

ST MARY'S PARISH, SALE

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Fr Francis, Fr Jithin, Lorel Donnelly, Jennifer Fitzgerald, Filomena Padula, Anita Little, Carmel Kuizenga,

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Safeguarding Statement: Our Parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children,



Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year C 7 - 8 May 2022

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

This Sunday is traditionally referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. However, the readings for today focus more on the flock than on the shepherd. The overarching theme appears to be unity in diversity. Placing this theme within the context of the Easter season, we might refocus it slightly and suggest that today we celebrate the presence of the Risen Lord in communities of difference.

Unity in diversity is first found in the divine union of the Trinity. All other models of unity flow from it. Both the first and the second readings depict communities made up of people from every nation, race, people and tongue, Jews and Gentile alike. This is precisely the makeup of most communities today. Parishes and religious groups that were born with a particular cultural identity have changed in complexion and composition. Despite the obvious differences, all are children of the one God, all are joined in their common confession of faith.

Not everyone is happy with diversity. Some within the early community resented the success of Paul and Barnabas and they tried to turn the people against them. This sounds strangely familiar to us. Religious groups born out of struggle and hard work, that were lovingly nurtured and that grew strong, often resist what they perceived to be the invasion of foreigners. If these people could only take as their model the company of the blessed revealed in John's vision, they would see that those who have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb come from every nation and race and people and tongue.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Tues 10 May: Baptism Preparation 7pm
Chapter House
Wed 11 May: Confirmation Parent/Child
Workshop 4pm or 6pm
Thurs 12 May: Baptism Preparation 7pm
Chapter House
Sat 21 & Sun 22 May: Trinity Families
Leaving Collection at all Masses
Sun 5 June: Confirmation Mass 9.30am
Sun 5 June: First Sunday Cuppa by St Mary's
Primary School 9.30am

SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT If your children are making their sacraments in 2022 you need to collect your forms from the Parish office between 9am & 3pm weekdays. Confirmation enrolments are closed. If you missed the enrolment deadline please call the Parish Office on 5144 4100 and ask to speak to Jennifer Fitzgerald St Mary's Cathedral Parish Sacramental Coordinator. **CONFIRMATION** will be held on **Sunday 5 June at 9.30am**. The Confirmation Parent/Child workshop for those enrolled will be held in the Assembly area of the Cathedral at **4pm & at 6pm on Wednesday 11 May**.

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN will be opening next on Thursday 19 May from **12.00 - 1.00pm** in the Chapter House.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on **Friday 13 May** as Clare will be away. Bulletins will be sent out on **Thursday 12 May** in readiness for the weekend.

TOUR OF BISHOP'S HOUSE AND PRESBYTERY has been postponed until after **Fr Francis returns from leave on Saturday 14 May**.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS will recommence with two planned for May as a catch up. They will be held in the Chapter House on **Tuesday 10 & Thursday 12 May** at 7pm. There will be two sessions each alternate month of the year. Bookings are required and can be made through the Parish Office on 5144 4100.

WALKING IN THE SPIRIT: National Prayer Pilgrimage for the Plenary Council People across the country are invited to participate in a national prayer pilgrimage as the Catholic Church in Australia prepares for the Second Assembly of the 5th Plenary Council of Australia in Sydney from 3-9 July. We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and grace for the Members who will gather and also for ourselves and the Church, that we may have the courage to follow where God is leading us. Access Walking in the Spirit Prayer Resources at:
www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit

MARIAN DAY AT COWWARR: The Ordinariate invites you to come spend a day with Our Lady to celebrate Our Lady of Sorrows/Compassion. **St. Brigid's Church, Cowwarr on Saturday 14 May 2022 9.00am - 3.00pm**

MISSION: Our Lady Help of Christians Parish will be holding a Parish Mission led by Fr Richard Leonard SJ on **Sunday May 22nd**. For information please contact Fr Brendan Hogan or OLHC Parish on (03) 9704 7935 or email to NarreWarren@cdsale.org.au

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION MONTH IN MAY. In 2016 the Catholic Bishops of Victoria released a statement committing themselves to the elimination of domestic and family violence in which they say: Our goal must be a society where all people are safe in their home, families and close relationships; where violence and abuse are not acceptable; and where all relationships respect the equality and dignity of each person. This is part of the Gospel vision of love and respect. With domestic and family violence on the rise, we are all called to work in ways to eliminate this type of violence. The contents of this statement remain relevant as domestic and family violence incidents have increased since 2016. This month, you are invited to read the Bishops 2016 statement to learn more about a Catholic response to Domestic and Family violence. To read the statement, visit <http://www.faithsafe.org.au/images/catholic-kit-family-violence.pdf>.

