

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

**FIRST READING** *Ezekiel 33:7-9*

If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

O that today you would listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.

**SALMO RESPONSORIALE**

Ascoltate oggi la voce del Signore.

**SECOND READING** *Romans 13:8-10*

Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.  
Alleluia!

**CANTO AL VANGELO**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Dio ha riconciliato a se' il mondo in Cristo, affidando a noi la parola della riconciliazione. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** *Matthew 18:15-20*

If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.

**THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection - Thanksgiving Offering.....\$644.00  
- Loose Money.....\$301.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Presbytery.....\$329.00

**LECTORS - THIS WEEK 04/09/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) – MALTESE MASS (Selected)  
9.00am (SUN) – R Pino & L Cavedon  
10.30am (SUN) – L De Marco & J Kearney

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

MALTESE MASS (Selected)  
S Lobartolo, L Calafiore & T Mirigliano  
S Miano, D Herbert & L Conte

**LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 11/09/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) - D Pullicino  
9.00am (SUN) – R DeZan & S Lobartolo  
10.30am (SUN) – J Iaria & J Kearney

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

S Dakin  
L Catena, L Cavedon & M Crupi  
J Kearney, L Greco & J Tanti

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

10/09/2011 L Catena, F Agugiaris & R Nyour

**MONEY COUNTERS**

05/09/2011 R & E Cornelious & D Herbert  
12/09/2011 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlet & C McMahon

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Rino PAOLINI, Solfried Elsa SZYMANSRI, Joseph DEGUARA

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Francesco Paolo SIRAGUSA, Natalina FIORE, Antonio, Lunella & Ines CALIGIURI, Pasquale, Angela & Mario LUNA, Domenico PICCONE, Antonio DIGUGLIELMO, Domenico & Mariarosa RUGGERO, Matteo & Mariagiulia RICCIO, Rocco FERRARO, Famiglia PUGLIESE, Giovanni, Carlo & Claudio VALMORBIDA, Giacomo, Luciano & Adriano CAVEDON, Giacomo SALZONE, Giuseppe INTURRISI, Salvatore CAPPELLO, Gaetano CARMUSCIANO, Domenico & Anna BELLO, Antonio CAPUTO, Cont....

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

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm  
Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Year A

4 September 2011

## Fraternal Correction

A powerful Ruler walking in the forest stepped on a blind beggar who was sleeping under a bush. The blind man awoke and grumpily complained, ‘You idiot! Must you trample on a blind man? Why can’t you watch where you step?’ The Ruler’s companion was aghast. He felt compelled to warn the beggar that he ought not to rebuke such a powerful man and that a blind beggar ought to know his place in the presence of this great man. The beggar replied, ‘Preserving and shielding powerful people from deserved criticism brings about their downfall. It is the burnished metal that shines most brightly; the knife that is sharpened on the stone that cuts best, and it is the exercised arm that can lift the weight!’ Today’s gospel offers similar advice. It is advice that is not always welcome. Nobody likes to be criticised and corrected. But, the Gospel says, that correction is sometimes necessary. To correct another can be a Christian responsibility. This is especially the case when someone’s behavior is clearly wrong and is damaging the community. Sin is always a matter of concern to Christians. It not only damages the sinner. It also damages the community by upsetting the peace, love and unity desired by Christ. It is not just a private matter. It wounds the body of Christ, the Church. We need, however to be very careful about how and when we correct another. We are to exercise genuine concern for those who are guilty of serious sin or who are in proximate danger of falling into sin. Likewise, those who disrupt the peace and tranquility of the community and those who seem to remain unrepentant, need our loving intervention – or “fraternal correction” as it is traditionally called. The gospel stresses that giving fraternal correction must take place in an atmosphere of true friendship. It flows from a constructive concern to remedy the self-destructive behavior of the person in question. Intervening in this way does not mean being judgemental or putting the other down in any mean or resentful manner. This kind of intervention is an act of love and compassion for someone in danger to themselves and others. In all this, we are not meant to be judges, but to be healers, communicating the loving mercy of God. Fraternal correction requires great sensitivity. The gospel advises that we first approach the person privately and quietly point out his or her error. If this proves unfruitful, take another mature, reliable person with you so as to avoid any misrepresentation or misunderstanding. If this fails, then the person has in a sense excluded himself from the Christian community and there is little that can be done about it-for the time being, at least. Parents and persons in authority have special obligations towards those in their care. It is best if they try to make their corrective interventions early before bad behavior becomes ingrained and habitual. However, all Christians have an obligation in love to help others stay on the path to salvation.

