

# ST MARY'S PARISH, SALE

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## *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B* *16 - 17 November 2024*

### REFLECTION

Although this is not the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the major theme found in the readings is the end of time. The events that will usher in and will take place during this time are described in apocalyptic terms. The struggles of life will culminate in a massive cosmic confrontation between the forces of good and those of evil. This last battle will be universal in scope, just like the first primordial conflict between chaos and God.

In some way, all of today's readings state that good will finally prevail over evil. In the last days Michael, the angelic warrior of God, will rise up. In the epistle, Christ is pictured seated triumphantly at the right hand of God with his enemies under his foot, a sign of conquest. Finally, in the gospel, the Son of Man, the mysterious figure from apocalyptic literature, comes in the clouds with great power and glory. All of these images are apocalyptic; each of them is quite hopeful.

We read these stories at the close of the liturgical year, because we are coming to the conclusion of our yearly telling of the story of salvation. However, apocalyptic images are timely whenever we find ourselves in the throes of the battle with evil and it appears that we will succumb. These forms will remind us that good will be able to withstand evil. From this we will conclude that we need only trust in God.

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**PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS:** During the four weeks of Advent I would like to invite you all to come together in the Cathedral for solemn Advent evening prayers. This will include praying the Psalms, reflections on the texts, adoration and songs of worship. Following the spiritual exercise of prayer we will share supper together. These are the proposed dates:

**Wednesdays 4th, 11th & 18th of December from 7pm to 8pm.**

Please bring a plate to share and spread the word by inviting family and friends.

**Our Parish Advent Reconciliation** will commence from **6.30pm on 18 December** and will be followed by **solemn Advent evening prayer from 7.00 - 8.00pm.**



**YOUTH ACTIVITIES:** A note of gratitude to all those who helped facilitate the youth pizza/testimony event, especially to the young ones themselves, their families, and parishioners who contributed to the event. God bless you all as we continue to support our youth initiative.

Our next **Youth Mass is 5.30pm on Saturday 23 November.** We encourage you all to bring your family and friends to join in the last Youth Mass celebration for 2024.

### PARISH CALENDAR

**Sun 17 Nov 10.30:** Farewell for Chris & Anita  
**Wed 20 Nov 6pm:** First Reconciliation  
**Wed 20 Nov:** 5pm PPC, 7pm Finance Comm.  
**Sat 30 Nov 10am:** Working bee, Cathedral  
**Mon 2 Dec 6pm:** Parish Dinner  
**Wed 4 Dec 7pm:** Solemn Advent Prayers  
**Wed 11 Dec 7pm:** Solemn Advent Prayers  
**Wed 18 Dec 6.30pm:** Parish Reconciliation & Solemn Advent Prayers

**SERRA CLUB FUNDRAISER.** Serra Club are holding a fundraising event at the Sale Greyhound Club this **Sunday 17 November**. Please sign the sheet if you would like to come to dinner at Graze Bistro for our fundraising evening so we can finalise the bookings. The evening will begin at **5:30pm**. We hope to see you there for an enjoyable time.  
**31 CLUB REMINDER** 18—24 November. Please pray for vocations.

**INVITATION TO AN ECUMENICAL ADVENT CONVERSATION** Bishop Richard Treloar, Anglican Bishop of Gippsland and Bishop Greg Bennet, Catholic Bishop of Sale invite clergy and lay people from both Dioceses to join them for an Advent Conversation. A seasonal study of Old and New Testament passages drawn from our common lectionary alongside some of the great Advent Themes. This will be held from **10am - 3.30pm on Friday 29 November 2024**. Morning tea and a light lunch will be served. Cost - \$25per person. RSVP by **22 November**. Venue: The Abbey, Raymond Island. **Bookings essential to: [info@theabbey.org.au](mailto:info@theabbey.org.au)**

**NOVEMBER OFFERINGS** November is the month when we offer special Masses for deceased family members and friends. Offering envelopes are available in the Cathedral or your local Church and can be made at any time

**NOVEMBER MASS FOR DECEASED LOVED ONES** will be held at **11.00am on Thursday 28 November** in the Cathedral. Please come along if you can.

**WORKING BEE** in the Cathedral will be held on **Saturday 30 November after 9.30am Mass**. Please bring along any implements that may assist with cleaning or gardening.

