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EASTER SUNDAY

8 - 9 April 2023

EASTER MESSAGE FROM BISHOP GREG BENNET

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last Sunday we began our entry into Holy Week by our ritual procession to commemorate Jesus' glorious final journey into the city of Jerusalem. We walked with Jesus in order to remember that he always walks with us. We listened and participated in the reading of the Passion according to Saint Matthew reflecting on the many characters whose interaction with Jesus led him to die on a cross and to abandon himself to the will of the Father in his great outpouring of love in the embrace of the wood of the cross. The haunting cry, '*Eli, Eli, sabachthani – my God, my God, why have you deserted me?*' joins with the chorus of women, men and children who throughout the centuries have cried in similar ways under the burden of violence, oppression, marginalisation, illness, fear and in so many ways beside. These final words of Jesus in Matthew's Gospel remind us of his identification with us, and at the same time the profound trust he placed in the Father to hear his cry. As St Paul so beautifully reflects, 'His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave...even to accepting death on a cross' (Phil 2: 6-8).

So dear friends, we enter this Holy Week mindful of the closeness of Jesus who walks with us. We know his death on the cross and been laid in the tomb are not the last word for God raised him on high.

We will wash feet, we will remember the Last Supper as our living memorial of Jesus' presence to us in his Body and Blood, and we will gather to venerate the cross on Good Friday and as we do we bow before him, the one who bows toward us with a loving gaze of hope in our despair, comfort in our sorrow, joy in our sadness, and ultimately with the promise of eternal life in our dying. We will celebrate the never-ending joy of Easter and Jesus' constant presence to us wherever we are.

Pope Francis' invites the Church throughout the world now to walk together in a way that no-one is left behind. He calls the disciples of Jesus to listen deeply to the reality of the questions of peoples' lives and to accompany them in ways which lead to hope, purpose and conversion which leads to the renewal of the Church led by the Holy Spirit. May our celebration of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Day) ignite in us the flame of faith. This is an exciting time for the Diocese of Sale as we take deliberate and intentional steps journeying together as disciples of Jesus Christ.

May the joy of Easter flow throughout our diocese in the hearts of our clergy, religious, families and all those who have been claimed by Jesus the Christ, risen from the dead in history and for history. May Jesus who shattered the darkness of sin and death lead us by his light, truth and love.

*Bishop Greg Bennet,
Catholic Bishop of Sale,
Easter 2023*

PARISH CALENDAR.

Tues 4 - 10 Apr: EASTER WEEK SERVICES

- refer to timetable on opposite page.

Mon 17 - Friday 21 Apr: Priests on retreat

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

FIRST COMMUNION Congratulations to Aiden Kemp and Alyson Ryan who made their First Communion at 5.30pm Mass last Saturday night.

CONFIRMATION preparation will commence after Easter and the school holidays. Anyone who has a child ready to make their confirmation can contact the parish office on 5144 4100 or by emailing Sale@cdsale.org.au for an enrolment form and information.

31 CLUB REMINDER 3 - 9 April. Please pray for vocations

ROSTERS for welcomers, readers and commentators in the Cathedral continue until Easter when we will call for volunteers once again. The new roster will commence on **15-16 April**. If you believe this is a way you can provide a service to our Parish Community please call Clare on 5144 4100. Training will be provided for all volunteers later this year.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION will be held at every weekend Mass in the Cathedral from now on. Please offer at the Mass if you would like to take up the offertory procession. **If there are no volunteers can the welcomers at each Mass ask someone to do this.**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA) Please keep **Shari Balog, Faye Flint, Kirby Lawson, Sam Richardson and Adam Collins** in your prayers as they are received into the Catholic faith at the Easter Vigil this weekend. We also have Adam Collins' sons Ethan, being baptised and making his first Communion and Alexander who is being baptised. Congratulations to all from our Parish Community. You are very welcome.

EASTER FLOWERS if you would like to donate for Easter Flowers for the Cathedral please place your donation in an envelope and place it on the collection plate or drop it in to the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR area of the bulletin. If you have notified the Parish Office of the need for someone to be prayed for in the bulletin can you **also please notify the office when it is time to remove the name of the person we are praying for.**

COME AND SEE Bishop Greg invites young men (+18yrs) of our Parishes of the Diocese of Sale to come to St Mary's Cathedral on Good Shepherd **Sunday, April 30th, 2.30pm - 4pm**, especially those who may have a call from God to life as a priest, or to simply meet Bishop Greg and other priests. It will be an opportunity to meet those living the priestly life, to pray with them and ask questions.

