

FIRST READING *Ezekiel 2:2-5*

The people are rebellious; they shall know there will be a prophet in their midst.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

I nostri occhi sono rivolti al Signore.

SECOND READING *Corinthians 12:7-10*

I will glory in my infirmities so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. **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 6:1-6*

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$1285.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$479.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$189.00

LECTORS - THIS 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

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 12/07/09

6.00pm (SAT) – G Canavan
 9.00am (SUN) – R Pino & L Cavedon
 10.30am (SUN) - S Miano & A Vinelli

SPECIAL MINISTERS

E Saliba
 S Lobartolo, L Calafiore, T Mirigliano
 S Rottura, G Santinon & S Dakin

CHURCH CLEANERS

11/07/09 L Catena, A Sirianni & F Agugiars

MONEY COUNTERS

06/07/09 R & E Cornelious, R & G Silvio, J Galea
 13/07/09 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett & C McMahon

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Domenico VODOLA, Ottavio BRANCATELLA, Francesco GALATI, Fortunato INSANA Letteria SPANO in SALZONE, Rene' CINI

ANNIVERSARIES

Ernes PAOLINI, Antonio, Lunella & Ines CALIGIURI, Pasquale, Angela & Mario LUNA, Maria-Giulia & Matteo RICCIO, Pietro D'ALESSANDRO, Silvana BAGGIO, Fernando & Giuliana MANCINI, Paola PRECOMA, Carmelo & Santo RENNA, Concetta BARBA(1st ann.), Marianna SCATURCHIO, Bruno BARBA, Gaspare SONZA, Antonio MURATORE, Felice COMITO, Pasquale RESTA, Lucia ALIFRACO

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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

14th Sunday of Year B

5 July, 2009

Appreciate One Another

We in this part of the world seem particularly a victim of the 'tall poppy' syndrome. We like to cut people down to size. Especially those of our own locality or neighbourhood.

Perhaps it's the carry-over of a colonial reaction to the structured societies of Europe. It may mean that we are exercising our hard won democratic belief that all are equal and that no one should be considered better than another.

But, we can also be quite harsh at times, and refuse to give credit to others where credit is due. Prophets are frequently not recognised in their own country.

Paul helps us to face this problem in his letter to the Corinthians. He laments the weaknesses that God seemingly refused to lift from him. It seems that God will do all that is necessary to cut us down to size. He allowed a canon ball to smash the leg of Ignatius Loyola at the battle of Pampalona. He allowed Alphonsus Ligouri to lose an important court case. In all these instances, God cut short the ambitions of these men, and directed them to a better path. On a more personal level, God allowed me to fall and break my ankle! All my great plans for the next ten weeks had to be cancelled. Yes, God is able to do any of the cutting-down-to-size that might be necessary. There is no need for us to be engaged in this. Let us be prepared to recognise the prophets and give credit where credit is due. God will take care of the false and the pompous. All of us have different gifts and we should be able to recognise the gift in another person. In fact we should rejoice when others are exercising their gifts and especially when used for the glory of God. We should also have the humility, as had Paul, to recognise and accept our weaknesses. Humility keeps us honest, makes us wise, and gives us gratitude for what we have received. Let us hope it does not take a cannon ball to do this as it did for Ignatius Loyola. Pride and envy are the enemy of humility; they blind us to the real good in a neighbour. These vices blinded the Pharisees when they refused to see any good in Jesus himself. They refused to see anything but a carpenter of Nazareth. We, too, if we care to admit it, can be so blind with regard to our neighbour. God's desire for the Church is that it be an harmonious whole, and only when we can truly appreciate the good in a neighbour can we hope to work in harmony. God made us social beings. He intended us to work with one another. To complement one another with our various gifts. To be in harmony with one another. Just as it takes many voices of different quality to make a wonderful choir, so when we fully appreciate one another and work in harmony then we can sing marvelously to the greater glory of God.

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Ryder Minniti** child of Domenic and Sabina, and **Sebastian Santinon** child of Michael and Teresa, 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.

