

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

31st August 2025

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr. James Puppady

Parish Secretary:

Mrs Loretta Meilak

Parish Coordinator

Mr Truc Nguyen



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Mon 8:30am—11:30am

Tue — Fri 9:00am—3:00pm

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School Principal: Delfina Pieri

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:

PASCOE VALE & COBURG

facebook.com/pascoe@cam.org.au

SACRED SPACE



The goodness of God is seen in the extravagant generosity with which God gives gifts. This is described in the psalm in the boundlessness and universal scope of God's generosity. Like the rain that falls on the entire landscape, the blessings of God are showered on all. These blessings are true gifts. They have not been earned, nor can they be repaid. God's openness is also seen in the reading from the Letter to the Hebrews and in the gospel. All are invited to approach the heavenly city; the heavenly banquet will be open to the poor and to those who have no way of repaying.

Only the humble can receive the gifts of God. Only those who can admit their neediness are open enough to realise that God's blessings are gifts freely given, not compensation for a job well done. Without a humble spirit we are unable to receive gifts as gifts. This is either because we are too proud or we do not know how to receive with the open hearts of children, who never think that they must return in kind. This is the kind of humility recommended by Sirach. This is the kind of humility possessed by the disadvantaged pictured in the gospel.

As we have received from the bounty of God, so we are called to give to others. Only those who have received with a humble spirit can give with the generosity of God, for they know that they do not deserve God's goodness and they do not require anything in return.

(REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA)

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA • 30 NOV - 2 DEC 2025

CALLING ALL Young people from Year 9 (in 2025) up to those 25 years of age. If you would like to attend the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Melbourne 30 Nov – 2 Dec 2025 with St Pauls & St Oliver's Parish, contact Anthony Baltatzis on anthonybal@icloud.com or call the parish office on 9354-1564 ASAP.

ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2025

The Archbishop's Campaign will end this weekend. I encourage you to think about what a vibrant faith community means for you and your family, and to consider making a personal and recurring monthly gift to support the vital ministries that serve all in our Archdiocese. You will notice posters and campaign envelopes with tear-off pledge cards around the church, a banner on our website and images supporting the campaign on our social media accounts. More information about this campaign is coming; in the meantime, I encourage you to prayerfully begin discerning your gift.

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 *Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29*

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

My son, be gentle in carrying out your
business, and you will be better loved
than a lavish giver.
The greater you are, the more you should
behave humbly, and then you will find
favour with the Lord; for great though the
power of the Lord is, he accepts the
homage of the humble.
There is no cure for the proud man's
malady, since an evil growth has taken
root in him.
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on
parables, an attentive ear is the sage's
dream.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 67:4-7, 10-11. R. v.11

*R. God, in your goodness, you have made
a home for the poor.*

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence
of God, they shall exult and dance for
joy. O sing to the Lord, make music
to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult
at his presence. (R.)
2. Father of the orphan, defender of
the widow, such is God in his holy
place. God gives the lonely a home
to live in; he leads the prisoners
forth into freedom. (R.)
3. You poured down, O God, a
generous rain: when your people

4. were starved you gave them new
life. It was there that your people
found a home, prepared in your
goodness, O God, for the poor. (R.)

SECOND READING *Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

What you have come to is nothing known
to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a
gloom turning to total darkness, or a
storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great
voice speaking which made everyone that
heard it beg that no more should be said
to them. But what you have come to is
Mount Zion and the city of the living God,
the heavenly Jerusalem where the
millions of angels have gathered for the
festival, with the whole Church in which
everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen
of heaven. You have come to God himself,
the supreme Judge, and been placed with
spirits of the saints who have been made
perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who
brings a new covenant.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!
Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly
in heart.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Luke 14:1, 7-14*

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

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a
meal to the house of one of the leading
Pharisees; and they watched him closely.
He then told the guests a parable,
because he had noticed how they picked
the places of honour. He said this, 'When
someone invites you to a wedding feast,
do not take your seat in the place of
honour. A more distinguished person than
you may have been invited, and the
person who invited you both may come
and say, "Give up your place to this man."
And then, to your embarrassment, you
would have to go and take the lowest
place. No; when you are a guest, make
your way to the lowest place and sit there,
so that, when your host comes, he may
say, "My friend, move up higher." In that
way, everyone with you at the table will
see you honoured. For everyone who
exalts himself will be humbled, and the
man who humbles himself will be

exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a
lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends,
brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for
fear they repay your courtesy by inviting
you in return. No; when you have a party,
invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the
blind; that they cannot pay you back
means that you are fortunate, because
repayment will be made to you when the
virtuous rise 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.

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: Maria Bonaddio, Carmela Russo

Anniversaries: Nunzio Dio Gioia (3 years), Teresa Chua, Maria, Giuseppe Primiano, Paolina Bennardo, Dominic Messina, Priscilla Labaguiz, Girolomo Garonzi

Those who are ill: Margaret Nativo, 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, Irene Mary Wymer, Anna Alessi, Trish Lee

READERS

30/31 Aug

06/07 Sep

Sat 5:00pm	L. Teoh (L), C. Rowland (R)	J. Pertile, R. Paligaru (R)
Sun 8:45am	M. Ziccone (Leader) & R. Vargas (Reader)	M. Tamayo (Leader) & L. Di Nicola (Reader)
10:30am	R. Cassidy (Leader) & M. Rosario-Patterson (Reader)	E. Monaco (Leader) & S. Harrison (Reader)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 5:00pm	L. Bellio	A. Taglieri
Sun 8:45am	B. Messina	J. Mokbel
10:30am	T. Baltatzis	B. Watts

