

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

**FIRST READING** Kings 5:14-17

Naaman returned to Elisha the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord..

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

**SALMO RESPONSORIALE**

Il Signore ha rivelato ai popoli la sua giustizia.

**SECOND READING** Timothy 2:8-13

*If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. **Alleluia!**

**CANTO AL VANGELO**

Alleluia, alleluia!

In ogni cosa rendete grazie: questa infatti e' la volonta' di Dio in Cristo Gesu' verso di voi. **Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL** Luke 17:11-19

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

**THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection - Thanksgiving Offering.....\$649.00  
-Loose Money.....\$189.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Presbytery.....\$252.00

**LECTORS - THIS WEEK 10/10/2010**

6.00pm (SAT) – G Canavan  
9.00am (SUN) – S. Lo Bartolo & A DiRico  
10.30am (SUN) – J Iaria & T Vavala

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

S Dakin  
F Pascuzzi, G Tempone & C Alberti  
J Broadbent, Sr Doreen & L Conte

**LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 17/10/2010**

6.00pm (SAT) – E Krygger  
9.00am (SUN) – G Barbaro & A DeCata  
10.30am (SUN) - J & J Kearney

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

J Pullicino  
P Sparano, S LoBartolo & A Keighley  
J Frangiosa, C McMahon & J Iaria

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

16/10/2010 S Dakin

**MONEY COUNTERS**

11/10/2010 J & M Kearney, E & K Bartlett & C McMahon  
18/10/2010 A Sinopoli, F Nardoza, L Cavedon & R Comito

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Raffaele LAROSA, Iolanda COSTANZO (d. Rec. Italy) Gabriele CAVALIERI

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Louisa TORCHIA, Antonio ANTONETTI, Ersilia PAGLIARI, Francesco CAVALIERI, Carmela & Lazzaro DE CATA, Domenico LEONILLO

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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

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

10 October 2010



## Being Grateful

The most difficult expression in the English language is not “supercallifragilistic expialodocious”, as sung in the Walt Disney musical Mary Poppins. Rather, it is being able to sincerely pronounce the words “thank you”. Possibly this is why they are used so seldom – at least seldom with genuine sincerity. Perhaps “I am sorry” is just as difficult, though, “I am sorry – but...” is far more common!

Gratitude is not one of the most frequently practiced virtues. How often do we see people in their time of need, and yet find them absent throughout the rest of the year. The friend in need may not necessarily be a friend indeed. I believe most of us have known the relative who turns up when necessity demands, but not to be seen again until the next disaster has occurred in his or her life. Not unlike the ten lepers actually. Perhaps one grateful person in ten was not a bad average, given our tendency to take helping hands for granted.

Often it is the son who has been given most who shows least love, and the daughter who had received little who shows most love. A family I have known over the years has experienced this sad condition. The son who had been shown so much love and given so many opportunities ended in returning only insults and ingratitude to his parents. In contrast, the daughter, who had Downes syndrome and some four other complications, was the only one able to return love. With so few of what we consider the gifts of this world, she was able to show love and so with generosity.

How like the story of the ten lepers where it is the foreigner who returns to thank the Lord – while his own people, his own family, once they had received what they wanted did not consider it worth their time and effort to return and offer thanks. Gratitude and love are closely connected. We exist because God first loved us. God invites our love in return.

It shows itself in our gratitude for life and the immense love poured upon us in the redemption won for us by Jesus Christ. The story of the ten lepers is not just something that happened two millennia ago. We need to reflect upon it now, and apply the lesson to ourselves. Do we return God's love? Do we thank our neighbour for services rendered? Do we remember what Jesus has done for us and return to give him thanks.

## **CANONISATION OF BLESSED MARY MACKILLOP: 17<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2010**

In next Sunday's liturgy we celebrate the mass of the Feast of Blessed Mary MacKillop who will start being called Saint Mary MacKillop as she will be canonised on that day 17.10.10 at about 6.00pm Melbourne time.

This means that there will be special readings:

- First reading: from the Book of Judith (8:11-17, 28-31);
- Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 31);
- Second Reading: From St. Paul to Colossians 3:12-17;
- Gospel: From Matthew's Gospel (6:25-34).

### **BAPTISMS**

Congratulations to **Gemma & Tenzin Graham** children of Christopher and Anne Maree, **Joshua Bonacci** child of John and Vanessa, **Samira Bonadio** child of Frank and Angelina, **Liliana Barbarossa** child of Sandro and Magdalena, **Alexia Ablahad** child of Salwan & Elena, and **Contessa Locaso** child of Anthony and Diana who will be baptised this weekend. We welcome them with joy into our parish community and assure the families of our prayerful best wishes on this happy occasion.

