

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

2nd Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, Year C

27th April 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

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REFLECTION



The disciples did not purge their group of 'doubting Thomas'. They remained his companions, waiting for something or Someone to be revealed to him with them. Doubt and questioning are a normal and proper part of being human. We should allow for this within the community of the Church. A point may come where a person may no longer remain in the Church with any integrity. But a dismissive, excluding Church

is not the Church of this gospel story.

Within the companionship of the Church a doubter may hear the words: 'Peace be with you.' What sort of peace? It is that inner assurance that, in the midst of all the tribulations and the turmoil and the myriad precursor deaths which we suffer on all sorts of levels, the Conqueror of Death wants to be with us.

How can the Risen Lord be with us? In Holy Communion, and in those counted as least in the world. According to Matthew 25, He is those without the necessities of life: food, shelter, medical care, comfort in distress.

We could pause for a moment to savour that Peace which comes from faith in the Conqueror of Death and in his Real Presence in Holy Communion and in those in dire need. **REFLECTION by Fr. Michael Tate**

STATEMENT on the death of Pope Francis by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli

As the Church enters this time of Easter filled with the light and hope of the world, it is with deep sadness that we have received the news of the death of His Holiness, Pope Francis. We unite with all the People of God in praying for the eternal rest of his soul and entrust him to the tender loving mercy of the Father. Pope Francis, who came from the peripheries of the world, has been the father of the poor, and a witness of joy and hope. May the Lord, he so faithfully trusted, now welcome him into eternal life. St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne will be open early Tuesday morning to receive those who may wish to visit for prayer and remembrance. In the coming days, more information will be available regarding opportunities to come together in gratitude, and to pray for the Holy Father. May he rest in God's gracious and gentle peace. Mary, Our Blessed Mother of God, pray for him. St Francis of Assisi, pray for him.

All Holy Men and Women,
Saints of God, pray for him.

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
Archbishop of Melbourne

A Solemn Pontifical Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli at St Patrick's Cathedral on Monday 28 April at 1pm. All are welcome.



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

Acts 5:12-16

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.
The faithful all used to meet by common
consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one
else ever dared to join them, but the
people were loud in their praise and the
numbers of men and women who came to
believe in the Lord increased steadily. So
many signs and wonders were worked
among the people at the hands of the
apostles that the sick were even taken out
into the streets and laid on beds and
sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the
shadow of Peter might fall across some of
them as he went past. People even came
crowding in from the towns round about
Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick
and those tormented by unclean spirits,
and all of them were cured.
The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 117:2-4, 22-27

**R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is
good; his love is everlasting.**

- Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love
has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron
say: 'His love has no end.' Let those
who fear the Lord say: 'His love has
no end.' R.
- The stone which the builders
rejected has become the corner
stone. This is the work of the Lord, a
marvel in our eyes. This day was
made by the Lord; we rejoice and are
glad. R.

- O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord,
grant success. Blessed in the name
of the Lord is he who comes. We
bless you from the house of the
Lord; the Lord God is our light.
R.

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19

My name is John, and through our union
in Jesus I am your brother and share your
sufferings, your kingdom, and all you
endure. I was on the island of Patmos for
having preached God's word and
witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day
and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a
voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet,
'Write down all that you see in a book.' I
turned round to see who had spoken to
me, and when I turned I saw seven golden
lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a
figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long
robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.
When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his
feet, but he touched me with his right
hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the
First and the Last; I am the Living One, I
was dead and now I am to live for ever and
ever, and I hold the keys of death and of
the underworld. Now write down all that
you see of present happenings and things
that are still to come.'
The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!
You believe in me, Thomas, because you
have seen me; happy are those who have
not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel of John.
In the evening of that same day, the first
day of the week, the doors were closed in
the room where the disciples were, for
fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood
among them. He said to them, 'Peace be
with you', and showed them his hands
and his side. The disciples were filled with
joy when they saw the Lord, and he said
to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the
Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After
saying this he breathed on them and
said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those
whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain, they are
retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who
was one of the Twelve, was not with them
when Jesus came. When the disciples
said, 'We have seen the Lord', he
answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the

nails made in his hands and can put my
finger into the holes they made, and
unless I can put my hand into his side, I
refuse to believe.' Eight days later the
disciples were in the house again and
Thomas was with them. The doors were
closed, but Jesus came in and stood
among them. 'Peace be with you' he said.
Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger
here; look, here are my hands. Give me
your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no
longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My
Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You
believe because you can see me. Happy
are those who have not seen and yet
believe.' There were many other signs
that Jesus worked and the disciples saw,
but they are not recorded in this book.
These are recorded so that you may
believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of
God, and that believing this you may have
life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord

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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.

