

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

1st Sunday of Lent, Year C

6th March 2022

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday- Friday 9:15am

Saturday 5:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday 8:45am & 10:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 10-10:30am



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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 SEASON OF LENT

We have now entered the great season of Lent. For those of us who are old enough to remember, Lent in the past was not, in some respects, a time we looked forward to. Fasting and abstinence, not to mention other forms of penance, were in force and it was a serious business.

Easter was looked forward to with real anticipation. Our attitudes to Lent tended to be on the gloomy and negative side. Perhaps nowadays we have gone to the other extreme where Lent hardly means anything at all. Yet Lent has always been one of the key periods of the Church year and it would be a great pity if we were to forget its real meaning. The whole purpose of Lent is to understand the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus and to live that out in our own lives.

The world, the Kingdom that Jesus came to build, has a different set of values. And it is those values we will be considering all during Lent. Many Christians are chasing the idols of wealth, status and power just as frantically as their non-Christian brothers and sisters. But in fact, these are non-Christian, even anti-Christian, ambitions. They are not the way of Jesus.

Let us look over the final sentence in today's Gospel: "The devil left him to return at the appointed time." The battle with evil was not over for Jesus. It will occur again and again at various stages in his life, right up to and especially at those last hours in the garden and on the Cross.

For us, too, the battle against evil never stops. The selfishness, the greed, the anger and hostility, the jealousy and resentment, above all the desire to have rather than to share, to control rather than to serve will continually dog us. We and our children are caught up in the competitive rat race without even knowing it. Our only success in life can be what we achieve in building not palaces or empires but in building a society that is more loving and just, based on the message of Jesus, a message of truth and integrity, of love and compassion, of freedom and peace.

That is why we need this purifying period of Lent every year. If, in past years, we let it go by largely unnoticed, let this year be a little different. Let it be a second spring in our lives. Let it mean something in our discipleship with Christ.

Way of the Cross during Lent



St Oliver's: Wednesday & Friday 9.00am
before 9.15am Mass

St Paul's: Each Friday 7.00pm

"In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who "humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (*Phil 2:8*). During this season of conversion, let us renew our *faith*, draw from the "living water" of *hope*, and receive with open hearts the *love* of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ."

Pope Francis

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement: "My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, the Lord, have given me." 'You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 90:1-2,10-15

R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' R
2. Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. R.
3. They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. R.

4. His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you,' I will save him in distress and give him glory. R

SECOND READING

Romans 10:8-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Scripture says: The word (that is the faith we proclaim) is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

Luke 4:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.' Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be

yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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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: Leopoldo Carullo, Giusepina Arena

Anniversaries: Savatore & Concetta Serini, Verio Vido

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

READERS:	5/6 March	12/13 March
Sat 5.00pm	A.Taglieri(L), N.Farrell(R)	V.Pertile(L), W.Cahill(R)
Sun 8.45am	B. Messina(L), F.Minutolo(R)	M.Carabott(L),B.Messina(R)
10.30am	F.Robles-McColl(L), O.Aquino(R)	R.Cassidy(L), L.Willason(R)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm	P. Saliba	L. Bellio
Sun 8.45am	M. Bolitho	V. Ricevuto
10.30am	M. Dwyer	C. Dwyer

ALTAR CARE

Help urgently needed to join the team to keep Altar area clean and tidy. Time taken approx. 1hr once a month. If you can help please contact Parish Office on 7036 9330 or email pascoe@cam.org.au

MUSIC MINISTRY

If you would like to join the 10.30am Mass Choir, please contact Michael our Music Director on 0466 655 514.

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died:

Anniversaries: Viola Maria Antonia Vedova Veneziano (1 year anniversary), Giuseppe Tabacco (1 month), Elizabeth Bugeja, Antonietta Condello, Francesco Poala Flammea

READERS:	This Week	Next Week
Sat 6.30pm	Mia & Loretta Meilak	Bryan Leak
Sun 9.00am	Brent & Dylan Greig	Rosa Touma & Patricia Wright
10.30am	Anna D'Amato & Giovanna Navagero	Sam Stagliano & T/M Costanzo

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm	Barbara Romanos	Jim & Lourdes Galea
Sun 9.00am	Alfred Meilak	Mary Carnovale
10.30am	Sam Stagliano	Anna D'Amato

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES FOR MARCH-JUNE 2022

Sacrificial envelopes are available to pick up from the side entry to the church. We are grateful for your continued support.

