

FIRST READING *Wisdom 2:12.17-20*

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord upholds my life.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Il Signore sostiene la mia vita.

SECOND READING *James 3: 16-4:3*

Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel; to share in the glory
or our Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia!**

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia!

Dio ci ha chiamati mediante il Vangelo,
per entrare in possesso della Gloria del
Signore nostro Gesu' Cristo. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL *Mark 9: 30-37*

The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity...All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$698.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$238.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$285.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 20/09/09

6.00pm (SAT) - B Nadenbousch
9.00am (SUN) - L Calafiore & R DiGuglielmo
10.30am (SUN) - J & J Kearney

SPECIAL MINISTERS

S Dakin
D Biasibetti, R DeZan & G Barbaro
D Lucato, T Saleh & M Mizzi

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 27/09/09

6.00pm (SAT) - G Canavan
9.00am (SUN) - R Pino & L Catena
10.30am (SUN) - M Sernia & S Miano

SPECIAL MINISTERS

E Saliba
P Leggiero, A Sonza & M Pisioneri
J Tanti, A Filippone & S Dakin

CHURCH CLEANERS 26/09/09 A DiRico, M Pascuzzi, Einas Selso & L Pennacchia

MONEY COUNTERS 21/09/09 A Sinopoli, L Cavedon, F Nardoza & R Comito
28/09/09 E Claridge, F Carabott & G Canavan

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Vincenzo LA PIANA, Santo COSTANZO, Giuseppe TARANTO, Mick RYAN

ANNIVERSARIES

Michele CHIODO, Gaspare SONZA, Paola PRECOMA, Concetta MAZZIO,
Antonio, Giovanni & Margherita ZIINO, Tommaso & Francesca ZIINO,
Bartolo & Giuseppa PORTELLI, Maria, Biviano, Francesco & Giuseppa CASACELLI,
Emmanuel, Polly, John & Anthony FARRUGIA GAY, Stephen BORG, Lucy BORG,
Carmel BORG, Pietro D'ALESSANDRO, Silvana BAGGIO, Fernando & Giuliana MANCINI,
Vincenzo VIRGATO, Arturo SANTINON, Carlo, Liberale & Natale SANTINON,
Geremia & Angela SANTINON, Pietro & Domenica COCCOLI

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Sat 6.00pm - English
Sun. 9.00am - Italian
Sun. 10.30am - English

Maltese Mass

1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm

Marriages - By Appointment

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

Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am



25th Sunday of Year B

20 September, 2009

Embracing Discipleship

As his public ministry in Galilee comes to a close, Jesus for a second time predicts his death and resurrection to his disciples. He seems keen to be alone with them. He addresses them exclusively at a time when they cannot be distracted by the demands of the crowds. However, once more, his disciples are still unable to fully comprehend what he is trying to tell them. They are even afraid to question him further. They are not ready to hear what he might say in terms of what being his disciple, his true follower, might mean. Jesus and the band of the disciples move further as they journey to Capernaum. Jesus, having noticed that an argument had broken out, asks what it was all about. Once more, they remain silent – ashamed to admit that they were arguing on the question of status: who has the greatest position amongst them? Jesus takes the opportunity to instruct them further on what being a disciple entails. It is not about occupying a position of honour, but about forgetting oneself in the service of others. To be a disciple means a readiness to take the last place, and to be the servant of all. The kingdom of God is not like some worldly kingdom. When God reigns everything is turned on its head. To enter God's kingdom and to promote it, the disciples must also turn themselves and their habitual ways of thinking upside down. To bring home to his disciples what living in accord with the kingdom of God involves, Jesus draws their attention to a little child who had been near. In that time the child is not representing innocence or innate goodness. Rather the child was insignificant. Children lacked any legal status and depended on others for everything. They lacked any personal dignity or authority. Childhood was humanity at its most vulnerable. Children possessed nothing in their own right and had nothing to offer others. There is then, nothing in it for the disciples when it comes to helping a little child such as the one before them. To help the child is simply to perform an act of generosity and kindness to someone who is insignificant. And yet this act of kindness is in itself of great significance. In welcoming the child, one is welcoming Jesus and God. We can see in this instance how Jesus turns the world's usual criteria upside down. Those without status in the present society are honoured members of God's kingdom. In that kingdom, when the lowly and unhonoured are welcomed, God is truly honoured, and Jesus himself is being welcomed. To seek God and to serve the coming of his kingdom places us in the company of those who have no status or power in the world. This gospel conveys profound meanings regarding discipleship. It is not about being the leader or having status. Being a disciple is being a servant and taking the last place. It is welcoming all, not just the most important. To embrace with love and care the little ones of the world, is in fact to be welcoming God.