GO AHEAD AND INVITE PEOPLE TO EASTER SERVICES: Easter is an excellent time for churchgoers to invite family and friends to join Christian celebrations and have respectful conversations about matters of faith. So, go ahead and invite and bring your family and friends this Easter. Source: Cath news <https://tinyurl.com/4hy47hsj>



WALKING TOGETHER: Catholics and Jews in the Australian Context: A new Australian Catholic Bishops Conference document highlighting Christianity's unique relationship with Judaism and celebrating the positive relationship the two faiths enjoy in Australia was launched in Sydney today. Walking Together: Catholics and Jews in the Australian Context builds on earlier Church documents - local and international - on relations between Catholics and Jews. Here is the link for more information and the document. <https://tinyurl.com/2p9654x8>

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.*

NO CATHEDRAL MASSES from **Monday 17 to Friday 21 April** as the Priests will be on a Diocesan clergy retreat.

PARISH OFFICE will be closed from **Friday 14 April till Thursday 27 April** as Clare will be on leave. During this time we will have a two page A4 bulletin.

PROJECT COMPASSION please return your project compassion boxes or envelopes by placing them on the collection plates in each of our parish churches. Thank you all in advance for your generosity for this very worthy program.

HAPPY EASTER Fr Francis, Fr Jithin and all the Parish staff wish you a very happy, safe and Holy Easter. For those who are travelling take care on the roads and in the air. Have a lovely break.

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BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office phone 5144 4100.

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday before Mass 10.00am — 11.00am

At St Rose of Lima, Rosedale on 1st Wednesday of each month 9.30am — 10.30am

RECONCILIATION: Cathedral: Friday 10-11am before Mass. **At Other times:** Available on request

Stratford and Briagolong on Sunday or Rosedale on Saturday evening: Available on request.

MARRIAGES: Not less than six months notice please.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$1,101.00
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With thanks from a grateful parish.

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**Mass Timetable this week
EASTER SUNDAY
8 - 9 April 2023**


Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 8 April <i>EASTER VIGIL</i>	7.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 9 April <i>EASTER SUNDAY</i>	9.00am	Loch Sport
	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Stratford
	11.15am	Seaspray
WEEKDAYS		
Monday 10 April	NO	MASS
Tuesday 11 April <i>Maureen Cunningham's Funeral</i>	11.00am	Cathedral
Wednesday 12 April	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 13 April	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 14 April <i>Exposition & Reconciliation Mass</i>	10.00am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Cathedral
WEEKEND		
Saturday 15 April	9.30am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Loch Sport
	5.30pm	Rosedale
	5.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 16 April	9.30am	Briagolong
	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral

Date & Time	Sat 8 Apr 7.30pm EASTER VIGIL	Sun 9 Apr 9.30am EASTER SUNDAY
Reader	Brenda Burditt	Commentator Clare O'Brien
Reader	Jeff Hobbs	Reader Christine Lyon
Reader	Lyn Althaus	Reader Vince Beer
Reader 4	Marietta Dykun	Extraordinary Minister Brenda Bowden
Offertory	Morrison Boys	Counters Len & Lyn Althaus

Date & Time	Sat 15 Apr 5.30pm	Sun 16 Apr 9.30am	Sun 16 Apr 5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	Dalia Ellison	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Liz Tabuteau	Margaret Shirreffs	Jennifer Fitz
Reader	Marietta Dykun	Susan Mattson	Lyn Althaus
Counter	Sue Harvey & Mary Cooper		

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

We offer prayers for those who have died **Peter van der Merwe, Maureen Cunningham, Jacobus 'John' Toonen, Michael Walsh**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Salvatore Rizza, Jacques Buttie, Fr Dan McMahon, Fr Michael Nelan, Fr Wilfred Pooley, Fr Daniel Horan**. We pray for those who are sick **Moira Petrie, Hurbert Somasiri, Rebecca Duck, Andrew Lyon, Madeleine Evans, Jim Clottin, Nimal and Vajira, Dushyanthi, Helen O'Kane, Andrew Geary, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin and Maureen O'Kane**. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**



Come and See


A call to the priesthood

A stirring in your heart for God? what this might mean for you?

Could Jesus be inviting you to share in his ministry as a Priest?

An Opportunity | Meet our priests to discuss their Ministry Prayer and contemplation

Date: Sunday, April 30th 2023
Venue: Chapter House, St Mary's Cathedral, Sale
Time: 2:30-4:00 pm



You are warmly invited to attend the
The Blessing & Dedication
of
St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church
Clyde North
on
Sunday 23rd April 2023
We will be honoured by the presence of
His Excellency Charles Balvo,
Apostolic Nuncio to Australia
& Most Rev Gregory Bennet,
Bishop of Sale who will preside at the
Concelebrated Ritual Mass of
Dedication of the Church & Altar
beginning at the St Peter's College Clyde North Campus (55
MacKillop Way, Clyde North)
at **1:00pm** and walking in procession
to enter the new Church
(5 Fiorelli Boulevard, Cranbourne East) at **2:00pm**

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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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

**I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. **(R.)**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE:

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.
Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.
Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.
The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!
The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.
Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.
That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**



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READINGS NEXT WEEK:

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

1st Reading: **Acts 2:42-47**
2nd Reading: **1 St Peter 1:3-9**
Gospel: **John 20:19-31**

WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month)
Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm
Saturday: Rosedale - 5.30pm
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.