

*As we come and worship, we remember the wurundjeri people, the original custodians of this land*

**FIRST READING** Acts 2:42-47

The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

**SALMO RESPONSORIALE**

Rendete grazie al Signore perche' e' buono: il suo amore e' per sempre.

**SECOND READING** Peter 1:3-9

He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!  
Alleluai!

**CANTO AL VANGELO**

Alleluia, alleluia. Perche' mi hai veduto, Tommaso, tu hai creduto: beati quelli che pur non avendo visto, crederanno.  
Alleluia alleluia.

**GOSPEL** John 20: 19-31

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

**THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection - Thanksgiving Offering.....\$815.00  
- Loose Money.....\$1465.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Presbytery.....\$1201.00

**LECTORS - THIS WEEK 01/05/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) – D Pullicino  
9.00am (SUN) – G Tempone & T Forte  
10.30am (SUN) – S Miano & R Sawi

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

R Nyour  
L Catena, L Cavedon & M Crupi  
L Greco, U Strangis, & M Sernia

**LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 08/05/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) - MALTESES MASS (Selected)  
9.00am (SUN) – R Fato & C Agostinelli  
10.30am (SUN) -J & J Kearney

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

MALTESE MASS (Selected)  
T Forte, G Moltisanti & R Mercuri  
J Tanti, Sr Estelita & L Conte

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

07/05/2011 M Sparano, R Bango & R Fato

**MONEY COUNTERS**

02/05/2011 R & E Cornelious & M Williams  
09/05/2011 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett & C McMahon

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Assunta TRUDA (mother-in-law of Rosanna), Vincenzo FALCONE, Sebastiana FARACI

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Concetta GIAN SIRACUSA, Antonio TALIANA, Irene TALIANA, Felice & Giuseppe TARANTO, Antonio, Lunella & Ines CALIGIURI, Pasquale, Angela & Mario LUNA, Salvatore & Cecilia ROSANO,

# ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

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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 Estelita Manabo – 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



2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter, Year A

1 May 2011

## New Eyes

We all have key defining moments – those times in our lives when we see with new eyes, and something is changed forever. Maybe you can recall a personal breakthrough, perhaps one that came through reflecting on a poem, a conversation, or seeing a beautiful new baby. New windows can open up in our minds, often triggered by special moments, such as when a child leaves home, or a parent dies. We know in our bones that beyond our normal routines there's beauty and mystery waiting to be discovered. The trick is to try to keep our hearts open and ready, so that we're more able to receive life's small revelations.

What keeps us going is that every now and then, even in our busiest times, a moment of insight comes. It might simply be a tiny growth in self-understanding. These are our little Easters. They are the times when we shine like the sun. Mary Oliver captures the joy of this when she writes 'Oh Lord, how shining and festive is your gift to us, if we only look, and see.'

Still, in spite of this, we know too that a part of us is drawn towards the darkness. We can get stuck, and find that we're not at our best, not our most authentic self. There are different characters within us that can emerge at different times. For example, we all have a bit of doubting Thomas within us. Like him, our fear of appearing needy and inadequate can lead us at times to be blinded, to shut our minds. Like him, we can try to look like the strong one, the tough minded person who has it all together, the self-sufficient character who stands apart. We're really not too surprised when he tries to replace simple faith by a call for proof. We know what makes him tick. Then again, maybe, like Thomas, we're trying to hold out for our own experience of Jesus, and of His presence in our lives. Whatever the case, we know that the story of Thomas is a lot like our own. So it's interesting to think about how Thomas came through in his defining moment. In the end, after all his bluster, the light proved to be much stronger than his darkness. When Thomas 'got it' he really got it, and he was never the same again. His meeting with the risen Jesus enabled him to see with new eyes. Forget Thomas the doubter; this man's faith led him to a profession of belief and love that was more personal and profound than any recorded words of the other disciples. I like to think of him as the patron saint of the personal breakthrough. Thomas helps us to be ready for God's little visitations in our daily lives. What's more, he shows us how to seize the moment and respond with complete faith and trust. Don't be afraid to change, he'd say to us if he were here today. Am I ready to take up the challenge?

