

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR B

7/8 September 2024

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday & Thursday 10.00am

Saturday 5:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday 8:45am & 10:30am

FAMILY MASS – 1ST WEEKEND EACH MONTH

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10.00am to 10.30am



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MASS TIMES

Wednesday & Friday 10:00am

Saturday: 6:30pm (Vigil)

8:00pm (Neocatechumenal way.)

All welcome)

Sunday 9am (English)

10:30am (Italian)

FAMILY MASS – 2ND WEEKEND EACH MONTH

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 7:15pm

FACEBOOK PAGE:

PASCOE VALE & COBURG

facebook.com/pascoevalecoburg

REFLECTION

I read the other day a true story about a baby girl who was seriously ill in a Neonatal ICU. The paediatric specialist said there was very little hope. The baby's five-year-old brother, Michael, kept begging his parents to let him see his sister. 'I want to sing to her', he kept saying. Children were not allowed in the ICU, but Michael's mother eventually insisted that he be able to see his sister.

When he got to the humidicrib he sang: 'You are my sunshine, my only sunshine, you make me happy when skies are grey'. The nurse reported that as Michael sang, the baby's pulse rate began to calm down and become steady. 'Keep on singing, Michael', encouraged his mother with tears in her eyes. 'You never know, dear, how much I love you. Please don't take my sunshine away.' The baby recovered and left the hospital three weeks later.

I am not pretending for a moment that Michael's song healed his sister, but we should never underestimate the power of human support and love. It helps us to be healed.



The Gospel story of the healing of the deaf mute is striking because it is one of the few stories where the crowd makes the request of healing from Jesus. This is understandable given that the man cannot speak for himself, but the scene, as Mark writes it, is very touching. Mark tells us that the crowd brought the man to Jesus. 'They' beg Jesus to heal him, 'they' are ordered not to tell anyone about the miracle, but 'they' go straight out and tell everyone about it.

What happens there is what happens here every Sunday. Coming to Mass is not a private affair. It is not my Mass, my prayer, my Church. The pronouns we use reveal a lot about our attitudes. It's our Eucharist, our prayer and our Church. Within the Mass there are opportunities for private prayer, but Eucharist is, essentially, an action of the assembled community. In our own way we bring the deaf and the mute to Jesus each time we gather. This is what the Prayers of the Faithful are all about. This is why they are so important. When we visit another parish we can tell a lot about it by the care with which the intercessions are composed and compiled. If they only attend to the needs of the parish and never with the wider Church or the world, if they focus on the needs of the Catholic world and never with the plight of those in crisis, who may not share our faith or may hold to another or no faith, it says so much.

The Church has always believed in the power of intercessory prayer. Not that God needs to be reminded what our world needs. God knows that better than we know it. But intercessory prayer sorts our priorities and establishes who has a claim on our affections and concerns. It also enables others to know that we stand in solidarity with them. And miracles still happen when we are one with those for whom we hope and pray. Sometimes the first miracle that occurs is that we notice the needs of some group beyond our immediate circle. Their suffering moves us and we choose to help them.

Let's pray in this Eucharist that Christ removes our blindness, opens our ears and loosens our tongues so that we speak up for those who are most in need of a healing word that brings them justice and peace. *(Richard Leonard SJ)*

SATURDAY CONFESSION ST OLIVER PLUNKETTS CANCELLED

Saturday 10-10:30am cancelled until 21st September while Fr James is away. For this time, Confessions by appointment only before or after mass.

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

Isaiah 35:4-7

A Reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.
Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming,
the retribution of God;
he is coming to save you.'
Then the eyes of the blind shall be
opened,
the ears of the deaf unsealed,
then the lame shall leap like a deer
and the tongues of the dumb sing for
joy;
for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145:7-10

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for
ever, who is just to those who are
oppressed. It is he who gives bread
to the hungry, the Lord, who sets
prisoners free. R.
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the
blind, who raises up those who are

bowed down. It is the Lord who
loves the just, the Lord, who
protects the stranger. R.

3. The Lord upholds the widow and
orphan but thwarts the path of the
wicked. The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. R.