St. Paul offers an excellent summary of our duties toward our fellow Christians, ‘This is what I ask you to do, brothers: warn the idlers, give courage to those who are apprehensive, care for the weak and be patient with everyone.’



## FIGHTING BACK ADVERSITY

A lecture on *Fighting Back Adversity* will be given,  
by psychologist-priest  
Dr Victor Shields

On Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2011 at 7.00pm  
St Joseph the Worker School Hall, North Reservoir

Dr Victor Shields is a psychologist registered with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency. He also has a warrant to practice as a clinical psychologist from the Malta Psychology Profession Board. Dr Shields is a graduate of Melbourne University and other professional Institutions overseas.

In this lecture Dr Shields intends to provide a guide to personal resilience – more specifically – How do people deal with difficult events that change their lives? The death of a loved one, loss of a job, serious illness, natural disasters and other traumatic events: these are all examples of very challenging life experiences. Many people react to such circumstances with a flood of strong emotions and a sense of uncertainty. Yet people generally adapt well over time to life-changing situations and stressful conditions. What enables them to do so? It involves resilience, an ongoing process that requires time and effort and engages people in taking a number of steps.

### **FUNERAL NOTICE**

The Funeral for Solfried Elsa Szymanski will be celebrated on Wednesday 7 September at 10.30am.

### **ITALIAN LADIES**

Martedì 6 Settembre la S. Messa delle ore 10.00am sarà celebrata in memoria di tutti i Mariti, Papa', Nonni defunti. Vi invitiamo di portare una loro foto che sarà posta ai piedi dell'altare durante le preghiere e la S. Messa. Vi aspettiamo numerosi nel ricordo affettuoso e riconoscente dei nostri cari passati alla vita eterna.

Martedì 13 Settembre raduno dei membri del comitato per organizzare la festa della Madonna del S. Rosario. Ore 9.00am in cappella, segue S. Messa.

### **MEMORIAL MASSES**

Monday 5 September 7.30pm – Angelina Gentile (1 mth)  
Friday 9 September 7.00pm – Maria Carmela Loprete (1 mth)

### **PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM**

The Parish Leadership Team Meeting will be held on Wednesday 7 September at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

### **ORDINATIONS**

All are welcome to the ordination of two Deacons for the Archdiocese of Melbourne on Saturday 10 September 10.00am at the Cathedral. Andrew McCarter and Jerome Santamaria will be ordained Deacons in preparation for priestly ordination next year.

### **SERVIZIO PER IL PATRONATO**

Si avvisa la gentile clientela che l'ufficio del Patronato INAS a RESERVOIR sarà chiuso per ferie: I Lunedì 3, 10, e 17 Ottobre. Per ulteriore aiuto si prega di telefonare all'ufficio del Patronato INAS al Centro Assisi a Rosanna al tel: 9457 4155.



## *SPECIAL COLLECTION* *PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION*

This weekend Father's Day, there will be a **special collection** after all Masses for the many sick and retired priests of the Archdiocese of Melbourne who have served actively in the Archdioceses, but who are now elderly and frail. Your support for our retired priests and sick priests who have shown us deep spiritual care, is a true sign of gratitude.

We ask you to please be generous in your contributions. Special envelopes for credit card/tax deductability will be available.

