THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Christ the King Year A **22nd November 2026**

PARISH PRIEST:
Fr. James Puppady
Parish Manager:
Mrs Loretta Meilak
Parish Coordinator
Mr Anthony Baltatzis



St Oliver Plunkett's Pascoe Vale
1 Landells Rd, PO Box 567, Pascoe Vale
Ph: 9354-1564
E: pascoevale@cam.org.au
Office: 562 Sydney Rd, Coburg
Mon 8:30am—11:30am
Tue — Fri 9:00am—3:00pm
W: northmelbournecatholic.org.au
School Principal: Delfina Pieri

MASS TIMES
Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am
Saturday 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday 8:45am & 10:30am

FAMILY MASS –1 ST WEEKEND EACH MONTH

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 10:00am to 10:30am



St Paul's Parish Coburg
562 Sydney Road, Coburg
Ph: 9354-1564
E: coburg@cam.org.au
Mon 8:30am—11:30am
Tue — Fri 9:00am—3:00pm
W: northmelbournecatholic.org.au
School Principal: Maria Mercuri
Ph: 9354-8970

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

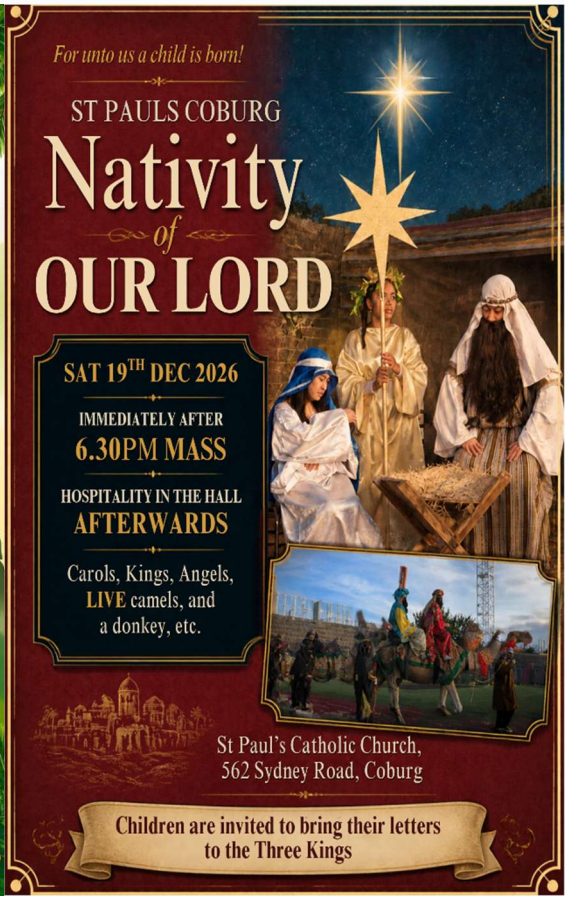
PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES:
FB:facebook.com/pascoevalecoburg
IN:instagram.com/stpaulsandstolivers

SACRED SPACE



This week's gospel is the final passage in Matthew's gospel before the passion narrative – the death and resurrection of Jesus. As such, it provides a powerful end point to the teaching ministry section of the gospel. In many ways this passage can be seen as a summary of Jesus' vision for the Kingdom – a world in which the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked and the imprisoned are treated with respect and dignity as a child of God. This is exactly what Jesus himself did throughout his ministry and it is what all Christian people are called to do. Like the virtuous people of the passage, there are many times when we do not know the good work that we do. There are many times when our positive interaction with another person can be the difference between hope and despair for that person – and we may never know the difference we have made in their life. The challenge presented by Jesus is that whenever we see a person in need our response to them should be as if we were responding to Jesus himself. But what of the times we fail to respond to the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked and the imprisoned? Who are they for us? … That irritating person who we've never been able to get along with? … That person who's just arrived in the country and can't speak the language properly? … That kid who always looks dirty and nobody talks to? … That girl who's no good at relating to other people and everyone avoids her? … The homeless man in the street who asks for money? … The asylum seeker fleeing their country who didn't go through all the right channels to immigrate? … Lord, when did we see you, and not come to your help? *(Reflection by Greg Sunter)*





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 *Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17*

A Reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.
The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 22:1-3,5-6. Rv1

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
   there is nothing I shall want.
   Fresh and green are the pastures
   where he gives me repose. R.