SECOND READING

James 2:1-5

A reading from the letter of St James.

My brothers, do not try to combine faith
in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with
the making of distinctions between
classes of people. Now suppose a man
comes into your synagogue, beautifully
dressed and with a gold ring on, and at
the same time a poor man comes in, in
shabby clothes, and you take notice of
the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come
this way to the best seats'; then you tell
the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You
can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.'
Can't you see that you have used two
different standards in your mind, and
turned yourselves into judges, and
corrupt judges at that?
Listen, my dear brothers: it was those
who are poor according to the world
that God chose, to be rich in faith and to
be the heirs to the kingdom which he
promised to those who love him.
The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus preached the Good News of the
Kingdom and healed all who were
sick.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 7:31-37

*A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Mark.*

Returning from the district of Tyre,
Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the
Sea of Galilee, right through the
Decapolis region. And they brought him
a deaf man who had an impediment in
his speech; and they asked him to lay his
hand on him. He took him aside in
private, away from the crowd, put his
fingers into the man's ears and touched
his tongue with spittle. Then looking up
to heaven he sighed; and he said to him,
'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And
his ears were opened, and the ligament

of his tongue was loosened and he
spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them
to tell no one about it, but the more he
insisted, the more widely they
published it. Their admiration was
unbounded. 'He has done all things
well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear
and the dumb speak.'
The Gospel of the Lord

CREED

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.

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Lucia Carubba, Antonietta Acciarito, Michael Gribble

Anniversaries:

Those who are ill: Judy Knapp, Brian Wright, Mary Mobbs, Betty Gallagher, Jim Moore

READERS: 7/8 September 14/15 September

Sat 5.00pm FAMILY MASS READERS C. Rowland(L), L. Teoh(R)
Sun 8.45 M. Tamayo(L), L. Di Nicola(R) B. Messina(L), C. D'Orazio(R)
10.30am FAMILY MASS READERS T. Baltatzis(L), L. Willason(R)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm A. Taglieri A. Giaccotto
Sun 8.45am M. Bolitho M. Tamayo
10.30am B. Watts F. Henger

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Alfred Polemi, Mario Esposito, Helmut

Anniversaries: Yvonne Francis, Giuseppina Chiappazzo, Giulio Monteleone, Anton Vidic, Marta & Jack Russo, Angela Strangis

Those who are ill: Mary Bonnici, Alexander, Idrees Toma

READERS: 07/08 Sept 14/15 September

Sat 6.30pm Judy O'Meara William & Alex Kennedy
Sun 9.00am Adria, Daniella & Ramon & Therese Garcia
 Briarna Dal Col
10.30am Peter Aurora & Anna D'Amato &
 Gino De Fusco Rosa Oppendisano

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm Alfred Meilak Mary De Marco
Sun 9.00am Patrick Baviera Raf Carnovale
10.30am Laura Scherma Giuseppe Schiavello

OUR LADY OF SORROWS FEAST DAY MASS – ST OLIVER PLUNKETT CHURCH 15th Sept 2PM

The Servants of Mary (Servite Order) invite you to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. Sunday 15th September 2024 2pm St Oliver Plunkett Parish – Servite Rosary, Holy Mass, Procession, Solemn Benediction

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FESTIVAL MASS – 2024 BRUNSWICK REGIONAL COUNCIL MASS

When: Sunday 29th Sept 9am St Margaret Mary's Catholic Church. RSVP by Fri 20th Sept

brunswicknorth.conf.pres@sudp-vic-org.au. Includes Mass, Commissioning of St Vincent Members, Presentation and social gathering with light lunch provided.

ANNUAL FATHERS DAY APPEAL FOR OUR RETIRED PRIESTS

Each year on Father's Day weekend a special appeal is held to raise funds to support the work of the Priests Retirement Foundation, which cares for clergy who have retired due to age or sickness. Donate to the annual Father's Day Appeal today! Donations are 100% tax deductible. Envelopes in the church.

