

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

FIRST READING *Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15*

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Donaci, Signore, il pane del cielo.

SECOND READING *Ephesians 4:17.20-24*

Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia.

GOSPEL *John 6:24-35*

Whoever comes in me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$655.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$253.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery.....	\$303.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 05/08/2012

6.00pm (SAT) – MALTESE MASS (Selected)
 9.00am (SUN) – C Monforte & M Crupi
 10.30am (SUN) –J & J Kearney

SPECIAL MINISTERS

MALTESE MASS (Selected)
 A Sonza, L Calafiore & G Barbaro
 T Nguyen, M Mizzi & S Dakin

LECTORS – NEXT WEEK 12/08/2012

6.00pm (SAT) - E Krygger & E Saliba
 9.00am (SUN) – G Tempone & T Forte
 10.30am (SUN) – L De Marco & G Canavan

SPECIAL MINISTERS

J Pullicino & N Ziino
 L Catena, M Crupi & A DiRico
 J Tanti, A Filippone & G Santinon

CHURCH CLEANERS

11/08/2012 M Martuccio, L Calafiore, A Leggiero & P D'Ancillo

MONEY COUNTERS

06/08/2012 R & E Cornelious, D Herbert
13/08/2012 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett & C McMahon

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Rachele SOCCIO,

ANNIVERSARIES

Anna GASPARRI, Damiano BIAGIO, Caterina BELLIZIA, Angelina GENTILE, Giovanni ZOCCO, Corradina GERVASI, Antonio, Lunella & Ines CALIGIURI, Pasquale, Angela & Mario LUNA, Giuseppe, Maria, Giacomo & Filomena ASTORINO, Salvatore IOZZI, Bambina GUGLIELMI, Carmela, Alesandro & Mario PANNUNZIO, Giovanni MASCIOTRO, Pasquale, Matilde & Franca GALLO, Gennaro & Teresa FALVO, Giovanni & Antonio VILLELLA

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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, Year B

5 August 2012

Give Me the Lot!

Young and blissfully ignorant of the dangers of cholesterol, my friends and I frequented Mrs Hill's burger parlour. The order was brief as it was unvarying: "Mrs Hill, give me the lot!" In a matter of minutes, her trademark deluxe burger brimming with calories and on XXXL, bun would be served and teenage hungers satisfied.

Today's gospel story asks us to reflect on what gives us true satisfaction. It suggests that we, like the people of Israel, may have a tendency to be deluded about what is truly satisfying. It asks us not to be unambitious in seeking true satisfaction.

The key symbol is bread – "the staff of life". Jesus will use this symbol to indicate what is the true staff of life – the bread of eternal life.

Today's gospel passage follows the 'miracle of the loaves'. Out in an inhospitable desert place, Jesus blessed five barley loaves and two fish. He fed as many as five thousand hungry men. His followers were amazed. Immediately they connected this miracle with one of the great events of Israel's history. On the journey through the desert to the Promised Land, the great patriarch Moses fed the people with manna. Here, they concluded, was another prophet like Moses. They crossed the lake seeking Jesus. They hoped to receive another lunch of miraculous bread. Jesus is aware of what they seek. They want another miracle. But he has a mission, and that mission is not to be a magician. They have misunderstood the meaning of his miracle and, indeed, the meaning of Moses' manna. He reminds them that it was not Moses who fed their ancestors in the desert. It was God. He observes that, even though their ancestors were fed by God, all perished. If this crowd seek only bodily nourishment, they too will perish. They are making an unwise choice. Jesus goes on to inform them that they should be more ambitious. They should seek from him the bread that can give eternal, imperishable life. He is that bread. He is the Bread of Life.

We face the same question: what is it we seek when we follow Jesus? Every follower has a tendency to seek something less than what is on offer. We often seek from him material, perishable things: money (which we ironically call 'dough'), health, security, popularity etc. These are good things to seek, but they both misunderstand and underestimate the true meaning of the bread of life. They indicate a faith that is unambitious. By his words and teachings, Jesus shows us that he is the new manna, the bread of life. This is no ordinary bread. He connects us with his passion and resurrection. He nourishes us with his risen life, not momentarily but enduringly. He gives us life that endures beyond death, a life in eternal intimacy with God. We ask for the gift of faith; a bold, expansive faith that yearns for life eternal. A faith that unambiguously expects and asks, "Give me the lot!"



FORGIVENESS CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE

A lecture on *Forgiveness* will be given, by psychologist-priest Dr Victor Shields On Thursday, 16th August 2012 in St Joseph the Worker Parish School Hall, North Reservoir; 7.00pm gather for a cuppa, Talk by Fr. Shields will start at 7.30pm

Dr Victor Shields is a psychologist registered with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency. He also has a warrant to practise as a clinical psychologist from the Malta Psychology Profession Board. Dr Shields is a graduate of Melbourne University and other professional Institutions overseas. In a world riveted by conflict, everyone has a “grievance story” – we’ve all been hurt or rejected by someone who mattered to us. Most of us have been told to forgive. Unfortunately, however, we’ve never been told how or why to forgive. Even the idea of forgiveness can be repulsive if we believe that it will open us up to more hurt. But apart from religious motivation there are other serious reasons to forgive, because if you are still holding grudges you had better check your pulse and take a measure of your blood pressure. New Research shows that hatred, envy, harbouring feelings of betrayal etc. can raise your blood pressure to such an extent that you can suffer a stroke, a heart attack, kidney trouble and perhaps even death. In this lecture Fr. Shields will demonstrate how forgiveness can have tremendous effect not only on our psychological but also on our spiritual well-being.

