

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

5th Sunday of Easter, Year C

15th May 2022

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday- Friday 9:15am

Saturday 5:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday 8:45am & 10:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday- Friday 10:15am

Saturday: 6:30pm (Vigil)

8:00pm (Neocatechumenal way)

Sunday 9am (English)

10:30am (Italian)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 7:15pm

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SACRED SPACE

EASTER IS THE TIME when we both remember and celebrate the new life which has come to us through our Risen Lord. What do we mean by this “new life”? Can you say that you have experienced this “new life” this Easter or, for that matter, in any previous Easter? Are you aware of becoming changed in any way – for the better – over the years? Or has the Easter experience simply passed you by?

The word “new” appears several times in today’s readings. The passage from Revelation speaks of a “new” heaven, a “new” earth and a “new” Jerusalem. Jesus in the Gospel speaks of a “new” commandment. What’s supposed to be “new”?

The “new life” that the Scripture speaks of is also referred to as “conversion”, a turning round, or, in Greek *metanoia*. It means a radical change of vision, of our priorities in life. It means new attitudes, new values, new standards of relating with God and with people and indeed with our whole living environment of which we are a synergistic part.

In the Gospel Jesus speaks of the foundation and heart of his teaching and message. These are his parting words to his disciples before he goes to his passion and death. What is this message?

What Jesus does tell us is to love other people – and to love them as he has loved us. This, he says, is a “new” commandment. The Hebrew Testament told us to love God with our whole heart and soul and so on; and to love our neighbours as ourselves. Jesus has added a new element in telling us that the true test of discipleship is to love other people in the same way that he has loved us. And we might remember that these words lead the way to the “greatest possible love” that a person can show, that is, by letting go of one’s very life for others. This Jesus will very dramatically portray in the terrible suffering and degradation which he will submit to out of love for us, out of love for ME.

The word “love”, of course, can lead to misunderstandings. The word is used by us mainly in contexts which imply deep affection, emotional attraction and a good feeling when the beloved is around or even just thought of. That is not quite the meaning of the word in this context. The word that is used by John in this passage is the Greek, *agape*.

This is not, strictly speaking, love in the mutual or romantic sense. Rather, it implies a reaching out to others in a caring attitude for their well-being, irrespective of whether there will be a similar response by the other. It is the compassion that Jesus shows for the sinner.

In this sense, then, can people say of me that I am a truly loving, caring and forgiving person? A redeeming person, a person who makes hurt people whole again? It is all that Jesus, on the threshold of his suffering and death, asks of me and nothing else. It is not impossible, it is not hopelessly idealistic, it does not require massive willpower and self-control. What it does require is a change of attitude, of the way I see the world, others, myself.

Pope Francis

Agape, the love of each one of us for the other, from the closest to the furthest, is in fact the only way that Jesus has given us to find the way of salvation and of the Beatitudes.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good
will. We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 14:21-27

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 144:8-13

*R. I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God*

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. R.
2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. R.
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. R.

SECOND READING

Apoc 21:1-5

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

*A reading from the holy Gospel
according to John.*

When Judas had gone Jesus said:
'Now has the Son of Man been glorified,
and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him,
God will in turn glorify him in himself,
and will glorify him very soon.

'My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another,
everyone will know that you are my
disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord

CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord,
(All bow during these two lines)
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried; he
descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the
dead; he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty; from there he will
come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

PARISH PRAYER

God our Father, bless this parish so that
we may love you more. Bless us in ways
that you know best and form us into a
true community of worship and love.
Deepen our understanding of your
message today. Give us especially your
spirit of love, so that it may touch all
people with whom we come into
contact. Encircle our families with your
loving care and assist parents in their
role as leaders in faith. To the sick grant
health, to the aged bring serenity and
peace, and to those in sadness joy. May
we grow stronger in faith and our love
for one another become deeper in our
daily living.

Amen.

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH NEWS

Please remember in your prayers the following:

Those who have died: Amelie Gutierrez
Pietro Della Chiesa

Anniversaries: Michelina Barravechio, Jack Hardy,
Daniel Dowling, Kathleen Raleigh, Mary Vassallo, Leo Cahill

Those who are ill: Ray McMahon, Oscar Ferrante, Anna
Romeo, Rosalind Vincent, Josephina Varghese, Marie
Virag, Kath Leyden, , Dalmiro Bellio,
Lamberto Cruz, Pasquale Buonomo, Sofia Ruggiero

READERS: 14/15 May	21/22 May
Sat 5.00pm N.Farrell(L), L.Teoh(R)	A.Taglieri(L), A.Breen(R),
Sun 8.45am B.Messina(L),F.Minutolo(R)	M.Carabott(L), C.D'Orazio(R)
10.30am L.Verduci(L), L.Willason(R)	E,Monaco(L),S.Harrison(R)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm	L. Bellio	L. Teoh
Sun 8.45am	V. Ricevuto	M. Bolitho
10.30am	T.Rocca	S. Bennardo

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Giovanna Busieti (1 month), Maria
Boccoli, Matteo Cirsio

Anniversaries: Nicola Lusi, Peter Franandes, Agostino
Casalbuono

READERS:	This Week	Next Week
Sat 6.30pm	Sue Tasic	Phillip Scardilli
Sun 9.00am	Rosa Touma & Patricia Wright	Stephanie Youil & Dean Youil
10.30am	Rita Luci & Rosa Oppendisano	Gino De Fusco & Peter Aurora

