

FIRST READING *Jeremiah 23:1-16*

The remnant of the flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Il Signore e' il mio pastore: non manco di nulla.

SECOND READING *Ephesians 2:13-18*

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. **Alleluia!**

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia.

Le mie pecore ascoltano la mia voce, dice il Signore, e io le conosco ed esse mi seguono. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL *Mark 6:30-34*

They were as sheep without a shepherd.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$806.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$362.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$296.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 19/07/09

6.00pm (SAT) – E Saliba
 9.00am (SUN) – R De Zan & S LoBartolo
 10.30am (SUN) – L Conte & G Canavan

SPECIAL MINISTERS

S Dakin
 L Catena, L Cavedon & C Alberti
 C McMahan, S Miano & D Herbert

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 26/07/09

6.00pm (SAT) – B Nadenbousch
 9.00am (SUN) – R Fato & C Brunetti
 10.30am (SUN) - E Bartlett & D Lucato

SPECIAL MINISTERS

N Ziino
 T Forte, G Moltisanti & R Mercuri
 J & J Kearney & J Vincitorio

CHURCH CLEANERS

25/07/09 A DiRico, M Pascuzzi & L Pennacchia

MONEY COUNTERS

20/07/09 A Sinopoli, L Cavedon & R Comito
 27/07/09 E Claridge, F Carabott & G Canavan

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Gracie BUTTIGIEG, Donata DE AMICIS

ANNIVERSARIES

Giorgio GIMELLI, Soretta AMERENA, Giovanni IOZZI, Franco SOCCIO,
 Maria- Michelina SOCCIO, Nicola SOCCIO, Antonio SOCCIO, Lucia PARADISO,
 Angela DI CARLA

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

NORTH RESERVOIR

79 Wilson Boulevard, North Reservoir 3073
 Parish House/Office Tel: 9460 3013 Fax: 9460 8832 Mb: 0431 643 674
 E-mail: stjtw@westnet.com.au
 www.stjosephtheworker.org.au
 School Tel: 9460 7506 Fax: 9462 2949

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

16th Sunday of Year B

19 July, 2009

Universal Shepherd

Jeremiah is known as the reluctant prophet. Timid by nature and suffering a speech defect, he found it hard to believe God was calling him to be spokesperson for his people. Yet, it is through the lips of Jeremiah we learn something of the true nature of God as universal shepherd. Today's Psalm also describes God as the ideal ruler and shepherd guiding his people, protecting them from evil and feeding them a banquet. All this is a far cry from the real world of terror, violence and division. This is also a world in which leaders of peoples and nations too often act like jealous warlords rather than caring shepherds. God's promise through Jeremiah is to raise up leaders of honesty and integrity who will shepherd their flock. Here there will be no more terror or division. Is this just some kind of utopian dream? In Ephesians, the hard-headed Paul recognises divisions between people are deeply ingrained in human hearts. Yet, he also knows these racial, cultural, religious and human barriers have been destroyed by Christ who "in his own person killed the hostility". According to John, Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd who died to unite all the scattered people of God (John 10:16; 11:52). Mark's Gospel shows that Jesus saw his own earthly ministry in terms of shepherding. He responds to the crowds with compassion because he sees "they were like sheep without a shepherd". And, like the shepherd in the Psalm, Jesus invites the apostles to "rest for a while" to revive their drooping spirits. Something of the biblical shepherd image is lost to contemporary ears. In Australia where sheep stations carry thousands of sheep, we have graziers and pastoralists rather than shepherds. This is far removed from images of biblical shepherds who tend their small flocks and know each sheep and their sheep knew them (John 10:14). This intimate relationship between sheep and shepherd needed to be established at an early stage. Consequently, when Isaiah pictures God as a shepherd who "gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart" (Isaiah 40:11), he is reflecting on normal shepherding practice in biblical, mid-Eastern times. The good shepherd not only cares for his sheep, he leads them out to more restful waters and greener pastures. If necessary, he leaves the ninety-nine and goes in search of the one who is lost (Matthew 18:12). Jesus, the Good Shepherd, responds to people's needs through his ministry of teaching and healing. God, the universal shepherd, is nowhere better depicted than in the story of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15: 11ff.) as the ever loving and forgiving Father waiting to celebrate his son's return with a banquet. The banquet is a common image throughout the Scriptures including today's Psalm. The Eucharist re-enacts Jesus' final banquet with his disciples. Each time we celebrate the Eucharist, we make ourselves at one with Jesus the Good Shepherd, and share in the work of God, the universal shepherd.