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.*

PARISH MASSES Please note there will be **no Masses** at Rosedale and Stratford **this weekend only** due to unavailability of Priests.

FORMATION OF FUTURE SHEPHERDS As we look forward to the ordination of Deacon Mark Hughes as priest soon, our Diocese currently has no one in formation at Corpus Christi College in Carlton, the provincial seminary. Please continue to pray for the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest in the Diocese of Sale (Mt 9:38). Currently, we are supporting a young man from Vietnam, who is discerning his vocation to the priesthood for our Diocese, by sponsoring his English language course in Ho Chi Minh city. He is Anthony Nguyen and your donation to the **Bursary Fund** enables us to provide support to Anthony as he journeys through this important preparation phase. While God continues to call people to be Shepherds, we pray that, like Anthony, 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)

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue 10 May 9.30am: Maureen Cantwell (A)

BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office phone 5144 4100.
ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday after Mass 1130am—12.00noon 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:	\$1,411.00
Presbytery:	\$927.85
Credit Cards:	\$1,725.00
Direct Debits & Credits:	\$800.00
Cathedral EFTpos:	\$20.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

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**Mass Timetable this week
Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year C
7 - 8 May 2022**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 7 May <i>Liturgy of the Word</i>	9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Cathedral
Sunday 8 May	9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Cathedral
<i>WEEKDAYS</i>		
Monday 9 May	NO	MASS
Tuesday 10 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 11 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 12 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 13 May	11.00am	Cathedral
Reconciliation & Exposition	11.30am	Cathedral
<i>WEEKEND</i>		
Saturday 14 May	9.30am 11.00am 5.30pm	Cathedral Loch Sport Cathedral
	7.00pm	Rosedale
Sunday 15 May	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Stratford Cathedral Cathedral

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Lord God,
through your creative power you give birth to all
and love all as a mother loves her child.
Bless these women who are mothers.
When they worry for their child,
hold them in your care.
When they work to provide a home for their child,
stand beside them.
If they mourn for their child,
hold them in your love.
When the joy of their child overtakes them,
laugh with them.
Bless them, and may they each be a living symbol
of your love; a symbol to their children and all
who they encounter.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



**BISHOP'S LAUNCH STATEMENT FOR TRINITY
FAMILIES 2022 APPEAL.**



I am delighted to launch the Diocese of Sale Trinity Families 2022 May Appeal. Trinity Families is the charitable arm of the Catholic Diocese of Sale and provides funding through grants to other charities working to provide services and programs for families within the boundaries of the Diocese. Since its inception (originally named Bishop's Family Foundation), Trinity Families has provided over \$2,000,000 in grants. For the past two years this Annual Appeal has been on hold due to the impact of COVID but Trinity Families, through sound management, has still been able to provide grants in 2020 and 2021.

Your donation to the Trinity Families 2022 Appeal will assist with the ongoing support given by Trinity Families throughout the Diocese of Sale. I encourage you to give generously and pray for those who are providing the programs and services.

All donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

A leaving collection will be held on the weekend of 21 & 22 May 2022 at all Parish churches.

**Corpus Christi College and Catholic
Theological College**

 CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE	Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal Your (tax deductible) donation will support the living arrangements and education for the Corpus Christi College seminarians. Donate via:	
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<https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherd-sunday-appeal/>

Date & Time	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader
Sat 7/5 5.30pm	Please offer	Marietta Dykun	Brenda Burditt
Sun 8/5 9.30am	Dalia Ellison	Ann Neville	Nick Hall
Sun 8/5 5.30pm	Please offer	Jennifer Fitzgerald	Brenda Bowden

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

We offer prayers for those who have died **John Harvey, Kevin Jackman**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Maureen Cantwell, Anne Blanks, Noreen Waud, Fr Aneas Hennesy, Mgr Jim O'Mara**. Please pray for those who are sick **John Schroeder, Kempsea Smith, Margaret Lee, Brendan Lee, Fr Tao Pham, Fr Brian O'Connor, Andrew Geary, Gabriel Hall, Dawn Carroll, Anthony Lee, Michael McGrath, Harold Hopkins, Troy Barney, Miguel Stehr, Kim Yacoub, Celie Smith, Bill Harkin 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:

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If you would like to join a Family Group

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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 13:14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **(R.)**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **(R.)**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. **(R.)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

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 10:27-30

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;
I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life they will never be lost
and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,
and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

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**



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Friday from 11.30am —12.00pm
RECONCILIATION: Cathedral
Friday & Saturday morning following Mass

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C

1st Reading: **Acts 14:21-27**

2nd Reading: **Apocalypse 21:1-5**

Gospel: **John 13:31-35**

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN **CHAPTER HOUSE**

Each Thursday fortnight - next 19 May

'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 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.