

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

**FIRST READING** Leviticus 19:1-2. 17-18

You must love your neighbour, as yourself.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

The Lord is kind and merciful.

**SALMO RESPONSORIALE**

IL Signore e' buono e grande nell'amore.

**SECOND READING** 1 Corinthians 3: 16-23

All things are yours, but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Whoever keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God. **Alleluia!**

**CANTO AL VANGELO**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Chi osserva la parola di Gesu' Cristo, in lui l'amore di Dio e' veramente perfetto. **Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL** Matthew 5:38-48

Love your enemies.

**THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection - Thanksgiving Offering.....\$868.00  
- Loose Money.....\$301.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Presbytery.....\$340.00

**LECTORS - THIS WEEK 20/2/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) – B Nadenbousch  
9.00am (SUN) – L Calafiore & A DiRico  
10.30am (SUN) – E Bartlett & T Fitzsimmons

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

E Saliba  
F Pascuzzi, G Tempone & C Alberti  
J & J Kearney & J Tanti

**LECTORS – NEXT WEEK 27/02/2011**

6.00pm (SAT) – G Canavan  
9.00am (SUN) – R Pino & C Agostinelli  
10.30am (SUN) – J Akinido & E Thompson

**SPECIAL MINISTERS**

E Krygger  
P Sparano, S LoBartolo & A Keighley  
L Greco, U Strangis & M Sernia

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

26/02/2011 A DiRico, M Pascuzzi, E Selso, L Pennacchia  
G Ferrara

**MONEY COUNTERS**

21/02/2011 A Sinopoli, F Nardoza, L Cavedon & R Comito  
28/02/2011 E Claridge, F Carabott & G Canavan

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Giuseppe ZELANTE, Vittoria CALEGARIS, Giuseppe BIANCHI

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Maria PILEGGI, Vincenzo DE THOMASI, Angelo DE PACE, Ermelinda PANE,  
Antonio RISOLI, Gerardo ALBERTI, Antonio ALBERTI, Rosina BRUNO, Giuseppe TARANTO,  
Laura & Pasquale MARIANI, Lorenzo & Rachele PACELLA,  
Giuseppe, Maria & Nicola CARNOVALE, Donata QUINTILI, Gina DI DONATO, Bruno ARENA,  
Antonio PASCUZZI, Tonino & Giuseppe NAPOLITANO, Rocco FERRARO, Antonio BENGASINO

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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

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

20 February 2011

## “Lord, I cannot forgive...”

During the Second World War, a Dutch lady, Corrie ten Boom, was imprisoned in Ravensbruck, a Nazi concentration camp for women. Despite all the hardships and ill-treatment, she survived the war. After her release and back in her own country, she decided that she would do what she could to overcome the hatred left by war and help old enemies to be reconciled.

And so it was, as she went around Europe giving talks about her experiences and encouraging her listeners to forgive those who had committed war crimes. One night, she was speaking in Munich, one of the former strongholds of the Nazis. After her talk, a man approached her and held out his hand in a gesture of friendship and reconciliation. Just as she was about to shake hands with him, Corrie looked at his face. She froze in horror. He had been one of the most hated guards at Ravenbruck. Corrie was unable to move. She could not take his hand. Then she began to pray silently: “Jesus, I cannot forgive this man. Help me to forgive him”. She felt a powerful force within her that helped her to reach out and take the man’s hand in forgiveness.

From that incident, Corrie learned that when Jesus gave us the command to love our enemies, he would also give us the grace to obey. All we have to do is to ask for it. Today’s gospel reminds us that Jesus demands very high standards from us: “Love your enemies”. When we are badly treated, our instinctive desire is to hit back, and take revenge. So to help us, Jesus gave us the example. When he was crucified, his first prayer was for those who plotted his death: “Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing”. Jesus tells us to do the same: “Pray for those who persecute you”, and, by so doing, we will prove ourselves to be children of God. God Himself shows us how to act. He gives his gifts to the good and the evil. When the rain falls, it falls for everyone, not just for the good people.

At times, it is so difficult to forgive. There was a recent incident where a man caught another one trying to steal his mother’s car. A friend joined him and the two of them bashed the thief so viciously that he was taken to hospital, very seriously injured. Unfortunately, a lot of people answer violence with violence. Not too many people follow the Lord’s teaching to “turn the other cheek”.

Often reconciliation is hardest within our own families. Sadly, family members sometimes die without being reconciled. The closer we are to people, the more hurt there is, and the harder it is to forgive. Let us make our own the prayer of Corrie ten Boom: “Lord, I cannot forgive. Help me to forgive”.