### **WELCOME FR EDDIE ZAMMIT**

We welcome Fr Eddie Zammit a friend of Fr Manny, who has come from Gozo Malta to spend his holidays with family and friends here in Melbourne. He will be staying at St Joseph the Worker for 4 weeks. Fr Eddie is a very close friend of Fr Manny, they were ordained on the same day in Malta. We wish him a very warm welcome and relaxing holiday.

### **BAPTISMS**

Congratulations to **Carmine Gentile** child of Salvatore and Vasiliki, and **Siena Trinchi** child of Giuseppe and Josephine and **Christina Perri**, child of Luigi and Maryann, will be baptised this weekend. We welcome them into our parish community and assure the families of our prayerful best wishes on this happy occasion.

### **FUNERALS**

The Rosary for Vincenzo Falcone will be recited on Monday 2 May at 11.30am followed by Funeral Mass at 12.00 noon.

The Funeral Mass for Sebastiana Faraci will be celebrated on Tuesday 3 May at 1.30pm.

### **MALTESE MASS**

A reminder that the Maltese Mass will be celebrated next Saturday 7 May at 6.00pm.

### **PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM**

The Parish Leadership Team will meet on Wednesday 4 May at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

### **MEMORIAL MASS**

Friday 6 May 7.00pm – Luigi Cursio (1 mth)

### **PARISH GATHERING**

Parishioners and friends of St. Joseph the Worker are invited to attend an evening reflection talk about the value of community in the School Hall on Wednesday 11 May 2011 at 7.00pm. (keep this date free) The title of the talk is: "BUILDING AND AFFIRMING THE COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS" Guest Speaker will be: Fr Bob Maguire, parish priest of South Melbourne. Keep this date free!

### **ITALIAN LADIES**

Maggio, mese di devozione alla Madonna con la recita del S. Rosario nelle famiglie della parrocchia. Chiedete la Statua della Madonna che verra' portata dai membri del comitato femminile. Tel: Paola 9460 7990, Maria: 9469 2141, Gina: 9462 1641, Rosa: 0357 1089. Ogni Martedi' alle ore 9.30am recita del S. Rosario prima della S. Messa ore 10.00am.

Martedi' 3 Maggio breve riunione dei membri in cappella, ore 9.00am puntuali, per preparare la festa della Madonna di Fatima. Tutte attese.

### **ST JOSEPH THE WORKER FEAST DAY**

On Monday 2 of May there will be a whole School Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Joseph the Worker at 9.00am in the morning. All families and parishioners are welcome to come.

The rest of the School day will be a special activities day to mark this special day.



## ***SOLENNI CELEBRAZIONE DI NOSTRA SIGNORA DI FATIMA***

***DOMENICA 15 MAGGIO 2011***

***Nella chiesa di San Giuseppe Lavoratore  
79 Wilson Blvd North Reservoir***

3.00pm - Santo Rosario in chiesa

3.30pm - Santa Messa cantata, Celebrata da Padre Eddie Zammit  
Padre Emanuele Bonello PP & Fr Joseph Yu PE

Segue processione con la statua sui piazzali della chiesa.  
Fiaccolata con Inni e Preghiere. Ritorno in chiesa per la

Benedizione Eucaristica.

La celebrazione sara' accompagnata dal Coro di Sant'Antonio diretto da Duilio Malavisi.

Per informazione: Renato – 9460 4597 Gina – 9462 1641 Paola – 9460 7990

## ***FESTA DELLA MADONNA DI POMPEI***

***DOMENICA 8 MAGGIO 2011***

***Nella chiesa di San Raffaele  
17 Hardy St, West Preston***

Programma:

Inizio: 2.00pm Banda Maltesa

2.30pm La Santa Messa Celebrata dal Vescovo Emeritus Hilton Deakin DD., con Padre Raimondo Bugeja e con il coro Parrocchiale diretto da Raffaele Rossi.

Poi la processione passera per le strade intorno alla chiesa.

L'immagine della Madonna in processione sara accompagnata dalla Banda Maltesa.

Rientro in chiesa per la Benedizione con il Santissimo Sacramento.

Poi nella Sala Parrocchiale segue un concerto sinfonico con rinfresco a tutti i venvenuti.

Per ulteriori informazioni telefonare i membri del comitato:

Mario Ciarlo 9470 1725 o Felice Comito 9478 8556