

FIRST READING *Apocalypse 7:2-4 9-14*

I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Ecco la generazione che cerca il tuo volto, Signore.

SECOND READING *John 3:1-3*

We shall see God as he really is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. **Alleluia!**

CANTO AL VANGELO

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Venite a me, voi tutti che siete stanchi e oppressi, e io vi darò ristoro. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL *Matthew 5: 1-12*

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$856.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$253.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$238.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 01/11/09

6.00pm (SAT) – E Saliba  
 9.00am (SUN) – G Barbaro & A DeCata  
 10.30am (SUN) – S Brima & G Silvio

SPECIAL MINISTERS

E Krygger  
 P Sparano, R Pino & R Fato  
 J Iaria, J Broadbent & Sr Doreen

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 08/11/09

6.00pm (SAT) – MALTESE MASS (Selected)  
 9.00am (SUN) – L Catena & R Mercuri  
 10.30am (SUN) - E Selso & J Vincitorio

SPECIAL MINISTERS

MALTESE MASS (Selected)  
 D Biasibetti, R DeZan & G Barbaro  
 L Conte, G Silvio J Frangiosa

CHURCH CLEANERS

07/11/09 L Catena, A Sirianni, F Agugiari & R Nyour

MONEY COUNTERS

02/11/09 R&E Cornelious, R & G Silvio & J Galea  
 09/11/09 J&J Kearney, E&K Bartlett, C McMahon

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Francesco CAMPOMIZZI

ANNIVERSARIES

Giuseppe TARANTO, Giuseppe ZANINI, Josefina OLIVEIRA, Joaquim MOREIRA, Antonio, Lunella & Ines CALIGIURI, Pasquale, Angela & Mario LUNA, Vincenzo ROMANO, Matteo, Carolina, Tonino & Rosalia NAPOLITANO, Beniamino, Anna & Santo PASCUZZI, Nazario, Nicola & Angela SOCCIO, Gina DI DONATO, Orazio CATALDO, Rosina MURATORE, Maria-Rosa COMITO, Maria RESTA, Giuseppe & Angelina TODARO, Antonio & Francesca TODARO, Giuseppe & Maria MASCARO, Isabella JOSEPH, Montagana, Costantino & Tommasina RASO, Elena VILLELLA, Michelangelo, Maria, Giovannina & Giovanni BUTERA, Angelina VILLELLA, Famiglia AIELLO, Famiglia ARCURI, Famiglia BERGAMIN, Salvatore IOZZI, Maria-Rosa LAMBRAIA, Sante & Bambina GUGLIELMI, Caterina & Giovanni IOZZI, Aldo IOZZI, Francesco PRIVITELLI, Famiglia MACCIOCA, Famiglia DI RICO, Carlo MARIANI, Pasquale & Laura MARIANI, Francesco & Michela & Franca INDOMENICO, Joe & Antonietta GIARRATANA, Luigi ARTICO

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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

All Saints Year B

1 November, 2009

## Stand in God's Holy Place

On All Saints Day we celebrate a wonderful dimension of Christian hope. We commemorate those many men and women, not just the great Saints honoured as such by the Church, but all those who lived lives of holiness marked by the sign of faith, hope and love. But All Saints Day is not just about those many other friends of God, but about us, our call to holiness and our belonging to the great communion of saints. In today's first reading, from the Book of Revelation, we have a vision of heaven. It speaks of "a huge number, impossible to count, from every nation, race, tribe, and language." Heaven is not just for an elite few, but for the multitudes. The responsorial psalm poses a key question: "Who shall stand in God's holy place?" And the answer comes: the one "with clean hands and pure heart, who desires not worthless things." It is those who live lives of goodness and truth who will stand in God's holy place. The second reading, from the First Letter of St John, reminds us that God has so loved us "by letting us be called the children of God; and that is what we are." Again, it is clear that God's love, with its promise of heaven, is not just for a select few. All of us are called to be children of God. There is no cheap grace, however. The promise is not that life will be easy or free of work and worry. In the Gospel acclamation, Jesus says, "Come to me, all you that labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Today's readings culminate with Jesus' preaching, in what is called the Sermon on the Mount, one of the most famous passages in the gospels. Blessed, Jesus says, are the poor in spirit; the gentle; those who mourn; those who hunger and thirst for what is right; the merciful; the pure of heart; the peacemakers, those who are persecuted in the cause of right; and those who are abused or persecuted on Jesus' account. Jesus' description of those who are really "Blessed" in life compares rather starkly with what we might be inclined to consider blessed or fortunate or favoured. He points not to the rich or the powerful, not to the trend-setters or the high achievers. Again and again, Jesus challenges our taken-for-granted views on what really matters and what has true worth. The blessedness he points to is the way of holiness that he teaches us through his own example. It is the same blessedness that is reflected in Mary, his mother, and in the lives of the saints. Each of these is a luminous example of the way to holiness lived out in the particular circumstances of time and place.

