

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

St Peter & St Paul, Apostles, Year C

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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

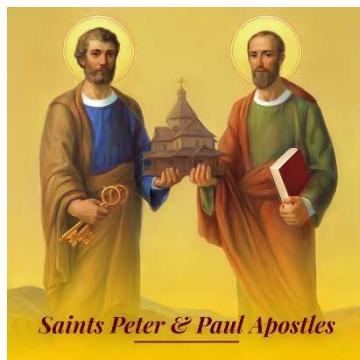
Saturday: 7:15pm

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SACRED SPACE



Have you noticed that away from the Church we hear more about St Peter than we do about St Paul? It's because St Peter regularly features in jokes about heaven, like this one. A man died and met St Peter at the gates of heaven. St Peter said, 'Before you meet with God, I thought I should tell you that we've looked at your life, and you really didn't do anything particularly good or bad. We're not at all sure what to do with you. Can you tell us anything you did that can help us make a decision?'

The newly arrived soul thought for a moment and replied, 'Yeah, once I was driving along and came upon a woman

who was being harassed by a group of bikies. So I pulled over, got out my wheel brace, and went up to the leader of the gang. He was a big, muscular, hairy guy with tattoos all over his body and a ring pierced through his nose. Well, I told him he and his gang had better stop bothering the woman or they would have to deal with me!' 'I'm impressed,' St Peter responded, 'When did this happen?' 'Less than ten minutes ago' the man replied. St Paul doesn't feature in many funny stories, except for the children who got rather confused about his life and wrote in their term paper that 'St Paul cavorted to Christianity. He preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage. That a Christian should have only one wife, which is called monotony. And in the end the natives of Macedonia did not believe in Paul, so he got stoned.'

Peter and Paul symbolise two facets of our Christian community: mission and maintenance. Paul was the great missionary and Peter was the great leader who held together the earliest disciples. Both were crucial to the Christian community's expansion and survival. The image of the missionary venturing out boldly to proclaim Christ to the world is so much more engaging than being a maintainer. But every organisation or institution needs someone to provide a clear focus and vision, and to establish structures that will see the group survive past the first generation. To this day we need our Peters and our Pauls. Peter and Paul did not always have an easy relationship. We know from the Acts of the Apostles that they disagreed about a fundamental issue in the earliest Christian mission: for whom was the good news of Jesus intended? Peter thought it was just for Jews. Paul argued it was for the Gentiles as well. What makes Peter's leadership so outstanding is that he not only listened carefully to what Paul said, but saw what Christ was doing among the Gentiles. He trusted that the working of the Spirit was bigger than he was, and that it included a man who never met Jesus and yet seemed to have a richer insight into where and how Christ was to be preached. That takes courage and humility. Today we need to be careful that in Christ's name we do not bind things up so tightly that we leave no room for the Holy Spirit to challenge or surprise us. Having the courage and humility to 'hang a bit loose' is not weakness. It can be about trusting that Christ's saving love is still at work in unexpected ways with all people everywhere. Peter and Paul show what can happen when we cooperate with Christ in living out his love. Things we never dreamt of become possible. But their lives also show us the cost. Both of them died as martyrs. We may not be asked to embrace martyrdom in our lives, but in the way we run our race we are challenged to keep the faith and proclaim Christ by how we live. By doing so we are assured that when we come to heaven we will be greeted by Peter and Paul and with them we will behold the fullness of love, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for eternity. **(REFLECTION by Richard Leonard)**

NO CONFESSION SATURDAY MORNINGS WHILE FR JAMES IS AWAY

There will be NO ST OLIVER'S SATURDAY MORNING 10AM CONFESSIONS UNTIL SAT 3RD AUGUST 2025. Confession can be arranged by approaching the Priest before or after mass. Thanks for your understanding.

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

Acts 12:1-11

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' – and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole

length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.' The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Psalms 33*

R. The Lord set me free from all my fears.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its
boast. The humble shall hear and
be glad. R.
2. Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered
me; from all my terrors he set me
free. R.
3. Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called, the Lord
heard him and rescued him from all
his distress. R.
4. The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to
rescue them. Taste and see that the
Lord is good. He is happy who seeks
refuge in him. R.

