

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

FIRST READING Malachi 1:14-2:2.8-10

You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble to your teaching.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Custodiscimi, Signore, nella pace.

SECOND READING Thessalonians 2:7-9,13

We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ! Alleluia!

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia!

Uno solo e' il Padre vostro, quello celeste e uno solo e' la vostra Guida, il Cristo.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 23:1-12

They do not practice what they preach.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$655.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$233.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery.....	\$332.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 30/10/2011

6.00pm (SAT) – E Krygger
9.00am (SUN) – S LoBartolo & A DiRico
10.30am (SUN) – J Kearney & L DeMarco

SPECIAL MINISTERS

N Ziino
F Pascuzzi, G Tempone & C Alberti
D Herbert, L Conte & J Kearney

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 06/11/2011

6.00pm (SAT) - MALTESE MASS (Selected)
9.00am (SUN) – C Brunetti & G Barbaro
10.30am (SUN) – G Canavan & J Kearney

SPECIAL MINISTERS

MALTESE MASS (Selected)
P Sparano, R Pino & L Cavedon
T Nguyen, M Mizzi & L Greco

CHURCH CLEANERS

05/11/2011 R DeZan, A Natoli, S Brima & A M Zappia

MONEY COUNTERS

31/10/2011 D Herbert, C McMahon & S Miano
07/11/2011 R & E Cornelious & D Herbert

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Fr Frank O'LOUGHLIN, Fr John GRECH, Joseph CREMONA (d. Rec. Malta)

ANNIVERSARIES

Francesco CAMPOMIZZI, Vincenzo MISIANO, Giuseppe ZANINI, Giuseppe & Angelina TODARO
Isabella JOSEPH

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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
1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm
Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

31st Sunday of Year A

30 October 2011

Like a Mother

Today we are presented with two types of leaders. The first is self-serving. Such leaders are only interested in their own power, position and prestige. They have no heart but, instead, lay heavy burdens on their people. Rather than build up the community, they are the cause of scandal and division. This was the case with the priests in Malachi's time as with the scribes and Pharisees at the time of Jesus. I am sure we can think of plenty of examples in our own world.

The other type of leader is, in the words of Paul, like a mother who cares for her children. This is the servant-leadership which Jesus himself demonstrated throughout his life. Such leadership is born out of humility and patience. It expresses itself through words and deeds of compassion. Moreover, it is born of faith in the one fatherhood of God and the one brotherhood and sisterhood of God's family.

The mother-servant image is the pre-eminent model for those called to leadership in the church. Alas, we are aware that the church is not immune from self-serving leaders among those ordained to serve. This is certainly a blight on the church's recent history. However, let us also recognise that call to Christian leadership that we all share through our baptism. Leadership is not simply about those in more powerful positions – even though today's readings have special application to them.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus presents criteria for judging Christian leadership. First, are leaders authentic in practicing what they preach? Second, do they present the faith in a manner that brings true freedom to people, like Jesus who tells us "my yoke is easy and my burden light" (11:30). Third, do they dress, speak and act in a way that focuses on the good news of the Gospel rather than on themselves?

Fourth, are humility and compassion the touchstone of their relationship with others? Authentic Christian leadership is based on a knowledge that comes only in prayer. That is not simply 'knowing' in our heads that God is the one father and author of all life, or that Christ alone is our master and teacher. Prayer is the way we allow our hearts to be touched and our souls to be anointed by the Holy Spirit who directs us in loving service of others...like a mother caring for her children,

In our modern world, with all its noise and competitiveness, there are many angels of compassion who go unnoticed unheard. These are ordinary people caring for their children, nursing the sick, feeding the hungry, healing broken hearts, reaching out with words of forgiveness or offering a hand in friendship. This is the leadership-in-service of mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, strangers and foreigners everywhere.

So, let us not be too quick to condemn the failure of leadership in church or society-even though we must speak out against all forms of injustice-but take up our own call to Christ-like service. In that way, the church becomes more like its model, Mary, mother of Jesus, mother of the church.

