
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. / *R.*

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. / *R.*

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests, under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes now came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God'. And after that no one dared to question him any more.

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.**

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:

Thirty second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

1st Reading: **1 Kings 17:10-16**

2nd Reading: **Hebrews 9: 24-28**

Gospel: **Mark 12:38-44**

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN

CHAPTER HOUSE

Mary's Soup Kitchen Thursdays

'Soup and Sandwiches' from Noon -1.00pm

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

Saturday: Rosedale - 7.00pm

Sunday: Cathedral - 9.30am, 11.00am and 5.30pm

Sunday: Stratford - 9.30am (1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the Month)

Sunday: Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month)

Please check the bulletin each week for weekday Mass times.