

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

FIRST READING Amos 6:1,4-7

You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Benedetto il Signore che rialza il povero

SECOND READING Timothy 6:11-16

Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gesu' Cristo, da ricco che era, si e' fatto povero per voi, perche' voi, perche' voi diventaste ricchi per mezzo della sua poverta'. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31

During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$710.00
	-Loose Money.....	\$248.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery.....	\$257.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 26/9/2010

6.00pm (SAT) – B Nadenbousch
9.00am (SUN) – G Tempone & T Forte
10.30am (SUN) – J Akinido & T Fitzsimmons

SPECIAL MINISTERS

R Nyour
L Catena, L Cavedon & M Crupi
J Kearney, J Vincitorio & A Filippone

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 03/10/2010

6.00pm (SAT) – MALTESE MASS (Selected)
9.00am (SUN) – F Biasibetti & R Fato
10.30am (SUN) - S Brima & E Thompson

SPECIAL MINISTERS

MALTESE MASS (Selected)
T Forte, G Moltisanti & R Mercuri
L Greco, U Strangis & M Sernia

CHURCH CLEANERS

02/10/2010 R De Zan, A Natoli, S Brima & A M Zappia

MONEY COUNTERS

27/09/2010 E Claridge, F Carabott & G Canavan
04/10/2010 R & E Cornelious & M Williams

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Michael CESARIO, Oreste GERONAZZO

ANNIVERSARIES

Domenico BUTERA, Arturo SANTINON, Joseph COCCOLI, Concetta GANCI, Antonio & Costanza CARNOVALE, Raffaele & Francesco SCATURCHIO, Ettore & Amalia FILIPPI, Frank LAZZARO, Bruno SCATURCHIO, Bartholomew THIEN NGUYEN, Adrienne & Josephine MADIONA, Rose & Michael SALIBA, Giuseppe BUTERA, Felice & Pasquale BUTERA, Giovanna & Michele BUTERA, Costantino & Peppino BUTERA, Giovanni & Francesco GALLO, Gregorio & Francesca BUTERA, Francesco & Jimmy BUTERA, Elena FERRO, Angelo BERTI, Zinobia NICOLAZZO, Giuseppe TARANTO

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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
1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm
Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

26th Sunday of Year C

26 September 2010

Hell

St John tells us: “God is Love”. All that God can do is to love. How do we square that with the existence of hell?

People have agonized over this for centuries. Many people have lived their lives governed by fear – fear of hell, and fear of the God who can send them to hell. We see that in people who suffer from scruples. They think that everything they do is a mortal sin. They live in fear that they will die before they can go to Confession. What a terrible way to live! No matter what they say, their image of God must be that of a cruel tyrant. In today’s gospel, Jesus tells us about hell by way of a story. He does not do this in order to frighten us into obedience. It is more like a mother who takes her little child to the highway and tells him he is never to cross the road by himself as it is so dangerous. She does not try to frighten him, but out of love she tries to safeguard the child. So Jesus warns us that Hell exists, precisely so that we can avoid going there. God created angels and the human race in order that they might share his infinite happiness. However, God did not make the world into a vast machine, with every part responding in a mechanical fashion. He gave his creatures the gift of free will. God knew that he was taking a huge risk, but a freely-given love is worth far more than a mechanical response.

No one goes to hell by accident. It is the result of a deliberate rejection of God. God wants everyone without exception to share his happiness for eternity. But he does not force people to love him. If they reject his invitation, then he regretfully accepts their decision to exist apart from him.

It is worth remembering that God does not ever change his mind. He has chosen to love all his creatures and he never ceases to love them. He still loves those even those who appear to us to be “hell-bent” in their rejection of the love and mercy offered them. We must never put any limits on our hope in the power of God’s love to keep everyone from going to hell even if turning from God seems to be a possibility. So what should be our attitude towards hell? It is a possibility for each of us. However, the Church has never definitively said that there is a single human being in hell. If we have some care for our neighbour and those in need, then our whole direction is towards God, not away from him. Therefore, despite our weaknesses and our failures, we should be filled with confidence in our merciful God. He died for us on the cross and wants us with him for eternity. Love, not fear, should be the guiding principle of our lives.