BAPTISM

Congratulations to **Ellie Dinardo** child of Robert and Belinda, who will be baptised this weekend. We welcome her into our parish community and assure the family of our prayerful best wishes on this happy occasion.

BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

Baptism Preparation Meeting will be held on Monday 6 August at 7.30pm in the Church.

MEMORIAL MASSES

Sunday 5 August 7.30pm – Angelina Gentile (1 yr)
Thursday 9 August 7.00pm – Giovanni Zocco (1mth)
Friday 10 August 7.00pm – Corradina Gervasi (1 mth)

FEASTS

Monday 6 August – The Transfiguration of the Lord
Friday 10 August – St Lawrence
Saturday 11 August – St Clare

WORKING BEE

There will be a Working Bee on Saturday 11 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.

ST. MARY MACKILLOP FEAST

In our National Prayer for the year of Grace we refer to the “... intercession of St Mary MacKillop, who showed us new ways of living the Gospel ...” As part of our parish initiatives for the year of Grace we will acknowledge St Mary MacKillop feast on Sunday 5th August 2012 when during the 10.30pm. mass Mr Garry McLean (director of the Melbourne Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre) will be our guest speaker who will give reflection about Mary and the Centre. Garry MacLean was Principal of our St. Joseph the Worker School in the 90s. We look forward to listening to his reflection.

ST JOSEPH THE WOKER PRIMARY SCHOOL SPRINGTIME INDULGENCE NIGHT MARKET

Friday 7 September 6.30pm – 10.30pm, in the School Hall. Entry fee \$5.00 (includes a glass of bubbly or orange juice and a raffle ticket). Girls, pamper yourself with jewellery, scarves, lingerie, glass beads, candles, cupcakes, coffee, specialty tea, crafts, clothing, cards skincare, make up, fragrances, handbags, toys, hair accessories, kidswear, frames, flowers... over 30 stalls, loads of fun. All Welcome!



A SPACE FOR THE YEAR OF GRACE

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – A Woman of Grace

Born: 15 January 1842 in Fitzroy Victoria Australia
Died: 8 August 1909 (aged 67) North Sydney, Australia
Beatified: 19 January 1995, Sydney by Pope John Paul II
Canonized: 17 October 2010, Vatican City by Pope Benedict XVI



“I believe that Mary’s example, her ideals, and her intercession, can be among our greatest assets in the Year of Grace” (from Fr. Peter Brock’s talk at the National Convention of Priest in Warnambool on 17.7.2012)

In the prayer for the Year of Grace we pray: With the intercession of St Mary MacKillop, who showed us new ways of living the Gospel, we make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary MacKillop is a Woman of Grace in our land. Her canonisation was a graced moment in our history. Mary herself was very conscious of God's gracious gift of love and we find her encouraging her Sisters to 'Cling to God's Love and Grace in all that they do'. (Mary MacKillop:15.9.1890). In 1870, Mary MacKillop wrote from Brisbane: It seems to me now that our good God gave me great graces for the position to which He called me ... On Mary’s canonisation mass, Pope Benedict said in his homily: “Remember who your teachers were – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.” For many years countless young people throughout Australia have been blessed with teachers who were inspired by the courageous and saintly example of zeal, perseverance and prayer of Mother Mary MacKillop. She dedicated herself as a young woman to the education of the poor in the difficult and demanding terrain of rural Australia, inspiring other women to join her in the first women’s community of religious sisters of that country. She attended to the needs of each young person entrusted to her, without regard for station or wealth, providing both intellectual and spiritual formation. Despite many challenges, her prayers to Saint Joseph and her unflinching devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to whom she dedicated her new congregation, gave this holy woman the graces needed to remain faithful to God and to the Church. Through her intercession, may her followers today continue to serve God and the Church with faith and humility!

FESTA DI SAN ROCCO DOMENICA 19 AGOSTO 2012

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 concelebrata dal Rev Padre Eddie Zammit, Rev. Padre Emanuele Bonello PP e Padre Giuseppe Yu PE.



La celebrazione sara’ rese solenne con musica e canti dal pianista Raffaele Rossi. Dopo la Santa Messa la processione si articolerà tutt’intorno alla chiesa accompagnata dalla Nota Banda Bellini si fara’ 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 ci sara’ l’estrazione della lotteria. Vi aspettiamo numerosi

GRACEFEST: OPENING MASS

Join us on the feast of the Assumption, Hail Mary “full of grace”... to be celebrated by Cardinal Oscar Rodriguez, Archbishop Denis Heart, Fr Paul Murray op. in St Patrick’s Cathedral, Melbourne on Wednesday 15th August at 7.00pm.