## INVITATION FOR RELIGION CLASSES – 2011

Catholic children from year 3-6 who are wishing to do the Sacrament of:

### **First Confession, First Holy Communion, Confirmation**

Need to enrol for religion classes at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, 79 Wilson Blvd. Parents can obtain and submit the enrolment form at the parish office (between 9.00am – 5.00pm Monday - Friday)

Or contact Sr. Estelita on: 9460 3013 Mondays 9.00am – 12.00pm  
Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9.00am – 5.00pm  
Other days: 9465 1077

For children not Baptised at St Joseph the Worker you need to submit a Xerox copy of your child's baptismal certificate.

### **COME VISIT THE NEW SCHOOL BUILDING**

Mr Peter Chowne the school principal is opening up the new school building for anyone who is interested in having a look this weekend of 19/20 February after each Mass.

### **BAPTISMS**

Congratulations to **Ronan Costenaro** child of Jason and Tania, **Lara Paglia** child of Matthew and Luisa 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.

### **FUNERAL NOTICES**

The Rosary for Vittoria Calegaris will be recited on Monday 21 February at 10.15am followed by Funeral Mass at 10.35am.

The Rosary for Guseppe Bianchi will be recited on Tuesday 22 February at 7.30pm.  
Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 23 February at 10.00am.

### **ITALIAN LADIES**

Martedì 22 Febbraio, Adorazione Eucaristica in Cappella ore 9.00am. Segue Santa Messa ore 10.00am. Venite numerosi a ringraziare il Signore per il grande dono della sua continua presenza in mezzo a noi.

Martedì 1 Marzo raduno in cappella ore 9.00am dei comitati uomini e donne per preparare la Via Crucis in Italiano. Segue Santa Messa ore 10.00am.

### **MAINTENANCE MEETING**

The Maintenance Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday 22 February at 8.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

### **WORLD YOUTH DAY NEWS**

The Melbourne Archdiocese's three WYD pilgrimage prices have dropped and are now priced at:

- The Real Madrid: \$4850
- Italian road trip: \$6390
- Footsteps of Jesus: \$6290

All registrations and final money need to be paid by Friday 15 April 2011.

(Please note that some pilgrimages may close before this date if all seats are filled.)

visit [www.aoy.org.au](http://www.aoy.org.au) or call 9412 3300 for more details.

Go to World Youth Day with Emmanuel Community

Price \$4590. Details: Clara 0449 767 020, [clara\\_ri@hotmail.com](mailto:clara_ri@hotmail.com) or

[www.emmanuelcommunity.org.au](http://www.emmanuelcommunity.org.au)

## **ASSOCIAZIONE SAN GABRIELE DELL'ADDOLORATA**



Oggi Domenica 20 Febbraio 2011 nel monastero dei Padri Passionisti, Serpells Road Templestowe.

### **Programma:**

**10.00am Recita del S. Rosario, 10.30am Santa Messa concelebrata da Padre Angelo Gabriele Giorgetta proveniente dal Santuario di San Gabriele, e i concelebranti saranno padre John Curtis superiore del monastero di "Holy Cross", e padre Chris.** La Santa Messa sarà cantata dalla Corale di S. Antonio.

Durante la Santa Messa ci sarà Benedizione degli ammalati. Seguirà la processione con le statue di S. Gabriele e S. Paolo della Croce fondatore dei Padri Passionisti, accompagnata dalle confraternite, dai bambini in costume di gabrielini e dalla Banda Bellini.

A termine della celebrazione religiosa seguirà il Picnic (BYO). In vendita Porchetta, Pasta, Salsicce, panini, Soft drink, Gelati tutto il giorno.

Durante la giornata vari oggetti Religiosi provenienti dal Santuario di S. Gabriele saranno in vendita.

Durante il pomeriggio ci saranno giochi vari per adulti e bambini.

**2.00pm Suonera' il complesso musicale "Simplicity"**

**4.00pm Rientro in chiesa per la benedizione.**

**4.30pm – 6.00pm Musica.**



## **Parade College Campus Tours**



Families are invited to experience the Parade College community at both our Bundoora and Preston campuses by enjoying a personalised tour with senior staff. Tours operate on a fortnightly basis, starting at 9.15am sharp, and run for approximately 45 minutes. Bookings are essential and can be made by phoning Bundoora campus on 9468 3300 or Preston campus on 9480 2922. Dates for February are:

### **Bundoora campus**

Wednesday 16 February

Friday 25 February

### **Preston campus**

Tuesday 15 February

Wednesday 23 February

1436 Plenty Rd Bundoora

8 Clifton Grove Preston

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