2. Near restful waters he leads me,
   to revive my drooping spirit.
   He guides me along the right path;
   he is true to his name. R

3. You have prepared a banquet for me
   in the sight of my foes.
   My head you have anointed with oil;
   my cup is overflowing. R.

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall
   follow me all the days of my life. In
   the Lord's own house shall I dwell for
   ever and ever. R.

SECOND READING *1 Cor 15:20-26,28*

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

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.
The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mark 11:9,10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessing on him, who comes in the
name of the Lord! Blessings on the
coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Mt 25:31-46*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. 'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." 'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." 'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'
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.

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Antonio De Fazio, Antonietta Ricevuto, Ottavio di Genova, John Moore, and Oliver Callisto

Anniversaries: Rose Chong, Simon Peter Chin, Francis Wong, Dawn Coots, Giuseppina and Anna Pace, Frank Desmier, Giuseppe De Maria and Giuseppe D'anna, Robert Hardstaff

Those who are ill:, Anna Alessi, Margot Griffen, Letizia Laura, Vincenta Cruz, Mary and Joe Mobbs, and Trish Lee

READERS:	21/22 NOV	28/29 NOV
Sat 5:00pm	V.Pertile (L) & J. Pertile (R)	R. Paligaru (L) & C. Mckeon (R)
Sun 8:45am	M. Matayo (L) & B. Messina (R)	M. Ziccone (L) & C. D'Orazio (R)
10:30am	M. Rossi (L) & M. Del Rosario (R)	E. Monaco (L) & S. Acousta (R)

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:		
Sat 5:00pm	Christine Rowland	Pauline Saliba
Sun 8:45am	Marta Tomayo	Josephine Mokbel
10:30am	T.Baltatzis & N. Palmieri	Silvana Bennardo

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Gregory Li Rossi, Giovanna Ambroso

Anniversaries: Edoardo and Fabiola Pertile, Bruno Pullia, Luigi, Adolfina and Angela Galeotti Milano Carmelo, Grieco Salvatore, Antonietta Grooso, Peter Paul, deceased members from Botta family, deceased Legion of Mary members & all the holy souls in purgatory, Robert Hardstaff

Those who are ill: Vlad, Charles and Anna, Mag, Joe, Charles, Emomali, Nikol, Johnny, Seamus, Anna, Luke, Kate, Mark & Alice

READERS:	21/22 NOV	28/29 NOV
Sat 6:30pm	William Kennedy	Tamesha Raj
Sun 9:00am	A.,D. & Briarna Dal Col	Annette Barnes & Piotr Kardas
10:30am	S. Stagliano & M Constanzo	R. Oppendisano & A D'Amato

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:		
Sat 6:30pm	Alfred Meliak	Mary De Marco
Sun 9:00am	Raf Carnovale	Annette Barnes
10:30am	Sam Stagliano	Giuseppe Schiavello

ADVENT GIVING TREE ST OLIVERS PASCOE VALE



Help bring Christmas joy to local families in need by donating groceries for our Christmas hampers. Take a tag from the Giving Tree in St Oliver's Church underneath projector screen and purchase the listed items. If you or someone you know needs a hamper, please contact Parish Office on **9354 1564**. 🎁

GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP – THURSDAYS 7:15PM ST OLIVERS PARISH CENTRE



As we enter the holy season of Advent, all are warmly invited to join our Parish Gospel Reflection Group. Meeting weekly on **Thursday evenings at 7:15pm** in **St Oliver's Parish Centre, the** group reads and reflects on the Gospel for the coming Sunday, helping us deepen our faith and prepare for the coming of the Lord at Christmas. For further information, please contact Brenda 0412367815.

LITURGY TEAM MEETING

Fr James would like to meet with members of the liturgy teams from both parishes, particularly our sacristans, on **Thursday 26th November at 3:00pm in the St Oliver's Parish Centre** to discuss and coordinate arrangements for the Christmas and end-of-year liturgies. Readers and Ministers of Holy Communion are also welcome to attend, although their attendance is not essential.

