

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

**FIRST READING** *Isaiah 25:6-10*

The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away the tears from every cheek.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

**SALMO RESPONSORIALE**

Abitero' per sempre nella casa del Signore.

**SECOND READING** *Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20*

I am able to do all things in him who strengthens me.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** *Matthew 22:1-14*

Whomsoever you find invite to the wedding.

**THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK**

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$1012.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$314.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	- Presbytery.....	\$266.00

**LECTORS - THIS WEEK 09/10/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) – B Nadenbousch  
 9.00am (SUN) – L Catena & C Monforte  
 10.30am (SUN) – E Bartlett & R Sawi

**LECTORS – NEXT WEEK 16/10/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) - E Saliba  
 9.00am (SUN) – G Tempone & R DeZan  
 10.30am (SUN) – N Sua & L Conte

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

**15/10/2011** M Martuccio, L Calafiore, A Leggiero & P D'Aniello

**MONEY COUNTERS**

**10/10/2011** J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett, C McMahon  
**17/10/2011** A Sinopoli, F Nardoza, L Cavedon & R Comito

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Domenico ANASTASIO, Albina SEGATO (d.rec. Italy)

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Salvatore BRULLO, Concetta SPADA, Rocco FERRARO, Famiglia PUGLIESE, Rosaria CINCOTTA, Filomena & Antonio PISAN, Salvatore & Sofia RACHIELE, Emilio LA ROSA, Antonio PISTONE, Gaetano CARMUSCIANO, Francesco CAPPELLO, Fr Luciano SECOLARI

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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

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

9 October 2011

## RSVP

Will's and Kate's wedding at Westminster Abbey in April had the fashionistas drooling. All the 'A-listers' were there frocked and suited and booted: the royals, prime ministers, archbishops, diplomats, celebrities. Couturiers created exotic costumes. Milliners found ways to have ladies' hats defy gravity and, in some instances, credulity. The royal wedding was sartorial splendor at its best. Even the critics admitted that it went off perfectly.

Today's Gospel describes a royal wedding gone wrong. A king decides to honour his son who has wed. He spares no expense to ensure that everything goes well. He sends out official invitations to the 'A-listers'. They neglect to answer; instead, they involve themselves in business ventures. The king is riled by this blatant disrespect for his majesty and authority. He orders terrible vengeance be exacted on them. This setback only steels his resolve to give his son a fitting celebration. The king opens his heart to the ordinary folk. He invites each and every one of them to the wedding feast at the palace.

The people are overjoyed. This invitation is beyond expectation. What an honour! They tog up in their Sunday best out of respect for the king and his son. All except one fellow. He turned up in his overalls. His wife begged him to put on a suit and tie but he said, 'I don't change for anyone.' He stood out like a sore thumb. The king spotted him. His lack of manners and gratitude annoyed the king. He ordered the captain of the guard to expel him from the feast and throw him in the dungeon for his impertinence.

St. Matthew's parables are allegorical. The king represents God; the son represents Christ. The 'A-listers' are the people of Israel – God's chosen people. They have neglected to respond to God's invitation. The ordinary folk are the Gentiles (you and me) who are called to be in relationship with God through Christ. The man without a wedding garment represents the person who is called to be in relationship with God but refuses to change, i.e., give up his old ways and put on the new life of Christ.

The point of the parables is this: when God invites, God expects a response to his invitation. And, not just any old response. We need to respond in a manner that is appropriate to the invitation; in a way that respects God's sovereignty and generosity. The consequences of not responding are dire!

St Paul, writing to the Colossians, indicates how we should respond to God's gracious invitation: 'You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love.' (Col.3:12-14)

Live this way and you will be a welcome guest at the eternal banquet.

