

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

FIRST READING Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48

The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the gentiles also.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Il Signore ha rivelato ai popoli la sua giustizia.

SECOND READING 1 John 4:7-10

God is love.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL John 15:9-17

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1st Collection - Thanksgiving Offering.....\$752.00
- Loose Money.....\$210.00
2nd Collection - Presbytery.....\$612.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 13/05/2012

6.00pm (SAT) – CONFIRMATIONS (No 6.00pm Mass)
9.00am (SUN) – R Pino & C Agostinelli
10.30am (SUN) – L DeMarco & G Canavan

LECTORS – NEXT WEEK 20/05/2012

6.00pm (SAT) - D Pullicino & E Krygger
9.00am (SUN) – S LoBartolo & A DiRico
10.30am (SUN) – C Antonio & A DeCata

CHURCH CLEANERS

19/05/2012 L Catena, F Agugiars & R Nyour

MONEY COUNTERS

14/05/2012 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett & C McMahon
21/05/2012 A Sinopoli, F Nardoza, L Cavedon & R Comito

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Maria BORTOLOTTI, Maria NICOLAZZO, Stephen HASOMERIS(d. Rec. America)

ANNIVERSARIES

Irene TALIANA, Cesare MELLERE, Joseph Antonio GOBAIRA, Giuditta PICCONE,
Carmela DIGUGLIELMO, Gina DI DONATO, Serafina BRANCATISONO, Antonio BARBARO,
Amalia MULTARI, Maria COSTANZO, Luigia VALMORBIDA, Elvira PIAZZA, Nella CAVEDON,
Carmela PUGLIESE, Caterina FERRARO, Osvaldo & Franco RETTORE, Rosa NICOLAZZO,
Teresa BUTERA, Fioralba VARRASSO, Maria & Rosa CARUSO, Rosa NICOLAZZO,
Carolina CONTESSA, Anna & Santa PASCUZZI, Donata QUINTILI, Linda FELICIANI,
Angela, Rocco, Irma & Raffaello CENTOFANTI, Antonio DIAMANTE, AnnaRosa RUFINA **Ann.Cont.**

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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

1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm

Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

6th Sunday of Easter Year B

13 May 2012

Abide in my Love

Little Peter was in trouble again. He was always skipping school. His parents were finding it so hard to cope with their five year old's behaviour that they took him to see his grandfather, hoping that he might help. The old man looked lovingly at the child until he quietened down. Then, without saying anything, he took Peter in his arms and held him close to his heart for a long time. Something important happened, and that embrace accomplished what threats and words had failed to do.

When we know that we are loved, things click into place. Today's readings speak beautifully about this, telling us that being beloved of God is the core truth of our lives. But we take a bit of convincing. Like Peter, we often tend to act out of our fears. Many great spiritual writers tell us that the opposite of love is not so much hate, but fear. When we really take a look at ourselves, we discover this is so.

How easily we act out of fear of failure, or fear of what others may think of us. We even build imaginary walls to protect our space. We view other people with suspicion, and see them as dangerous. God loves us, even in these weaknesses, and is prepared to wait for our hearts to understand the depths of that love. So, if we could just take to heart the words of today's readings, we might begin to move from the house of fear to the house of love.

In the gospel, Jesus calls us by that most precious of names, 'my friends'. He wants us to know that his love enfolds us and there is no reason to fear. Most of us, however, are acquainted with guilt, shame and sadness, and we are quite used to self-rejection. That is not very helpful. In fact, it the greatest enemy of the spiritual life!

It contradicts the sacred voice that assures us 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you'. God is constantly healing and completing all that is imperfect within us.

To remind us of this, Jesus gave us the Eucharist, a celebration within which He holds us to His heart.

It is prayer that keeps our lives breathing with love. Without it, the soft, gentle voice that speaks in the silence of our hearts will remain unheard. When we choose to pray, we choose to grow. It is when we are convinced that the Beloved is as home with us that we begin to find God in the daily ordinariness of life. Our relationships are at the heart of it all. 'Love one another, says Jesus, as I have loved you'. Can it be that it is God's delight to be worshipped in the way we love each other? Do we find it hard to accept that holiness is found in the love present between people? St Benedict says 'Listen, my child, with the ear of your heart'. Let us try to do just that with today's readings.

