

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

**FIRST READING** *Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23*

What do people gain by all their work.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

**SECOND READING** *Colossians 3:1-5,9-11*

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** *Luke 12:13-21*

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

**THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection - Thanksgiving Offering..... \$784.00  
- Loose Money..... \$241.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Presbytery..... \$246.00

**LECTORS - THIS WEEK 01/08/2010**

6.00pm (SAT) – B Nadenbousch  
9.00am (SUN) – L Catena & C Monforte  
10.30am (SUN) – J Akinido & E Thompson

**LECTORS – NEXT WEEK 08/08/2010**

6.00pm (SAT) – MALTESE MASS (Selected)  
9.00am (SUN) – G Tempone & R De Zan  
10.30am (SUN) - S Brima & S Miano

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

07/08/2010 A DiRico, M Pascuzzi, E Selso, L Pennacchia & G Ferrara

**MONEY COUNTERS**

02/08/2010 R & E Cornelious & M Williams  
09/08/2010 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett & C McMahon

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Francesco CAMBARERI, Maria VALENTINO,

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Concettina PANE, Carmel MOLTISANTI Antonio, Lunella & Ines CALIGIURI,  
Pasquale, Angela & Mario LUNA, Gina DI DONATO, Pasquale & Matilde GALLO,  
Ernesto MERCURI, Mariarosa SPOSARO, Gennaro & Teresa FALVO, Teresa DI TULLIO,  
Giovanni MITIDIERI, Felice TARANTO, Pasquale & Laura MARIANI,  
Lorenzo & Rachele PACELLA, Giuseppe TARANTO, Ted Herbert & Baby Katherine,  
Des MCMAHON & Baby Benjamin, Teresa MCVEIGH, Rocco FERRARO, Vincenzo PUGLIESE

**SALMO RESPONSORIALE**

Signore, sei stato per noi un rifugio di generazione in generazione.

**CANTO AL VANGELO**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Beati i poveri in spirito, perche' di essi e' il regno dei cieli. Alleluia.

# 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 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

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm  
Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year C

1 August, 2010

## Possessions

We live in an age of accumulation of goods. Items that years ago were scarce or unknown are now readily available. When I was growing up we had no television, refrigeration, washing machine, wall to wall carpet, not to mention a car for each member of the family. And this was before the age of computers, ipods, mobile phones, the DVD and whatever else the future has in store for us.

Today we are urged to buy such a variety of goods, some regarded as essential to modern living and others for our own amusement. Most of these goods have a built-in expiry date, and after that, even spare parts are impossible to obtain. I remember that my parents' first refrigerator lasted for decades. Now they say such items would put people of work.

With all that is available to us today many of us have become accumulators of unnecessary objects. Cupboards and garages are filled with what once seemed useful, and things we previously bought but are now unwilling to part with. For some of the things we cling to, there is a sentimental attachment; other things we keep for some rainy day; many objects we just keep and keep adding to as time goes on. When our parents or relatives die we inherit all those things...

Possessions give us an illusion of security. The advertisements we watch on television or view in magazines reinforce this fantasy world of being secure in what we possess. Then, for some unfortunate souls, comes a moment of disaster such as a bush fire or a flood. Treasure items are destroyed; even houses are lost. At such time we see clearly where true riches lie.

Such riches are found in the love and compassion of those around us, as with those people who go beyond the call of duty in order to assist their neighbour. At such times material possessions are not what bring us comfort. It was a drop of water Lazarus cried out for when his possessions no longer had any meaning for him.

How wonderful it would be to be as detached from material wealth as was St Thomas More. He had power, status and property in abundance. Yet when Henry VIII stripped him of all that he had, he could still be joyful.

God is not interested in what we own, but in who we are. We regard as heroes those who run to help others when disaster strikes. Compassion, generosity and love – these are the virtues that Jesus urges us to cultivate in order to combat greed and possessiveness, all too evident in our society today.

Sure, we have to plan for the future and put certain things aside. We do have needs; but we must always be in control so that our possessions do not in the end possess us.

## SOLENNI CELEBRAZIONE IN ONORE DI SAN ROCCO

Domenica 15 Agosto 2010 nella nostra chiesa di San Giuseppe Lavoratore

Programma: Ore 2.00pm – Inizio con Preghiere Canti  
Ore 2.30pm – Inizio S. Messa

Segue Processione con la statua del Santo  
accompagnata dalla famosa Banda Bellini  
Ritorno in Chiesa per la Benedizione Eucaristica e degli ammalati  
(Portate i vostri malati)

Alla conclusione della celebrazione religiosa,  
in sala la Banda Bellini ci allieterà con il concerto musicale.  
Estrazione della lotteria.