Through all the trials of our lives, the hard work, the heavy burdens, the sufferings, the particular cross that each of us must carry, this is our unflinching hope: that we belong to the great family of the friends of God, the communion of saints, and that God will not disappoint us.



## 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.

## ALL SOULS DAY

**Monday 2 November**

Mass in English 9.10am - Mass in Italian 10.30am

Mass in English 7.00pm

### WEDDING

We congratulate Jeff Tanti and Melinda Smith who were married here at St. Joseph the Worker this weekend. We ask God's blessing on them and their families on this special occasion.

### CALENDARI ITALIANI 2010 IN VENDITA

In vendita Calendari Italiani prezzo \$7.00. Può essere un regalo per Natale.

### PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Parish Leadership Team will meet on Wednesday 4 November at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

### PARISH LITURGY TEAM

The Parish Liturgy Team will meet on Thursday 5 November at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

### MEMORIAL MASSES

Wednesday 4 November 7.00pm - Francesco Tomai (d. Rec. Italy)

Thursday 5 November 7.00pm – Gaetano Carmusciano (1 mth)

### MOTHERS' PRAYERS

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October is the 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of Mothers' Prayers Groups.

Mothers' Prayers was launched in England in 1995. At that time, two grandmothers, Veronica and her sister-in-law Sandra both from England, felt led by the Lord to pray in a special way for their children.

Through prayer, they learned that Jesus wishes all mothers to surrender their children into his care, to take away pain from the mothers and to pour blessings on their children.

Mothers' Prayers has now spread throughout the world and is in over 70 countries. There have been many answers to prayers.

At Present in our Parish mothers meet in the Chapel on a Tuesday at 1.30- 2.30pm. and pray together for our children and we too have had many answers to prayer.

We warmly invite other mothers or women who love children to join us.

For further details contact - Sr. Doreen on 9460 3013, or Judy Kearney 9460 9139.

### FEASTS

Monday 2 November – All Souls

Wednesday 4 November – St Charles Borromeo

### MALTESE MASS

A reminder that the Maltese Mass will be celebrated next Saturday 7 November at 6.00pm.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

We congratulate Kenneth & Elizabeth Bartlett who celebrated their 26<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary during the week. We ask God's blessing on them and their families on this special occasion.

### VOLOUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Volunteers required at The Northern Hospital.

Would you like to be part of a great team of volunteers in the kiosk at The Northern Hospital or taking the trolley to the wards, selling papers and refreshments?

Please contact Christine McGowan 8405 2520 or 0409 592 989Mb.

### DON BOSCO YOUTH FOUNDATION FUN AND FOOD FIESTA

Saturday 21 November 2009 Ferraro Receptions, 14 Onslow Avenue Campbellfield. The Don Bosco Youth Foundation's major event for the year will feature great food, dancing, drawing of the Major Raffle, 'Lucky Dips', prizes galore and fun for all. Tickets \$45 per person, (including food, drink & music).

Details: Foundation Office, 9386 3948.

### PARLIAMENT OF THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS

The Parliament of the World's Religions, the world's largest interreligious event, 3-9 December, at Melbourne Convention Centre, held every five years, will bring together up to 8,000 people from around Australia and the world, including renowned spiritual, religious and political leaders.

Details: [www.parliamentofreligions.org](http://www.parliamentofreligions.org) or 1300 852 156.

## *ALL SAINTS HEROES OF THE CHURCH*

'We all need people to look up to; people whose lives embody ideals we hold important and strive to emulate. Every form of human community has heroes. In Australian society, football stars are an obvious example. The Australia Day Honours List awards the outstanding achievements of our citizens.

The Church community, too, is full of heroes and heroines. From the earliest days, it honoured the Apostles and the Christian martyrs who witnessed to their faith in Jesus even to the point of death. From generation to generation, the Church has continued to add to this list particular men and women, holding them up as examples of what it means to live a Christlike life, so that we can learn from them and imitate their qualities.'

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