THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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MASS TIMES
Tuesday- Friday 9:15am

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Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 10.00am to 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

Of all the gospels, Luke's presents the following of Jesus in the most radical terms. In following Jesus, we have to go with him the whole way. We have to accept totally his way of seeing life and then putting that into practice in the way we live. There cannot be, as is the case with practically all of us, a kind of wishy-washy compromise, trying to have our cake and eat it.

I suppose the majority of us follow a lifestyle largely dictated by the surrounding culture and our goals are the goals of that culture and, somewhere on the side, we try to fit in some aspects of Christian living. In most of our modern, urban societies that lifestyle is for the most part competitive, consumerist and materialistic. We would not want our Christianity to get in the way of that. But it is precisely to people like us that Jesus is speaking.

It is quite obvious from the overall context of Luke's gospel that Jesus could not mean us literally to hate our parents, brothers and sisters. Nor does Jesus literally mean us to hate our own lives. People who feel that way effectively commit suicide. (Hate and the anger and violence that it produces are the product of fear.) On the contrary we are called to have love and compassion for every single person, irrespective of who they are or what their relationship may be to us. True love casts out fear. What Jesus is saying today is putting in another way what we have already seen in discussing other passages, such as, the story of the Good Samaritan and the Lord's Prayer. Namely, those who are truly disciples of Jesus recognise that, as children of one God, we all belong to one family, that we are all brothers and sisters to each other.

We are therefore bound to love our close family members – but not only them. If we find, for instance, the wants of family members are being put before the genuine needs of others, then we are acting unjustly towards members of our wider family. In not recognising those other brothers and sisters, we fail in being disciples of Jesus. "As often as you refused it to the least of my brothers, you refused it to ME." That immigrant, that homeless person is my brother or sister. That waiter in the cafe, that streetwalker is my sister. I owe them my love and care. I may, in fact, in certain circumstances owe them more love in action than my own family needs.

"My family – right or wrong", "My country – right or wrong" can never be the slogan of the disciple of Christ. And so, there may be times – and they can be painful experiences – when we would have to reject family members who want us to join them in behaviour that is harmful, unjust or unloving to others. We cannot support family members who cheat in business; we cannot support family members who practise racism or other forms of discrimination. To do so would not be really loving them. On the contrary, we would show our concern for their well-being precisely by opposing any immoral behaviour.

If we try to walk on the Way with Jesus without being aware of what is involved, we will miss the joy and happiness of a totally fulfilled life that Jesus, despite the apparently negative language of today's Gospel, is holding out to us.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

"EVERY FAMILY NEEDS A
FATHER - A FATHER WHO
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Pope Francis



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.

FIRST READING Wisdom 9:13-18

A Reading from the book of Wisdom.

What man indeed can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 89:3-6,12-14,17

- R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.
- You turn men back to dust and say:
 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night.
- You sweep men away like a dream, like the grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades.

 R.

- Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants.
 R.
- 4. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands.

SECOND READING Philemon 9-10,12-17

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

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him - I could say - a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Ps 118:135

Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying,

"Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

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: Kath Leyden, Nunzio Di Gioia, Patrick O'Brien, Leonardo Pirro, Rosanna Pataki,

Anniversaries: Orazio Privitelli, Ines Dene, Geoffrey Dene,

Helen Heggar

Those who are ill: Dean Ross, Joe Grech, Windsor Jones, Aaron D'Ortona, Mary Theuma, Kevin Scanlon, John Moore, Oscar Ferrante, Anna Romeo, Rosalind Vincent, Josephina Varghese, Marie Virag, Dalmiro Bellio, Lamberto Cruz, Pasquale Buonomo, Sofia Ruggiero

READERS:	3/4 September	10/11 September		
Sat 5.00pm	L.Teoh(L), C.Rowland(R)	A.Breen(L), W.Cahill(R)		
Sun 8.45am	M.Tamayo(L), B.Messina(R)	B.Messina(L), F.Minutolo(R)		
10.30am	R.Cassidy(L), B.Watts(R)	L.Verduci(L), L.Willason(R)		
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:				
Sat 5.00pm	L. Bellio	C. Rowland		
Sun 8.45am	J. Mokbel	V. Ricevuto		
10.30am	R. Polastri	S. Bennardo		

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Genesia Russo, Francesco Perri, Maria Galgano, Rosanna Pataki, Lina Fieschi, Jane Borg

Anniversaries: Anton Vidic, Guiseppe Madafferi, Antonio Luci, Rosa Traviglia, Antonietta Casalbouno, Salvatore Inturrisi & Doloras Amat, Carlo Duaso, Phil Chalmers, Pietro Stefania, Antonietta Condello, Vito & Rocco Montesano, Santa Montesano, Molly Colletta, Francesco Poulo Flammea