Vi aspettiamo numerosi!



### **CONFIRMATIONS**

This weekend 50 candidates from our school will receive the sacrament of Confirmation, we ask you to pray for them and their families that the gift of the Holy Spirit may transform their lives and give them courage to be disciples of the light, and love of Jesus in our world.

We welcome Bishop Timothy Costelloe who will be celebrating Confirmation on Saturday afternoon at 3.00pm and Sunday morning at 10.30am.

### **ITALIAN LADIES**

Incontro per tutti membri del comitato Italiano in cappella Martedì 3 Agosto ore 9.00am. Seguita Santa Messa alle 10.00am. Vi aspettiamo numerosi.

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING**

The Baptism Preparation Meeting will be held on Monday 2 August at 7.30pm in the Church.

### **PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM**

The Parish Leadership Team Meeting will be held on Wednesday 4 August at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

### **PARISH LITURGY TEAM**

The Parish Liturgy Team Meeting will be held on Thursday 5 August at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

### **FEASTS**

Wednesday 4 August – St John Vianney

Thursday 5 August – St Dominic

Friday 6 August – Transfiguration of the Lord

### **50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Congratulations to Nicola and Lucia Gullifa who celebrate their 50th Wedding anniversary this weekend. We ask God's blessing on them and their family on this special occasion.

### **FUNERAL NOTICES**

The Funeral Mass for Francesco Cambareri will be celebrated on Monday 2 August at 10.30am.

The Funeral Mass for Maria Valentino will be celebrated on Tuesday 3 August at 11.00am.

### **MEMORIAL MASS**

Tuesday 3 August 7.00pm – Serafino Marinacci (1 mth)

### **MALTESE MASS**

A reminder that the Maltese Mass, will be celebrated next Saturday 7 August at 6.00pm.

### **GOOD GRIEF!!!**

Grief is the emotional suffering we feel after a loss of some kind. The death of a loved one, loss of a limb, divorce, even intense disappointment can cause grief.

A lecture on Bereavement will be given by priest-psychologist Dr Victor Shields M SSP on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2010, at 7.00pm, in our Church of St. Joseph the Worker, North Reservoir. In this lecture Dr Victor Shields, clinical psychologist and theologian, will show, by means of a power point presentation, how grieving and its stresses can pass more quickly, by understanding the grief process and developing good self-care habits. Please mark this date of 25<sup>th</sup> August on your calendar, everyone is invited to attend.

### **CENTACARE CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES ANNUAL CHURCH APPEAL**

The Annual Appeal for Centacare Catholic Family Services will take place at all Masses this weekend. If you have forgotten to bring your donation with you, please take an envelope home and return it next Sunday, or post it direct to the Centacare Catholic Family Services.

There will be a special leaving collection at the conclusion of each Mass.

### **MACKILLOP**

Tickets are now on sale for *Mackillop*, the Australian musical to be staged as part of the Canonisation celebrations.

Performances will be held in Sydney (1-9 October, Seymour Centre) and Melbourne (23 – 24 October, Besen Centre). To ensure every parish has an opportunity to purchase tickets there is an exclusive Parish Pre-Sale from August 1-17. If you wish to purchase tickets we *strongly advise* you do so before August 17 as the production is expected to sell-out. Tickets are available from \$35 (for groups of 7 or more) via the website [www.mackillop.info](http://www.mackillop.info)

### **SOUTHERN STARS SOCIAL CLUB**

Southern Stars Social Club for Single Catholics 25 -50 Age group. New members welcome. Enquiries: Peter 98852167 E-Mail: [sssc.online@gmail.com](mailto:sssc.online@gmail.com) Website: <http://sites.google.com/site/sstarssc/>

### **SANTA MARIA COLLEGE SCHOOL PRODUCTION**

Parish families are warmly invited to attend the Aladdin Jr performance by Santa Maria College students at the Darebin Arts and Entertainment Centre.

Tickets for the show are now on sale from the Darebin Arts and Entertainment Centre, located on the corner of Bell Street and St Georges Road, Preston. Bookings can be made over the phone on 8470 8280 and the theatre box office will be open one hour prior to the performances.

Ticket Prices: Adults: \$22, Children: \$18.

Family (two adults and two children): \$60

Cast Ruby will perform on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm and Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm.

Cast Sapphire will perform on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm and Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 1.30pm.