### PLANNED GIVING RENEWAL

**PROGRAM:** Many thanks to all who have generously pledged to support the parish financially for the next three years through the Planned Giving Renewal Program. **As we are still receiving pledges we are not in a position to provide any final figures for the program**, however, the responses received so far are very encouraging for an improved financial result. If you are not in the Planned Giving Program and would like to contribute it is not too late. Pledge cards and brochures are available in the foyers of all our churches. Once again thank you for generously supporting the Parish financially. **PLEASE NOTE: If you are a cash Planned Giver your envelopes & statement (Sep & Oct) are available at your Church till this weekend.** Please collect them to save the cost of postage for our Parish.

**THE ANNUAL PARISH DINNER** will be held on **Monday 2 December from 6pm** in the Chapter House. Sign up sheets are available in the Cathedral. We need numbers of attendees as well as details of your salad or dessert contribution. All are welcome to this lovely celebration of a very successful 2024 calendar year for our Parish.

**FAREWELL MASS** this weekend at **9.30am Mass. This Sunday 17 November** we will be farewelling two of our School Principals - Anita Little of St Thomas' Primary school and Chris Randall of Catholic College Sale. As we wish to thank them for their many years of service we will have morning tea after Mass catered by our schools.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** meeting will be held on **Wednesday 20 November at 5pm** in the Chapter House. If you have any issues you would like discussed by the Council please talk to one of the PPC members or the Priests.

**PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE** meeting will be held at **7.00pm on Wednesday 20 Nov** in the Chapter House

**FIRST RECONCILIATION** will be held in the Cathedral at **6pm on Wednesday 20 November**. Congratulations to all the children and their families.

### 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*

**RITE OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM:** This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism **Leo Finlay** son of Jo & Mitch. Last weekend we also welcomed **Perrie & Blaire Day** daughters of Adele & Timothy as well as **Frankie Stothers** daughter of Odette & James. Congratulations to the families from us all.

### OPERATIONS ACCOUNTANT VACANCY

The Diocese of Sale is seeking a qualified Accountant to assist the Diocesan Business Manager in the day-to-day financial operations of the Diocese and its associated entities. This is a permanent part time role of 30 hours per week with flexible days to be negotiated. The salary for the successful candidate will be based on experience, education and skill level. Applications will be open until **5pm Monday 25 November 2024**. For further information please see the Positions Vacant section of our website <https://www.cdsale.org.au/job-vacancies> or contact Mary Winter (Diocesan Business Manager) email at [maryw@sale.catholic.org.au](mailto:maryw@sale.catholic.org.au)

**PARISH LUNCH** as we have morning tea and dinner with the Serra Club on 17 November we have cancelled the Parish Lunch.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all our VCE students (and those who supported them) on finishing your exams and your graduation next weekend.

**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.

### COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving:	\$1,167.10
Presbytery:	\$1,465.55
Credit Cards	\$45.00
Direct Debits & Credits:	\$1,906.00
Cathedral EFTpos:	\$195.00

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**Mass Timetable this week  
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B  
16 - 17 November 2024**

Day/Date	Time	Place
<b>Saturday 16 November</b>	9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale
<b>Sunday 17 November</b>	9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Cathedral Stratford Cathedral
<b>WEEKDAY MASSES</b>		
<b>Monday 18 November</b>	<i>No</i>	<i>Mass</i>
<b>Tuesday 19 November</b>	9.30am	Cathedral
<b>Wednesday 20 November</b>	9.30am	Cathedral
<b>Thursday 21 November</b>	9.30am	Cathedral
<b>Friday 22 November</b>		
<b>Benediction &amp; Exposition Mass</b>	10.00am 11.00am	Cathedral Cathedral
<b>WEEKEND MASSES</b>		
<b>Saturday 23 November</b>	9.30am 11.00am	Cathedral Loch Sport
	5.30pm	Cathedral
<b>Sunday 24 November</b>	5.30pm 9.30am 9.30am 5.30pm	Rosedale Briagolong Cathedral Cathedral

