

FIRST READING *Wisdom 1:13-15: 2:23-24*

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Ti esaltero', Signore, perche' mi hai risollevato.

SECOND READING *Corinthians 8:7.9. 13-15*

Your abundance should supply their want.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. **Alleluia, alleluia!**

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia.

Il Salvatore nostro Cristo Gesu' ha vinto la morte e ha fatto risplendere la vita per mezzo del Vangelo. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL *Mark 5:21-43*

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$983.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$965.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$637.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 28/06/09

6.00pm (SAT) – B Nadenbousch
 9.00am (SUN) – L Catena & R Mercuri
 10.30am (SUN) – J & J Kearney

SPECIAL MINISTERS

N Ziino
 D Biasibetti, R DeZan & G Barbaro
 D Lucato, A Mancuso & G Silvio

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 05/07/09

6.00pm (SAT) – MALTESE MASS (Selected)
 9.00am (SUN) – Paola Sparano & C Agostinelli
 10.30am (SUN) - M Sernia & A DeCata

SPECIAL MINISTERS

MALTESE MASS (Selected)
 P Leggiero, A Sonza & M Piscioneri
 J Tanti, A Filippone & L DeMarco

CHURCH CLEANERS

04/0709 M Martuccio, L Calafiore & C Balasone

MONEY COUNTERS

29/06/09 D Herbert, C McMahon, J Galea & R Comito
 06/07/09 R & E Cornelious, R & G Silvio, J Galea

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Angelina OLIVERI (d. Rec. Italy), Frank PORTELLI

ANNIVERSARIES

Domenico MARINO, Joseph GOBAIRA, Felice TARANTO, Pasquale & Giuseppina DIRITO
 Nicola GAINPIETRO, Domenico MIRIGLIANO, Orsola BONACCI, Pasquale & Carmela CIMINO,
 Cosimo & Vincenzo PANUCCIO, Rocco, Angela, Rafaello & Giuseppe CENTOFANTI,
 Marija TOMAC, Slavica MANDIC, Rocco COTRONEO, Gabriele MASTROIANNI

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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

1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm
 Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

13th Sunday of Year B

28 June, 2009

The God of Life and Hope

Today's scriptures provide a powerful antidote to the dark mood of pessimism about life and the world. We live in an extraordinarily turbulent time, as we witness the rise in atrocities committed, even in the name of God and religion. We are deeply affected by the loss of faith in the world economic and financial system that we have come to take for granted as the bedrock of life's security. The future is gloomy, even when we consider the prospects for the survival of humanity in the face of global warming, and the endless conflicts around the globe conducted with ever more efficient weapons of death.

To a great extent, we are collectively responsible for this global mood of pessimism because of the choices we have made and the policies we have supported. However, today's Word is certainly a message of hope: "Do not invite death by the error of you life, nor bring on destruction by the works of your hands, for God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living" (Wisdom 1:12-13). Throughout the scriptures, as the people of God suffer from the folly of their wrong choices, God is revealed as the God of forgiveness, and as the inexhaustible source of new life and hope. It is against the nature of God to delight in death. Rather God delights in life and desires nothing but our turning to him at all times. In the present difficult and turbulent times, the call of God comes to us as to Israel of old. We too must turn our hearts from the error of our ways, and repent of the choices that lead to death and destruction. We must turn back to Him who offers us hope and life. We need to show the courage required to look into our hearts with rigorous honesty. It is a challenge to identify the bad choices that have caused suffering both for ourselves and others-whether we meant to or not.

Whether we are powerful or lowly, we all need God's help. Jairus, a politically important man, was losing his dearly beloved daughter. At the other end of the social scale, was the poor woman afflicted for years with an incurable haemorrhage. But God disappoints no one who turns to Him in trust and faith. In this Gospel story, Jesus is not just a miracle worker, but one who feels deeply for those who suffer. Just as he touched each of them in a very personal way, so will God let us experience His closeness to us. Our God will be a healing presence when we show that same quality of trust that Jairus and the poor woman showed. In the God whom Jesus reveals there is no justification for killing or destruction. Nor, indeed, are there any grounds for that crippling pessimism about life and the loss of hope in the future that effect many today. The call of God remains, now as always, "Turn to me in trust. Change the errors of your way, and I will restore life and hope in you".



BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Nicholas Nicolazzo** child of Anthony and Romina, **Amelia Walters** child of Daniel and Lacey, **Gabriel DeFazio** child of Robert and Patricia and **Julian Perri** child of Luigi and Maryann, who 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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

The Baptism Preparation meeting will be held on Monday 6 July at 7.30pm in the Church.

