

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 *Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18*

A Reading from the book of Joshua.

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people, 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.' The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed? We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 33:2-3, 16-23

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. R.

2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal. R.
3. They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. R.
4. Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken. R.
5. Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. R.

SECOND READING *Eph 5:21-32*

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

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:63, 38

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 6:60-69

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?' 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

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.

ST PAUL'S PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon, Tues, Wed & Friday: 9.30 am to 3 pm.
For general enquiries, please call 9354-1564.

MASSES:

Weekends: Saturday: 6:30 pm (vigil),
8.00pm (Neo Catechumenate)

Sunday: 9:00am, 10.30am (Italian),

Weekdays: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 10.15 am.

CONFESSIONS: Pascoe Vale: Saturdays 10-10.30am
Coburg 7.15pm. First Friday 11-12pm or Tues-Frid after
10.15am mass

ADORATION: First Friday of the month: 10.30 am to 12pm

BAPTISMS: Sundays at 12.00 pm.

BAPTISM PREPERATION MEETINGS: Once Monthly

MARRIAGE PREP MEETINGS: Wed 8pm or Sat 4pm

WEDDING REHEARSALS: Mon or Fri – 8pm

COMMUNION TO SICK: Thursdays & Fridays

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: 2 times a year (Lent & Advent).

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10am

YOUTH & KIDS GROUP: 4th Friday of the month.

ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP: Wednesdays at 10.30 am

Legion of Mary: Monday mornings at 10.30 am.

Knights of the Southern Cross: Monday mornings.

ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2021

21 March: St Joseph at 10.30am Mass

Good Friday: 7pm

21 Nov: St Gregory at 10.30am Mass

12 Dec: St Lucy at 2pm

For enquires re above programs call the parish office on 9354-1564

READERS:

This Week

Sat 6.30pm Hector D'Sousa

Sun 9am Adria, Daniella & Briarna Dal Col

Sun 10.30 Anna D'Amato & Giovanna Navagero

Next Week

Sat 6.30pm Bryan Leak

Sun 9am Alfred Meilak & Katrina Scurrah

Sun 10.30 Sam Stagliano & T/M Costanzo

SPECIAL MINISTERS:

This Week

Next Week

Sat 6.30pm Virginia Efthimiou Jim & Lourdes Galea

Sun 9am Rosa Touma Patrick Baviera

Sun 10.30am Sam Stagliano Anna D'Amato

PARISH NEWS:

FR JAMES BIRTHDAY MORNING TEA

It was a lovely birthday morning tea at St Paul's after the 10.15am mass on Tuesday for Fr James with the parishioners, we wish him all the very best for the year to come.



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.

CATHOLICCARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL 2021

This weekend is the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. CatholicCare delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. CatholicCare works with individuals, families and communities, to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. **Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal** using the appeal envelope or online at catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

NEW CONFESSION TIMES:

Saturdays: PASCOE VALE: 10-10.30am
COBURG 7.15pm

First Friday of the Month: COBURG 11-12pm

Tues-Friday COBURG After 10.15am mass (upon request)

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

Sacrificial Offering: \$ 0

Presbytery Collection: \$ 0

WE PRAY FOR

BAPTISMS:

Those who are **Sick**, and those who care for them: that they may be strengthened and comforted by the healing power of Christ.

We pray for those who have died recently, and especially those whose anniversaries we remember at this time, Edwin Spiteri, that they may enter into the peace of God's kingdom.

VOCATION VIEW:

Jesus continues to draw those who believe. Our world is hungry and thirsty for the Bread of Life. Will you share your faith?
(John 6:41-51).

REFLECTION: "Serving God First"

As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord. Joshua 24:15

When Sue and I married 38 years ago this week, someone gave us a small plaque with these words from Joshua. It has moved with us through the years, was sometimes put away and forgotten for a while, but it has always found some place in our home. More importantly, it became for us a "family mission statement." When faced with a decision, a challenge or a change, it was to Joshua's brave proclamation that we turned. There are many ways to make decisions and discern life's next steps. But the only way to choose the will of God is to serve God first and above all else. Everything else, we found, falls into its proper place. In placing our home and family under God's service, we found that God has never let us down, even in the midst of loss and the most serious of challenges.

Today, Lord, my family and I choose to serve you.

Steve Givens

STEWARDSHIP

"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." JOSHUA 24:15

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a partner in the work of the Lord. A partner is a person who invests time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports the parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

That we experience the Peace and Joy God wants for us in serving Him and others.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Our Higher Power, or God"

Talking about God is not at all the same thing as experiencing God, or acting out God through our lives.

