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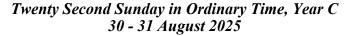
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# MAJOR REDEVELOPMENT OF OUR LADY OF SION CONVENT TO ENHANCE 21ST CENTURY LEARNING

**29 August 2025.** We are thrilled to announce that the iconic Our Lady of Sion Convent and school campus site in Sale is set to be revitalised with plans now approved for a \$40 million investment in one of the largest education projects ever undertaken in our Diocese.

This announcement follows more than four years of consultation and master planning for the site as the Diocese of Sale and Diocese of Sale Catholic Education Ltd (DOSCEL) worked with the community and heritage experts on plans to restore the heritage listed buildings and rejuvenate the entire site for 21st century education use.

The \$40 million redevelopment will deliver three distinct projects and create a state-of-the-art education precinct. The projects include:

- A complex restoration and preservation of the heritage listed convent building
- Construction of a purpose-built primary school facility
- Incorporation of a separate education professional learning and leadership development centre to be known as the Ratisbonne Leadership Centre

St Thomas' Primary School, Sale will move into a state-of-the art primary school facility on the site and will be re-named Our Lady of Sion Catholic Primary School to honour the rich history of the Sisters of Sion. A strong link to St Thomas' will be maintained with a \$12.5 million purpose-built Learning Neighborhood to be known as the St Thomas' Centre. The new building has been made possible with the support of a \$3.6 million Capital Grant from the Australian Government.

The first two floors of the Sion convent building will be repurposed for contemporary primary education use for Years 4 to 6 and will include connected classrooms, along with STEM, Library, Art, multimedia, administration, and office spaces. The beautiful convent chapel will be an inspirational and prayerful space for students.

The Ratisbonne Leadership Centre will occupy the top floor of the convent building which will be refurbished and re-purposed as a specialised facility to deliver teacher and school leader professional learning programs to support Catholic schools across the Diocese of Sale. With independent access and carparking, it will support DOSCEL's efforts to promote expert teacher practice and deliver teaching and learning excellence.

The preservation and revitalisation of this much-loved Sale landmark not only protects our heritage, but as custodians of the site, we have the opportunity to create a beautiful new place of learning for our young people that will enable them to grow in their love of Jesus in an enriching environment.

While much work lies ahead, including the redevelopment, construction, and ensuring a smooth transition for the St Thomas school community, we are committed to working closely with parish, schools, partners, and stakeholders throughout this journey.

We thank everyone contributing to this project - our school and parish communities, architects, engineers, consultants, the project team, and the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion.

The project is being led by Monto Project Managers, with Y2 Architecture as the lead Architects. Melbcon Builders are on-site, laying the groundwork for construction to begin, with a planned completion in early 2027.

We invite you to view images and 3D animated videos that simulate a journey through the proposed buildings and grounds at:

#### https://www.ceosale.catholic.edu.au/news-and-events/our-lady-of-sion-convent-redevelopment-project

The Our Lady of Sion Convent has long stood as a treasured landmark in Sale since 1893, symbolising faith, Catholic identity, and education for generations. We look forward to bringing this next exciting chapter to life. We invite the community to keep the project team, students, and staff at St Thomas' Catholic Primary School in your prayers as we begin this new journey.

Bishop Greg Bennet, Catholic Bishop of Sale & Mr Paul Velten, Director of Catholic Education, DOCSEL



#### **PARISH CALENDAR**

Sun 31 Aug 9.30am: Catholic College school

led Mass and Sunday Cuppa

Sat 6 & Sun 7: Priests Welfare Foundation

Collection, all Masses

#### NOTICE BOARD AND CATHEDRAL GLASS

if you have notices that you would like displayed in the Cathedral permission *must* be sought from the Dean of the Cathedral, Fr Francis, or the Parish Office. Without this permission no one is allowed to display any notices or documents.

NO MASS There will be no weekday Mass on Thursday 4 September as our Priests are away.

SERRA CLUB as there are no Priests available to say Mass on Thursday 4 September we will have rosary in the Cathedral at 4.45pm followed by our meeting.

<u>CATHOLIC COLLEGE SALE</u> will be leading Mass this **Sunday 31 August at 9.30am** and will We thank the school community for celebrating Mass with us.

# FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION OF THE DIOCESE

OF SALE: This fund supports the priests and deacons of our Diocese in times of sickness or At present the Foundation is retirement. supporting nine priests and three deacons and their wives in retirement and is responsible for the other priests, including our overseas priests, and deacons in time of sickness. The budgeted expenditure of the Foundation for them over the next year will be over \$200,000. Online donations can now be made at https:// www.cdsale.org.au/priestswelfarefoundation. The foundation is most appreciative of your support for our priests and deacons in sickness and retirement. All donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and a receipt for tax deduction purposes will be automatically sent if an email address is provided. Donations may also be made through your local Parish. Our Leaving Collection will take place at all Parish Churches on Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 September.

