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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B *31 August - 1 September 2024*

We are glad we had/have you in our lives: HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

It is Father's Day this Sunday. I have been thinking about what to write that will truly express the depth of my gratitude for all fathers and father figures in our parish, and I realised that I'm short of words. It could be that I am short of vocabulary to truly express myself. At the end of the day, all I can come up with is a deep sigh, from the depth of my heart as I take in a deep breath, and out, been eternally grateful for who and what you are in our community.

Taking a cursory glance round all seated in the cathedral, what I can see are "proud" great grand dads, grand dads, and dads who spent their sweat and blood to make sure their families were well looked after. You woke up very early in the morning to begin the day's business, be it on the farm or on the road. You deprived yourself of quality sleep and the luxury of life to ensure the family was happy and taken care of. Only you know the number of times you shed silent tears when things weren't going as planned. You worked tirelessly to give your children and grandchildren the life and comfort they have today. You stood by the mother of your children to ensure family life was sustained and preserved. Some of you nursed and ministered to your wife till the last moment. You can now count your grey hairs (if there's any left) and say, thank you Lord I did my part. To you we say, thank you.

There are other dads seated here today who aren't totally greyed yet. I see them drop off their children at school. Some of them accompany their children to sacraments program. I see how you work tirelessly day after day for the family, waking up pretty early, and returning home tired and worn out. I see the determination to make provisions for the household. Your children, I believe, feel your tender and masculine love. Thank you for being the dad that you are. Thank you also for supporting your dads, the grandpa to your children. Thank you for being a wonderful husband to your wife.

I believe there are some of us here who remember and celebrate our dads, grand dads, husbands, in eternity. I remember mine today with profound love and gratitude. Though hard to comprehend sometimes, I remain grateful for the discipline he instilled in me from the prime of life. Only when you get older would you truly appreciate the "firmness" of dad; only then would you truly know they were all the time for our good and our future. We remember this today as your children and we thank God that we had/have you in our lives.

To all our dads gone to the rest of God's presence, I say continue to rest in the bosom of the Father. To all our dads living: great grandpa, grandpa, dad, father figures, on behalf of our Cathedral community, I say **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**.

OTHER REMINDERS:

Ignite Youth Conference. Thanks to all our parishioners for your support of this project. Over the week, we received a donation of \$450.00 from two parishioners (\$400 and \$50). Currently, we are seating at \$1450.00. We are now short of \$2,250.00. A raffle is being conducted by the PPC in support of the campaign (tickets are \$2.00 each) and the youth team is also running a cupcake drive. Please support these initiatives. Any support will be greatly appreciated.

Cathedral Parish Multi-Cultural Day. As I mentioned in the bulletin last week, **Sunday 22 September** has been set aside for a parish multi-cultural celebration. This will be a one day event following the **9.30am Mass in the Cathedral gathering area**. We are hoping to have variety of food from different cultural backgrounds. Parishioners will be expected to please dress up in traditional attires as much as possible... It will be a great celebration for our community. Bishop Greg will preside over the Mass. Please send any ideas that will make this day a huge success to the parish office, or to Brenda Burditt, or to Doug and Leny Waite. Please keep this day in your prayers.

New Planned-giving. A couple of people have been asking, especially after the Parish Assembly last year, when will a new Planned Giving be organised? Well, the Parish Finance Committee has given this a careful thought, and a program is hoped to be run in October. Details soon.

Together we can make our parish experience very welcoming, joyful, and meaningful. Come on! Let's make it happen.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun 1 September: First Sunday Cuppa - Catholic College.

Sat 7 & Sun 8 Sept: PWF leaving collection

CHILD SAFETY WEEK is held from 1 - 7 Sep.

There are posters up in our churches to highlight this week. This year's theme is: 'Every child, in every community, needs a fair go. Every conversation matters.

If you would like to see Bishop Greg's message please go to this link: <https://bit.ly/46R28B5>

SERRA CLUB: The Serra Club will gather in the Cathedral on **Thursday 5 September** at 4.40pm for Rosary and 5.00pm Mass followed by their meeting in Chapter House. All welcome. Apologies to Claire Everard.