BAPTISM

Congratulations to Isabella Pachioi child of Angelo and Carolina, 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.

FEASTS

Monday 21 September – St Matthew

Wednesday 23 September – St Pio of Pietrelcina

FUNERAL NOTICE

The Rosary will be recited for Giuseppe Taranto on Monday 21 September at 7.30pm

The Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 22 September at 11.30am.

MEMORIAL MASS

Wednesday 23 September 7.30pm – Vincenzo La Piana (d. Rec. Italy)

ITALIAN LADIES

Martedì 22 Settembre riunione del comitato Italiano per preparare la festa della Madonna del S. Rosario. Tutte presenti. Segue la S. Messa ore 10.00am.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Valeria Velardo & Anthony Mercieca, Emily Hagen & Felici Bonacci who were married at St Joseph the Worker this weekend. We ask God's blessing on them and their families on this special occasion.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

The current series of Thanksgiving envelopes end at the end of September. We greatly thank those who have contributed.

A new series of Thanksgiving envelopes will be issued for the following six months. We ask parishioners who are not currently listed through Thanksgiving to please consider supporting the parish this way. We invite those parishioners who distribute the Thanksgiving envelopes to please collect your allocated streets from the sacristy.

The distributors are as follows:

B Nadenbousch, P Sparano, J Barbaro, J Ciantar, L Cavedon, C Di Berardino, P Leggiero, R. DeZan, R Catena, A Sinopoli, R & P Precoma, G Silvio, J Kearney, A Filippone, R D'Errico, R DiGuglielmo, N Ziino, V Zele. D Cipollone, E Agius, G & R Silvio, S. Miano

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Next Sunday 27 September 2009 we celebrate Social Justice Sunday. This year's Social Justice Sunday Statement is titled: 'And You Will Be My Witnesses'.

During World Youth Day 2008, Australia saw thousands of young Christians inspired by the Holy Spirit. Yet many young people are marginalized, excluded and deprived of dignity. The Bishops recall the challenge of Pope Benedict – 'What will you leave to the next generation? What difference will you make?' - and present it again to all Australians, young and old.

For further details about the Catholic Bishops' Statement, visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website (www.acsjc.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499.

SOLENNI CELEBRAZIONE ALLA VERGINE DEL S. ROSARIO

NELLA NOSTRA PARROCCHIA DI SAN GIUSEPPE
LAVORATORE

DOMENICA 4 OTTOBRE 2009

PROGRAMMA

ORE 2.00PM

Pregiere e Inni Processione con la statua

Recita del S. Rosario con i Misteri presentati dai bambini.

Con il Coro di Sant' Antonio sotto la guida di Duilio Malavisi

Processione con la statua recita del S. Rosario con i misteri presentati dai bambini.

ORE 3.00PM

Santa Messa

concelebrata da Padre Raymond Bugeja, Padre Emanuele Bonello e Padre Giuseppe Yu

Con preghiera di affidamento alla Madonna.

Benedizione con il S.S.. Sacramento ai malati e famiglie.

Segue rinfresco in sala e musica con Tony D' Amico

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER 2009

PROGRAMME

2.00PM

Prayers and procession with the Statue of Our Lady with Mysteries of the Rosary presented by the children.

3.00PM

Holy Mass – Concelebrated by Fr Raymond Bugeja, Fr Emmanuel Bonello and Fr Joseph Yu.

Benediction for the sick and families.

The children will be entrusted to the maternal protection of Mary.

Followed by refreshments in the Church Hall. Entertainment by Tony D' Amico



GRANDE FESTA DI SAN PADRE PIO

Domenica 27 Settembre, presso la chiesa di San Luca 1A David Street, Lalor.

Ore: 2.00pm, Santa Messa celebrata dai sacerdoti della parrocchia, accompagnata dal coro della chiesa.

Dopo la Messa ci sarà la processione con la statua nel cortile della scuola accompagnata dalla Banda Bellini.

Rientro in chiesa per la benedizione del Santissimo.

Alla fine della parte religiosa, tutti i fedeli sono invitati nella sala parrocchiale per un gradito rinfresco mentre la Banda Bellini suonerà delle bellissime Marce Sinfoniche.

Dinner Dance in onore di San Padre Pio, Sabato 26 Settembre.

Cena di 5 portate con bevande incluse. Prezzo: Adulti \$38, Bambini sotto 12 anni \$20.

Al Maiella Club, 31-35 Lipton Drive, Thomastown. Ore 6.30pm – 12.00pm.

Per informazione: Diodoro Ferraro 9466 3109, Donato Polvere 9466 1177 or Angelo Ricci 9466 3702.