THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

2nd Sunday of Lent, Year C

13th 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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Tuesday- Friday 10:15am Saturday: 6:30pm (Vigil)

8:00pm (Neocatechumenal way) Sunday 9am (English) 10:30am (Italian)

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 7:15pm

PASCOE VALE & COBURG FACEBOOK PAGE:



SACRED SPACE

WE ARE FACED in today's readings with a paradox of our Christian faith – we belong here and we do not belong here. It is in this world and through this world that we are to find our God. Yet, this is not our permanent home; we are pilgrims on a journey to a more permanent dwelling place, a place of total union with our God of Truth and Love. That is the goal of living and we need to keep it constantly before our eyes. It is so easy to get obsessed with things on the way: our career, our financial security, the education of our children, the house we want in some desirable area... These are mere stepping stones to a life beyond. We must not, like Lot's wife, look back nostalgically at the past and become petrified into stone. Life, as one writer put it, is like watching a movie in a cinema. One cannot cry out: "Stop! I want to stay in this scene!" No, the movie goes on. And life goes on. And it is important to know where it is headed.

Both the First Reading and the Gospel speak of striking interventions by God in people's lives.

Our transfiguration

We need to consider how these Lenten readings are to touch our own lives. The key linking the First Reading and the Gospel is the passage from the Letter to the Philippians in the Second Reading.

The transformation or transfiguration of Jesus that the disciples experienced was not simply something they were to see and experience as happening to him alone. It was also an invitation for them to undergo a transformation and transfiguration of their own.

Paul says in today's reading, "For us, our homeland is in heaven", that is, the goal and destination of our life is to be one with God. There is no other goal. "And from heaven [i.e. from God] comes the Saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe".

How is that transformation or transfiguration to take place? By listening to Jesus, listening to all that he invites us to be and to do, however much it may seem to go against the conventions we were brought up on. It means especially listening to those words which caused such difficulty for Peter and his companions and integrating them into my own vision of life. It means having a total trust in walking his Way, a total trust that only his Way brings me into full union with God, the source of all Truth, Love, Happiness and Peace.

Way of the Cross during Lent



St Oliver's: Wednesday & Friday 9.00am

before 9.15am Mass

St Paul's: Each Friday 7.00pm

What makes a good fast during Lent

"Fasting makes sense if it questions our security, and if it also leads to some benefit for others, if it helps us to cultivate the style of the Good Samaritan, who bends down to his brother in need and takes care of him. Fasting involves choosing a sober lifestyle; a way of life that does not waste, a way of life that does not "throw away". Fasting helps us to attune our hearts to the essential and to sharing."

Pope Francis

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:5-12,17-18

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

Taking Abram outside, the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can.' 'Such will be your descendants,' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord,' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a threeyear-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcases but Abram drove them off. Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep and terror seized him. When the sun had set and

'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

darkness had fallen, there appeared a

smoking furnace and a firebrand that

went between the halves. That day

the Lord made a Covenant with Abram

The word of the Lord.

in these terms:

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 26:1,7-9,13-14

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

- The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
 The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?
- O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.
 Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.'

 R.

- It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face.
 Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help.

 R.
- 4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

SECOND READING Philippians 3:20-4:1

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

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 17-5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

Luke 9:28-36

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him,

Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

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: Mario Nicolosi, Gino Provenzano

Anniversaries: Rozaria & Saviour Saliba, Elena Mazzitelli

Those who are ill: Oscar Ferrate, Peter Cushen, Anna Romeo, Rosalind Vincent, Josephina Varghese, Kath Leyden, Amelie Gutierrez, Dalmiro Bellio, Lamberto Cruz,

Pasquale Buonomo, Sofia Ruggiero

READERS:	12/13 March	19/20 March
Sat 5.00pm	LTeoh(L), W.Cahill(R)	C.Rowland(L), M.Lynch(R)
Sun 8.45am	M.Carabott(L), B.Messina(R)	M.Tamayo(L), M.Carrabot(R)
10.30am	R.Cassidy(L), L.Willason(R)	C.Grech(L), L.Verduci(R)

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm	L. Bellio	A. Taglieri
Sun 8.45am	V. Ricevuto	M. Bolitho
10.30am	C. Dwyer	C. De Francesco

ATTENTION READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We need Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for **Palm Sunday and Easter Triduum**. If you are available please write your name on the day you are able to attend. A roster is provided in the Sacristy. If you would like to participate in the foot washing on Holy Thursday, please leave your name there also. Thankyou.

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Alberto D'amore, Juliana Pulic **Anniversaries:** Nicolino D'amore, Vito Cristina

READERS:	This Week	Next Week
Sat 6.30pm	Bryan Leak	Sue Tasic
Sun 9.00am	Rosa Touma & Patricia Wright	Stephanie & Dean Youil
10.30am	Sam Stagliano & T/M	Rita Luci & Rosa
	Costanzo	Oppendisano

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm	Jim & Lourdes Galea	Tuong Nguyen
Sun 9.00am	Mary Carnovale	Tuong Nguyen
10.30am	Anna D'Amato	Sofia Tabacco

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.

NEW ROSTERS

The reader and communion minister rosters for 2022 have been updated to allow for added parishioners. You can pick up your updated roster in the sacristy. Thank you for volunteering to assist during the 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 next 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 this Saturday 12 March after 6.30pm Mass at St Paul and Sunday 13 March after 10.30am Mass at St Oliver's and continue for the next four weeks.

DROP-IN

Come along and join this friendly group. This is a social gathering where we enjoy each other's company over a cuppa and entertain each other with a game of UNO. We meet each Wednesday afternoon in the Parish Centre at St Oliver's from 1pm to 3pm. St Paul's parishioners are most welcome. For more information call 7036 9330.

REMEMBER – LENTEN PROGRAM

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/q2RhNDbtTS0

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 CollectionPresbytery\$841.102nd CollectionThanksgiving Offering\$946.10

We are very grateful for your support at this time.

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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

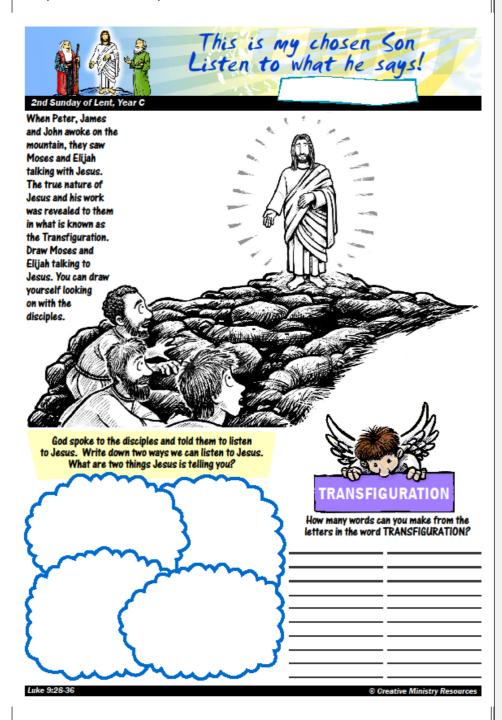
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1st CollectionSacrificial Offering\$582.002nd CollectionPresbytery\$296.85We are very grateful for your support at this time.

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.



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 PARISIONER	S
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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?	
Nould 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:	
Γο existing parishioners: if you would like to	

contribute on a regular basis using the envelopes, please complete the above. Thank you.