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO BRENDA WATTS & NAT PALMIERI FOR OVERSEEING ST OLIVERS CARPARK REPAIRS AND BOB MESSINA FOR MARKING THE PARKING LOTS

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Maria Russo, Giovanni Musolino,

Anniversaries: Emmanuel (Lou) DeBattista, Antonietta Casalbuono (10 years), Giovanna Nisi, Domenico, Rosa Ruggiero, Concetta Ruggiero, Maria Kairouz, Francesco Paolo Flammea, Carmelo Malivindi (2 years), Giuseppe Adamo, Zeljko (Keiko) Kapitanovic, Maria Assunta Luci, Angelina, Salvatore, Mari Cerminara, Girolomo Garonzi, Sante E Bruno Montesano, Maria Mandaliti

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:

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06/07 Sep

Sat 6:30pm	Alfred Meilak	Judy O'Meara
Sun 9:00am	Rosa Touma & Patricia Wright	Adria, Daniella & Briarna Dal Col
10:30am	Rosa Oppendisano (L) Rita Luci (SP)	Peter Aurora (L) & Gino De Fusco (SP)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6:30pm	Mary De Marco	Alfred Meilak
Sun 9:00am	Rosa Touma	Patrick Baviera
10:30am	Giuseppe Schivello	Laura Scherma

NEWSLETTER NOTICES

Annual Father's Day Appeal 7th Sept 2025

The Annual Father's Day on 7th Sept goes towards the care of retired and sick priests by providing suitable accommodation, medical assistance and a comfortable standard of living for them.

Collection Date: Father's Day Sun 7th Sept 2025

September Jubilee Event

Our Lady of Sorrows special Mass is the Parish September Jubilee Event All sick people, nurses, carers and ministers are invited for this Mass for the anointing of the sick during the mass.
ST OLIVER PLUNKETT CHURCH: Sunday 21st Sept 2025 2pm

FAMILY MASS & CHILDREN'S LITURGY SEPT DATES

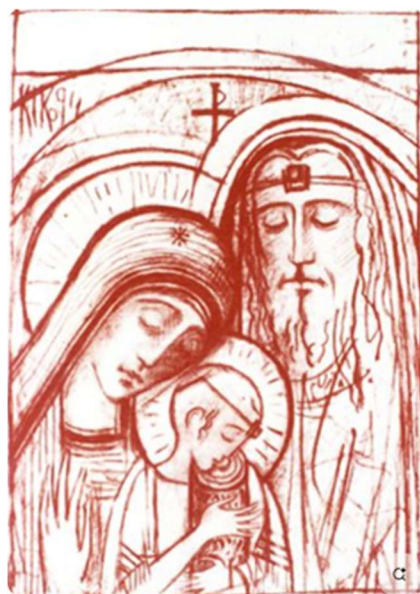
ST OLIVERS: Sat & Sun 6/7 Sept at 5pm & 10.30am

ST PAUL'S: 13/14 Sept, Sat 6.30pm and sun 9am mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: 1ST THURS & 1ST FRIDAY

Pascoe Vale: Thur 4th Sept 9am-10am

Coburg: Friday 5th Sept: 10.30am – 12pm



**"Jesus Christ is our
Hope and our
salvation"**

You are invited to listen
to a series of talks. With
God there is always
hope
Every Mon & Thurs
Beginning Sept 8th
7:30pm

School Hall St Paul's
Catholic Church

562 Sydney Rd Coburg Vic
3058

Free babysitting service on
request

Colin 0407 346 413

Fr Joseph 0409 585 806



**The Servants of Mary (Servite Order)
with the Parish of St. Oliver & St. Paul
invite you to celebrate the Feast of**

† Our Lady of Sorrows †



ST. OLIVER'S CHURCH

Cnr Gaffney St & Landells Rd

PASCOE VALE VIC 3044

(Bus 561 Macleod to Pascoe Vale Station
stops at the Church)

Ample parking in the grounds of
the Church

**2.00 p.m., Sunday
21st September 2025**

Programme:

- ◆ SERVITE ROSARY
- ◆ HOLY MASS
- ◆ PROCESSION
- ◆ BLESSING & ANOINTING
OF THE SICK

All Welcome

Servite Secular Order

Bob: ☎ (03) 9354 3878

St. Oliver's: ☎ (03) 7036 9330

"... and your own Soul a sword shall pierce ..."

Columban Calendar 2026

2026 Columban Calendars now available at St. Oliver's Piety Stall, still only \$10. Each calendar sold supports the missionary work of the Columban Fathers in fifteen countries.

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	\$ 1222.05
2 nd Collection	Presbytery	\$ 500.00
Direct debits	JULY	\$ 2866.00

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	\$ 741.00
2 nd Collection	Presbytery	\$ 306.85
Direct debits	JULY	\$ 420.00

PROGRAMS

ST PAULS PARISH

ADORATION:

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

BAPTISMS:

2nd & 4th Sundays of the Month at 12:00pm

COMMUNION TO SICK:

Thursdays & Fridays

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

2 times a year (Lent & Advent).

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sundays 10:00am

BIBLE STUDY: Mon 11:30am

ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP: Wed 10:30am

Legion of Mary: Monday mornings at 10:30am

ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2025

Feast of St Anthony 15 June 10:30am

Feast of the Madonna 17 Aug 2025 2:00pm

St Lucy Feast Day 14 Dec 2025 2:00pm

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH

BAPTISMS:

2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month at 12:00pm

(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

7:00pm-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 of the month)

Charismatic Prayer Group

Tuesday 7:30pm Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY:

Drop-In Centre

1:00pm-3:00pm 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.