# CONCEPT PHOTOS OF THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE SION CONVENT

are shown on this page and page three.





**BAPTISMS:** By arrangement through the Parish Office phone 5144 4100.

**ADORATION** of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday before Mass 10.00am — 11.00am At St Rose of Lima, Rosedale on 1st Wednesday of each month 9.30am — 10.30am

RECONCILIATION: Cathedral: Friday 10.30-11am before Mass.

At Other times: Available on request

Stratford and Briagolong on Sunday or Rosedale on Saturday evening: Available on request.

MARRIAGES: Not less than six months notice please.

#### **COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:**

Planned Giving: \$855.00
Presbytery: \$925.50
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# Mass Timetable this week Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 30 - 31 August 2025

Day/Data	Time	Place
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Saturday 30 August	9.30am	Cathedral
·	5.30pm	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Rosedale
Sunday 31 August	9.30am	Stratford
Catholic College Mass & morning	9.30am	Cathedral
tea	5.30pm	Cathedral
WEEKDAY MASSES	_	
Monday 1 September	NO	MASS
Tuesday 2 September	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 3 September	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 4 September	NO	MASS
Friday 5 September		
Benediction & Exposition	10.00am	Cathedral
Mass	11.00am	Cathedral
WEEKEND MASSES		
Saturday 6 September	9.30am	Cathedral
-	5.30pm	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Rosedale
Sunday 7 September	9.30am	Stratford
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 30 August 5.30pm	Sunday 31 August 9.30am	Sunday 31 August 5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	Catholic College	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Liz Tabuteau	Catholic College	Jennifer Fitzgerald
Reader Eucharists Eucharist	Brenda Burditt Jonathan P, Tim & Emma Morrison	Catholic College Catholic College X3	Faye Flint Brenda B, Len & Lyn Althaus
Counters	John Dykun & Sue Harvey		

Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 6 September 5.30pm	Sunday 7 Sept 9.30am	Sunday 7 September 5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	Marie & Nick Centra	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Brenda Burditt	Christine Lyon	Jennifer Fitzgerald
Reader Eucharists Eucharist	Faye Flint Theo S, Carmel Wade Jenny Gunn	Di Austin Anna Allen, Dr Salle Margaret Shirreffs	Lyn Althaus Jennifer F, Lyn Althaus Brenda Bowden
Counters	Len and Lyn Althaus		

#### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Thurs 4 Sep 9.30am: Graeme O'Connor (A)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We offer prayers for those who have died Jean Garby, Graeme Peavey, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Graeme O'Connor, deceased Clergy of the Diocese. We pray for those who are sick Veronica Stewart, Ann Neville, Perla Nario, Michelle, Lou, Daniel, Veronica Foxe, Teresa Bennett, Fr Andrew Wise, Teolinda Barrera, Jayantha, Emma O'Hare, Jim Clottin, Moira Petrie, Hurbert Somasiri, Dushyanthi, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin. We pray in thanks for all who are sick and those who care for them.

# The Jubilee Prayer

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

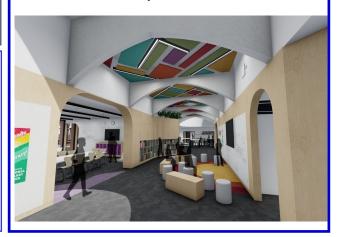
and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen



Redevelopment of the Sion Convent concept photos



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NEW TO THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?  Please let us know we'd like to meet you!	? NEED PLANNNED
NAME: ADDRESS:	
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EMAIL:     Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program	
If you would like to join a Family Group	$\overline{}$
Please place on the plate at Mass or drop into the Parish Office	

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## **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

#### FIRST READING:

A reading from the book of Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

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 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. All: Thanks be to God

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

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

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.)

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.)

You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people 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:**

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

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. All: Thanks be to God

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;

learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 14:1, 7-14

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 accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the 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. All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



# **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.



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**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Every Friday from 11.30am—12.00pm RECONCILIATION: Cathedral -Friday & Saturday following Mass

#### **READINGS NEXT WEEK:**

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 1st Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18 2nd Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17 Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

#### **WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE**

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month)

Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm Vigil Saturday: Rosedale - 7.00pm

Sunday: Cathedral - 9:30am and 5.30pm

**Sunday**: Stratford - 9.30am (1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the Month) **Sunday**: Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month) Please check the bulletin each week for weekday Mass times.