

FIRST READING Acts 10:34, 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Questo e' il giorno che ha fatto il Signore: ralleghiamoci ed esultiamo.

SECOND READING Colossians 3: 1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

CANTO AL VANGELO

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

Cristo, nostra Pasqua, e' stato imolato: facciamo festa nel Signore.

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL John 20: 1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$1290.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$851.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$836.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 12/04/09

6.00pm (SAT) – G Canavan & B Nadenbousch  
 9.00am (SUN) – C Monforte & A DiRico  
 10.30am (SUN) – J Iaria & J Vincitorio

SPECIAL MINISTERS

N Ziino  
 P Sparano, R Pino & P Leggiero  
 M Mizzi, Sr Doreen & G Silvio

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 19/04/09

6.00pm (SAT) – E Saliba  
 9.00am (SUN) – G Tempone & M Crupi  
 10.30am (SUN) - J & J Kearney

SPECIAL MINISTERS

D Herbert  
 D Biasibetti, R DeZan & G Barbaro  
 J Frangiosa, D Lucato & A Mancuso

CHURCH CLEANERS

18/04/09 A Ranalli, C Brunetti, A & V Zelle & N Morello

MONEY COUNTERS

13/04/09 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett, C McMahon  
 20/04/09 P Cherubin, A Sinopoli & L Cavedon

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Piero ROTONDI, Luigi ROSSIGNUOLO,

ANNIVERSARIES

Archbishop Frank LITTLE, Charlie AGIUS, Joseph DE BONO, Vito & Grazia BARRESE, Paolo & Anna CAMPO, Giuseppe SERRATORE, Giovanna MIGLIEGI, Giuseppe TRINCLLI, Borbora FERRO, Antonio SCHIPANO, Domenico, Maria & Caterina CARME, Francesco VACIRCA, Nicola GIANPIETRO, Gina DI DONATO, Famiglia ROMEO, Gregorio PETROMILLA, Rocco, Giuseppe & Stella ROMEO, Elisabetta & Nunziato CATALOMO Michele CHIODO, Giulio BETTINA, Giuseppe LENTINI, Sam SICCITA, Vincenzo, Caterina, Giuseppe & Rosangela GIGLIOTTI, Francesco & Fortunata GIGLIOTTI

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Sat 6.00pm - English  
 Sun. 9.00am - Italian  
 Sun. 10.30am - English

Fr Emmanuel Bonello–Parish Priest  
 Sr Doreen Bentley-Pastoral Associate  
 Mr Peter Chowne -School Principal  
 Mrs Liz Pistoni – Parish Secretary

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Mon. 9.10am Comm. Service  
 Tue. 10.00am Italian  
 Wed. 9.10am - English  
 Thur. 9.10am - English  
 Fri. 9.10am - English  
 Sat. 8.30am - English

Maltese Mass

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm

Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

Easter Sunday, Year B

12 April, 2009

## He is alive!



The party ended. Two carloads of the Hudson family headed home. John the eldest in one car, the rest followed in other. John didn't see the oncoming goods train. Minutes later, the family arrived at the crash scene. It was a shocking sight. Dad and Tom ran to the wreck. 'Go back, mother. John is dead. Nobody could survive that impact.

Mechanical jaws were used to cut open the car. A rescue worker calls out, 'He is alive!' Unbelievable. John has suffered concussion and a broken leg. Otherwise he is o.k. Trauma turns to elation as dawn breaks.

'He is alive' is the Easter message. The first disciples saw Jesus die on Calvary. They were mourning his loss. Now they are witnesses to his resurrection. Unbelievable. As dawn breaks, trauma turns to elation.

It took time for the first disciples to really believe that Christ was raised from the dead. It took even longer for them to understand the implications of the resurrection. Slowly, in the face of mystery, they came to some clarity.

These are some of their insights:

God raised Jesus from the dead. Unlike John mentioned above who was merely unconscious, Jesus really did die on the cross.

Death is no longer the ultimate barrier or limit to life. It is not to be feared.

If death is defeated, then there can be no barriers or limits to life. All share in the risen life of Christ. Christ includes all humanity in this risen life. He shares the fruits of his resurrection with us.

We are enabled to live in the 'power of his resurrection' (St. Paul). We can make a difference in our world.

