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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C *8 - 9 February 2025*



5th February 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We will soon gather from the 'four winds' of the Diocese to commence our Diocesan Assembly 2025: Our Stories, Our Church, Our Mission.

This is an exciting time in the life of our diocese and will build upon the many initiatives, pastoral engagements and leadership which has blessed our diocesan life.

As the delegates gather for the Assembly, I wish to assure you that we will hold all the members of our faith communities and people of goodwill throughout the process. You would be aware that the Agenda of the Assembly is built upon the last two years formation and consultation processes.

It is my hope that our Assembly will model the synodal way. Pope Francis says: "A synodal Church is a Church which listens, which realises that listening 'is more than simply hearing'. It is a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn. The faithful people, the college of bishops, the Bishop of Rome: all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit, the 'Spirit of truth' (Jn 14:17), in order to know what [the Holy Spirit] 'says to the Churches' (Rev 2:7)"

The Diocesan Mission Council will be entrusted with the work of the Assembly and will direct their efforts in developing a Pastoral Strategic Plan upon which we will focus our response to the Gospel and the building of the Kingdom of God.

We have available a Liturgy Resource for use in Parishes and Parish Homes for 14th & 15th February 2025. It would be my hope that every faith community may gather in their particular Church in prayerful solidarity with the delegates of the Assembly or individuals may choose to pray this at home along with us.

The Resource reflects what will occur at the Assembly. We invite you to pray in solidarity with us.

I wish you every blessing as we journey as Pilgrims of Hope in 2025.

+Greg Bennet
Bishop of Sale

PARISH CALENDAR

Fri 14 & Sat 15 Feb: Diocesan Assembly
Wed 19 Feb 5.00pm: PPC Meeting
Wed 26 Feb 7.00pm: Finance Committee
Wed 5 March: Ash Wednesday

DELEGATES list for the Diocesan Assembly.

The Diocesan Assembly for which we have been praying is scheduled for **14 and 15 February 2025**. Thanks to Nick Hall and Jenny Fitzgerald who helped us with the preparatory and consultative phase. After prayers, consultations, and calls, the following parishioners will now be our Cathedral Parish delegates at the Assembly. Thanks to them for saying yes as well.

St Mary's Cathedral: Libby Byrnes & Vince Beer

St Rose of Lima Rosedale: Veronica Barnes

St Patrick's Stratford: Nick Lee

St Patrick's Briagolong: Margaret Anderson.

We hold them and the other delegates in our prayers, and pray for the success of the Assembly.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to Diocesan Assembly being held on **Friday 14 and Saturday 15 February** concluding at 5pm, there are to be Vigil Masses across the Diocese of Sale on **Fri 14 & Sat 15 February** as our Priests will be attending. There will be no Friday Mass and Exposition or Saturday morning Mass. There will be no Cathedral or Rosedale Masses at **5.30pm on Saturday 15 February**.

31 CLUB REMINDER 10 - 17 February. Please pray for vocations.

MOTHERS WHO PRAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN

Join Mothers Who Pray for Their Children, for the 2nd Australian Conference on **15 February 2025**, at the Catholic Leadership Centre in Melbourne. Be inspired by powerful testimonies, enriching talks, and the strength of united prayer as we gather to support one another in this beautiful vocation of motherhood. Don't miss this day of faith, fellowship, and spiritual renewal! To book your tickets go to www.motherswhoprayfortheirchildren.com

LEGION OF MARY meet in the Chapter House from 10.30am each Wednesday. New members are very welcome.

JUBILEE YEAR Jubilee of Artists 23rd February What: St Joseph's Warragul and St Ita's Drouin & St Ignatius Neerim South parishes are hosting the Diocesan Jubilee of Artists. Artists are invited to submit photographs of up to three art works which speak to the Jubilee theme 'Pilgrims of Hope'. That is a church which brings about a New Creation where people can live in peace and justice. Artists are asked to include a brief profile of themselves and the impulse behind their works. Why: Our contribution to Pope Francis' Jubilee of Hope. That we may rejoice with gratitude at the creative insights artists bring to human life. That sacred art may reveal true beauty, a glimmer of the Spirit of God, which opens the human soul to a sense of the eternal. Where: Marian Room at St Joseph's Church, Warragul. **Jubilee Celebration Mass at St Joseph's 11 am, Bishop Greg's blessing of the exhibition 12pm, shared lunch at Teachers Centre 1pm.**