FAMILY MASS & CHILDREN'S LITURGY SEPTEMBER DATES

Family Mass & Children's Liturgy for Sept is **ST OLIVERS: Sat 7th & Sun 8 Sept 2024 at 10.30am**, and **ST PAUL'S: Sat 14th & Sunday 15th Sept 9am mass**. 1st Sunday of each month at St Oliver's, and 2nd Sunday of each month at St Paul's.

NEXT CUPPA AT ST OLIVERS PARISH 7th & 8th Sept

Family & friends of St Olivers Parish are invited to enjoy a cuppa after the 5pm Saturday vigil mass 7th Sept and 10.30am Sunday Mass 8th Sept.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

PARISH DINNER

You're invited to an evening of music, dancing, culinary delights and lively conversation at St Oliver Plunkett's & St Paul's combined Parish Dinner Dance.

OCTOBER

FRIDAY **11** 6:30PM

2024

The Members Lounge, Reggio Calabria Club, Brunswick
 Ticket Sales after Mass or phone Tina: 0417 512 897
\$70: 3 Course Meal, Tea/Coffee & Soft drinks



Migrant Youth Festival

Celebrating the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees

"God walks with His people"

29 September 2024 · Cathedral Hall, ACU Melbourne

- 9:00 am Registration, Keynote Address, A Conversation with Archbishop Peter, Group Activities, Lunch and Concert at Cathedral Hall, ACU
- 1:30 pm Pilgrim Walk from ACU to St Patrick's Cathedral
- 2:00 pm Rosary Procession around the Cathedral
- 3:00 pm Migrant and Refugee Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli and migrant chaplains of the Archdiocese of Melbourne

Scan the QR code to register or visit trybooking.com/CSAYK
 Registrations close **EXTENDED UNTIL 15 SEPTEMBER!**

Tickets \$30

The Migrant Youth Festival is supported by the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

ST OLIVERS PARISH CENTRE

ST OLIVER'S HALL HIRE

AVAILABLE WEEKDAYS & WEEKENDS ANYTIME

KITCHEN TABLES & CHAIRS TO SEAT 60

1 Landells Rd, Pascoe Vale
\$200 up to 4hrs
\$300 4+ hours



ST PAULS PARISH HALL

ST PAUL'S HALL HIRE

AVAILABLE WEEKENDS (EXC. SAT EVENING)

KITCHEN TABLES & CHAIRS TO SEAT 80 BATHROOMS

562 Sydney Rd, Coburg
\$350 up to 4hrs
\$450 4+ hours



PROGRAMS

ST PAULS PARISH

ADORATION:

First Friday of the month: 10.30am-12pm

BAPTISMS:

2nd & 4th Sunday's of the Month at 12pm

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.

ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2023/24

St Lucy Feast Day 10 Dec 2023 2pm

St Joseph Feast Day 17 Mar 2024 2pm

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH

BAPTISMS:

2nd & 4th Saturday's of the Month at 12pm

(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- Chris Rowland

7-8pm Parish Centre – 0411 440 746

TUESDAY: Italian Ladies Prayer Group

10am Meeting Room

St Vincent de Paul

4:00pm Parish Centre

(last Tuesday of the month)

Charismatic Prayer Group

Tuesday 7.30pm Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY:

Drop-In Centre

1-3pm Church/Parish Centre

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Oliver's

Online Offerings: ST OLIVERS
<https://bit.ly/CDfpayPascoeVale>

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

St Oliver's Church A/C:

BSB: 083-347

ACC: 55158 7979

Presbytery A/C:

BSB: 083-347 ACC: 53102 0158



CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Paul's

Online Offerings ST PAULS
<https://bit.ly/CDfpayCoburg>

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

St Paul's Church A/C

BSB: 083-347

Acc.: 67541 0884

Presbytery A/C

BSB: 083-347

Acc: 5310 20158



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

Collection Thanksgiving \$ 1147.50

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 425.55

Direct debits AUGUST \$ 2015.00

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

1st Collection Sacrificial \$ 719.00

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 300.95

Direct debits AUGUST \$ 650.00

Next Week: 24th Sunday Ordinary Time B

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

Second Reading: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

A WARM WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

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.

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