

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

6th Sunday of Easter, Year C

22nd 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

TWO SIDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING are reflected in today's readings. The Gospel radiates a calmness and peace and reassurance that we all need so much. The First Reading, however, reflects the areas of difference and conflict that are bound to arise when even Christians come face to face with new problems and new questions for the articulation of their faith. Such conflicts, when properly handled, are necessary, even desirable, if we are to have a deeper understanding of the real meaning of our faith in a changing world.

And God speaks to us through the changing situations in which the world finds itself. So, at first sight the answers are not always clear. There are different interpretations and even disagreements until we find where the Spirit is leading us. We have conflicts like that today. Yet both calm and conflict have something in common. They remind us of the different ways in which God speaks to us. Through his Spirit, which Jesus promises to send after he has left his disciples in the flesh, he will continue to be present, to be with his community, the Church.

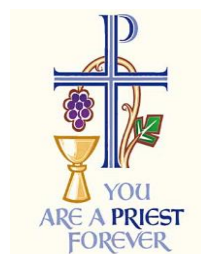
"If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him." The proof of our "love" for Jesus is that we keep his "word" and in turn we will experience the "love" of the Father, and the Father and Jesus will "abide" (make their home) in us. If we only had those words from Jesus and nothing else, they would be enough to guide us through life and point us in the right direction.

Love, as has been said, is not a feeling – it is a verb. "There is no love in our marriage any more", "There is no love in our family... our office... our group." What is really being said is that there are no feelings of "love" for the simple reason that there is no love going on. There can be no love (feeling) without loving (doing). And anyone can start the process.

For Jesus, love, by which he means loving, is achieved by "keeping his word". The "word" of Jesus must not be limited to what we were taught as "commandments" or "doctrines" or moral behaviour, although it obviously includes these. The "word" of Jesus embraces everything we know about him through the Scripture – his words, his actions, his relationships with people of all kinds, the guiding principles of his life, his values and attitudes. Above all, his blueprint for the setting up of the Kingdom.

Jesus is the "Word" of God not only because of what comes from his lips but from the whole impact of his life from his birth in an animals' shelter at Bethlehem to the appalling last moments of agony and humiliation on the Cross. To "keep Jesus' words" is to embrace all of that, to identify with it and make it real in the particular context of my own life.

We may say, too, that the "word" of Jesus also comes to us from all our interactions and experiences within the Christian community where Jesus still speaks to us. It comes to us through the whole of creation of which Jesus is the Head and with which he identifies through his Creator Father.



**Congratulations Fr Paul Connell on the
51st Anniversary of your Ordination in the Priesthood
on Sunday 22nd of May**

May God give you every grace and blessing on this very special day
as you continue to serve Him and the church. We praise and thank
God for the gift you are to his people.

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 15:1-2,22-29

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders. Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them: 'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food

sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 66:2-3,5-6,8

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

1. O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. R.
2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. R.
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. R.

SECOND READING

Apoc 21:10-14.22-23

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.
The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we
will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 14:23-29

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

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: Ray McMahon, Adrian Malarbi, Sarojini Vijri

Anniversaries: Antonina De Maria, Domenic Messina
Lidia Giansalvo, Rocco Monaco, Emma Farchione,
Rina De Marco, Patricia Loschiavo, Edoardo Pertile,
Fabiola Pertile, Joe Rambaldo

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

READERS: 21/22 May

Sat 5.00pm A.Taglieri(L), A.Breen(R)
Sun 8.45am M.Carabott(L), C.D'Orazio(R)
10.30am E.Monaco(L), S.Harrison(R)

28/29 May

C.Rowland(L), W.Cahill(R),
M.Tamayo(L), B.Messina(R)
R.Polastrini(L), S.Bennardo(R)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm L. Teoh
Sun 8.45am M. Bolitho
10.30am S. Bennardo

P. Saliba
M. Carrabott
N. Palmieri

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Teresa Greco, Matteo Cursio,
Rocco Capputo

Anniversaries: Alfred Asciak, Antonio Luci (1 month),
Carmela Madafferi (1 Year), Salvatore Barone (1 year) Tony
Di Blasio, Maria Faccin

READERS:

	This Week	Next Week
Sat 6.30pm	Phillip Scardilli	Alfred Meilak
Sun 9.00am	Stephanie Youil & Dean Youil	Dora Youil & Chiara Dal Cal
10.30am	Gino De Fusco & Peter Aurora	Anna D'Amato & Giovanna Navagero

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm	Mary De Marco	Barbara Romanos
Sun 9.00am	Annette Barnes	Alfred Meilak
10.30am	Carmelo Ruggero	Sam Stagliano



BRING HOPE TO NELLA AND HER FAMILY



This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones. The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's*, so that babies like Ajani* can be healthy and strong. Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided, going online at <https://catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia>, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

*Name altered to protect identity

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ST OLIVER'S

On Saturday 15th May, the children from St Oliver's Catholic School received their First Holy Communion. Let us remember these children and their families in our prayers.

