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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, young people and adults at risk. Our Safeguarding Officer is Tim Morrison. Ph 5144 4100



Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
28 - 29 September 2024

REFLECTION

The question of legitimacy of ministry is not a new one. There is a certain amount of tension between the institutional and the charismatic aspects of the church. To say that one is Spirit-driven and the other is not is to misunderstand Jesus' promise to remain with the church until the end of time. God normally calls ministers through the structures of the community. The authorities of the church are usually the ones who make the ultimate decisions about the needs of the church, how these needs are to be met, and who is to meet them. That is one of the responsibilities of their office.

However, God calls in other ways as well. A solid biblical tradition maintains that the Spirit is not confined to human structure or custom. We see this in the judges, the prophets, and even the early kings. The Pentecost story describes the coming of the Spirit upon all people – sons and daughters, young and old, slaves and free. When God calls it is up to us to recognise that call and to test its spirit. Perhaps the primary criterion we have for judging is the biblical measure: By their fruits you shall know them.

Today we also see that those who benefit from exploitation of the vulnerable will reap the fruits of their sin. This warning stems from the belief in the justice of God. Just as we believe that God will not allow the righteous to go unrewarded, so we are confident that neither will the wicked escape punishment.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Thurs 3 October 5.00pm: Serra Club Mass
Sun 6 October after 9.30am Mass: First Sunday Cuppa & Fr Francis 50th birthday

SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on **Thursday 3 October** at 4.40pm for Rosary and **5.00pm Mass** followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies to Claire Everard.

31 CLUB REMINDER 23—28 September. Please pray for vocations.

SAFETRAC ONLINE TRAINING FOR PARISH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS As part of the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy released late last year, parish staff and volunteers are required to undertake Safeguarding training regularly. The Diocese has released an online training module called Safeguarding Children in the Diocese of Sale. If you have received your training link and need any assistance please call the Parish office. **For those who don't have a computer or are not confident in using the computer we are planning some training sessions for you in October. Please let the parish office on 5144 4100 know ASAP if you would like to attend the group training.**

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 Old and New Testament passages drawn from our common lectionary alongside some of the great Advent Themes. This will be held from **10am - 3.30pm on Friday 29 November 2024**. Morning tea and a light lunch will be served. **Cost - \$25per person. RSVP by 22 November 2024.**

Bookings essential to: info@theabbey.org.au

GARDEN MAINTENANCE TEAM meets on **Wednesday from 9.30-11.00am**. When you do come, please come with your garden gloves, spades, garden shears etc and help to lighten the load. We'll have a cup of tea/coffee when done. If you are able to assist please call John Dykun on 0413 947 352.

FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA: This weekend, Sunday 6 October, Family Groups will be our host for the 1st Sunday Cuppa in St Mary's Cathedral assembly Area. Everyone is invited to stay after Mass to enjoy a cuppa. This morning tea we will be celebrating **Fr Francis' 50th Birthday**. Please come along and bring a plate to share and help Fr celebrate his special milestone.

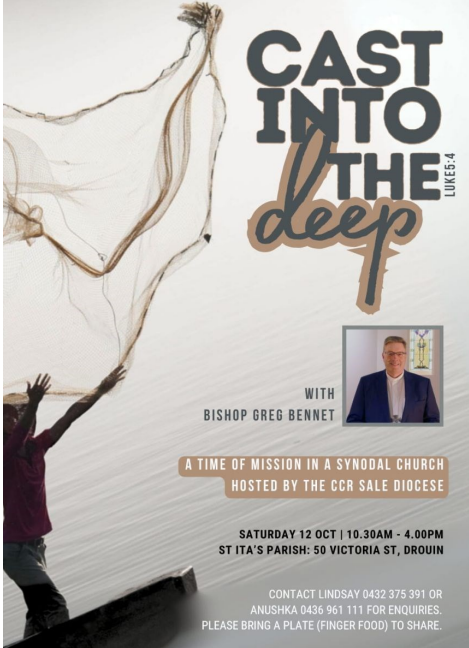
NEW PLANNED GIVING A couple of people have been asking, especially after the Parish Assembly last year, when will a new Planned Giving be organised? Well, the Parish Finance Committee has given this a careful thought, and a program will be run in October. Details soon. For those not part of the program please consider joining. The simplest way of making regular payments is by the direct debit method. To do so please contact the parish secretary on 5144 4100 or Sale@cdsale.org.au who will provide you with the necessary authority forms. Of course, many parishioners are well versed these days in internet banking and may prefer to set up their own recurring payment to the program via their internet banking account. Please contact the parish office to obtain the parish's bank account details.

MASS TIMES will change while Fr Aneesh is away. He is away to early November. During this period Rosedale Mass will be at **7.00pm on Saturdays** and Stratford/Briogolong Masses will be at **11.30am on Sundays**. There may also be some changes to the **daily Mass times** so please check them carefully in the bulletin each week.

ST MARY'S PARISH BAIRNSDALE invites you to an online community experiencing a spiritual journey praying the rosary with Mary in contemplation with her son Jesus. Register for this free weekly zoom gathering on Monday nights from **7.00—7.30pm on 7, 14, 21 & 28 October**. Contact Michelle to receive a link to participate on 5152 2942 or by emailing stm.michelleg@gmail.com. The Rosary is the 'weapon'.

