

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

4th Sunday of Easter, Year C

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

8th 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

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER IS COMMONLY KNOWN as “Good Shepherd Sunday” because the Gospel is taken from Jesus’ teaching in chapter 10 of John’s gospel about himself as the Good Shepherd. It is also known as Vocation Sunday because on this day we pray especially that more may answer the call to serve the Church in a special way, particularly as pastors and religious.

The first thing we need to say on this day is that every single person here has a vocation, every single person here has been and is being called by God through the Holy Spirit to offer their special gifts to the rest of the community. What is your vocation? What is your special gift? What contribution are you making to the life of this parish – inside the Church and outside it?

Of course, today we are being asked to pray in a special way for particular types of vocations which are very necessary for the life of the Church. We need pastoral shepherds for our parish communities and we do not have enough. We need the special witness that religious give through lives of celibacy, poverty and obedience.

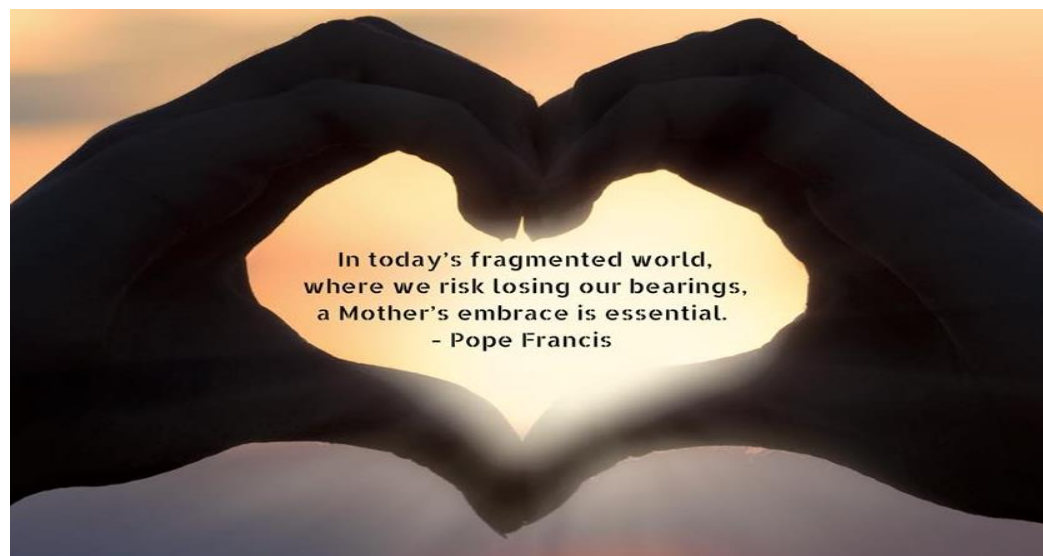
What we are praying for is not so much more vocations, because the Holy Spirit is surely calling those who are needed for the service of the Church. Rather we are praying that those who are being called will answer the call.

At the same time, while we pray fervently for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and give generously to the collection for the seminary, there is a real danger that we are praying for other people’s vocations, for other parents generously to allow their children to enter the seminary or the convent.

No, Vocation Sunday is for all of us here. On the one hand, each one needs to reflect on what my particular calling is and how I can respond to it for the wellbeing of the whole parish community. Secondly, I need to help and not be an obstacle to others in responding to the particular calling or grace that God through his Spirit is giving them.

We sometimes talk about a “vocation crisis”. There is no vocation crisis in the sense that everyone has a vocation. There is no vocation crisis in that far more lay people are now being formed for pastoral service in the Church than was the case in even the relatively recent past. There is a crisis in that too many are not aware of their vocation or, if they are, they are not responding to it. Let us pray today that every one of us here will be sensitive to the guidance of the Spirit in our lives and that we may respond generously to the calls which he is making on us.

If we all actively responded to that call what a wonderful community we would be!



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 13:14,43-52

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the

devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 99:1-3,5

R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. R.
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. R.
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. R.

SECOND READING

Apoc 7:9,14-17

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 10:27-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;
I know them and they follow me.
I give them eternal life;
they will never be lost
and no one will ever steal them from me.
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,
and no one can steal from the Father.
The Father and I are one.'

