

# OUR LADY'S PARISH - SUNSHINE - VICTORIA – 23 AUGUST 2020

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Email: [sunshine@cam.org.au](mailto:sunshine@cam.org.au) **Parish Office Closed - NO VISIT DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

**Office hours modified arrangements:** Tues - Fri - **email** - *we respond when able to*

Leave Letters / Mass intentions IN WALL at FRONT DOOR – under small window for envelopes

Newsletters are online on the parish page: <http://pol.org.au/sunshine/Home.aspx> [www.cam.org.au/sunshine](http://www.cam.org.au/sunshine)

- **MASS on TV** - 6.00am Sunday on Channel 10 or online: [www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass](http://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass)
- **YouTube & Facebook** – FRG Ministry / Fr Rob Galea / [www.frgministry.com](http://www.frgministry.com)
- **Daily Mass & Sunday Mass live-streaming online** [www.wordonfire.org](http://www.wordonfire.org) or [www.cam.org.au](http://www.cam.org.au)

**For ALL SUNDAY Readings, for daily Morning & Evening Prayers: Magnificat**

*(App for iPhone / Android phones / iPads)*

**Not being together each week for Mass is sad for us all.**

**We miss you and the priests pray for you in our daily Masses**

## When will we have Mass in our parish church?

**LET US KEEP EACH OTHER IN PRAYER DURING THIS TIME**

The latest government directive moves us to a Stage 4 Lockdown, effectively meaning churches will remain closed during this period until further notice, and in addition our Parish Office will also remain closed due to fears for public health and the virus spread. We had hoped to begin Masses. We'll advise when its possible. **We ask you to register by email with the parish so we can notify you by email.** [sunshine@cam.org.au](mailto:sunshine@cam.org.au)

*If you don't use the internet you may phone the Office and phone messages will be checked from time to time as we are able to. PLEASE leave both name & phone No. -speak slowly so number is clear.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday 22 August 2020** Parish Intention

**Sunday** *Pro Populo*, Parish Intention **Monday** Aiden's Intentions, **Tuesday** Marsita Llaneza RIP **Wednesday** Aiden's Intentions **Thursday** Chris Basadur RIP **Friday** Aiden's Intentions

**Saturday 29 August 2020** Parish Intention

## 'Oh, the Depths!': Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Readings:

[Isaiah 22:15, 19–23](#)

[Psalm 138:1–3, 6, 8](#)

[Romans 11:33–36](#)

[Matthew 16:13–20](#)



“Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!” Paul exclaims in today’s Second Reading. Today’s Psalm, too, takes up the triumphant note of joy and thanksgiving. Why? Because in the Gospel, the heavenly Father reveals the mystery of His kingdom to Peter.

With Peter, we rejoice that Jesus is the anointed Son promised to David, the one prophesied to build God’s temple and reign over an everlasting kingdom (see 2 Samuel 7).

What Jesus calls “my Church” is the kingdom promised to David’s son (see [Isaiah 9:1–7](#)). As we hear in today’s First Reading, Isaiah foretold that the keys to David’s kingdom would be given to a new master, who would rule as father to God’s people.

Jesus, the root and offspring of David, alone holds the kingdom’s keys (see [Revelation 1:18; 3:7; 22:16](#)). In giving those keys to Peter, Jesus fulfills that prophecy, establishing Peter—and all who succeed him—as holy father of His Church.

His Church, too, is the new house of God—the spiritual temple founded on the “rock” of Peter, and built up out of the living stones of individual believers (see [1 Peter 2:5](#)).

Abraham was called “the rock” from which the children of Israel were hewn (see [Isaiah 51:1–2](#)). And Peter becomes the rock from which God raises up new children of God (see Matthew 3:9).

The word Jesus uses—“church” (*ekklesia* in Greek)—was used in the Greek translation of the Old Testament for the “assembly” of God’s children after the Exodus (see [Deuteronomy 18:16; 31:30](#)).

His Church is the “assembly of the firstborn” (see [Hebrews 12:23; Exodus 4:23–24](#)), established by Jesus’ exodus (see [Luke 9:31](#)). Like the Israelites, we are baptized in water, led by the Rock, and fed with spiritual food (see [1 Corinthians 10:1–5](#)).

Gathered at His altar, in the presence of angels, we sing His praise and give thanks to His holy name.

#### DAILY PRAYERS

- Stop briefly by the church door to pray outside if your exercise takes you past a church
- The Angelus Morning, noon, evening [time is up to you - in monastery’s 6am, 12pm, 6pm]
- Watch Daily Mass – YouTube (see links at top of this newsletter if you have online access)
- Readings of the Mass for today - read from your Bible / use Magnificat App online if you have.
- Pray the Rosary each day and if you are able to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3.00pm

**Donations: Thanksgiving & Weekly Collections** CDFpay is a new option for anyone in a position to give. You’re welcome to try this online App if you would like to assist the parish financially during this difficult time.

[The link for CDFpay to Our Parish is:](#)

<https://secure.artezpacific.com/registrator/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=116639&langPref=en-CA>

**Heartfelt thanks** for those who have been giving each week in various ways especially the direct debits and CDF pay.

Everything helps of course. The bills still arrive and we will need to look to the future, how we look after the parish.

Recently the long awaited repairs of the water leaks on the Church roof were completed. Thankyou for your support over the year; this has left us in a fair position, to continue modestly.

**As said before, it’s difficult for the parish but also for you,** so your needs are important to meet, and after that, what you’re able to give is gratefully received.

**Those seriously ill in hospital** –Priests are available, in as far as possible, to offer Anointing of the Sick. Please ask advice or the nursing and medical staff and ask them to arrange with the priest’s who are authorised to visit as hospital chaplains.

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