READERS:	This Week	Next Week		
Sat 6.30pm	Sue Tasic	Family Mass		
Sun 9.00am	A Barnes & P Kardas	Family Mass		
10.30am	Rita Luci &	Gino De Fusco &		
	Rosa Oppendisano	Peter Aurora		
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:				
Sat 6.30pm	??	Mary De Marco		
Sun 9.00am	Alfred Meilak	Mary Carnovale		
10.30am	Sofia Tabacco	Laura Scherma		

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL - Leaving Collection after each Mass this week and next weekend 10/11 September

Father's Day Appeal Leaving Collection this weekend and next weekend 10/11 September for The Retirement Foundation to meet the needs of 85 retired priests most of who have served in our parishes 50 years. \$2 or more contributions are tax deductable, please print name and address clearly on envelope to claim a tax deduction. \$2 or more contributions will be recorded, written receipts only forwarded for donations of \$5 or more, in early July 2023. Thanksgiving Envelope contributors have envelope for Father's Day, in their sets of envelopes.

DAILY REFLECTIONS 2023

GOD'S WORD Daily Reflections 2023. A St Paul's Publication. This book has the readings of the day with a reflection. The cost is \$20 and is for sale after Mass.

ST PAULS FAMILY MASS SATURDAY & SUNDAY 10/11 SEPTEMBER - CHOIR PRACTICE

For those attending the St Pauls Family Mass on Sun 11th Sept 9am, there is also the opportunity for families to sit with and be part of the family choir. There will be a zoom meeting choir practice on Wed evening 6.30pm 7th Sept for the Sun 11th Sept 9am mass. To RSVP or for any queries email coburg@cam.org.au or phone the parish office on 9354-1564. Zoom Link: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3234036981?pwd=V2s1SXIjTGJIMIIYMWRxVzJFWVhrQT09
Zoom meeting ID: 323 403 6981. Password 787285

COLUMBAN CALANDARS 2023 - now available for sale after Mass. Cost \$10

PODCAST



Podcast Description

Fr Rob Galea, and two female co-hosts (Alyssa Agius & Justine Cumbo) study the weekly readings and break them down into lay man's terms, showing you how they are relevant to our life today. We make theology accessible for the everyday person - think of it as a conversation with friends complete with all the tears, laughter and joy, but with the opportunity to learn something new each week. Whether you've been Catholic all your life, you're new to the faith, or outside of the faith, there is something for everyone! God is speaking to us through Scripture each week at Mass and we can guarantee that by listening to this podcast, you'll be equipped with the knowledge you need to be a Catholic Influencer in today's world.

TAKE THE WAY OF THE GOSPEL (SMALL GROUPS)

We are now inviting parishioners to register their name to participate in discussions towards the parish mission "Take the Way of the Gospel". These discussion groups will begin meeting sometime in September to discuss the way forward regarding the future mission (partnership of parishes). Please register your name and phone no. on the sheet provided at the back of the church or call Parish Office on: St Oliver's 7036 9358 - St Paul's 9354 8970.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL 2022 - Make A Donation & Change Lives



Support vulnerable Australians facing Hardship by donating to our Winter Appeal.

- Donate over the phone using a credit card by calling 13 18 12 (Receipts issued to donors)
- To make an online donation: www.vinnies.org.au (Receipts automatically emailed to donors)

 Donors can allocate donations to a specific conference by giving the conference name in the comments field. (Pascoe Vale 963)

PARISH NEWS



Jesus tells us that choosing his way is not always easy. When might it be hard to do what Jesus asks us?

What are some good choices you can make this week? Tick the good choices and cross the bad ones.

HELP AROUND THE HOUSE WITHOUT BEING ASKED TO

DON'T WORRY ABOUT SAYING MY EVENING PRAYERS

CONTRIBUTE TO THE OFFERTORY PLATE

MAKE FRIENDS WITH SOMEONE NEW

MAKE FUN OF THE **TEACHERS**

OWN UP TO MAKING A BAD DECISION

TURN OFF THE T.V. AND READ A BOOK

STOP DOING YOUR **OUTSIDE TO PLAY**

DO SOMETHING NICE FOR YOUR PARENTS



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Find the path to God



CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Oliver's

CDFPay for Parish:

https://bit.ly/CDFpayPascoeVale

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT: 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 Thanksgiving \$1087.85 **2nd Collection** Presbytery \$ 483.90 **Direct Debit for July** \$2137.00 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 RSR. 083-347 BSB: 083-347 Acc: 5310 20158 Acc.: 67541 0884

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

1st Collection Sacrificial \$ 683.00 2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 297.00 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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month during the 10.30am Mass (except during school holidays)

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.