MALTESE MASS

A reminder that the Maltese Mass, will be celebrated next Saturday 2 October at 6.00pm.

FEASTS

Monday 27 September – St Vincent De Paul

Wednesday 29 September- Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

Thursday 30 September – St Jerome

WORKING BEE

There will be a Working Bee on Thursday 30 September beginning at 8.00am, to clean the church and the surrounding gardens outside. Lunch will be provided.

ITALIAN LADIES

Adorazione Eucaristica con preghiere e Riflessioni, Martedì 28 Settembre ore 9.00am in capella.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

The current cycle of Thanksgiving envelopes ends this weekend. We greatly thank those who have contributed.

A new series of Thanksgiving envelopes has been issued for the following six months and will be delivered to your homes within the next week.

We ask parishioners who are not currently listed through Thanksgiving to please consider supporting the parish in this way. Please contact the Parish Office for further details.

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, J Kearney, R Di Guglielmo, R DeZan, T Sinopoli, Nancy Ziino, D Cipollone, R Catena, E Agius, F Nardoza, P Caligiuri, P Leggiro, A Filippone, N Ziino, S Miano & V Zele.**

THE ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER

You are invited to come to THE ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER the twelfth Annual Fundraising Dinner for the Priests Support and Education Fund, in the presence of Her Excellency Quentin Bryce AC Governor-General of Australia, on Friday 8 October 2010, 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. To join in celebrating the forthcoming canonisation of Blessed Mary MacKillop as St Mary of the Cross, "With a reflection on the life of Blessed Mary MacKillop by Sister Josephine Dubiel, Province Leader, Sister of St Joseph". Atrium Function Centre, at the Flemington Racecourse. For tickets telephone, 9848 3449 or 9842 4038.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

This year's Social Justice Sunday Bishops' Statement is titled: 'Violence in Australia: A message of peace'. The Statement considers how the Christian values of forgiveness and reconciliation lead to peace and to non-violent ways of addressing conflict and divisions. The bishops highlight the role we all share in making a difference for peace as individuals, as a community and as a nation. For more information, go to www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

MARY MACKILLOP MOVIE

A movie entitled MARY is now showing at Greater Union Cinemas.

CELEBRATING AUSTRALIA'S FIRST SAINT-MARY MACKILLOP

Procession, festival and live broadcast of canonisation from Rome. Sunday 17 October in Fitzroy and at Royal Exhibition Building. For more details visit: www.cam.org.au/mackillop.

SOLENNI CELEBRAZIONE ALLA VERGINE DEL S. ROSARIO

NELLA NOSTRA PARROCCHIA DI SAN GIUSEPPE LAVORATORE

DOMENICA 3 OTTOBRE 2010

PROGRAMMA

ORE 2.00PM

Preghiere e Inni Processione con la statua
Recita del S. Rosario con i Misteri presentati dai bambini.
Con il Coro di Holy Name diretto da Raffaele Rossi

ORE 3.00PM

Santa Messa
concelebrata da Padre Massimo Vodola e Padre Giuseppe Yu
Con preghiera di affidamento alla Madonna.
Benedizione con il S.S. Sacramento ai malati e famiglie.

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER 2010

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 Max Vodola and Fr Joseph Yu.
Benediction for the sick and families.

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

We invite all families to bring along their children to this beautiful feast.



STELLA MARIS FEAST DINNER DANCE

Date: Saturday 16 October 2010

Venue: Emerald Receptions 213-215 Settlement Road, Thomastown.

Time: 6.30pm till 1.00am.

Menu: Welcoming Drinks and Savouries!

5 Course Meal, Wine, Beer, Soft drinks, tea and coffee.

Entertainment: DJ Domenic & Maltese United Brass Band.

Tickets: Members \$50

Non Members \$52

Children are admitted.

Dress: Formal

For bookings or further information call: Charlie Xerri – 9308 3308, Lino Fava – 9449 7290
Charlie Cini – 359 4415, Carmen Cachia – 9460 7283, Sunny Micallef – 9401 4505 and
John Darmanin – 9404 2392