

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

16th Aug 2026

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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 9:00am (English)

10:30am (Italian)

FAMILY MASS — 2ND WEEKEND EACH MONTH

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 7:15pm

FACEBOOK PAGE:

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SACRED SPACE



The overarching theme derived from today's readings is the question of insider-outsider. We see here that the divisions and barriers that emerge out of human experience have been shattered by the graciousness of God. Jesus' openness to 'the other' finds a precedent in the prophetic tradition. Isaiah spoke of a time when outsiders would join insiders in worshipping God, thus dissolving the categories of insider and outsider. He was, of course, referring to the age of eschatological fulfilment. This age dawned with the coming of Jesus. Jesus himself moved out of the constraints of his own cultural worldview, and he directs us to do the same. People are either excluded because of gender, culture or religious perspective, or included only because they are able and willing to conform to discriminatory standards. In the reign of God, this should not be the case. People are accepted along with their own cultural profiles.

God's embrace first enclosed even those who rejected Jesus, and then God's plan of salvation unfolded in a new way. An invitation to enter the kingdom was issued to the Gentiles, those who had been considered outsiders. If outsiders are now insiders, what has happened to the former insiders? Paul insists that they are still insiders. God has not simply shifted the identifying boundaries; God has dissolved them. In the interim between the dawning of the eschatological age and the end of time, the invitation to be included remains open to all. **REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA**

NEW PRAYER MEETING

Following on from our **ALPHA** program, we are beginning a new prayer meeting where we will reflect on and pray with the **Sunday Gospel**.

 **St Oliver's Parish Centre**

 **Starting Thursday
13 August**

 **7.00pm**

*Come along for a time of
prayer, reflection and fellowship.*

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For more information, contact
Brenda: 0412 367 815



80TH BIRTHDAY & PAPAL BLESSING

We warmly congratulate **Carmel Calandrino** on her **80th birthday**. Carmel was delighted to receive a **Papal Blessing** in recognition of this special milestone, presented to her during Mass last Saturday evening. We wish Carmel every blessing, good health and happiness as she celebrates this wonderful occasion.

Happy 80th Birthday, Carmel!
God bless you always.

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 56:1,6-7

A Reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for
justice, act with integrity, for soon my
salvation will come and my integrity
be manifest. Foreigners who have
attached themselves to the Lord to
serve him and to love his name and be
his servants – all who observe the
sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to
my covenant – these I will bring to my
holy mountain. I will make them joyful
in my house of prayer. Their
holocausts and their sacrifices will be
accepted on my altar, for my house
will be called a house of prayer for all
the peoples.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 66:2-3,5-6, 8. R. v. 8

**R. O God, let all the nations praise
you!**

1. God, be gracious and bless us and
let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon
earth and all nations learn your
saving help. R.

2. Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. R.
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you. May
God still give us his blessing till the
ends of the earth revere him. R.

SECOND READING *Rom 11:13-15, 29-32*

*A reading from the letter of St. Paul to
the Romans.*

Let me tell you pagans this: I have
been sent to the pagans as their
apostle, and I am proud of being sent,
but the purpose of it is to make my
own people envious of you, and in this
way save some of them. Since their
rejection meant the reconciliation of
the world, do you know what their
admission will mean? Nothing less
than a resurrection from the dead!
God never takes back his gifts or
revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being
disobedient to God, and now enjoy
mercy because of their disobedience,
so those who are disobedient now –
and only because of the mercy shown
to you – will also enjoy mercy
eventually. God has imprisoned all
men in their own disobedience only to
show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Mt 4:23*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the
Kingdom and healed all who were
sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Mt 15:21-28*

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

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to
the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out
came a Canaanite woman from that
district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son
of David, take pity on me. My
daughter is tormented by a devil.' But
he answered her not a word. And his

disciples went and pleaded with him.
'Give her what she wants,' they said
'because she is shouting after us.' He
said in reply, 'I was sent only to the
lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But
the woman had come up and was
kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said
'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to
take the children's food and throw it
to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah
yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat
the scraps that fall from their master's
table.' Then Jesus answered her,
'Woman, you have great faith. Let
your wish be granted.' And from that
moment her daughter was well again.

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: Angela Di Genova

Anniversaries: Rosa Vita, Richard Saliba, Owen Davies, Maureen Davies, Concetta De Fazio, Camillo Tamburrino (11 months)

Those who are ill: Fr. Brendan Lane, Mary Mobbs, John Moore, Fiona Edwards, Giovanna Esposito, Antony & Family, Anna Alessi, Margaret Mary O'Flynn, Irene Wymer, Trish Lee, Joe Mobbs, Daniel Dowling, Paul and family, Azariah Harb

READERS: 15/16 Aug 22/23 Aug

Sat 5:00pm V. Pertile (L); J. Pertile (R) R. Paligaru (L); L. Teoh (R)

Sun 8:45am M. Carabott (L) L. Di Nicola (R) M. Ziccone (L) B. Messina (R)

10:30am M. Rossi (L) M Del Rosario-Patterson (R) E. Monaco (L) S. Bennardo (R)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5:00pm Angela Taglieri Armando Giaccotto

