

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

FIRST READING *Isaiah 55:1-3*

Hasten and eat.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Apri la tua mano, Signore, e sazia ogni vivente.

SECOND READING *Romans 8:35.37-39*

No creature can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL *Matthew 14:13-21*

They all ate and were satisfied.

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia!

Non di solo pane vivra' l'uomo, ma di ogni parola che esce dalla bocca di Dio.
Alleluia!

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1st Collection - Thanksgiving Offering.....\$641.00
- Loose Money.....\$324.00
2nd Collection - Presbytery.....\$266.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 31/07/2011

6.00pm (SAT) – E Krygger
9.00am (SUN) – R Fato & A DiRico
10.30am (SUN) – J Akinido & E Thompson

SPECIAL MINISTERS

J Pulicino
T Forte, T Mirigliano & R Mercuri
L Greco, U Strangis & J Iaria

LECTORS – NEXT WEEK 06/08/2011

6.00pm (SAT) - MALTSE MASS (Selected)
9.00am (SUN) – S Lo Bartolo & R Fato
10.30am (SUN) – E Bartlett & Sr Estelita

SPECIAL MINISTERS

MALTESE MASS (Selected)
A Keighley, G Tempone & c Alberti
G Santinon, S Dakin & L De Marco

CHURCH CLEANERS

06/08/2011 A DiRico, M Pascuzzi, E Selso & G Ferrara

MONEY COUNTERS

01//08/2011 R & E Cornelious & D Herbert
08/08/2011 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett & C McMahon

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Joseph XERRI, Sr Maria Victoria SCIBERRAS, Mario PIERI, Antonio MARIANI (d.rec. Italy)

ANNIVERSARIES

Maria Concetta VALENTINO, Caterina PUGLIESI, Luigi COSTANZO, Gennaro & Teresa FALVO, Giovanni & Angelina VILLELLA, Michael John TAMNEY, Pasquale & Laura MARIANI, Lorenzo & Rachele PACELLA, Gaetano FAZZINO, Sofia BUGLIARELLO, Giovanni MITIDIERI, Luisamary SCIOLA, Bruno MULTARI,

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

1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm

Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

18th Sunday of Year A

31 July 2011

Open Love



When Jesus heard the news of John the Baptist's death, he must have realised that he too would soon have to face the authorities and that he too would be killed.

It is not surprising that he wanted to withdraw to a quiet and secluded place to face the frightening reality of what lay ahead, and, no doubt, to pray.

But, people wanted to be with him as much as they could and they followed him everywhere. There was something wonderfully liberating and life-giving about being with Jesus, listening to him and learning from him. He opened up such a different and such a wonderful view of God. He revealed God's love for each and every one, even the poorest and littlest, the sick and the lame, the marginalised and those that, by most people's reckoning, counted for nothing.

The miracle of the feeding of the crowd gives us a touching glimpse of Jesus' love and compassion for people. Setting aside his own cares and worries, he responded generously with care and concern for them when they followed him. Despite just a few loaves and fishes to begin with, the people were fed as much as they wanted, with baskets of food left over. So too, indeed, the abundance and the sheer extravagance of God's love and compassion for all of us is evident.

Today's readings challenge us to believe how much God loves us, through thick and thin, through good times and bad. They challenge us to believe that, even when we make a mess of some situation, even when we don't live up to what we know we should do, God never stops loving us, and, never stops inviting us to share in his life of love. It is not that God condones or approves wrongful behavior or any evil. The point is, however, that nothing-no matter how terrible – separates us from God's love for us, not ever. Now believing that God loves us so much can be hard at times. It is harder still to believe that God loves *other* people as much as God loves us. This is especially the case when it comes to people who we don't particularly like or who cause us irritation or frustration, and even more, those who cause us harm. We all have some people in our lives who are really hard to get along with, hard to like, some who have hurt us badly, some who are hard to tolerate and accept, let alone respect. Like Jesus, the saints teach us about how to handle that kind of situation. We must pray for others, for the people we find hardest to tolerate, hardest to accept. When you notice negativity in yourself toward someone, practice praying for that person. Sit quietly with God, bring that person before your mind's eye, and try to see this other as God sees and loves and has compassion and kindness for him or her. Open yourself to seeing and loving people and the world as God does. You'll find it makes a difference.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

The Baptism Preparation meeting will be held on Monday 1 August at 7.30pm in the Parish House.