Phillip Hewett

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS:

MESSAGE FROM FR JAMES PUPPADY

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
"If God is for us, who can be against us?"

The fact that we suffer, though, does not mean that God is not with us or for us. He is always with us in this difficult situation. In light of that fact God foreknew us, predestined us, called us, justified us, and will glorify us. So God must be for us. God must be for all of us who are in Christ by faith. Remember the one, true God, the creator of all things, is for us, who could be ever possibly be against us? Have this great faith and courage in this time. These words are giving us great courage and confidence to move forward.

I completed two months in these two parishes. When I arrived it was lockdown and opened for few weeks, I could say Mass in both parishes. During those weeks, we could organize my installation ceremony. Then the second lockdown came and one week opened and 3rd lockdown announced for one month. It is really a difficult situation. But we have to accept this reality. We must be grateful to God for his kindness and protecting us from this pandemic. We have to remember so many people are working hard to save the life of others. Let us pray and support them. The world is very crazy. This pandemic is going on all over the world, as well as many other natural calamities taking place like, flood, Erath quick, war, fire and so on. So we have to pray to God to save us from all these disasters and it will happen. Even though I am not able meet you in person, you all are in my prayers. When I offer my daily Mass and prayers, you all are remembered and my prayers are always with you. Because of this lockdown, I could not meet you all personally to know you and I don't have your numbers to call you too. Still my thoughts and prayers are always with you. Hope we will meet soon after this lockdown. Then we can worship God together under one roof.

I thank each and everyone of you for your concern, support and prayers for me. Let us pray each other for our own good health and for the good health of others. Pray for our children in a special way, so that they may find joy and happiness in this difficult time. May The almighty God bless you and your family. Yours faithfully in Christ.

Fr. James Puppady. PP
Pascoe Vale and Coburg.

CASHLESS PAYMENTS

There is the opportunity for cashless online payments via CDF Pay for Parishes online payment portal. <https://bit.ly/CDFpayCoburg>

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

St Paul's Church A/C

BSB: 083-347
Account No.: 67541 0884

Presbytery A/C

BSB: 083-347
Account No. 5310 20158

Thank you for your continued support of the parish during this difficult time.

HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME,
LORD OF ALL WE BOW BEFORE THEE;
ALL ON EARTH THY SCEPTRE CLAIM,
ALL IN HEAVEN ABOVE ADORE THEE,
INFINITE THY VAST DOMAIN,
EVERLASTING IS THY REIGN.

HARK THE LOUD CELESTIAL HYMN,
ANGEL CHOIRS ABOVE ARE RAISING;
CHERUBIM AND SERAPHIM,
IN UNCEASING CHORUS PRAISING,
FILL THE HEAVENS WITH SWEET
ACCORD,
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD.

HOLY FATHER, HOLY SON,
HOLY SPIRIT, THREE WE NAME THEE;
WHILE IN ESSENCE ONLY ONE,
UNDIVIDED GOD WE CLAIM THEE,
AND ADORING BEND THE KNEE,
WHILE WE OWN THE MYSTERY.

**ONE BREAD, ONE BODY;
ONE LORD OF ALL,
ONE CUP OF BLESSING
WHICH WE BLESS.
AND WE, THOUGH MANY, THROUGHOUT
THE EARTH,
WE ARE ONE BODY
IN THIS ONE LORD.**

GENTILE OR JEW,
SERVANT OR FREE,
WOMAN OR MAN, NO MORE.

MANY THE GIFTS, MANY THE WORKS,
ONE IN THE LORD OF ALL.

YOU WHO DWELL IN THE SHELTER
OF THE LORD,
WHO ABIDE IN HIS SHADOW FOR LIFE,
SAY TO THE LORD: "MY REFUGE,
MY ROCK IN WHOM I TRUST!"

**AND HE WILL RAISE YOU UP
ON EAGLE'S WINGS,
BEAR YOU ON THE BREATH OF DAWN,
MAKE YOU SHINE LIKE THE SUN,
AND HOLD YOU IN THE PALM
OF HIS HAND.**

THE SNARE OF THE FOWLER WILL NEVER
CAPTURE YOU,
AND FAMINE WILL BRING YOU NO FEAR:
UNDER HIS WINGS YOUR REFUGE,
HIS FAITHFULNESS YOUR SHIELD.