FEASTS

Wednesday 22 July – St. Mary Magdalene

Saturday 25 July – St James, Apostle

ITALIAN LADIES REFLECTION DAY

Martedì 28 Luglio ci sarà un incontro di preghiera e riflessione con Adorazione Eucaristica, inizio alle ore 9.00. Ore 10.00am Santa Messa, Ore 11.00am seconda Riflessione. Si conclude con uno spuntino fraterno e ritorno in famiglia. Tutti Benvenuti!

MEMORIAL MASS

Friday 24 July 7.30pm – Giuseppe Formica (1 yr)

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Alfonso and Concetta Scalise, who celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday. We ask God's blessing on them and their family on this special occasion.

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!

FESTA DI SAN ROCCO

Domenica 16 Agosto 2009 nella nostra chiesa di San Giuseppe Lavoratore

PROGRAMMA:

Ore 9.00am - Santa Messa in Italiano cantata con Rocco Surace

Ore 2.00pm - Inni e preghiere in onore a S. Rocco

Ore 2.30pm - S Messa celebrata dal Rev. Padre Emanuele Bonello PP
e Padre Giuseppe Yu PE.

La celebrazione sarà accompagnata dal Coro Sant'Antonio diretto da Duilio Malavisi. Processione passerà per le seguenti strade: Hurley St, Tracey St, Rice St and Wilson Blvd. E sarà accompagnata dalla nota Banda Bellini. Rientro in chiesa per la benedizione con il S.S. Sacramento. Portate i vostri ammalati per una benedizione speciale. La celebrazione conclude con l'estrazione della lotteria.



FESTA DI SAN DONATO 2 AGOSTO 2009

Il Comitato invita la Comunità a partecipare alla solenne festa in onore di San Donato (33 Ann.)

Presso la Chiesa di San Luca 1A David Street, Lalor.

Programma: 1.30pm - Banda Bellini

2.00pm - Santa Messa concelebtrate dai Padri Scalabriniani

Cantata dal Coro Friulano e dal Coro "Studenti di S. Luca"

Concerto con Banda Bellini, Cav. Frank DiBlasi e Cantanti

Per informazioni: Donato 9466 1177 o Mauro 9402 6485

Sabato 1 Agosto Dinner Dance.

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 Heart 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!!

STUDIO BIBLICO

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

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

MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

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

Sono attiva in questa parrocchia fino dalla sua fondazione soprattutto a servizio della numerosa comunità Italiana. Agli inizi degli anni settanta il Parroco P. Giuseppe Yu mi invitò ad assumere il servizio di Ministro Straordinario dell'Eucaristia e di Lettore nella S. Messa in Italiano. Ne rimasi sorpresa e turbata e non nascosi i miei sentimenti di sentirmi "indegna"

Il Parroco mi incoraggiò con simili parole: "L'amore per Gesù per la comunità ti aiuteranno", la gioiosa esperienza di una sempre più profonda unione con Cristo, la partecipazione attiva alla Liturgia della Parola che dell'Eucaristia ha incoraggiato un numero sostanzioso di altre persone laiche che hanno assunto servizi umili ma importanti nella Chiesa e nella comunità. Parole da una lettera pastorale: "Voi laici potete molto poiché non siete una vecchiezza che tramonta, ma una giovinezza che sorge".

Invito a tutti ad assumere come loro compito la vita della chiesa.

I have been active in this Parish since its foundation in the 1970's mainly servicing to the numerous Italian community. The then parish priest Fr Joseph Yu invited me to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and as a Reader at the Italian Mass. I was surprised and my feeling was that I was "unworthy".

Fr Yu encouraged me with similar words: "The love that you have for Jesus and the community will help you". My joyful experience which has grown deeper with the union of Christ, the active participation in the Liturgy of the Word and the Eucharist has encouraged a great number of lay Italian parishioners to the important services in the Church and Italian community. I would like to quote the words from a pastoral letter: "You laity are capable of much because you are not of a declining age, but of a youthful raise".

I invite all of you to take part in the life of the church.

Lena Cavedon

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.

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.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA – PROJECT COMPASSION

Caritas Australia would like to thank the Parish of St Joseph the Worker for their kind donation of \$1842 collected for Project Compassion during Lent this year.