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<u>Safeguarding Statement</u>: Our Parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk. Our Safeguarding Officer is Tim Morrison. Ph 5144 4100

Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE, Year B 23 - 24 November 2024

REFLECTION

Each one of the readings depicts the enthronement of Christ who is revealed as the messiah-king. Until his trial, Jesus himself refused to be identified as king. The royal messianic expectations that prevailed during his lifetime were predominantly political. If he assumed them, his followers might have instigated a rebellion against the Roman occupiers. When finally he did acknowledge his royal identity, he insisted that his rule was not like that of other kings.

Enthroned in heaven, Christ is revealed as the faithful witness to all that God has done and will continue to do. As first-born from the dead, his resurrection is the promise of our own resurrection. The dominion that he received from God is universal and exclusive and it will last forever. When he comes again on the last day, he will be revealed in all his glory.

Christ's kingdom is a kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice and love and peace. We need not stand at a distance from him, afraid to approach because of our human vulnerability. He is the one who loved us so much that he handed himself over to suffering and death so that we might live. He has already brought us to birth in this kingdom through Baptism and he has taught us how to live in it. Today we look to that time when his glory will be revealed, when we will all be gathered into the embrace of God, there to sing praise to that glory forever.

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EVENING PRAYERS FOR ADVENT: Next Sunday will be the First Sunday of Advent. During this period 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 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 **6.00pm on 18 December** and will be followed by **solemn Advent evening prayer from 7.00 - 8.00pm**.

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

WORKING BEE: As we prepare for Christmas we need to keep our Cathedral and environs clean and tidy. For this reason we extend an invitation to all Parishioners to please help with our working bee on Saturday 30 November after 9.30am Mass. Looking forward to seeing you all with your cleaning and gardening implements.

PARISH BBQ: as we have had such a successful year let us come together to celebrate with an evening of BBQ in the Chapter House. Celebrations will commence with Mass at 5pm in the Cathedral followed by the BBQ from 6.00pm. Sign up sheets are available in the Cathedral to gauge numbers. All are welcome.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: A note of gratitude to all those who helped with the Youth Ministry in 2024. Particular thanks to our schools, the parents of our young ones who continue to encourage the young ones to participate in the Youth Ministry. We want to also acknowledge the young ones for their interest and enthusiasm through 2024.



PARISH CALENDAR

Sat 23 Nov 5.30pm: Youth Mass Sat 30 Nov 10am: Working bee, Cathedral Mon 2 Dec 6pm: Parish BBQ Wed 4 Dec 7pm: Solemn Advent Prayers Wed 11 Dec 7pm: Solemn Advent Prayers 14 and 15 Dec: Leaving Collection St Vincent de Paul Wed 18 Dec 6.30pm: Parish Reconciliation &

Solemn Advent Prayers <u>SERRA CLUB FUNDRAISER</u>. The SERRA club thanks all who supported our fundraising event the sponsors, local businesses, those who bought tickets, those who came to the dinner

and the greyhound club for all their help. Especially thanks to God for the lovely calm evening after such a wild windy day.

<u>31 CLUB REMINDER</u> 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 closed **22 Nov 24**. Venue: The Abbey, Raymond Island.

NOVEMBER MASS FOR DECEASED LOVED ONES will be held at 11.00am this Thursday 28 November in the Cathedral. This Mass will replace our usual 9.30am Mass. Please come along if you can. NOVEMBER MASS FOR DECEASED LOVED see the Positions Vacant section of our websit https://www.cdsale.org.au/job-vacancies contact Mary Winter (Diocesan Business Manager) email at maryw@sale.catholic.org.au ST VINCENT DE DALL CIVING TREE will be

WORKING BEE in the Cathedral will be held on in the assembly area of the cathedral from Saturday 30 November after 9.30am Mass. Now to 7 December. Parishioners are invited to Please bring along any implements that may assist with cleaning or gardening.

<u>RITE</u> OF WELCOME AND BAPTISM: This weekend at St Mary's Cathedral, we welcome for Baptism **Jack Gunn** son of Milly & James. Congratulations to the family from us all.

THE ANNUAL PARISH BBQ 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. If you are not in Sale you are welcome to ring the Parish Office to notify. All are welcome to this lovely celebration of a very successful 2024 calendar year for our Parish.

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 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 6.00pm on 18 December and will be followed by solemn Advent evening prayer from 7.00 - 8.00pm.

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL GIVING TREE will be in the assembly area of the cathedral from **now to 7 December**. Parishioners are invited to take tags from the tree and purchase these goods then return them to the box under the tree to be distributed to families. There will be a leaving collection at all masses on **14 and 15 December**. Please take your items and give generously to those who are less fortunate.