### **RESKEON SENIORS GROUP**

Reskeon Maltese Association are organising the Vittoria (Bambina) Dinner Dance, at the Firenze Receptions, 134 McBryde St, Fawkner, on Saturday, September 10, 2011, from 6 pm till midnight. Five Course Meal, wine, beer and soft drinks. Musical Entertainment by Moods Music. Donation: Members \$46, non-members \$48. For more information and to book please phone Phyllis Vella on 9395-3103., or Salvina Vella on 9460-4404.

Reskeon Seniors Group jiltaqghu f'Merrilands Community Centre, Asquith St, Reservoir, kull nhar ta' Erbgħa, bejn l-10 am-2 pm. Hemm jorganizzaw loġhob tal-Bingo u l-Bocci (nisa u rgjel). Huma jorganizzaw ikliet għal Jum l-Omm, Jum il-Missier u għall-Milied fost hafna affarijiet oħra. Huma jistiednu membri li jixtiequ jingħaqdu ma' dan il-Grupp. Hu mehtieg li dawn ikunu joqghodu f'Darebin (Reservoir, Keon Park, Preston, Thornbury and Northcote). Għal aktar informazzjoni cemplu lil Caesar Vella fuq 9395-3103 jew lil Paul Vella fuq 94604404.

### **MASS AT THE MALTESE CULTURAL CENTRE, ALBION**

On Thursday 8 September feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary's Birthday a celebration of Mass will be held at the Maltese Cultural Centre 27 Talmage St, Albion starting at 7.00pm. All are welcome.

### **MALTESE NATIONAL FEAST OF OUR LADY OF VICTORIES**

The Maltese National Feast of Our lady of Victories this year will be celebrated on Thursday 8 September at 7.00pm at the Maltese Centre, Parkville, with Mass followed by a program by St Albans Melita Band.

Sunday 11 September, at St Mary Star of the Sea Church, West Melbourne. Beginning at 2.30pm with the Rosary, concelebrated mass will follow, led by Fr Victor Shields mssp. Procession with the Statue of Our Lady, accompanied by Maltese Own Band, concluding with Eucharistic Benediction.

**Anni...** Giovanni & Antonino ZIINO, Giuseppe PINO, Domenico MARINO, Corrado PELLIGRO, Vincenzo ALAMPI, Janez & Matteo ZELE, Antonio GRAHOR, Angelo CRITELLI, Giovanni DEPETRO, Salvatore DOMENICO, Giuseppe GIOVANNI, Famiglia FERRARO, Giovanni DECATA, Michele ARCANGELA, Nazzario TENACE, Michele CHIODO, Giulio CALIGIURI, Vittorio CALIGIURI, Agostino BRUNETTI, Domenico DI TORO, Domenico CUTRUPI, Domenico MAISANO, Felice & Antonio CARUSO, Saverio NICOLAZZO, Ernesto MERCURI, Mariarosa SPOSARO, Domenico & Salvatore MANCUSO, Giuseppe ASTORINO, Francesco DERANGO, Luigi MONARCA, Antonio & Beniamino PASUCZZI, Nazario SOCCIO, Giuseppe & Angelina TODARO, Matteo, Giuseppe & Tonino NAPOLITANO, Felice COMITO, Pasquale RESTA, Antonio MURATORE, Carmelo ROSATA, Sebastiano FERRARO, Caterina VENTRICI, Francesco STALTARE, Giuseppe VIRGONA, Angelo TARANTO, Felice TARANTO, BUTERA FAMILY, NICOLAZZO FAMILY, Luigi, Arcangela & Maria NARDELLA, Antonio, Paolo, Angela & Maria CURSIO, Antonio NAPOLITANO, Michelangelo, Giovanni & Michael BUTERA, Gennaro & Francesco FALVO, Giovanni & Pasquale VILLELLA, Ercole Mario DIRICO, Ercole DIRICO, Angelo MACIOCCA