Sun 8:45am Josephine Mokbel Marta Tamayo

10:30am Emily Monaco Lavinia Verduci

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Victor Psaila, Warrick O'Donnell, Michael Zaffino

Anniversaries: Maria Tavella (1 Month), Giovanni Tavella, Camillo Tamburrino (11 mnths), Angela & Philippo Comande, Michelle, Fayze, Salim, Michael Touma, Jose Antonio, Urgano Taran, Mario Larosa, Francesco Paola Flammea, Angela & Filippo Comande, Annunziata Cerio, Maria Rosa La Rocca, Clive, Merlyn Greig, Dexter Greig

Those Who are ill: Fr. Brendan Lane, Alice, Mark, Luke & Kate, Maria Ambesi, Nissen Saba, John Saba, Millie, Alessandrina, Mia, Sabello Family, Charles, Anna, Mary Seychell, Fr Noel Bianco, Rafaelina De Donato,

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Sat 6:30pm Judy O'Meara Tamesha Raj

Sun 9:00am Loretta & Mia Stibilj Alfred Meilak & Chiara Dal Col

10:30am Rita Luci (SP) Sam Stagliano (L) Peter Aurora (SP) M Costanzo (L)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6:30pm Alfred Meilak Mary De Marco

Sun 9:00am Warren Power Raf Carnovale

10:30am Giuseppe Schiavello Laura Scherma



St Paul's & St Oliver's
Parish Dinner

CASH RAFFLE TICKETS SALES WILL COMMENCE WEEKEND OF 5/6 SEPT

Northern Golf Club, 97 Glenroy Rd, Glenroy
Fri Oct 16, 2026 • 6pm for 6.30pm start

Adults:	Children Under 12
\$75	\$35

3 course meal
DJ & Surprise Dance Recital
Drinks at bar prices

RAFFLE Raffle tickets can be purchased on the night. 3 for \$5.

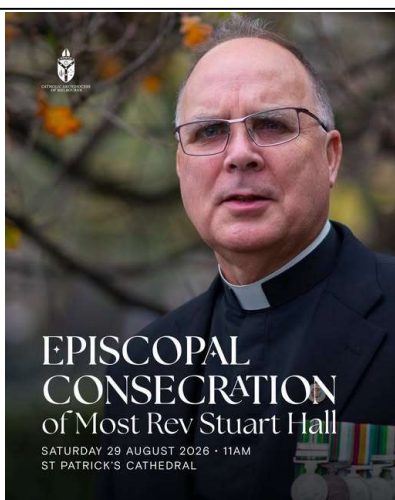
Major raffle prizes include:
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AUG 2026

St Oliver's Pascoe Vale: 3rd Thurs of the month 20th Aug before mass 9-10am

St Pauls Coburg: 3rd Friday of the month: 21st Aug before mass 9-10am. In preparation for the Eucharistic Congress in Sydney in 2028.



EPISCOPAL CONSECRATION of Most Rev Stuart Hall

SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2026 • 11AM
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

EPISCOPAL CONSECRATION OF REV STUART RUSSELL

Join us for the Episcopal Consecration of the Most Reverend Stuart Russell Hall as Bishop of the Military Ordinariate of Australia. All are welcome! **4 Saturday 29 Aug 2026 11am**

St Patrick's Cathedral

The Mass will be livestreamed to our YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/archmelb) and broadcast to Community Channel C31 (channel 44 on TV).

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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 \$ 1304.80

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 500.00

Direct debits July \$ 3104.50

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:

1st Collection Sacrificial \$ 665.00

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 292.55

Direct debits July \$ 789.75

PROGRAMS

ST PAUL'S PARISH

ADORATION:

First Friday of the month: 10.30am-12:00pm

BAPTISMS:

Sundays at 12:00pm by appointment

FAMILY MASS: 2nd Weekend of the Month

COMMUNION TO SICK:

Thursdays & Fridays

ANointing OF THE SICK:

2 times a year (Lent & Advent).

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sundays 10:00am

BIBLE STUDY: Mon 11:00am

ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP: Wed 10:30am

Legion of Mary: Monday mornings at 10:30am

ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2026

Feast of St Anthony 14 June 10:30am

Feast of Madonna Della Quercia

16 Aug 2026 2:00pm

St Lucy Feast Day 13 Dec 2026 2:00pm

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH

BAPTISMS:

Saturdays 12:00pm (By Appointment)

MARRIAGES:

By appointment at least 6 months' notice

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Sundays of the month 10:30am Mass

(except during school holidays)

FAMILY MASS: 1st Weekend of the Month

5pm & 10.30am mass.

CUPPA IN PARISH CENTRE: 1st weekend of the

month after 5pm & 10.30am mass. Library

open for borrowing

PARISH ACTIVITIES:

MONDAY:

Christian Meditation- Chris Rowland

7:00pm-8:00pm Parish Centre – 0411 440 746

TUESDAY: Italian Ladies Prayer Group

10:00am Meeting Room

St Vincent de Paul

4:00pm Parish Centre (Last Tuesday)

Charismatic Prayer Group

Tuesday 7:30pm Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY: Drop-In Centre

1:00pm-3:00pm Church/Parish Centre

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.

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