SAN GIUSEPPE (ST JOSEPH) FEAST DAY:

St Joseph Italian Feast Day Mass will be held on Sunday 20th March 2022 at the Italian 10.30am mass.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER'S OF HOLY COMMUNION

An information session for St Oliver's and St Paul's Minister's of Holy Communion will be conducted on Saturday 19 March from 3 to 5 pm at St Paul's Church. Light supper provided afterwards, followed by commissioning of ministers at 6.30pm Mass at St Paul's.

ALTAR SERVERS

Altar servers training will begin from Saturday 12 March after 6.30pm Mass at St Paul and Sunday 13 March after 10.30am Mass at St Oliver's.

REMEMBER – LENTEN PROGRAM

St Paul's and St Oliver's parishioners are all welcome to attend Lenten Program at St Oliver's Parish Centre on Thursdays at 7.00 during Lent.

INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE? The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. **COME & SEE!** An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **Saturday 2 April 2022, 10:00 -11.45 am** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne.

For more information:

A new Vocations website is under development, however the links below (copy, then paste) are working.

Watch: Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTSO>

Watch: Pope Francis' 2020 Prayer Intention for Deacons <https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY>

Read More: [Brochure] <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357 (Email) diaconate@cam.org.au

CASHLESS PAYMENTS

CDFPay for Parish: <https://bit.ly/CDFpayPascoeVale>

St Olivers 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 \$724.20

2nd Collection Thanksgiving Offering \$783.10

Direct Debits for January \$2122.00

We are very grateful for your support at this time.

CASHLESS PAYMENTS

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

Account No.: 67541 0884 Account No. 5310 20158

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

1st Collection Sacrificial Offering \$971.00

2nd Collection Presbytery \$566.10

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HOME VISIT/BLESSING

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

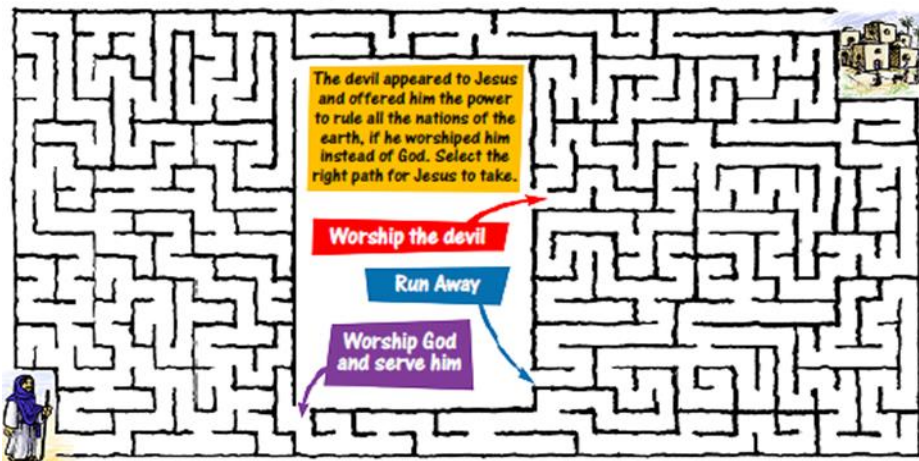


During the season of Lent, we prepare for Holy week and Easter by focusing on our faith and love for God. Write down some ways you can do this.

Read a passage from Luke's Gospel every night before I go to bed

When Jesus went into the desert, he chose the ordinary path of human life and resisted the temptation to use his miraculous powers to make life easier for himself. Draw a picture of yourself performing a selfless act that would make life easier for someone else.

Help Jesus find the right path through the desert and into Galilee. Be wary of temptation along the way!



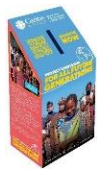
The devil appeared to Jesus and offered him the power to rule all the nations of the earth, if he worshiped him instead of God. Select the right path for Jesus to take.

Worship the devil
Run Away
Worship God and serve him

Three guys, stranded on a desert island, find a magic lantern containing a genie, who grants them each one wish. The first guy wishes he was off the island and back home. The second guy wishes the same. The third guy says "I'm lonely. I wish my friends were back here."

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Project Compassion



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For all Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

LATEST COVID GUIDELINES - Face coverings and QR code check-in no longer required for Places of Worship.

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
Charismatic Prayer Group
7.30pm Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY:

Drop-In Centre
1-3pm Church/Parish Centre

THURSDAY:

St Vincent de Paul
5.30pm Parish Centre
(last Tuesday of the month)

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.