### **CUPPA**



This weekend after the 10.30am Mass there will be a cuppa in the Narthex. Please stop and enjoy the hospitality of the parish.

### **MEMORIAL MASS**

Monday 11 October 7.30pm – Louisa Torchia (1 mth)

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

We ask God's Blessings for Tamara Frangiosa on her 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday, and best wishes for her VCE.

### **FESTA DELLA MADONNA DEL S. ROSARIO**

Una celebrazione veramente vivace e festoso quello di Domenica 3 Ottobre. Un sincero grazie a tutti che hanno partecipato, lavorato, organizzato, a Padre Massimo Vodola che con la sua l'eloquente omelia ha instillato nei nostri cuori nuova energia accrescendo la nostra devozione a Maria., grazie anche a Padre Giuseppe Yu per la sua presenza. L'abbondanza dei dolci e la musica in sala hanno concluso il pomeriggio di questa devota e gioiosa celebrazione parrocchiale.

Thank you to all those who worked hard, participated with the preparations and brought food for the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary last Sunday. Thank you to Fr Max Vodola and, Fr Joseph Yu. A warm and joyous congratulations, to the children who were present and participated. The afternoon was a devout and joyous parish celebration.

### **STATEMENT ON EUTHANASIA**

The Archbishops statement on Euthanasia is available at the entrances of the church. Please take a copy.

### **CHRISTUS REX PILGRIMAGE**

From St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat to Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo in honour of Christ the King. 29 – 31 October 2010. Masses, rosaries, hymns, devotions, confession, spiritual conferences, in the Victorian countryside. Loved by young and old. All Welcome. Details: [www.crex.org](http://www.crex.org)

## **FEAST OF STELLA MARIS**



### **Friday 15 October:**

**6.30pm.** - Confessions in English and Maltese will be heard at St Joseph the Worker Church, Wilson Blvd, North Reservoir.

There will also be presentation of flowers to Our Lady.

**7.00pm.** - Mass celebrated by Rev. Dennis Carabott MSSP.

After Mass everyone is invited to join us for refreshments.

### **Saturday 16 October:**

**6.30pm.** - Feast Dinner Dance to be held at Emerald Receptions, Settlement Road, Thomastown. DJ Domenic as well as The Maltese United Brass Band will be entertaining us on the night.

### **Sunday 17 October:**

**2.30pm** - Mass celebrated by the parish priest Fr Emmanuel Bonello assisted by Fr Dennis Carabott and Fr Joseph Yu. The "Sunrise" choir from St. Francis of Assisi Parish, under the direction of Mr. Martin Gauci will participate during Mass.

**4.00pm.** - Procession with the Statue of Stella Maris will commence. The Malta Gozo City of Brimbank Concert Band and the Maltese Own Band Philharmonic Society Inc. will take part during the procession. All associations are invited to participate by joining us in the church celebrations as well as during the procession with their association banner.

**6.30pm.** - After the procession everyone is welcome to come in the Hall where the two Maltese Bands will perform. Afterwards DJ Domenic will take over to entertain for the rest of the night. There will be food and drink for sale.

***EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ENTRY TO THE HALL IS FREE!***

If you have queries please contact the President, Charlie Xerri on 9308 3308.

### **FEAST**

Friday 15 October - St Teresa of Jesus (Avila).

#### **St Teresa of Jesus (Avila) 1515 - 1582**

Founder of the Discalced Carmelites, and Doctor of the Church. St Teresa spoke of prayer as 'nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with him who we know loves us. The important thing is not to think much but to love much and so do that which best stirs you to love. Love is not great delight but desire to please God in everything.'

### **MACKILLOP**

MACKILLOP the new Australian musical will premiere in Melbourne & Sydney this October as part of the Canonisation celebrations. The production features a cast & Orchestra of 100+ people with opera singer Joanna Cole as Mary. MELBOURNE Performances, (Besen Centre, Burwood). October 23, (3.00pm & 7.30pm, October 24 (1.00pm). Tickets \$35 each for groups of 7+, \$40 Conc, \$45 Adults, \$120 Family. [www.mackilloptickets.org](http://www.mackilloptickets.org) or Ph 0424 648 034. 100% of profits are going to the Canonisation Appeal.

### **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](http://www.cam.org.au/mackillop).