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:

Anniversaries: Victoria Vella, Giuseppe Cantone, Salvatore Sebastiana Cantone, Salvatore Maria Malignaggi, Olga Tanfara, Giuseppe Forte, Concetta DeFazio, Eileen Squires, Bill Squires

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

READERS:	7/8 May	14/15 May
Sat 5.00pm	J.Pertile(L), M.Lynch(R)	N.Farrell(L), L.Teoh(R),
Sun 8.45am	M.Tamayo(L), Ziccone(R)	B.Messina(L), Minutolo(R)
10.30am	R.Cassidy(L), C.Grech(R)	L.Verducci(L), L.Willason(R)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm	L. Teoh	L. Bellio
Sun 8.45am	J. Mokbel	J. Mokbel
10.30am	R. Polastri	T. Rocca

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Vincenzo Vecchio & Paolo Marchitto

Anniversaries: Giuseppe Forte (one month), Daniel Dowling (14th) Maria Ciceniti, Maria Teresa Montasano, Filomena Genitti, Vito Montesano, Rocco Montesano, Santo Montesano, Agustino Casalbuono

READERS:	This Week	Next Week
Sat 6.30pm	Alfred Meilak	Sue Tasic
Sun 9.00am	Brent & Dylan Greig	Rosa Touma & Patricia Wright
10.30am	Sam Stagliano & T/M Costanzo	Rita Luci & Rosa Oppendisano

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm	Jim & Lourdes Galea	Mary De Marco
Sun 9.00am	Patrick Baviera	Raf Carnovale
10.30am	Sofia Tabacco	Maria D'Angelo

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/>



MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC

Sunday 22 May, 11am · St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne

In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside St Patrick's Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. The names will be placed in a book on the Sanctuary, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21–22 May.

PARISH MASS COUNT – MAY 2022

This year, the four weekends of 7/8 May, 14/15 May, 21/22 May and 28/29 May have been selected for the parish Mass count.

PROJECT COMPASSION

You can now return Project Compassion boxes/envelopes to the Church or Parish Office during office hours.

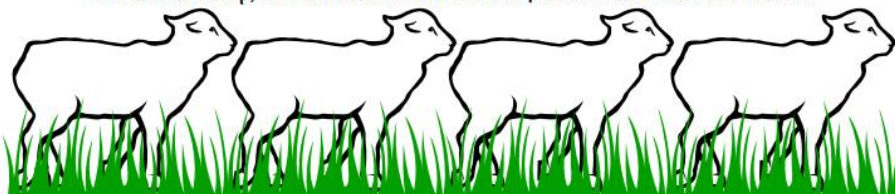
PARISH NEWS

HOME VISIT/BLESSING

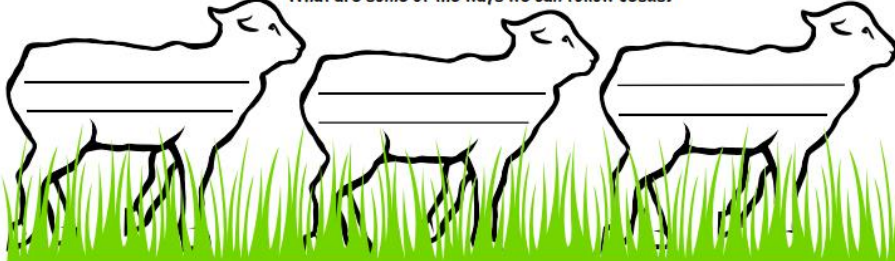
Please fill in form at bottom back page for a home visit/blessing from Fr James and place in collection plate.



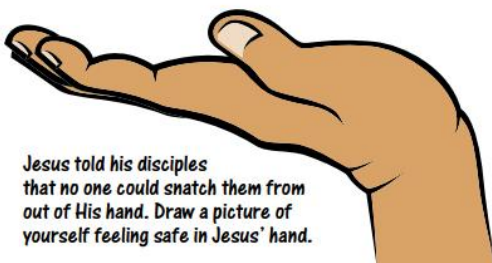
In each of the sheep, write down the name of someone you know who is a follower of Jesus.



What are some of the ways we can follow Jesus?



Jesus' sheep will never be lost. Help the sheep follow the path to the shepherd.



Jesus told his disciples that no one could snatch them from out of His hand. Draw a picture of yourself feeling safe in Jesus' hand.

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 \$ 847.70

1nd Collection Thanksgiving \$ 782.00

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 \$ 766.00

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 314.45

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

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.