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 16 November 5.30pm	Sun 17 November 9.30am	Sunday 17 November 5.30pm
<b>Welcomer</b>	John Dykun	Margaret Shirreffs	Please offer
<b>Commentator</b>	Brenda Burditt	Kate Meehan-Oxford	Veronica Stewart
<b>Reader Eucharist</b>	Sandra Smolenaars Jenny Gunn	Vince Beer Anna Allen	Claire Everard Doug Waite
<b>Counters</b>	Theo & Sandra Smolenaars		

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 23 November 5.30pm	Sun 24 November 9.30am	Sunday 24 November 5.30pm
<b>Welcomer</b>	Youth Ministry	Vince Beer	Mary Chiller
<b>Commentator</b>	Youth Ministry	Nick Hall	Jennifer Fitzgerald
<b>Reader Eucharist</b>	Youth Ministry Brenda Burditt	Susan Mattson Margaret Shirreffs	Lyn Althaus Len Althaus
<b>Counters</b>	Sue Harvey & Mary Cooper		

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sunday 17 November 9.30am:** Sebastiano 'Sammy' Tantaro (A)

**Sunday 17 November 5.30pm:** James Fischer & Johanna Fischer (A)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** We offer prayers for those who have died **Ivan Nedelko, Pat Finnegan**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Sammy Tantaro, James Fischer, Johanna Fischer, deceased Clergy of the Diocese**. We pray for those who are sick Dalia Ellison, Veronica Foxe, Cynthia Freshwater, Teresa Bennett, Aileen Nicholls, Fr Andrew Wise, Teolinda Barrera, Jayantha, Emma O'Hare, Jim Clottin, Moira Petrie, Hubert Somasiri, Nimal & Vajira, Dushyanthi, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

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

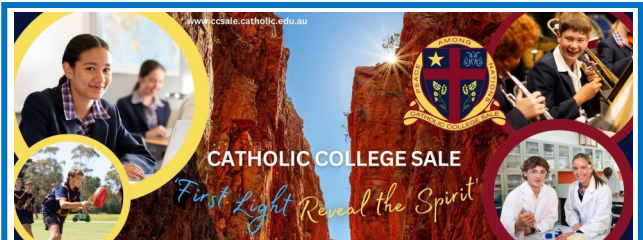
Holy Spirit of Wind and Fire, come!  
Startle us anew with your power and energy.  
Blow fresh life through our tired dreams.  
Fan into a flame the gifts you have given us.  
Light up the windows of our joy and purpose.  
Spark bright fires of optimism deep within us.  
Reveal more clearly a vision 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.

**YOUTH CORNER:**

**Final Youth Mass for 2024** will be held in the Cathedral on **Saturday 23 November at 5.30pm.**



**CATHOLIC COLLEGE SALE  
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Applications are invited for the following position:  
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A position description is available at [www.ccsale.catholic.edu.au](http://www.ccsale.catholic.edu.au).  
All applications are to be forwarded to: [sgaden@ccsale.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sgaden@ccsale.catholic.edu.au)  
Application deadline: **COB Wednesday 20 November 2024**

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

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### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Lord said:

**I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.  
You will call upon me, and I will answer you,  
and I will lead back your captives from every place.**

### FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Daniel 12:1-13

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.**

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;  
it is you yourself who are my prize.  
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:  
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
even my body shall rest in safety.  
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,  
nor let your beloved know decay. **R**

You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R**

### SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 10:11-14,18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Be watchful, pray constantly,  
that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 13:24-32

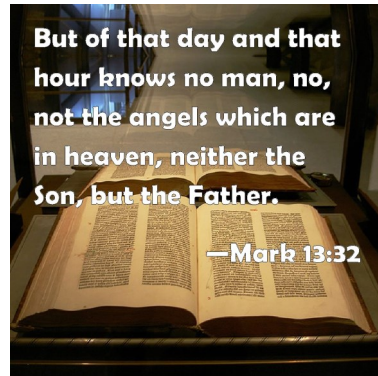
Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**



### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**To be near God is my happiness,  
to place my hope in God the Lord.**



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**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Cathedral**

Every Friday 10 - 11am

**Reconciliation: Cathedral Friday 10.30 - 11am**

### READINGS NEXT WEEK:

**Our LORD JESUS CHRIST King of the Universe Year B**

First Reading: **Daniel 7:13-14**

2nd Reading: **Apocalypse 1:5-8**

Gospel: **John 18:33-37**

### 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.**