MEMORIAL MASSES

Wednesday 8 July 7.30pm – Angela Esposito (1 mth)

Friday 10 July 7.00pm – Lucia Ferrentino (1 yr)

8.00pm – Ermano Radin (1 yr)

FUNERAL NOTICE

The Rosary for Letteria Spano in Salzone will be recited on Monday 6 July 2009 at 10.00am, followed by Funeral Mass at 10.30am.

FEAST

Saturday 11 July – St. Benedict

PIETY STALL

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

SILVER JUBILEE OF PRIESTHOOD – FR ANTHONY GIROLAMI

Fr Anthony Girolami would like to invite parishioners to celebrate with him his 25th Anniversary of Priesthood on Sunday 16 August 2009, with Mass at 4.00pm at Sacred Hear Church cnr Rathdowne and Pelham Streets, Carlton. And then to the buffet supper that will follow at Corpus Christi College 180 Drummond Street Carlton (next to the Church). For catering purposes would you RSVP by Wednesday 5 August to 9657 0253 or agirolami@bigpond.com Everyone is welcome!!

SR MERCEDES' 90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

We have invited Sr Mercedes to come and celebrate her 90th Birthday on the 2nd of August, with a special Mass at 10.30am followed by a morning tea in the Narthex. All are welcome to join us!

BISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE

The Archbishop has extended a warm invitation to all priests and people of Melbourne to attend the farewell Mass offered by Bishop Christopher Prowse, recently named Bishop of Sale, at St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne, on Friday 10th July at 7.30pm. Followed by refreshments in the Lansdowne Room of the Knox Centre.

STUDIO BIBLICO

Studio Biblico con il vescovo Joe Grech il 7, 14 & 21 Luglio dalle 10.00am – 12.00pm.

Al Centro Carismatico, 168-172 St Georges Rd, Northcote. Tutti benvenuti.

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

MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

Many people are involved in church ministry: reading, giving communion, assisting with the preparation and service of the altar, welcoming, helping with the collection and others.

On the weekend of 18/19 July at the 6.00pm and 10.30am Masses Mrs. Carmel Crawford from the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation will speak about the value of Ministry in the Church. This will be a campaign to encourage more people to be involved in Ministry.

The following are some expressions of people in Ministry.

BEING INVOLVED IN MINISTRY:

Sr Doreen Bentley

Over many years and at many different parishes, I have had the enjoyment of being involved through my ministry with many wonderful individuals.

This involvement has been enhanced by the recognition and affirmation by church leaders of the gifts of the people in the pews. Someone has realised that after all, he or she has a good voice full of resonance and expression and so became a lector. Another has overcome his or her initial modesty and have come to realise that to be a special minister of the eucharist is to be a servant of the community.

Whatever the talent, or the role, I have noted that these people have received so much joy through their giving of themselves.

John Kearney

When first asked to be a reader at Mass, I felt unworthy and nervous about going to the Altar and also managing the use of the microphone. However, observing others proclaim the word to the best of their ability, gave me the confidence to begin. With a little practice, I am now at ease with this responsibility and find that my understanding of the readings is much deeper. I urge others to undertake some duty as a Special Minister.



Next weekend our Parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission church Appeal. This year's theme is a call to action. A call to join with salvation as liberation from everything that oppresses humanity, to reach out and give life to each other, particularly to those who are most in need. Please be prepared for your offering your generosity is vital to our world.

MESSA DI GUARIGIONE

Domenica 26 Luglio ore 5.00pm . Vieni a sperimentare la straordinaria potenza del Signore nella tua vita e la sua Divina Misericordia! Celebrazione in Italiano e in inglese.

Parrocchia San Giuseppe Lavoratore 79 Wilson Boulevard North Reservoir.

Per informazioni tel: 0404 664 804.

HEALING MASS

Sunday 26 July at 5.00pm. Come and experience the extraordinary power of the Lord in your life and his Divine Mercy! Celebration in Italian and in English here at St Joseph the Worker 79 Wilson Boulevard North Reservoir. For information Phone: 0404 664 804.

THE TURIN SHROUD

THE TURIN SHROUD Free Exhibition and Lectures at St Francis of Assisi Church 290 Childs Rd, Mill Park. Starting Sunday 5 July to Sunday 12 July 2009, every day between 10.00am and 5.00pm Presentations covering selected aspects of The Shroud will be held in the afternoons at 1.30pm.