FR PAUL CONNELL'S 51ST ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTHOOD

Fr Paul is celebrating his 51st Anniversary of his Priesthood on Sunday 22nd May and is presiding at the 8.45am and 10.30am Mass. We are holding a morning tea after the 10.30am Mass in the Parish Centre for him. You are most welcome to attend.

"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, contact national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or 8912 4818.

Taster Session', Tuesday 14 June 2022, 7.30pm-9pm (AEST), via Zoom.

Are you called to be a spiritual director? A pastoral supervisor? A spiritual leader? Would you like to participate in spiritual formation that develops a compassionate, contemplative, listening heart? We invite you to join our Taster Session for a facilitated reflection and more information about Heart of Life's courses. Led by the formation team at Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Bookings via www.trybooking.com/BZAWV, or email secretary@heartoflife.melbourne for more details.

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>

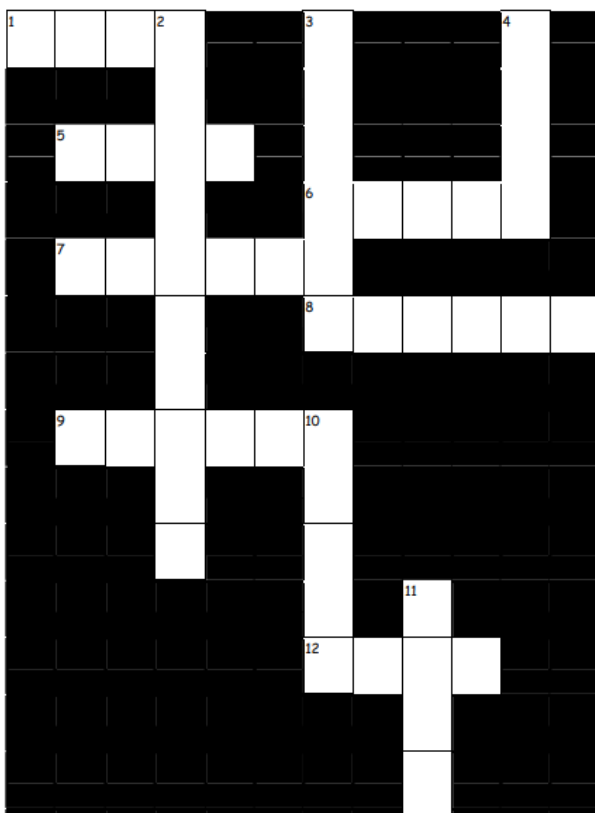
PARISH NEWS

HOME VISIT/BLESSING

Please fill in form at bottom back page for a home visit/blessing from Fr James and place in collection plate.

CROSSWORD

The Holy Spirit will help you



Across

- 1: to have life
5: follow orders
6: to have listened
7: any person
8: to help somebody remember
9: The Holy _____
12: devoted to the service of God

Down

- 2: all things
3: another word for dad
4: to order something to go to a place
10: pass knowledge onto others
11: Jesus told his disciples, "the Father will send the Spirit to take my p_____".

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 \$ 925.35

1nd Collection Thanksgiving \$ 700.00

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 \$ 623.00

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 322.30

We are very grateful for your support.

COVID- 19 Response Division of the Department of Health has asked that we remain mindful of the continued safe practices that assist in reducing the transmission of the virus – this particularly includes the encouragement of wearing masks indoors for large gatherings; good ventilation of environments where possible; and the ready availability of sanitising stations at all entrances and exits.

Safety of Children & all Vulnerable People We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people, as a central and fundamental responsibility, of our parishes. The Parish Statement of Commitment and the Reporting Process, are on display in all churches, and all Parish Policies are available, on the website: cam.org.au/Coburg

PROGRAMS

ST PAULS PARISH

ADORATION:

First Fri of month: 10.30am-12pm

BAPTISMS:

Sundays 12.00 pm.

COMMUNION TO SICK:

Thursdays & Fridays

ANointing 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.