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm	Mary De Marco	Marco De Marco
Sun 9.00am	Raf Carnovale	Annette Barnes
10.30am	Maria D'Angelo	Carmelo Ruggiero

TAKE THE WAY OF THE GOSPEL – EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Church in Melbourne is being invited into a conversation on how we might come together and discern our common mission for the years ahead. We are calling for five leaders, each from St Paul's and St Oliver's Parish, to advise and be a point of reference for **Take the Way of the Gospel**. This will be a temporary group which will meet with the Advisory Board for this mission. Parishioners who would like to join for discussion and give their opinions are also needed. Expressions of Interest will close late May. Please contact Parish Office: St Paul's - 9354 1564; St Oliver's - 7036 9330

The following link leads to information for "Take the Way of the Gospel"


<https://melbournecatholic.org/about/take-the-way-of-the-gospel>

FR PAUL CONNELL'S 51ST ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTHOOD

Next Sunday 22nd of May, Fr Paul is celebrating his 51st Anniversary of his Priesthood. Fr Paul will be celebrating the 8.45am and 10.30am Mass. We are holding a morning tea after the 10.30am Mass in the Parish Centre for him. Please bring a plate to share, Parish Centre will be open before Mass to leave it there.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL

You are invited to make your contribution to the training of seminary students for the Catholic priesthood. The Bishops of Victoria and Tasmania have established an annual Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal and invite donations that will support the education of students at Corpus Christi College, Melbourne.




**Corpus Christi College and
Catholic Theological College**
Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

Support the training of priests for tomorrow's Church

A (tax deductible) donation will support the living arrangements
and education for the Corpus Christi College seminarians.

Donate via our website:
<https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherd-sunday-appeal/>



"IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP" – AUSTRALIAN PILGRIMATE

The Sisters of St Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 18 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022. Many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry will be visited. For itinerary and application form, contact national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or 8912 4818.

FERTILITY AWARENESS – a Holistic Medical Approach live webinar

Join us for an engaging live conversation with Lynne Anderson, CEO of Billings Life™ Australia, and Dr Mary Walsh, General Practitioner and Chair of AIRRM (Australasian Institute for Restorative and Reproductive Medicine), at **7:30pm (AEST) on Thursday, 19th May 2022**. The conversation will include how the Billings Ovulation Method® and a medical approach to fertility can complement one another to restore a woman's health and fertility. Places are limited for this free webinar, so please register early to secure your spot.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/fertility-awareness-a-holistic-medical-approach-live-webinar-tickets-336841932287>



5th Sunday of Easter, Year C

Jesus tells us to love each other as he loves us. How did Jesus show us that he loves us?



Write or draw

things you can do to show your love for others?



Use the words below to
complete
these Scripture passages

Family

Friends

People in need

"Love your _____, do good
to those who _____ you."
Luke 6:27

"You shall love the _____ your
God with all your _____,
and with all your soul."
Matthew 22:37

"You shall love your _____
as yourself."
Matthew 22:39

"Just as I have _____ you, you
also should love one _____"
John 13:34

Lord enemies
hate loved heart
neighbour another

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Oliver's

CDFPay for Parish:

<https://bit.ly/CDFpayPascoeVale>

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

St Oliver's Church A/C:

BSB: 083-347 ACC: 55158 7979

Presbytery A/C:

BSB: 083-347 ACC: 53102 0158

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

1st Collection Presbytery \$1217.50

1nd Collection Thanksgiving \$ 636.00

Direct Debit for April \$2380.00

We are very grateful for your support.

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Paul's

CDFPay Online Payments:

<https://bit.ly/CDFpayCoburg>

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

St Paul's Church A/C Presbytery A/C

BSB: 083-347 BSB: 083-347

Acc.: 67541 0884 Acc: 5310 20158

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

1st Collection Sacrificial \$ 736.00

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 444.25

We are very grateful for your support.



**ST PAULS PARISH
ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP**



**Celebrated their 28th Anniversary
on Sunday since Fr Sean O'Connell
started the group!**

PROGRAMS

ST PAULS PARISH

ADORATION:

First Fri of month: 10.30am-12pm

BAPTISMS:

Sundays 12.00 pm.

COMMUNION TO SICK:

Thursdays & Fridays

ANOIDING OF THE SICK:

2 times a year (Lent & Advent).

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sundays 10am

ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP: Wed 10.30 am

Legion of Mary:

Monday mornings at 10.30 am.

ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2021

12 Dec: St Lucy at 10.30am

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH

BAPTISMS:

2nd Saturday of the Month

(By Appointment)

MARRIAGES:

By appointment with at least

6 months notice

PARISH ACTIVITIES:

MONDAY:

Christian Mediation

7-8pm Parish Centre

TUESDAY:

Italian Ladies Prayer Group

10am Meeting Room

St Vincent de Paul

5.30pm Parish Centre

(last Tuesday of the month)

Charismatic Prayer Group

7.30pm Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY:

Drop-In Centre

1-3pm Church/Parish Centre

A WARM WELCOME TO NEW PARISIONERS

Please let us know that you have joined our
community and if there is anything we can do for you.
Are you new to our Parish? _____

Need Thanksgiving envelopes? _____

Would like a home visit and house blessing? _____

Please complete the details below and place in the
collection plate at Mass or send to the Parish office.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

To existing parishioners: if you would like to
contribute on a regular basis using the envelopes,
please complete the above. Thank you.