MEMORIAL MASSES

Monday 1 August 7.30pm – Luigi Costanzo (1 yr)
Wednesday 3 August 7.00pm – Caterina Bellizia (1 yr)
Thursday 4 August 7.00pm – Carmela Rosata (1mth)

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Parish Leadership Team Meeting will be held on Wednesday 3 August at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

FEASTS

Monday 1 August – St Alphonsus Liguori
Thursday 4 August – St John Vianney
Friday 5 August – St Dominic
Saturday 6 August – The Transfiguration of the Lord

ST MARY MACKILLOP

To celebrate the first Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop on Monday 8 August 2011, the Sisters of St Joseph invite you to visit the Mary MacKillop Heritage centre on Saturday 6, Sunday 7 and Monday 8 August, 2011 from 10.00am – 4.00pm. The Museum, chapel and gift shop will be open and refreshments available.

MERCY COLLEGE PRINCIPAL VISITS OUR PARISH

Ms Michelle Cotter, Principal of Mercy College, Coburg will attend the Sunday 10.30am mass this weekend and will speak about the College at the end of mass. We welcome Michelle among us and congratulate her in being appointed this year as the Mercy College Principal. While appreciating the good work Michelle did in the past under other roles such as 'Deputy Principal', we express our best wishes and many blessings in this position as Principal.

ITALIAN LADIES

Martedì 2 Agosto riunione del Comitato per la Festa di San Rocco. Vi attendiamo puntuali alle ore 9.00am in cappella. Segue Santa Messa ore 10.00am.

WORKING BEE

There will be a Working Bee on Saturday 13 August commencing at 8.00am in order to prepare the church grounds for the Feast of St Rocco. Volunteers needed and welcome! Lunch will be provided.

MALTESE MASS

A reminder that the Maltese Mass will be celebrated next Saturday 6 August at 6.00pm.

OLD HALL CHAIRS FOR SALE

Anyone interested in purchasing old hall chairs in good condition at \$5 each. Please contact parish office on 9460 3013.

CATHOLICARE ANNUAL CHURCH APPEAL

The Annual Appeal for CatholicCare (formally Centacare Catholic Family Services) will take place in this parish next weekend. CatholicCare has been supporting and caring for the families of the Melbourne Archdiocese for over 75 years and relies on the support of our Catholic Community. Please give generously so CatholicCare can continue to support families to deal with the complex issues they face today.

FESTA DI SAN ROCCO DOMENICA 14 AGOSTO 2011



Nella Chiesa di San Giuseppe Lavoratore N Reservoir
79 Wilson Boulevard – N Reservoir

PROGRAMMA

Ore 9:00am Santa Messa in Italiano cantata accompagnata dal pianista Raffaele Rossi
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 resa solenne con musica e canti dal pianista Raffaele Rossi con il coro Holy Name dopo la Santa Messa la processione si articolerà tutt'intorno alla chiesa accompagnata dalla Nota Banda Bellini si farà sosta nel piazzale della scuola con preghiere canti e musica. Rientro in chiesa per la benedizione con il S.S. Sacramento. Portate i vostri ammalati per una benedizione speciale.

Alla conclusione della celebrazione religiosa in sala ci sarà intrattenimento di bella musica e canzoni dal Duo Tony Di Iorio e il cantante Ugo. Estrazione della lotteria. Vi aspettiamo numerosi.

FEAST OF SAN ROCCO RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

Feast of San Rocco raffle tickets on sale at \$1.00ea after the 9.00am Italian Mass.
1st Prize – Flat Screen TV with DVD 26inch
2nd Prize – Russell Hobbs Toaster
3rd Prize – Food Hamper

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 31 JULY – 7 AUGUST 2011

National Vocations Awareness week offers the faithful an opportunity to explore the meaning of the word 'vocation'. In discovering and following one's vocation, a person will find life fulfilling and meaningful, whether as a married or a single person, as a consecrated or an ordained priest. It is important not to compare the value of different vocations but to appreciate the value of each one and to discover which one is right for you.

AUGUST THEOLOGY@THEPUB!

Topic: "What is Good? What is Evil? Who decides?"
Speaker: Raymond de Souza
Date: Monday 1st August
Time: 6.30pm for dinner and drinks, 7.30pm talk begins.
Venue: Pumphouse Hotel, 128 Nicholson St, Fitzroy
Website: theologyatthepub.com.au

MADRID IN MELBOURNE-WYD LOCAL CELEBRATIONS

Sunday 21 August 2011 join young people from all over Melbourne in celebrating World Youth Day with a live telecast from Madrid. Catechesis from Bishop Peter Elliot, Eucharistic Adoration, confession and some great speakers including Edwin Bakker-national director of Kerygma teams who is flying back from Madrid in time for our celebrations. Held at Holy Family Parish Hall, 100 Power Road Doveton from 1.30pm-8.00pm, including the 5.30pm telecast of the Papal Mass live from Madrid. Registrations close Friday 5 August. Cost:\$40 includes dinner and a pilgrim pack including a copy of the newly released youth catechism, Youcat. Details: 9799 2108 find us on Facebook, 'Madrid in Melbourne'.