SECOND READING *2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are Peter, the rock on which I will
build my Church; the gates of hell will
not hold out against it.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-19

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

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

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: Concetta Foriddia, Wilma Tabone, Patricia Coyle

Anniversaries: Paolo & Marianna Leone, Francesco Liparota, Paul Vescio, Carmela Salpietro

Those who are ill: Palma Nicolaci, Anna Prinzi, Mark, Vince, Philly, Jonathan, Paschalina, Genenieve, Micah, Zita, Daniel Dowling, Keith Redman, Mary & Stan Mobbs, Fiona Edwards, John Moore, Justin & Family

READERS	28 / 29 June	5 / 6 July
Sat 5.00pm	C. Rowland (L), V. Pertile (R)	V. Pertile (L), L. Teoh (R)
Sun 8.45am	M. Ziccone (Leader) & B. Messina (Reader)	B. Messina (Leader) & F. Minutolo (Reader)
10.30am.	F. Bucci (Leader) & L. Willason (Reader)	M. Temming (Leader) & O. Aquino (Reader)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5.00pm	L. Teoh	A. Taglieri
Sun 8.45am	F. Minutolo	J. Mokbel
10.30am	M. Temming	D. Petrocco

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Nina D'Angelo, Noel Ryan

Anniversaries: Natalina Baronessa (1 month anniversary), Antonia De Fusco, Donato & Anna Vincendese, Francesco Paolo Flammea, Rosa Strangis, Eugenio, Saverio Strangis, Rachela Isabella, Giuseppe Raso, Maria Raso

Those Who are ill: Mary Bonnici, Alexander, Allesandrina, Andrew Cassidy, Christine Reid, Maria Ambesi, Nissen Saba, John Saba, Kate, Luke, Mark, Alice, Derrick Tailford, Carmel Veneziano, Everton Buultjens, Sebastiana De Pietro, Malissa Randich

READERS:	28 / 29 June	5 / 6 July
Sat 6.30pm	William Kennedy	Phil Scardilli
Sun 9.00am	B Greig & D Greig	R. Touma & P. Wright
10.30am	T/M Costanzo & S Stagliano	Rosa Oppendisano & Rita Luci

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6.30pm	Alfred Meilak	Mary De Marco
Sun 9am	Warren Power	Angela Greeig
10.30am	Giuseppe Schivello	Giuseppe Schivello

Sister GERALDINE LARKINS rsj on SUNDAY JULY 20th 10am

CELEBRATING OUR PARISH VOLUNTEERS TOGETHER

JOIN US FOR SISTER GERALDINE'S
PRESENTATION BEFORE MASS

St Oliver's and St Paul's Parish Jubilee Program continues, as we celebrate the ministry of service which our Eucharistic Ministers, Nursing Home/Parish Visitation and all other Parish Volunteers contribute to our community.

Sr Geraldine is a teacher, psychologist, and member of the Regional Leadership Team of the Sisters of St Joseph (Vic/Tas). With a PhD in Educational Psychology and deep research in children's faith formation, Sr Geraldine will reflect on Mary MacKillop's ministry—its challenges, opportunities, and lasting impact on Australia.

A talented vocalist, Sr Geraldine—who performed in Rome during Mary MacKillop's canonisation—will incorporate hymns and songs into her presentation and Mass. Afterward, all are warmly invited to the Parish Center for a cuppa and light refreshments with Sr Geraldine. We look forward to seeing you there!

ST OLIVER'S CHURCH PASCOE VALE



Sun July 20th at 10.00am
St Oliver's Church
before 10.30 am Mass
Dr Geraldine Larkins,
a sister of St Joseph, the
Religious Order of Sisters
founded by Saint Mary
MacKillop



Celebrating First Holy Communion – St. Paul's School

Last Sunday was a joyful and memorable day for the children of St Paul's School as they received their First Holy

Communion. With reverent hearts and bright smiles, they approached the altar for the first time, supported by their families, teachers, and parish community. We offer our warm congratulations to our young communicants and pray that their journey with Christ continues to grow in grace and joy.

Without fear, together, hand in hand
with God and with one another!
We are followers of Christ.
Christ goes before us.

Luce P.P. XIV

HOPE IN THE LORD!
HOLD FIRM, TAKE HEART
AND HOPE IN THE LORD!
Ps 27:14



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Alpha Retreat overflowing with Grace

The Alpha Group retreat to Phillip Island last weekend was truly a blessed time. Amidst the stunning natural surroundings, the group experienced a weekend rich in prayer, worship, and joyful fellowship. The Holy Spirit moved powerfully, touching hearts and renewing faith in quiet moments and shared conversations alike. Everyone returned home feeling spiritually uplifted and deeply blessed, carrying a renewed sense of purpose in their walk with Christ. Let us give thanks for the work God is doing through Alpha and continue to support one another on this journey of faith.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL URGENT ACTION New members for 1hr per week with future leadership, to prevent closure of PASCOE VALE!!

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



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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 \$ 1325.65

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 500.00

Direct debits MAY \$ 3852.00

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:

1st Collection Sacrificial \$ 857.10

2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 412.95

Direct debits MAY \$ 450.00

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

BIBLE STUDY: Mon 11.30am

ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP: Wed 10.30 am

Legion of Mary: Monday mornings at 10.30.

ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2025

Feast of St Anthony 15 June 10.30am

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 Meditation- 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

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.

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