THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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> MASS TIMES Tuesday- Friday 9:15am

Saturday 5:00pm (Vigil) Sunday 8:45am & 10:30am

FAMILY MASS –1 ST WEEKEND EACH MONTH

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)

FAMILY MASS – 2ND WEEKEND EACH MONTH

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 7:15pm

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SACRED SPACE

One of the lessons of today's readings is that God listens especially to the sinner and to the poor. The attitude of Jesus is well expressed in the First Reading, from the Book of Sirach (or Ecclesiasticus). "God shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story... The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds... And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf."

Perhaps we find that rather strange. Should he not be listening more to the "good" people who are trying to keep his laws? That was certainly the attitude of the Pharisee in today's Gospel. When someone offends us, how do we feel? Often we are likely to feel angry and hurt. Do we want to take some kind of revenge, to punish that person? At the very least, we want to make sure that he or she does not behave towards us in that way again.

It is not surprising, then, that many feel, after doing some wrong, God has been "offended". His reaction should be like ours and with greater reason: he is the Boss. After doing something we know is quite wrong, we might wonder how God could continue to love us. Yet, if that is the way we think, we are quite wrong.

But how can God be said to love a sinner? It is precisely as a sinner that a person most needs the love of God, most needs his help. God, unlike us, does not see a sin as an "offence" against himself. Rather he sees the sinner as a person who has made a bad mistake and needs to be healed and restored. It is the sinner who is hurt, not God.

One of the greatest gifts is for us to know our sinfulness. In the First Letter of John it says: "If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth... If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us" (1 John 1:6,8).

This was the problem of the Pharisee. He thought he had fellowship with God but he walked in darkness. He was blind. Not so the tax collector.

A deep awareness of sin does not separate us from God. On the contrary, it is a sign that God is very much part of our lives and that we wish to partake of that love he is reaching out to us.

An awareness of our sins, too, can help us in our lives to be far more compassionate and understanding towards others in their sinfulness and weakness. In the depths of our sinfulness we must never lose sight of the God who is always standing by ready to come at our merest signal. Again, as it says in the First Reading, "The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds... the Lord will not be slow in coming."



Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli is inviting young people, ages 16-35, across the Archdiocese to **journey with him to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day in 2023. This is a life-changing opportunity for our youth** to experience their Catholic faith with more than a million young people from around the world.

Six information sessions at Regional Youth Gatherings are being held in Melbourne this month to help parish leaders, priests, parents and of course young people learn more about this opportunity. Our parish will be attending the information session next Wednesday 26 October at Good Shepherd Parish, 88 S Circular Road, Gladstone Park from 7-9pm. Please contact Parish Office if you wish to attend, lifts provided.

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 Eccl. 35:12-24,16-19

A Reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgment. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 33:2-3,17-19,23 R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

 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.
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- The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. R.
- The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

SECOND READING 2 Tim 4:6-8,16-18 A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Luke 18:9-14

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

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.

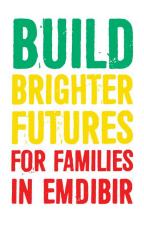
PARISH PRAYER

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.

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Please remember in your prayers the following:		WE PRAY FOR:			
Those who have died: Joseph Ng, Loreta Muscat, Maria Crimeni, Ben James Nilsson		Those who have died: Mario Tempone, Albert Murdolo, Sara Carmuciano, Loreta Muscat			
Anniversaries: Victoria Crus, Jamil & Ramza Mokbel		Anniversaries: Felice Adamo, Domenico Adamo, Angela Gallo, Giuseppe Giansiracusa			
Those who are ill: Dean Ross, Joe Grech, Windsor Jones, Mary Theuma, Kevin Scanlon, John Moore, Oscar Ferrante,					
Rosalind Vincent, Josephina Varghese, Marie Virag, Dalmiro Bellio, Lamberto Cruz, Pasquale Buonomo, Sofia Ruggiero		READERS:	This Week	Next Week	
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			EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:		
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ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS DAY MASS TIMES					
St Oliver's All Saints Mass: 1 st November 9.15am & 7.00pm All Souls: 2 nd November 9.15am & 7.00pm					
St Paul'sAll Saints Mass: 1st November 10.15am & 7.00pmAll Souls: 2nd November 10.15am & 7.00pm					

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

We are holding another renewal session for Eucharistic Ministers on Saturday 29th October at 2pm, at St Paul's Church. All who were unable to attend the session held in February this year are welcome to attend. Fr James would like to particularly invite the **youth who are 18 years and over**. Any parishioners who would like to become Eucharistic Ministers please contact the parish office at St Paul's <u>coburg@cam.org.au</u> or 9354-1564 or St Oliver's <u>pascoevale@cam.org.au</u> or 7036-9358.



This week Catholic Mission will share the continued vision of Fr Habte and how, through the Goat Rearing Centre, many other families living in poverty are able to access agricultural training and employment that they would otherwise be unable to.

As shared by Fr Habte, when established, the Centre will not only provide nutritious milk but job creation and agricultural training for farmers and community members.

Please give generously this weekend to help continue this program by using the appeal envelope, going online at <u>catholicmission.org.au/families</u> or by scanning the QR code below. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/families



125TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION – ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL



As we celebrate our 125th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for

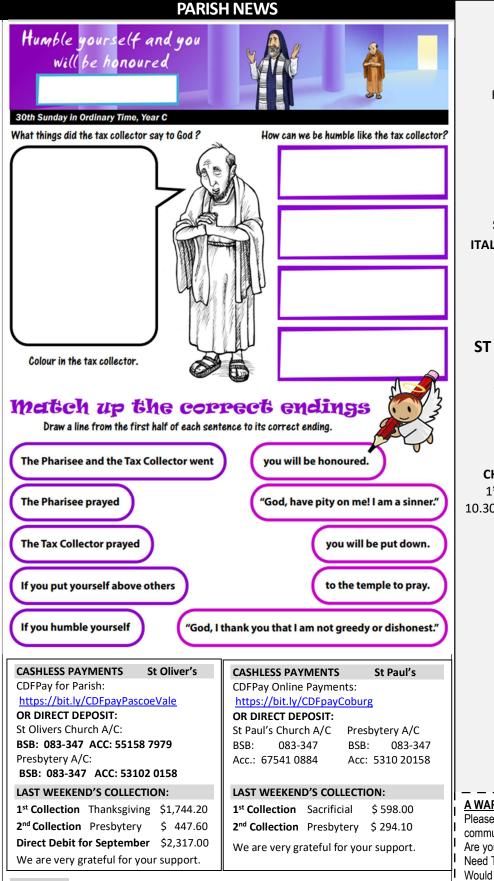
Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's –

Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral,

commencing at 1pm.

This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App**, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

DAILY REFLECTIONS 2023 - \$20 and COLUMBAN CALANDARS 2023 - \$10 are for sale after Mass.



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 & 4th Saturday's of the Month (By Appointment)

MARRIAGES: By appointment with at least 6 months notice

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD 1st 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.