PARISH WORKING BEES IN LEAD UP TO CHRISTMAS

As we prepare for Christmas, Fr James warmly invites parishioners to assist with working bees at both churches, helping with church cleaning and gardening at the rear of St Oliver's Presbytery. **St Oliver's Pascoe Vale: Saturday 12th December at 10:30am** (followed by light refreshments). **St Paul's, Coburg: Wednesday 16th December at 10:30am** (after 10:00am Mass). All warmly welcome 😊

FAITH IN ACTION: VICTORIAN 2026 ELECTION DISCERNEMNT GUIDE

Ahead of the **2026 Victorian election next Saturday 28th November,** the Bishops of Victoria have issued an election statement highlighting key issues for Catholics to consider when deciding their vote. You are invited to read the statement and prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good.
View the statement online at: bit.ly/StateElection2026 or by Scanning QR code on the right side:

TOGETHER WE CAN KEEP FAITH ALIVE – AID TO CHURCH IN NEED

Millions of Christian families worldwide are displaced by persecution for their faith. This weekend at St Paul's, we welcome Karla from Aid to the Church in Need, who will share about the organisation's work and how we can support our persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. Scan the QR code or speak to Karla after mass for more info and to buy artefacts from holy land.

Aid to the Church in Need
ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

ST OLIVERS CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS



We invite all parish children (not just parish school students) to take part in our annual **St Olivers Nativity Play Re-enactment** at the **5:30pm Family Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve, Thursday 24th December**. Children involved in nativity play need to be at the church by **4:40pm** with **live carols** commencing at **4:50pm.** All are most welcome to attend the following two rehearsals for the nativity play at St Oliver's Church:

- **Sunday 13th December at 11:30am** (after 10:30am Mass)
- **Tuesday 22nd December from 4:00–5:00pm**. ,

RSVP by Friday 11th December to Anthony Baltatzis at pascoevale@cam.org.au or call 0448 652 886. Flyers for this and St Pauls Nativity Play can be found at the back of both churches.

All other Mass Times for Christmas can also be found on parish website and will be included in next week's bulletin.

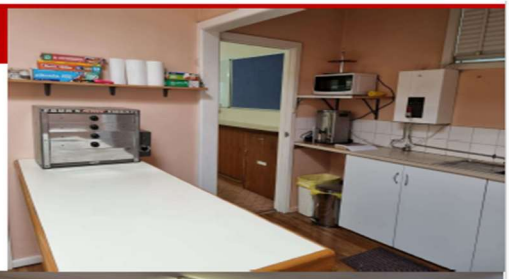
ST OLIVERS PARISH CENTRE

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

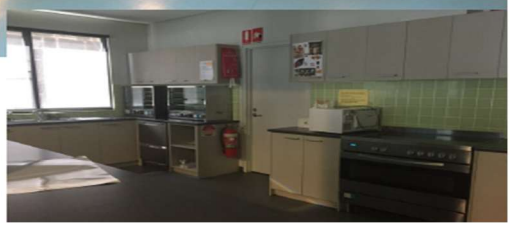
AVAILABLE WEEKENDS
(EXC. SAT EVENING)

KITCHEN
TABLES & CHAIRS
TO SEAT 80
BATHROOMS

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







PROGRAMS

ST PAUL'S PARISH

ADORATION:
1st/3rd 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
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 and CUPPA IN PARISH CENTRE:
1ST Weekend of the Month
5pm & 10.30am mass. Cuppa after masses, also when parish Library is open for borrowing

PARISH ACTIVITIES:

MONDAY:
Christian Meditation Group Resuming Early 2027, Contact Chris (0411440746)

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

THURSDAY: Gospel Reflection Group
7:15pm Parish Centre Contact Brenda (0412367815)

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Oliver's
Online Offerings: ST OLIVERS
https://melbcatholic.org/pascoevale/donate

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:
1st Collection Thanksgiving $1444.60
2nd Collection Presbytery $500.00
Direct debits oct $ 2742.00

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Paul's
Online Offerings ST PAULS
https://melbcatholic.org/coburg/donate

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

St Paul's Church A/C	Presbytery A/C
BSB: 083-347	BSB: 083-347
Acc.: 67541 0884	Acc: 5310 20158

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:
1st Collection Sacrificial $895.00
2nd Collection Presbytery $427.50
Direct debits Oct $ 940.50

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: northmelbournecatholic.org.au

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.