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: Pope Francis, Irene Eccles, Patricia Gleeson
Anniversaries: Antonio Nicolaci (1 Month), Mauro Aparo, Roy Mossuto, Fortunato Rizzo, Domenico Cicala,
Those who are ill: Josephine Mokbel, Carmelo & Angelo, Anthony, Gim, Milana, Brenda Watts, Mikayla, Catrina, Lina, Assunta & Family, Mary Mobbs, Stan Mobbs, John Moore, Betty Gallagher, Fiona Edwards, Irene Mary Wymer, Paul Winston, Makala, Tania, Sienna, Jimmy, Anna, Anthony, Paul, Elana, Ricky, Lisa, Luca, Loredana, Teresa Nicolazzo, Anna Alessi

READERS 26/27 April 3 / 4 May

Sat 5.00pm L. Teoh (L) V Pertile (R) J Pertile (L), A Taglieri (R)
Sun 8.45 M Tamayo (L), B Messina (R) B Messina (Lead) & C D'Orazio (Read)

10.30am. R Cassidy (L), L Willason (R) L Verduci (L), T Baltatzis

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm L. Bellio A Taglieri
Sun 8.45am L Di Nicola M Tamayo
10.30am E Monaco S Bennardo

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Pope Francis, Alberto Gheller
Anniversaries: Pietro Stefania, Solomon Ramanos, Francesco Paolo Flammea, Giuseppe Molina, Concetta Ruggiero, Alberto D'Amore, Antonio D'Amore, Pasquali Mezzatesta, Carmelo Malivindi, Giuseppe Carosella, Jasmine Carosella, Maria, Rosario, Giuseppe, Christian, Antonia Veneziano, Vincenzo, Concetta Rogato, Domenico, Giuseppina Conforto, Noah Fenyk, Giuseppe Schepis, Salvatore Rapita, Quintina Torre
Those Who are ill: Mary Bonnici, Alexander, Allesandrina, Andrew Cassidy, Christine Reid, Maria Ambesi, Nissen Saba, John Saba, Kate, Luke, Mark Meilak, Alice Da Silva, Derrick Tailford, Carmel Veneziano

READERS: 26/27 April 3 / 4 May

Sat 6.30pm Tamesha Raj Paul Kennedy
Sun 9.00am Brent & Dylan Greig Rosa Touma & P Wright
10.30am Anna D'Amato & T/M Costanzo & Rosa Oppendisano Sam Stagliano

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm Mary De Marco Alfred Meilak
Sun 9.00am Mary Carnovale Warren Power
10.30am Sam Stagliano Giuseppe Schiavello

ANNUAL PARISH MASS COUNT 2025



The Annual Parish Mass count will be taking place in May 2025. This year, the four weekends of 3-4 May, 10-11 May, 17-18 May and 24-25 May have been selected for the count.

PARISH CENSUS

Over the next three weeks, we invite each member of our parish to participate in our census process. By completing the census form, which will be made available during Mass from next week, we can register the number of our parish members and better understand the needs of our community. Data from this census will also enable the parish to strategically plan for important events, ministries, and other future endeavours. Your privacy is essential, and all information will be treated with confidentiality. Thank you. **Fr James Puppady**

SPECIAL MINISTERS MEETING – 10th May 2025 – 2.30pm-3.30pm St Oliver's Pascoe Vale

Fr James is holding a follow up special ministers meeting on Saturday 10th May 2.30pm-3.30pm at St Oliver's Pascoe Vale. If all Special Ministers from St Paul's & St Oliver's could kindly attend that would be great.

CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL 3-4 MAY 2025

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As the Catholic Church's mission in action, CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help everyone reach their full potential. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. Your support and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.

BIBLE STUDY – ST PAULS COBURG:

Monday's 11.30am starting 28th April

A Bible Study program is commencing at St Paul's Coburg on Mondays only at 11.30am from 28th April. It is a study and refecton on the Gospel's starting with the Gospel of St Mark. All those who would like to join are most welcome to attend from both parishes. Any further information, contact parish office 9354-1564 coburg@cam.org.au

YOU'RE INVITED

Alpha is a safe space where you can ask questions about life, faith and meaning. Right now, a seat at the Table has been prepared for you.

Commencing date: Wed 7th May 2025 @ 6.30pm
 Where: St Oliver Plunkett, Pascoe Vale, Parish Centre
 To Register Contact: Paul 0408 680 976 - paul@gasgep.com.au

Project Compassion

Thankyou to all who have so generously taken home their Project Compassion Boxes or Envelopes. You can now return them to the Church or Office



FR RAY BUGEJA 40 YR ANNIVERSARY 4th MAY 2pm

Fr Ray Bugeja, former parish priest at St Pauls' Coburg, this year is celebrating 40 years anniversary of priesthood (1985-2025). He will be presiding at mass on the occasion of the feast of our Lady of Pompei, at St Raphael's, West Preston on Sun 4th May 2pm, where Fr Ray spent 12 years as pastor. All are welcome! Fr Ray

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



CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Oliver's

Online Offerings: ST OLIVERS

<https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=135>

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

St Olivers Church A/C:

BSB: 083-347 ACC: 55158 7979

Presbytery A/C:

BSB: 083-347 ACC: 53102 0158



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:

Collection	Thanksgiving	\$ 1565.70
2 nd Collection	Presbytery	\$ 2036.95
Direct debits	MARCH	\$ 1890.00

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Paul's

Online Offerings ST PAULS

<https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=154>

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:

1 st Collection	Sacrificial	\$ 1666.00
2 nd Collection	Presbytery	\$ 1703.35
Direct debits	MARCH	\$ 990.00

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

Feast of the Madonna 17 Aug 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

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 PARISIONERS

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.