We believers are the inheritors of the witness of those first disciples. Like them, we struggle to believe such astounding good news. We too must ponder the meaning of the resurrection and apply that meaning to our lives as they did.

This means living joyfully, tenderly, hopefully. It means refusing to allow doubt, hesitation, failure and disappointment stop us from living our faith energetically and lovingly.

We are 'in Christ' and He is alive!

# Happy Easter

## Buona Pasqua

### L-Ghid it-Tajjeb



To all parishioners and friends at St. Joseph the Worker Parish,  
North Reservoir,  
may we have a very happy and holy Easter!  
Thanks to so many people who help in the parish through the  
variety of ministries, being part of a group and many other things.  
May our celebrations of Jesus Christ's Resurrection  
be for us an inspiration of Christian joy and hope,  
doing our best to live a positive life  
witnessing God's tenderness and love for everyone!

#### EASTER MONDAY

Mass will be celebrated at 9.10am in the chapel.

#### FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral for Piero Rotondi will be celebrated on Tuesday 14 April 2009 at 10.00am.  
The Rosary will be recited on Monday 13 April at 7.00pm.

#### EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES

Easter offering envelopes are available in the seats. The donations made at Easter are used to support the parish priest, the sick and retired priests of the Archdiocese, and the Archbishop in his ministry. We ask you to be generous in supporting the parish during this Easter season.

#### FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Sunday 19 April at St. Francis of Assisi Church 290 Childs Rd, Mill Park.

Programme:

1.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Confessions, Holy Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction

3.00pm Holy Mass including healing prayer and blessing of the Divine Mercy Image.  
Main celebrant, Fr. Brendan Lane.

## ***THOUGHTS ON THE GOSPEL***

Our Easter celebrations form the heart of our Christian living.. Our faith is deeply rooted and finds its real meaning in the resurrection of Jesus. St Paul says that, if Christ is not risen, then all our believing is in vain.

Because of the resurrection, the disciples, who were at first paralysed with fear of being arrested as accomplices of Jesus, suddenly made a complete turnaround and began boldly to proclaim that Jesus who died on the Cross, was alive and with them.

Easter, however, is not only concerned with recalling the resurrection of Jesus or its impact on the first disciples but also with the meaning of this event for our own lives and for our faith. The celebration of Easter and the days of Holy Week leading up to it, are a call for us to change – and perhaps change radically – as Jesus' own disciples changed.

The sign that we are truly sharing in the risen life of Jesus is that our lives and our behaviour undergo a constant development. We not only believe, we not only proclaim but we *do* what we believe and what we proclaim.

Excerpt from an address by Pope Benedict XVI, November 2008

#### ARCHBISHOPS OFFICE FOR EVANGELISATION

What do you know about Moral Theology? Why not join other adults as they learn more about this subject?

The Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation is offering the following unit:

**Moral Theology** with Dr Frances Baker RSM

(Six Wednesdays commencing 22 April 2009, 6.00pm – 8.00pm)

This unit is being offered as part of the *Certificate – Foundations for Pastoral Ministry* at the Thomas Carr Centre, 278 Victoria Pde, East Melbourne.

For more information visit the Archdiocesan website [www.melbourne.catholic.org.au](http://www.melbourne.catholic.org.au) or contact Annemarie on 9412 3325 [office@evangelisation.org](mailto:office@evangelisation.org)

#### MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST PETER CLAVER

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Concert on Sunday 26 April at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 116 Cotham Rd, Kew commencing 2.00pm.

Admission is free – a collection will be taken during the Concert. Proceeds will go to assist the Sisters of St Aloysius working among the poor in rural areas of Madurai, India.

#### Anniversaries Cont...

Eugenio & Elena NICASTRI, Pasquale & Bernardina MAZZA, Vincenzo & Fidalma CIPOLLA, Domenico & Anna OCCHIUZZI, Giuseppe & Raffilina CALAFIORE, Giuseppe, Santina, Paolo, Pippo & Mario GERMANO, Paolino FORMICA, Giuseppe & Angelina TODARO, Nicola-Maria & Giuseppe CARNOVALE, Antonio & Costanza CARNOVALE, Luigi, Arcangela & Maria NARDELLA, Antonio, Angela, Paolo & Maria CURSIO, Nardina & Michele NARDELLA, Mose & Adelia BERGAMIN, Famiglia BERGAMIN, Domenico & Luigina ARCURI Famiglia ARCURI.