CONFIRMATION



This weekend we welcome among us **Very Rev. Martin Ashe, Episcopal Vicar of the Northern Region** who celebrates confirmation on Saturday 12 May at 2.00pm and 5.00pm. Congratulations to the young ones who will receive Confirmation this weekend. We pray for them to live out well the gifts of the Spirit: Wisdom, Courage, Knowledge, Reverence and others as they look forward to taking more responsibilities in their commitment of faith.

BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

The Baptism Preparation Meeting will be held on Monday 14 May at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

FUNERAL

Rosary for Maria Bortolotto will be recited on Monday 14 May at 7.30pm. Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 15 May at 11.30am.

MEMORIAL MASSES

Tuesday 15 May 7.00pm – Stephen Hasomeris (d. Rec. America)
Saturday 19 May 4.00pm- Giovanni Salvo

FEAST

Monday 14 May – St Matthias

ITALIAN LADIES

Martedì 15 Maggio la Santa Messa delle ore 10.00am sarà offerta per tutte le mamme, none, suocere defunte, portate una loro foto che sarà posto intorno all'altare. Vi aspettiamo numerose.

A Mothers' Day Prayer

Loving God, we pray:
for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility ;
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;
for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;
for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;
for those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;
for those whose children have physical, mental or emotional disabilities;
for those who raise children on their own;
for those who have lost a child;
for those who care for the children of others;
for those whose children have left home;
and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.
Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,
and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good,
living not for themselves alone, but for God and for others.

Amen.

SOLENNI CELEBRAZIONE DI NOSTRA SIGNORA DI FATIMA



DOMENICA 20 MAGGIO 2012

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

3.00pm - Santo Rosario in chiesa

3.30pm - Santa Messa cantata, Celebrata da Molto Rev Padre
Delmar Silva, 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 sarà accompagnata dal musicista Raffaele Rossi.

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

YEAR OF GRACE INFORMATION SESSIONS TUESDAY 15 MAY – 24 MAY, 7.30 – 9.00PM

Beginning at Pentecost, the Catholic Church in Australia will enter into a Year of Grace, a time of retreat and renewal as we contemplate the face of Christ through prayer, reflecting on the scriptures and the liturgy.

Each evening session will run from 7.30pm-9.00pm with finger food and refreshments provided.

Tuesday 15 May – Sacred Heart Parish Catholic Regional College Hall 4 Winifred St, St Albans.

Wednesday 16 May – St Damian's Parish Dunlop Room, Parish Centre 5 Settlement Rd, Bundoora.

Thursday 17 May – St Mary's Church Cnr McCrae & Foster Sts, Dandenong.

Tuesday 22 May – Our Lady of Victories Parish Hall 548 Burke Rd, Camberwell.

Thursday 24 May – Bell Park (Geelong Cluster) Community Centre 147 Separation St, Bell Park

Contact: Suzanne Hermon 9926 5677 or evangelisation@cam.org.au

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THE CITY WEDNESDAY 30 MAY, 12.00PM

Sr Margaret Mary Flynn IBVM, Australian Leader of the Loreto Sisters and 2010 NSW Business Woman of the Year will be presenting on her work in rural areas with disadvantaged women and the networks and opportunities established for employment.

Where: St Francis Pastoral Centre – MacKillop Room, St Francis' Church annex 326 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne.

Anniversaries Cont..

Giuseppe & Angelina TODARO, Giuseppina SCHIAVONE, Maria MELFI, Maria NICOLIA, Elisabetta CRUPI, Itria BARRESI, Mariarosa DIRICO, Paolina MACCIOCCA, Angela ROBORTELLA, Helena POROPAT, Grazia CAMERA, Antonia GRAHOR, Maria ZELE, Attilia BIANCO, Maria FATO, Maria TARANTO, Caterina CAPUTO, Maria VIRGONA, Fidalma & Vincenzo CIPOLLA, Anna & Domenico OCCHIUZZI, Antonina CATALANO, Domenica VARRENTI, Maria & Raffaele MACCARONE