

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

22/23 February 2025

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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](https://www.facebook.com/pascoevalecoburg)

REFLECTION

Perhaps one of the most difficult lessons to learn is forgiveness of those whom we consider our enemies, those who have wronged us. As challenging as this may be, the Gospel calls us to a very high standard: we must be merciful as God is merciful. If such perfection can become a reality in our lives, we will be able to forgive. Paul assures us that we can indeed attain such perfection, not by ourselves, but through the power of the risen Lord whose image we bear. Paul plays with the theology of creation. In the beginning, we were made like the first Adam, earthly, limited, weak, concerned about the things of this world, and committed to our own wellbeing. Through baptism we have been fashioned after the image of the second Adam, Christ the risen Lord. Being like Christ, we become godlike, empowered with his saving power, transformed with him into new beings. It is now in our power, which is really the power of the resurrection, to be merciful as God is merciful. In the risen Lord we experience a mystical transformation. From now on, all of our actions can flow from this new reality. Transformed by the power of the resurrection, we are capable of unprecedented good works. We can live without retaliation; we can render good for evil. We can be prodigal in our generosity toward others; we can relinquish any rights of proprietorship that we might enjoy. We can live with others without unfairly judging them. We can be like God, boundless in our forgiveness.

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A Prayer for the health of Pope Francis

Loving & Merciful God, we place Pope Francis into Your hands, trusting in Your eternal care. May he be comforted by the love of the Church and the prayers of all the faithful. We ask, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, that his recovery be swift, and his spirit be strengthened in Your peace. Amen

St. Paul's/St Oliver's Catholic Church

Sunday School Program

The time for Enrolment for the School Year 2025 is Now!!!



A Program to prepare children attending state/local schools to receive the Sacraments of

- ❖ (First) Reconciliation
- ❖ First Holy Communion
- ❖ Confirmation

Classes begin 2nd March 2025. Time: 10:00 – 11:00 am

Every Sunday (Except Term breaks)

At St. Paul's Primary School, 562 Sydney Road, Coburg.

Requirements for enrolment: new enrollees must be at least in Grade 3 or be 9 years of age.

Child's Baptismal Certificate required.

There is a small enrolment fee.

For further information please contact the parish office:
9354 1564 or coburg@cam.org.au



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 *1Sam 26:2,7-9,11-13,22-23*

A Reading from the first book of Samuel.

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul lying asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him. Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt? David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them. David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.' The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 102

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. R.
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. R.
3. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. R.
4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. R.

SECOND READING

1 Cor 15:45-49

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment;
Love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 6:27-38

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks

you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

The Gospel of the Lord

JUBILEE PRAYER 2025

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.

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Pasquale Buonomo

Anniversaries: Simon Peter Chin, Giovanna & Giuseppe De Fazio, Domenico Salzone, Pasquale Caia, Salvatore & Concetta Serini, John Cocomello

Those who are ill: Mary Mobbs, Stan Mobbs, Betty Gallagher, Jim Moore, Ana Alessi, Irene Mary Wymer, Oswald Danie, Bill, Josephine Mokbel, Carmelo & Angelo, Anthony, Gim, Milana, Angelo, Carmelo, Brenda Watts

Left to right = Leader, Reader

READERS	22/23 Feb	1 / 2 March
Sat 5.00pm	L. Teoh, W. Cahill	V. Pertile, J. Pertile
Sun 8.45	M. Ziccone, B. Messina	M. Tamayo, R. Vargas
10.30am	L. Willason, O. Aquino	R. Cassidy, L. Verduci

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm	A. Taglieri	A. Giaccotto
Sun 8.45am	R. Vargas	L. Di Nicola
10.30am	F. Henger	J. Braganza

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Carmine Iannello, Carmela Scoleri, Sydney Vas, Michael Hall

Anniversaries: Vincenza Manago, Maria Pomazan, Eleonara Lanza, Giovanni Spina

Those who are ill: Mary Bonnici, Alexander, Allesandrina, Andrew Cassidy, Christine Reid, Maria Ambesi

READERS:	22/23 Feb	1 / 2 March
Sat 6.30pm	Judy O'Meara	Paul De Losa
Sun 9.00am	G Baviera & T Pugliano	Brent & Dylan Greig
10.30am	Peter Aurora & Gino De Fusco	Anna D'Amato & Rosa Oppendisano

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm	Alfred Meilak	Mary De Marco
Sun 9.00am	Annette Barnes	Alfred Meilak
10.30am	Laura Scherma	Sam Stagliano



MARCH JUBILEE EVENT: Lenten Retreat – 10th, 11th & 12th March 7-9pm by Vincentian Fathers. Transportation can be arranged for anyone requiring pickup and drop off to the Lenten retreat. Contact the parish office on 9354-1564 to book in.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES – WED 5TH MARCH 2025

St Pauls Coburg: 9.15am (changed from 10am so school can attend)

St Oliver Plunkett Pascoe Vale: 12pm & 7pm



STATIONS OF THE CROSS – DURING LENT (commencing Thurs 6th March 2025)

St Oliver's Pascoe Vale: 9.30am Tuesday and Thursday

St Pauls Coburg: Wed's 9.30am (English), Fridays 9.15am (Italian) & 7pm (English)

St Pauls Coburg: Morning Prayer; 1st week of Lent: 6am weekdays, then 5.45am weekdays during Lent

ST PAULS COBURG SACRIFICIAL ENVELOPES

St Paul's Coburg Sacrificial envelopes for next 12 months are at the rear of the church. Thank you for your ongoing generosity in supporting the parish.

February Jubilee Event

Day of Prayer & ADORATION

Group Times for adoration.

- 10am-11am: Prayer groups
- 11am-12pm: Eucharistic ministers and volunteers
- 12pm-1pm: St. Vincent De Paul
- 1pm-2pm: Charismatic prayer group and Youth
- 2pm-3pm: Parish committees, children & families
- 3pm-4pm: Common for everyone
- 4pm: Closing

St Oliver's Pascoe Vale: Sat 15th Feb 10am-4pm
St Paul's Coburg: Sat 22nd Feb 9.30am-4pm

Contact: Coburg@cam.org.au Ph: 9354-1564

Lenten Retreat

LED BY FR. ROJAN GEORGE V.C

Nightly Program:
Praise & Worship
Mass, Homily & Catechesis
 Then followed by:
Eucharistic Adoration
 After Adoration you are free to have personal blessings & counselling.

A LENTEN RETREAT
 Led by Vincentian Fathers

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH, 1 LANDELLS RD, PASCOE VALE
 MARCH 10TH, 11TH, 12TH 7-9PM
 MORE INFO CONTACT PARISH OFFICE 9354-1564 COBURG@CAM.ORG.AU

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: 2025

St Joseph Feast Day 23 Mar 2025 2pm

St Lucy Feast Day 14 Dec 2025 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



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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 \$ 896.05

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 500.00

Direct debits JAN \$ 1921.00

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

1st Collection Sacrificial \$ 642.00

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 349.55

Direct debits JAN \$ 615.00

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

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.