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

<u>PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL</u> meeting was held on Wednesday 20 November. Items of interest from the meeting included:

- review progress of the Parish Assembly Implementation Plan.

- prepare for the 2025 Pastoral Council meetings. If you know someone who can serve on the Parish Council please let Fr know.

- successful completion of the safeguarding audit with congratulations to all Parishes involved (6) from the Bishop.

PLANNED GIVING RENEWAL PROGRAM. Now that the majority of pledges have been received we can provide you with a final figure for the renewal program. The weekly pledge is now \$2,954, which is up \$621 or 26.5% from the actual weekly giving for the previous 12 months. This will see an increase in income of \$32,326 per year, which will help greatly in reducing the significant losses that had previously been forecast by the finance team. Many thanks for the great response to the call to support the work of the parish. Of course it is not too late to join the program. Planned Giving information and pledge forms are available in the foyer of all our churches.

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC COLLEGE BOARD who are attending 9.30am Mass this Sunday.

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.



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Mass Timetable this week
Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE, Year B
23 - 24 November 2024

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Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 23 November	9.30am	Cathedral
2	11.00am	Loch Sport
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Rosedale
Sunday 24 November	9.30am	Briagolong
2	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
WEEKDAY MASSES	-	
Monday 25 November	No	Mass
Tuesday 26 November	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 27 November	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 28 November		
Mass for deceased loved ones	11.00am	Cathedral
Friday 29 November		
Benediction & Exposition	10.00am	Cathedral
Mass	11.00am	Cathedral
WEEKEND MASSES		
Saturday 30 November	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Rosedale
Sunday 1 December	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Stratford
	5.30pm	Cathedral

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 23 November 5.30pm	Sun 24 November 9.30am	Sunday 24 November 5.30pm
Welcomer	Youth Ministry	Vince Beer	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Youth Ministry	Nick Hall	Jennifer Fitzgerald
Reader Eucharist	Youth Ministry Brenda Burditt	Susan Mattson Margaret Shirreffs	Lyn Althaus Len Althaus
Counters	Sue Harvey & Mary Cooper		
Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 30 November 5.30pm	Sun 1 December 9.30am	Sunday 1 December 5.30pm
Date & Time	5.30pm	9.30am	5.30pm
Date & Time Welcomer	5.30pm Theo Smolenaars	9.30am John Dykun	5.30pm Please Offer

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 23 November 5.30pm: Chrissy Johnston (A) Sunday 24 November 9.30am: Helena Predkiewicz (A)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We offer prayers for those who have died Dusty Daly, Luke & Ben Smith, Ivan Nedelko, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Helena Predkiewicz, Chrissy Johnston, Pauline Vermaelen, 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, Hurbert Somasiri, Nimal & Vajira, Dushyanthi, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin. We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.

NEW TO THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS? Please let us know we'd like to meet you! NAME: ADDRESS: PHONE: 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

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 this Saturday 23 November at 5.30pm.



Congratulations to our Parish children who made their First Reconciliation last Wednesday. Thank you to our Sacramental Coordinator, Jennifer Fitzgerald, parents, our teachers and our Parish Priests for preparing the children for this special Sacrament.

Elsie Baynes, Spencer Brayshaw Olivia Cahill Lacey Connley Abigail Glover Franklin Heywood Xavier Kennedy Evie O'Brien Lily Rathnow Mason Stephen Annalise Thomas

Clare Boyd Zara Brewis Lillian Carroll Ruby Considine Amelia Glover Finn Hutchin Addison Morelli Matilda Phillips Charlie Sammut Thea Jane Stubbe Lara Thomas

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Prophet Daniel 7:13-14

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to clouds of heaven ,one like a son of man. He came to the one the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a of great age and was led into his presence. On him was king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire be destroyed.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord is king;

he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. **(R)**

The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **(***R***)**

Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. **(***R***)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the book of Apocalypse 1:5-8

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

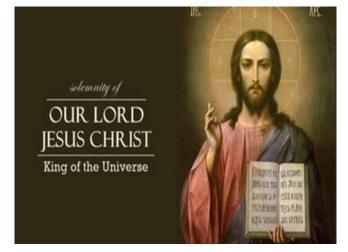


<u>GOSPEL</u>

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 18:33-37

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

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



COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Cathedral Every Friday 10 - 11am Reconciliation: Cathedral Friday 10.30 - 11am

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

First Sunday of Advent, Year C

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16 2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2 Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month)
Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm
Sunday: 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.