31 CLUB REMINDER: 2 to 8 September. Please pray for vocations.

FIRST SUNDAY CUPPA: This weekend, **Sunday 1 September, Catholic College** will be our host for the 1st Sunday Cuppa in St Mary's Cathedral assembly Area. Everyone is invited to stay after Mass to enjoy a cuppa. Please bring a plate to share.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES we will be running a new planned giving program in October so we will be providing about 8 weeks of envelopes and a receipt for **CASH GIVERS ONLY** till then. Envelopes will be available for collection in each of the parish churches this weekend. For any other giver who wants a receipt please call the Parish office and one can be emailed or posted. Once we have the new program up and running we will provide those parishioners who are cash givers with their six month supply of envelopes. For those not part of the program please consider joining. The simplest way of making regular payments is by the direct debit method. To do so please contact the parish secretary on 5144 4100 or Sale@cdsale.org.au who will provide you with the necessary authority forms. Of course, many parishioners are well versed these days in internet banking and may prefer to set up their own recurring payment to the program via their internet banking account. Please contact the parish office to obtain the parish's bank account details.

BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office phone 5144 4100.

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday before Mass 10.00am — 11.00am

At St Rose of Lima, Rosedale on 1st Wednesday of each month 9.30am — 10.30am

RECONCILIATION: Cathedral: Friday 10.30-11am before Mass.

At Other times: Available on request

Stratford and Briagolong on Sunday or Rosedale on Saturday evening: Available on request.

MARRIAGES: Not less than six months notice please.

FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE

OF SALE: This fund supports the priests and deacons of our Diocese in times of sickness or retirement. At present the Foundation is supporting nine priests and three deacons and their wives in retirement and is responsible for the other priests, including our overseas priests, and deacons in time of sickness. The budgeted expenditure of the Foundation for them over the next year will be over \$200,000. This includes wages for a clinical nurse and case manager (2 days per week equivalent).

Online donations can now be made at <https://www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation> The foundation is most appreciative of your support for our priests and deacons in sickness and retirement. **All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible** and a receipt for tax deduction purposes will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Donations may also be made through your local Parish. There will be a leaving collection at all parish churches on **Sat 7 and Sun 8 September**.

SAFETRAC ONLINE TRAINING FOR PARISH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

As part of the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy released late last year, parish staff and volunteers are required to undertake Safeguarding training regularly. The Diocese has released an online training module called Safeguarding Children in the Diocese of Sale. If you have received your training link and need any assistance please call the Parish office. For those who don't have a computer we are planning some training session for you in the next few weeks.

Help for those accompanying Catholics facing end-of-life decisions

Australia's Catholic bishops have released a new document to guide priests, chaplains and pastoral workers who are asked to provide pastoral support to Catholics who are considering accessing the Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) scheme. The Companion Guide has been written as a tool to help Catholics reflect and learn from To Witness and to Accompany with Christian Hope, a document endorsed by the bishops in November 2023. for more information visit: <https://tinyurl.com/2xde6n3r>

PARISH PRAYER.

*God our loving Father,
we give you thanks and praise
for our Cathedral Parish of Sale,
for your people and your Creation.
Nourish us by your daily
Word and Eucharist.
Enrich us in our faith, hope and love.
Strengthen us with the spirit
of your mercy and grace.
Make us grateful for your gifts as we
journey through our lives together.
May we be a welcoming
and serving community,
always discerning and
doing your will for one another.
We make this prayer through
Christ Our Lord. Amen*

FRIDAY MASS will be held in the Cathedral at 9.30am followed by reconciliation and adoration on **Friday 6 September**.

FOUND KEY a key has been handed in to the Parish Office. If you have lost a key please come in to the office and check.

St Mary's Youth Group Cupcake Drive

Help our youth group make it to IGNITE youth conference 2024.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO ORDER!
Orders Close September 7th

Each box of cupcakes sold, we will donate!
4 for \$17 (\$2) 6 for \$25 (\$5) 12 for \$48 (\$8)

Cupcakes are to be collected Sunday September 15th from St Mary's Cathedral, Sale between 11am-1pm.