YOU NEED NOT FEAR
THE TERROR OF THE NIGHT,
NOR THE ARROW THAT FLIES BY DAY;
THOU THOUSANDS FALL ABOUT YOU,
NEAR YOU IT SHALL NOT COME.
FOR TO HIS ANGELS
HE'S GIVEN A COMMAND
TO GUARD YOU IN ALL
OF YOUR WAYS;
UPON THEIR HANDS
THEY WILL BEAR YOU UP,

1 LEST YOU DASH YOUR FOOT AGAINST A
STONE.

O LORD MY GOD!
WHEN I IN AWESOME WONDER,
CONSIDER ALL THE WORKS
THY HANDS HAVE MADE.
I SEE THE STARS,
I HEAR THE MIGHTY THUNDER,
THY POWER THROUGHOUT
THE UNIVERSE DISPLAYED.

**THEN SINGS MY SOUL,
MY SAVIOUR GOD TO THEE;
HOW GREAT THOU ART,
HOW GREAT THOU ART!
THEN SINGS MY SOUL,
MY SAVIOUR GOD TO THEE;
HOW GREAT THOU ART,
HOW GREAT THOU ART!**

WHEN CHRIST SHALL COME WITH SHOUTS
OF ACCLAMATION,
AND TAKE ME HOME,
WHAT JOY SHALL FILL MY HEART!
THEN I SHALL BOW
IN HUMBLE ADORATION,
AND THERE PROCLAIM,
MY GOD, HOW GREAT THOU ART!

COME AND WORSHIP, ROYAL
PRIESTHOOD
COME AND PRAISE HIM, HOLY NATION,
WORSHIP JESUS, OUR REDEEMER;
HE IS RISEN KING OF GLORY.

GESU CRISTO E SIGNORE;
ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.
È RISORTO REDENTORE;
ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.
LODIAMO FEDELI RINGRAZIAMO,
POPOLO SANTO
ADORAIAMO IL REDENTORE,
CHE È RISORTO; REGNA IN GLORIA.

LODE A TE SIGNOR,
LODE A TE SIGNOR,
NOSTRA ROCCIA E FORTEZZA,
NOSTRA VITA, NOSTRO CANTO.
LODE A TE SIGNORE,
LODE A TE SIGNOR.

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, (2 V.) ALLELUIA,
ALLELUIA! (2 V.)

COME IL CERVO ALL'ACQUA VA,
NOI COSÌ DA TE VENIAM:
GRANDE SETE ABBIAM DI TE,
DIO FONTE DELL'AMOR.
CAMMIAMO VERSO TE,
FRA GIOIOSI CANTICI,
NOI VENIAMO AL TUO ALTAR,
PER AMARTI O SIGNOR.

CHI MI VEDE PIANGERE, CHIEDE: DOV' È
DIO?
IL SIGNORE È FRA DI NOI, NEL CLAMOR

DI GIOIA.
MA ORMAI NON PIANGERÒ
CHE IL SIGNORE È SALVATORE E,
SE IO SOFFRIRÒ
PENSERÒ A TE, SIGNOR.

GLORIA A DIO PADRE,
GLORIA AL FIGLIO REDENTOR,
GLORIA ALLO SPIRITO,
CHE CI UNISCE NELL'AMOR,
VIEN, SIGNORE, VIEN FRA NOI,
AMEN, ALLELUIA
VIEN SIGNORE, VIEN FRA NOI,
AMEN, ALLELUIA

LA PACE SÌ LA PACE TE LA DONA GESÙ
LA PACE SÌ LA PACE TE LA DONA GESÙ
COSÌ IL SUO NOME LADATO SARÀ
LA PACE SÌ LA PACE TE LA DONA GESÙ

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COSÌ IL SUO NOME LADATO SARÀ
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COSÌ IL SUO NOME LADATO SARÀ
LA FEDE SÌ LA FEDE TE LA DONA GESÙ

MIRA IL TUO POPOLO - O BELLA
SIGNORA,
CHE PIEN DI GIUBILO - OGGI T'ONORA;
CHE PIEN DI GIUBILO - OGGI T'ONORA.
ANCH'IO FESTEVOLA - CORRO AI TUOI
PIE':
O SANTA VERGINE, - PREGA PER ME.

IL PIETOSISSIMO - TUO DOLCE CUORE.
EGLI È RIFUGIO - AL PECCATORE
EGLI È RIFUGIO - AL PECCATORE
TESORI E GRAZIE - RACCHIUDE IN SÈ:
O SANTA VERGINE, - PREGA PER ME
O SANTA VERGINE, - PREGA PER ME

IN QUESTA MISERA - VALLE INFELICE
TUTTI T'INVOCANO - SOCCOTRICE
TUTTI T'INVOCANO - SOCCOTRICE
QUESTO BEL TITOLO - CONVIENE A TE:
O SANTA VERGINE, - PREGA PER ME
O SANTA VERGINE, - PREGA PER ME