

ST MARY'S PARISH, SALE

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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



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A 11 - 12 JULY 2026

Exciting News from St Mary's Cathedral Parish, Sale

We are delighted to share some exciting news from our parish community!

After much discussion and discernment with our young people, we are pleased to announce the name of our newly formed parish youth group:

SPARK

The flame of faith that inspires a lifelong fire.

As we continue to nurture and encourage the faith, energy and enthusiasm of our youth, we look forward to seeing SPARK grow and flourish within our parish community.

We are also pleased to announce that **our Parish Fundraising Team has secured three Bunnings BBQ fundraising opportunities on:**

Saturday 1 August

Saturday 22 August

Saturday 3 October



Members of our newly formed SPARK Team, along with their parents and carers, will be invited to assist across these fundraising days. We thank everyone in advance for their support.

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

In addition, we are launching the **Ritchies IGA Community Benefit Program** for our parish. This initiative provides a simple way for parishioners to support St Mary's Cathedral Sale through their regular shopping.

Details on how to sign up or transfer your existing membership to support our parish are included below.

Over the coming weeks, members of our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will be available to assist parishioners with registrations and answer any questions.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to build a vibrant and faith-filled parish community together.

Tim Morrison, Parish Pastoral Council Chair



PARISH CALENDAR

Sat 11 & Sun 12 July: Peter's Pence collection
Sunday 12 July 9.30am Mass: First Sunday Cuppa with Fr Aneesh
Tues 14 - Fri 17 July: NO WEEKDAY MASSES IN THE CATHEDRAL.

PARISH NEWS

CHANGES TO MASSES From **Monday 13 July to Friday 17 July** our Priests will be at an Inservice. This means there will be no weekday Masses in the Cathedral on **Tues 14, Wed 15, Thurs 16 July or Friday 17 July.**

FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA is this weekend **Sunday 12 July** so that we can welcome Fr Aneesh who will be visiting us at 9.30am Mass. Serra Club and Legion of Mary will be our hosts. Please bring a plate to share.

PARISH WEBSITE We are currently in the process of moving to a new website. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks.

UPCOMING EVENTS stay tuned for more information on the Parish Multicultural and Feast Day for our Parish which will be held on **Sunday 13 September 2026 and commencing with 10am Mass.** A grand multicultural meal and other activities will follow immediately after Mass. This will be the only Parish Mass on this day so we would encourage all Parishioners to attend this special event.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION

Veronica Barnes and Catherine Bannerman from Rosedale have been commissioned to deliver Liturgy of the Word with Communion when our Priests cannot attend at Rosedale or any of our churches.



RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism **April Bedford** daughter of Hayley and Nicholas. Congratulations to the family from us all.

PARISH LUNCH will be held at Sporting Legends Sale at **12pm on Sunday 19 July.** There is no need to book just turn up if you can.

DIOCESAN NEWS

SOCIETY OF ST PIUS X: In recent days, we have learned about the consecration of four bishops in the Society of St Pius X (the Society) that occurred without a mandate from the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV and against his earnest entreaty for the Society to retrace their steps. As a result, the Dicastery for the Doctrine of Faith has exercised its authority and declared this to be a schismatic act. It means that the bishops who performed the consecrations and the four priests who were consecrated have been excommunicated. It also has implications for the members of the Society of St Pius X. Catholics are encouraged to remain in full communion with Pope Leo XIV and the wider Catholic Church. For some members of the community this means refraining from participating in Society of St Pius X ceremonies. Those who are affected by this situation or seeking guidance are encouraged to speak with their local parish priest. We keep Pope Leo XIV, those involved in the SSPX, and all who are experiencing confusion or distress at this time in our prayers. May the Lord grant healing, peace, and unity to His Church.

BISHOP GREG'S PASTORAL LETTER

following from the article above on the Society of St Pius X, Bishop Greg has written a pastoral letter explaining this issue and clarifying the stated position of the Holy See with regard to the Society. Bishop Greg acknowledges that this is a difficult time for many. He seeks our Prayers for our Pope Leo, for those who have separated themselves from being in communion with the Church, and for all who are seeking peace and healing. Copies of this letter are available at your church or in the Parish office.

In addition there are frequently asked questions documents available. Both these documents can be found on our website.