When: a) Photo of work(s) [and profile] submitted via email **by 4pm Mon 10 Feb**,

b) delivery of work to Marian Room by **2pm Fri 21 Feb**, c) Exhibition date **Sunday 23rd February 2025**

How: Exhibits of paintings, sculpture and other mediums as selected by the Committee need to be delivered to the Marian Room between **10am and 2pm on Thursday 20th Feb and Friday 21st Feb**. The Committee will mount and display one work from each contributor. (easels welcomed)

JUBILEE OF ARTISTS COMMITTEE Contact **5623 1642 Warragul@cdsale.org.au**

GARDEN MAINTENANCE TEAM meets on Wednesday from 9.30-11.00am. When you do come, please come with your garden gloves, spades, garden shears etc and help to lighten the load. We'll have a cup of tea/coffee when done. If you are able to assist please call John Dykun on 0413 947 352.

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on February 9 in 2025. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination" of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsonday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

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*

DIOCESAN CONSULTATION PHASE TWO REPORT – NOW AVAILABLE!

The Diocesan Consultation Phase Two Report – 'LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT FIVE YEARS 2026-2030' is completed and is now available on the Diocese of Sale website: <https://www.cdsale.org.au/>

The report is a compilation of all the feedback received in October 2024 from a diverse range of communities and individuals, including all parishes, numerous school students, school leadership teams, the DOSCEL Board and Secretariat, diocesan bodies, and various Catholic organizations. Thank you to all those who contributed their ideas about what our pastoral priorities need to be over the next 5 years.

MILESTONE CELEBRATIONS if you are, or know of another parishioner, celebrating a milestone birthday, anniversary or any other joyous moment to share with your parish please let one of the Priests or the Parish office know.

DAILY PRAYER Short daily Gospel reflections with access to readings and prayers of the faithful can be found at <https://www.pray.com.au>

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:	\$1,235.00
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**Mass Timetable this week
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
8 - 9 February 2025**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 8 February	9.30am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Loch Sport
	5.30pm	Cathedral
Sunday 9 February	5.30pm	Rosedale
	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Briagolong
	5.30pm	Cathedral
WEEKDAY MASSES		
Monday 10 February	<i>NO</i>	<i>MASS</i>
Tuesday 11 February	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 12 February	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 13 February	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 14 February		
<i>NO MASS OR BENEDICTION DUE TO</i>		
WEEKEND MASSES		
Saturday 15 February		
<i>NO MASS or VIGIL MASSES</i>		
	<i>DIOCESAN</i>	<i>ASSEMBLY</i>
Sunday 16 February		
	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Stratford
	5.30pm	Cathedral

**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.

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 8 February 5.30pm	Sun 9 February 9.30am	Sunday 9 February 5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	Vince Beer	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Liz Tabuteau	Margaret Shirreffs	Andreena Jolly
Reader	Sandra Smolenaars	Di Austin	Claire Everard
Eucharist	Brenda Burditt	Anna Allen	Lyn Althaus
Counters	John Vermaelen & John Dykun		

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity
and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our
Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen



MASS INTENTIONS:

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We offer prayers for those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **deceased Clergy of the Diocese**. We pray for those who are sick **Michelle, Lou, Diana Green, Maureen McLeod, Daniel, Dalia Ellison, Veronica Foxe, Teresa Bennett, Aileen Nicholls, Fr Andrew Wise, Teolinda Barrera, Jayantha, Emma O'Hare, Jim Clottin, Moira Petrie, Hurbert Somasiri, 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 PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?

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

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

**O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings. And they cried out to one another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. His glory fills the whole earth. The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said: 'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts. Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said: See now, this has touched your lips, your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: 'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?' I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. **(R.)**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. **(R.)**

All earth's kings shall thank you
when they hear the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the Lord's ways;
'How great is the glory of the Lord!' **(R.)**
You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **(R.)**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the first Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:1-11

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you – believing anything else will not lead to anything. Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it. I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 5:1-11

Jesus was standing one day by the lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point. When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

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



COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

**Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good things.**



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

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

First Reading: **Jeremiah 17:5-8**
2nd Reading: **1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20**
Gospel: **Luke 6:17, 20-26**

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.