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 1st November
10.00am Italian & 7.00pm English

ALL SOULS DAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday 2nd November
9.10am (All school students will attend) & 7.00pm



NOVEMBER – REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

The month of November is dedicated by the Church as a special time remembering all the faithful departed. At the doors of the church there are slips of paper in both English and Italian to write the names of deceased family and friends. These will be put together and brought up in the offertory procession at all weekend Masses during November.

BISHOP MARIO GRECH

Many thanks to Bishop Mario Grech who during his pastoral visit in Australia had joined us in the parish by celebrating mass for us. We thank him for showing us God's love through his words of encouragement at the homilies. Many thanks also to the Bishop's personal assistant, Fr Eddie Zammit who also helped out in celebrating masses in the parish. As a parish community we wish every blessing and very much safe trip to Bishop Mario, his parents: George & Stella, his brother Carm and Fr. Eddie. They will leave Melbourne to go to Malta & Gozo on Monday 31st October 2011. It was a great joy to have bishop Mario his family and Fr. Eddie with us for these two weeks. We promise them our prayers during their journey. Bon Voyage!

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Parish Leadership Team Meeting will be held on Wednesday 2 November at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

ITALIAN LADIES

Martedì 1 Novembre ore 9.00am in cappella, riunione del comitato delle donne per preparare per la festa della Madonna delle Lacrime. Segue Santa Messa alle ore 10.00am.

TYPISTS WANTED

In preparation for the introduction of the data projector we are looking for voluntary typists to assist in copy typing some of our existing overheads. If you can help, please contact Jeff Tanti on 0416 006 720 or 9670 9661. Your assistance would be welcomed.

FEASTS

Tuesday 1 November – All Saints
Friday 4 November – St Charles Borromeo

MARIAN MISSION OF OUR LADY OF TEARS

The Committee of Madonna Delle Lacrime of Siracusa in Melbourne invites everyone to the Marian Mission in honor of Our Lady of Tears which will be led by His Excellency Archbishop Salvatore Pappalardo from SIRACUSA SICILY. From Sunday 13th November to Sunday 20th November 2011. All are welcome to participate in this Marian Mission in honour of Our Lady of Tears. Also guided by Rev. Fr. Antonino Siringo of SIRACUSA.

Sunday 13 November – Commencement of Mission

St Brendan's – 103 Wellington Street, Flemington

2.30pm Holy Rosary & Confession

3.00pm Holy Mass, Procession (Melita Band), Benediction of Blessed Sacrament, Refreshments.

Monday 14 November – Social Night

Meet His Excellency Archbishop Salvatore Pappalardo & Rev. Fr. Antonino Siringo

7.30pm St. Brendan's School Hall

Wellington St, Flemington (behind school)

Refreshments Provided. All Welcome.

Tuesday 15 November

St Joseph the Worker – 79 Wilson Blvd, Reservoir Nth

9.30am Holy Rosary & Confession

10.00am Holy Mass & Anointing of the sick

Wednesday 16 November

St. Mathew's – 75 William r Street, Fawkner North

7.00pm Holy Rosary & Confession

7.30pm Holy Mass

Thursday 17 November

St Martin's – 158 Military Road, Avondale Heights

7.00pm Holy Rosary & Confession

7.30pm Holy Mass

Saturday 19 November – Gala Evening

With His Excellency Archbishop Salvatore Pappalardo Oakville Receptions – Cnr High St & Oakover Rd, Preston.

5 course meal including drinks & coffee

For further information contact Tina Forte 9460 2682

Sunday 20 November – St Patrick's Cathedral

St. Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

2.30pm Holy Mass, Procession & Bellini Band.

'FOUNDATIONS IN ADVENT' – YOUTH ADVENT PREPARATION WITH BISHOP TIM COSTELLOE

The Archdiocesan Office for Youth (AOY) is running a 2-week course to help young people prepare for Christmas. Bishop Tim will present on "Mary and her 'Yes' to God" (Session 1) and "The birth of Jesus" (Session 2). Thursday 10 & 17 November, 7.45pm – 9.30pm, Thomas Carr Centre, 278 Victoria Pde, East Melbourne. Registrations: aoy@cam.org.au or call 9412 3300 www.cam.org.au/youth