<http://www.stmaryscathedralsale.com.au/>

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*

CENSUS 2026: On **Tuesday, 11 August**, Australia will hold its national Census. We encourage everyone in our faith community to actively fill out the optional religion question and stand up for their beliefs. Why it matters: The data collected from the Census is invaluable for pastoral planning. It helps our parishes, schools, dioceses, and social service organisations understand the changing demographics of our regions. This information ensures we can accurately plan for ministry, mission work, and essential community services like healthcare, schooling, and welfare support. No matter how often you are able to attend Mass, your faith is a vital part of who you are. Please make sure you are counted. For more information and to read the full media release from the National Centre for Pastoral Research, please visit: cdsale.org.au/news

MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR

CHILDREN - Formation Gathering The Mothers Who Pray for Their Children movement warmly invites you to their upcoming Formation Gathering. The theme for this year's gathering is "Eucharist: God's Gift, Encounter with Christ", inspired by our formation book Eucharist: Gift of God, Place of Encounter. The day will include prayer, formation talks, fellowship, and Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet. Event Details: **Date: Sunday, 16 August 2026**

Time: 8:30 am – 3:45 pm

Venue: St Michael's, Traralgon

Registration: Available via TryBooking

BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office phone 5144 4100. No baptisms during Lent.

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

MARRIAGES: Not less than six months notice please.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving:	\$815.00
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FUNERAL SERVICES

Mass Timetable this week
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
11 - 12 July 2026

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 11 July	9.30am 11.00am 5.30pm 5.30pm	Cathedral Loch Sport Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 12 July <i>First Sunday Cuppa</i>	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Briagolong Cathedral Cathedral
WEEKDAY MASSES		
Monday 13 July	NO	MASS
Tuesday 14 July	NO	MASS
Wednesday 15 July	NO	MASS
Thursday 16 July	NO	MASS
Friday 17 July	NO	MASS
WEEKEND MASSES		
Saturday 18 July	9.30am 5.30pm 5.30pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale
Youth Mass	9.30am	Cathedral
Sunday 19 July	9.30am 5.30pm	Stratford Cathedral

Cathedral Date & Time	Saturday 11 July 5.30pm	Sunday 12 July 9.30am	Sunday 12 July 5.30pm
Welcomer	Theo Smolenaars	Catherine Mackinnon	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Emma Morrison	Christine Lyon	Andreena Jolly
Reader	Faye Flint	Di Austin	Lyn Althaus
Eucharists	Rosemary Webster,	Abi Udiano, Dr Salle	Len & Lyn Althaus
Eucharist	Carmel W, Frank F	Jennifer Fitzgerald	Leny Waite
Counters	Theo & Sandra Smolenaars		

Cathedral Date & Time	Saturday 18 July 5.30pm	Sunday 19 July 9.30am	Sunday 19 July 5.30pm
Welcomer	YOUTH MASS	Vince Beer	Veronica Stewart
Commentator	YOUTH MASS	Susan Mattson	Please offer
Reader	YOUTH MASS	Christine Lyon	Claire Everard
Eucharists	Tim & Emma M	Doug & Leny Waite	Len & Lyn Althaus
Eucharist	Jenny Gunn	Margaret Shirreffs	Veronica Stewart
Counters	Sue Harvey & John Dykun		

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun 12 July 9.30am: Bernard & Eileen Drake (A's), Elizabeth Horne (A)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We offer prayers for those who died and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Elizabeth Horne, Bernard & Eileen Drake, deceased Clergy of the Diocese.** We pray for those who are sick **Priyankara, Chandanie, Jayantha, Mallika** Georgia Jones, Brendan Lee, Helen O'Kane, Wendy Adamo, George, Rochelle, Meraya, Suzanne O'Doherty, Hayden, Shama, Manel, Michelle, Lou, Daniel, Teresa Bennett, Emma O'Hare, Jim Clottin, Moira Petrie, Dushyanthi, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin. **We pray in thanks for all who are sick and those who care for them.**

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let 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.
Amen.



Collection 2026



**PETER'S
PENCE**

“May the Lord make you increase and
abound in love for one another and for all”

1 Thess. 3:12



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

**As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches.
Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. **(R.)**

And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows,
you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth. **(R.)**

You crown the year with your goodness. Abundance flows in your
steps, in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. **(R.)**

The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the
valleys are decked with wheat.

They shout for joy, yes, they sing. **(R.)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 8:18-23

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' 'Because' he replied 'the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you, but they are not revealed to them. For anyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. So in their case this prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled:

You will listen and listen again, but not understand,
see and see again, but not perceive.

For the heart of this nation has grown coarse,
their ears are dull of hearing,
and they have shut their eyes,
for fear they should see with their eyes,
hear with their ears,
understand with their heart,
and be converted
and be healed by me.

'But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! I tell you solemnly, many prophets and holy men longed to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it.

'You, therefore, are to hear the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in his heart: this is the man who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the man who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But he has no root in him, he does not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and he falls away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so he produces nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Cathedral
Every Friday 10 - 11am
Reconciliation: Cathedral Friday 10.30 - 11am

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

1st Reading: **Wisdom 12:13, 16-19**

2nd Reading: **Romans 8:26-27**

Gospel: **Matthew 13:24-43**

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.