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## SOLENNI CELEBRAZIONE ALLA VERGINE DEL S. ROSARIO

### NELLA NOSTRA PARROCCHIA DI SAN GIUSEPPE LAVORATORE

**DOMENICA 9 OTTOBRE 2011**

#### PROGRAMMA

##### ORE 2.00PM

Pregchiere e Inni Processione con la statua  
Recita del S. Rosario con i Misteri presentati dai bambini.  
Con il pianista Raffaele Rossi

##### ORE 3.00PM

Santa Messa  
concelebrata dal nostro parroco Padre Emanuele Bonello 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 9 OCTOBER 2011

##### 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 Emmanuel Bonello 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.**



## FEAST OF STELLA MARIS

#### Friday 14 October:

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

**7.00pm.** - Mass celebrated by Fr De Giorgio.

There will be presentation of flowers to Our Lady.

After Mass we will welcome among us Bishop Mario Grech, everyone is invited to join us for refreshments.

#### Saturday 15 October:

**6.30pm.** - Feast Dinner Dance to be held at Emerald Receptions, Settlement Road, Thomastown. DJ Mario Moods Music will be entertaining us on the night.

Later on in the night the Maltese United Brass Band will join us to entertain us playing various joyous marches.

#### Sunday 16 October:

**2.30pm** – High Mass concelebrated by His Excellency Mario Grech and other priests. The “Sunrise” choir from St. Francis of Assisi Parish, under the direction of Mr. Martin Gauci will participate during Mass.

All associations are invited to participate by joining us in the church celebrations as well as during the procession with their association banner.

**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.

**6.00pm.** - After the procession everyone is welcome to come in the Hall where the two Maltese Bands will perform. Afterwards DJ Mario 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.



#### **CUPPA**

There will be a cuppa in the Narthex after the 10.30am Mass this weekend. Please stop and enjoy the hospitality of the parish and meet some fellow parishioners.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Congratulations to **Charli Branov** child of Cole and Ashlea, **Robbie Catalano** child of Marco and Dimitra, **Thomas Ferraina** child of Michael and Melinda who will be baptised this weekend. We welcome them into our parish community and assure the families of our prayerful best wishes on this happy occasion.

#### **BENVENUTO AL VESCOVO MARIO GRECH DA GOZO MALTA**

Domenica 16 Ottobre la messa delle 9.00am sara celebrata dal Vescovo di Gozo Malta, Monsignor Mario Grech. Lo diamo un benvenuto in mezzo a noi e l'auguriamo tante belle cose nella sua visita in Australia.

#### **PARISH DATA PROJECTOR**

Unfortunately the data projector training session on Wednesday 12 October 2011 will need to be postponed due to installation delays.

We will inform you again once the system is in place and has been fully commissioned for another training session date. We thank you for your understanding.

#### **FEAST**

Saturday 15 October – St Teresa of the Child Jesus

#### **2011 RERUM NOVARUM LECTURE**

Seeking asylum – is there a just solution?

2011 Rerum Novarum oration by Bishop Vincent Long van Nguyen OFMConv.

Former Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser will respond. Tuesday 11 October 2011, 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start, ACU Central Hall, 20-22 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy.

Details: Mark Clarke, 9926 5727 RSVP: [justice@cam.org.au](mailto:justice@cam.org.au)

#### **RCIA REGIONAL SEMINAR: 'BRING THE CHILDREN TO ME'**

Saturday 15 October, 9.45 – 3.00pm, St Clement of Rome Parish, Egan Drive, Bulleen. Cost \$20 per person/maximum \$100 per parish. Registration is essential!

#### **GETTING IT RITE LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION**

Saturday 22 October, 9.30am to 2.45pm,

Thomas Carr Centre, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne. Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ will give the keynote presentation at the Getting it Rite Liturgical Ministry Formation day that will focus on key theological images and spiritual themes that mark our entry into the new liturgical cycle and new year, accompanied this Advent by the revised Missal texts. A variety of workshops will follow on the day. Cost is \$25. Visit the AOFE website [www.cam.org.au/evangelisation](http://www.cam.org.au/evangelisation) or call 9926 5761