ITALIAN LADIES

Adorazione Eucaristica e Riflessioni, Martedì 30 Giugno ore 9.00am in capella. Seguita Santa Messa alle 10.00am. Vi aspettiamo numerosi.

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

The Maintenance Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 30 June at 8.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

PARISH LITURGY TEAM

The Parish Liturgy Team meeting will be held on Thursday 2 July at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

MALTESE MASS

A reminder that the Maltese Mass, will be celebrated next Saturday 4 July, at 6.00pm.

MEMORIAL MASSES

Tuesday 30 June 10.00am – Pasquale & Giuseppina Dirito

Wednesday 1 July 7.30pm – Rocco Cotroneo (1 mth)

Friday 3 July 9.10am – Domenico Mirigliano

FEAST

Friday 3 July – St. Thomas Apostle

SUPPORT GROUP

New social group for people living with anxiety and depression. Meets on the first Thursday of the month. Contact Patricia on 0401 552 653, between 7 .00 – 9.00pm weekdays.

ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th Wedding anniversary in 2009?

Archbishop Denis Hart and the Life, Marriage and Family Office invite you and your families to join our Annual Anniversary Mass, at St Patrick's Cathedral Sunday 16 August 2009.

Come and celebrate your witness of love and fidelity with us all.

To register contact the Life, Marriage and Family Office 9287 5579 or cmf@melbourne.catholic.org.au

ARE YOU CHRISTIAN AND SINGLE

Want to make new friends while going out and having a good time. The Mill Park Catholic Solo Group meets on the first Friday of the month 7.30pm at St Mary's Church Greensborough. We have a social calendar of Dinners, Dancing and Trips. For details please ring Anna on 9408 4770 or Barbara on 9456 9476.

PIETY STALL

A reminder that the Piety Stall will open next Sunday after the 10.30am Mass.

CELEBRATION TO CONCLUDE THE YEAR OF ST PAUL

All are invited to attend a special event to celebrate the conclusion of the Year of St Paul. This event will take the form of Evening Prayer led by Archbishop Denis Hart, with special guest Fr Chris Monaghan CP as homilist. Music will be led by St Francis Choir, and the evening will also include the launch of a specially commissioned Pauline hymn 'We Know the Grace'.

When: Tuesday 30 June, 7.30pm

Where: St Francis' Church
326 Lonsdale St, Melbourne

A light supper will follow in the Parish Hall, all are welcome!

THEOLOGY @ THE PUB

Steve Lawrence, will be speaking on the topic: "World Youth Day: One Year On". Steve is a former AFL footballer and was the Director of Evangelisation and Catechesis at World Youth Day in Sydney.

Come along to meet other young Catholics, enjoy a drink and hear an interesting talk.

Date: Monday 6 July

Venue: Pumphouse Hotel, 128 Nicholson St, Fitzroy

Time: 6.30pm for a 7.30pm start.

Age: 18-35

Contact: Penny (0423 267 276, penny@theologyatthepub.com.au)

Visit: www.theologyatthepub.com.au – details of future events and videos/photos/audio of past talks.

Theology @ The Pub is a monthly event for young adults that provide discussion on interesting and important topics from a Catholic perspective, it regularly attracts 100s of young adults from all over Melbourne. More information is available at our website.



LASALLIAN LINK UP

The Lasallian Family stretches far and wide. Many have come from Lasallian schools overseas and we are looking to reach as many people as we can. We are looking to hear from anyone who has been involved with the Lasallian Family or wish to know more about helping out the Lasallian family further. We hope to do this with what we call the "Lasallian Link Up". It will be an afternoon held to discuss ideas on how Lasallians can help the local community and also support the work of the De La Salle Brothers. This has the full support of the De La Salle Brothers.

'Once a Lasallian, always a Lasallian!'

Young people (aged 16-35) are invited to attend "Lasallian Link Up".

This is the opportunity to re-establish your link with the spirit of Lasalle, to meet up with old friends, meet new people, find out what's happening in the Lasallian world and how you can be part of it...again!

When: Saturday 25 July

Time: 10.00am – 5.00pm – Lunch & Snacks provided

Where: St James College (160 Bignell Rd, East Bentleigh)

RSVP & for more information contact Des Calleja – dec@stbedes.catholic.edu.au or SMS: 0402 953 755 by the 15th July.