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*

EVENING OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP: The next praise and worship night has been scheduled for **Friday 25 October, from 6.30pm to 8.00pm**. Please keep this date in your diary and prayers.



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ANUSHKA 0436 961 111 FOR ENQUIRIES.
PLEASE BRING A PLATE (FINGER FOOD) TO SHARE.

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 10.30-11am before Mass.

At Other times: Available on request

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

MARRIAGES: Not less than six months notice please.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving:	\$1,111.00
Presbytery:	\$1,200.95
Credit Cards	\$30.00
Direct Debits & Credits:	\$575.00
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**Mass Timetable this week
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
28 - 29 September 2024**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 28 September	9.30am 11.00am 5.30pm	Cathedral Loch Sport Cathedral
Sunday 29 September	7.00pm 9.30am 11.30pm 5.30pm	Rosedale Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
WEEKDAY MASSES		
Monday 30 September	<i>No</i>	<i>Mass</i>
Tuesday 1 October	5.00pm	Cathedral
Wednesday 2 October	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 3 October		
Paul Speakman's Funeral Mass	11.00am	Cathedral
Friday 4 October	5.00pm	Cathedral
No Reconciliation/ Exposition		
WEEKEND MASSES		
Saturday 5 October	9.30am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 6 October	9.30am 11.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
<i>Fr Francis 50th birthday</i>		

**Diocesan Consultation & Assembly Prayer
2024-2025**

Holy Spirit of Wind and Fire, come!
Startle us anew with your power and energy.
Blow fresh life through our tired dreams.
Fan into a flame the gifts you have given us.
Light up the windows of our joy and purpose.
Spark bright fires of optimism deep within us.
Reveal more clearly a vision of what is possible.
May we listen attentively to your quiet whisper at our very core.
May we discern your call expressed in the voices and stories of others.
May we build a Church that radiates and nourishes our unity of faith.
May we be at one with all of humanity and the rest of God's creation.
May we develop the courage to be people of mission, alert to opportunities, always on the move, bringing Good News to our needy world,
Wind and Fire for one another.
Amen.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help.
Pray for Us.



Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 28 September 5.30pm	Sun 29 September 9.30am	Sunday 29 Sep 5.30pm
Welcomer	Theo Smolenaars	Margaret Shirreffs	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Liz Tabuteau	Vince Beer	Veronica Stewart
Reader	Sandra Smolenaars	Kate Meehan-Oxford	Brenda Bowden
Eucharist	Brenda Burditt	Anna Allen	Lyn Althaus
Counters	Sue Harvey & Mary Cooper		

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 5 October 5.30pm	Sun 6 October 9.30am	Sunday 6 October 5.30pm
Welcomer	Theo Smolenaars	Vince Beer	Please offer
Commentator	Veronica Stewart	Nick Hall	Andreena Jolly
Reader	Kate Bicknell	Mildred Semodio	Leny Waite
Eucharist	Carmel Wade	Margaret Shirreffs	Len Athaus
Counters	John Vermaelen & John Dykun		

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun 29 Sep 9.30am: Don Gray (A)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We offer prayers for those who have died **Margaret Johnston, Saloma Ruthberg, Paul Speakman, George White, Keith Nieuwenhuizen**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Don Gray, deceased Clergy of the Diocese**. We pray for those who are sick **Dalia Ellison, Veronica Foxe, Cynthia Freshwater, Teresa Bennett, Aileen Nicholls, Fr Andrew Wise, Teolinda Barrera, Jayantha, Emma O'Hare, Jim Clottin, Moira Petrie, Hurbert Somasiri, Nimal & Vajira, Dushyanthi, Helen O'Kane, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin and Maureen O'Kane**. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

FUNDRAISING for our YOUTH GROUP

Thank you to all who purchased tickets in our raffle and supported our youth fundraising in any way. We would like to thank the many wonderful local businesses who supported our raffle by donating some wonderful prizes.

**Jennifer Fitzgerald
Jen's Flowers
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Van Berkel's Nursery
House Proud
Australia Post**

**Bulmer's Gifts
Victoria Hall
Hair is Kanyemba
Cosmosis
David's Menswear
International Nails**

Our raffle winners were:

**1st Prize Ederlina Vidanes
2nd Prize Terry Sullivan
3rd Prize Mildred Semodio
4th Prize Len Althaus**

Thank you to Myriam Elgueta, Shari Balog, the Parish Pastoral Council members and anyone who assisted with selling tickets and items, gathering prizes and helping in any way with the raffle and the fundraising. Thanks to the efforts of all involved we raised a grand total of **\$4,495.40**.

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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Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program

If you would like to join a Family Group

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look', he said, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. **(R.)**

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. **(R.)**

So in them your servant finds instructions;
great reward is in their keeping.

But who can detect all his errors?

From hidden faults acquit me. **(R.)**

From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me.

Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. **(R.)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth:

make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.**

This is my comfort when I am brought low.



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Cathedral

Every Friday 10 - 11am

Reconciliation: Cathedral Friday 10.30 - 11am

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading: **Genesis 2:18-24**

Second Reading: **Hebrews 2:9-11**

Gospel: **Mark 10:2-16**

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.