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**Mass Timetable this week
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
31 August - 1 September 2024**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 31 August	9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Cathedral
Sunday 1 September	5.30pm 9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Rosedale Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
WEEKDAY MASSES		
Monday 2 September	<i>No</i>	<i>Mass</i>
Tuesday 3 September	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 4 September	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 5 September		
Serra Club Mass	5.00pm	Cathedral
Friday 6 September		
Mass	9.30am	Cathedral
Reconciliation and Adoration	10.30am	Cathedral
WEEKEND MASSES		
Saturday 7 September	9.30am 5.30pm 5.30pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 8 September	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Briagolong Cathedral Cathedral

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 31 August 5.30pm	Sun 1 September 9.30am	Sun 1 September 5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	Dalia Ellison	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Brenda Burditt	Christine Lyon	Veronica Stewart
Reader	Joel Brayshaw	Kate Meehan-Oxford	Lyn Althaus
Eucharist	Theo Smolenaars	Margaret Shirreffs	Jennifer Fitzgerald
Counters	Sue Harvey & Mary Cooper		

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 7 September 5.30pm	Sun 8 September 9.30am	Sun 8 September 5.30pm
Welcomer	Theo Smolenaars	Margaret Shirreffs	Please offer
Commentator	Emma Morrison	Nick Hall	Veronica Stewart
Reader	Sandra Smolenaars	Vince Beer	Leny Waite
Eucharist	Tim Morrison	Anna Allen	Doug Waite
Counters	John Dykun & John Vermaelen		

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 31 Aug 5.30pm: Frank Lloyd (A)

Wed 4 Sep 9.30am: Graeme O'Connor (A)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We offer prayers for those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Frank Lloyd, Graeme O'Connor, deceased We pray for those who are sick Cynthia Freshwater, Teresa Bennett, Aileen Nicholls, Fr Andrew Wise, Teolinda Barrera, Jayantha, Emma O'Hare, Jim Clottin, Moira Petrie, Hurbert Somasiri, Nimal & Vajira, Dushyanthi, Helen O'Kane, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin and Maureen O'Kane. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

**Diocesan Consultation & Assembly Prayer
2024-2025**

Holy Spirit of Wind and Fire, come!
Startle us anew with your power and energy.
Blow fresh life through our tired dreams.
Fan into a flame the gifts you have given us.
Light up the windows of our joy and purpose.
Spark bright fires of optimism deep within us.
Reveal more clearly a vision of what is possible.
May we listen attentively to your quiet whisper at our very core.
May we discern your call expressed in the voices and stories of others.
May we build a Church that radiates and nourishes our unity of faith.
May we be at one with all of humanity and the rest of God's creation.
May we develop the courage to be people of mission, alert to opportunities, always on the move, bringing Good News to our needy world,
Wind and Fire for one another.
Amen.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help.
Pray for Us.



RAFFLE FUNDRAISER for YOUTH GROUP

Our raffle is being held to help St Mary's Youth Group to attend the Ignite conference which starts on **26 September**.

Our Parish Pastoral Council are holding a raffle with some lovely prizes (check out the poster in the Cathedral) – tickets will be available in the Cathedral after each Mass from **Saturday 31 August** until it is drawn on **Sunday 22 September after 9.30am Mass. Tickets are \$2.00 each.**

Tickets will be sold after each weekend Mass in the Cathedral by Parish Pastoral Council members. From **Sunday 1 September** we will have an EFTpos machine available to purchase tickets if you don't carry cash. If you would like to purchase tickets on line you can deposit the money to:

Account: St Mary's Cathedral Parish

BSB: 083879

Account no: 489168836

Please use your first and surname and youth raffle as the reference.

Tickets can also be purchased at the Parish Office.

NEW TO THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?

Please let us know we'd like to meet you!

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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EMAIL:

Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program

If you would like to join a Family Group

Please place on the plate at Mass or drop into the Parish Office

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

**Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long,
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart. **(R.)**

He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. **(R.)**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **(R.)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,
that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service,
while their hearts are far from me.

The worship they offer me is worthless,
the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, [avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**How great is the goodness, Lord,
that you keep for those who fear you**



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Cathedral

Every Friday 10 - 11am

Reconciliation: Cathedral Friday 10.30 - 11am

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading: **Isaiah 35:4-7**

Second Reading: **St James 2:1-5**

Gospel: **Mark 7:31-37**

WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month)

Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm

Saturday: Rosedale - 5.30pm

Sunday: Cathedral - 9.30am and 5.30pm

Sunday: Stratford - 9.30am (1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the Month)

Sunday: Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month)

Please check the bulletin each week for weekday Mass times.