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FIRST READING Acts 12:1-11

Now I know it is indeed true: the Lord has saved me from the power of Herod.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord set me free from all my fears.

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Benedetto il Signore che libera i suoi amici.

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4:6-8. 17-18

All that remains now is the crown of righteousness.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it! **Alleluia.**

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia!

Tu sei Pietro, e su questa pietra edificherò la mia Chiesa e le porte degli inferi non prevarranno contro di essa.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-19

You are Peter; and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$689.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$218.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$296.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 29/06/08

6.00pm (SAT) – B Nadenbousch & J Gauci
 9.00am (SUN) – R Fato & G Moltisanti
 10.30am (SUN) – R Giarusso & R Gravina

SPECIAL MINISTERS

S Dakin
 L Catena, L Cavedon & A DiRico
 J Frangiosa, J Tanti & D Lucato

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 06/07/08

6.00pm (SAT) – MALTESE MASS (Selected)
 9.00am (SUN) – C Agostinelli & G Barbaro
 10.30am (SUN) - T Fitzsimmons & J Vincitorio

SPECIAL MINISTERS

(MALTESE MASS (Selected)
 T Forte, G Moltisanti & R Mercuri
 S Dakin, S Rottura & U Strangis

CHURCH CLEANERS

05/07/08 L Catena, A Sirianni & F Agugiars

MONEY COUNTERS

30/06/08 D Herbert, L De Marco, & P Cherubin
 07/07/08 L Catena, A Sirianni & F Agugiars

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Itria BARRESI, Rosaria D'AMICO, Carmela LA ROSA (d. Rec. In France), Vittorio DEFAZIO

ANNIVERSARIES

Charlie BORG, Giovanni DECATA, Lazzaro DECATA, Mariangela PAOLA, Nicola GIANPIETRO, Vincezo RACHIELE, Orsola BONACCI, Pasquale & Carmela CIMINO, Vito & Roccamaria DELZOTTI Marija TOMAC & Slavica MANDIC

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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
 1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm
 Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

Saints Peter and Paul, Year A,

June 29, 2008



*Some like them,
 some don't*

The Redemptorist monastery and church in Perth is named after Saints Peter and Paul and in the sanctuary of the church there are murals depicting events in their lives. Over the years, these paintings have become well known, and like many works of art, some like them and some don't. This was also true of Peter and Paul in their lifetime. Some liked them, some didn't. The emperor Nero certainly did not like them and used the great fire of Rome as his excuse to have them, and many other believers, executed. How did it happen that these two men came under the influence of Jesus and were convinced to act as spreaders of his word? They were both Jewish. They come over as strong characters; one a fisherman, the other a tentmaker. Peter reminds me of a well know cardinal in the USA who was fondly known by his priests as "Ready! FIRE! Aim!" because of his tendency to act, then think. Peter was impetuous; he acted and thought about it later. The description of his call is very simple; he put aside his nets and followed Jesus. Paul was "ultra" Jewish. His problem was one of trying to understand how these upstart followers of Jesus could be so upsetting of public order and especially the religious element of that order. His solution was persecution, the result was his conversion. He too was a fiery character, proud of his ability to look after himself and protective of that independence. He could not work with every one and seems to have been a very determined character. He was so enthusiastic in his work that he often stirred strong debate. Sometimes believers heaved a sigh of relief when he moved on. Like Peter, his enthusiasm led him to his death in the Roman persecution. Peter and Paul were two very different men; they came to Jesus in very different ways. Peter knew Jesus during his ministry. He travelled with him, was affirmed by him, questioned him, denied him and bitterly repented of his infidelity. He obviously loved him. Paul never met Jesus during Jesus' earthly life. His is one of the classic conversions of scripture. He came to a completely new way of understanding himself and his God. I wonder what their contemporaries thought of these men. What was it really like in their time? Reading of their stories their exploits, we learn something of their humanity and how they influenced those around them, just as they were influenced by others and most of all by Jesus. There are people like Peter and Paul among us still. They are recognisable in their differences, in their enthusiasm, in their single-mindedness about the things they believe to be of God. Sometimes they might annoy us; sometimes they seem to be too strong in their opinions, and sometimes we might wish they would move on and leave us in peace. But, as well as this, they are just, they are good, they are the willing and the kind. Some like them, some don't! Maybe you and I are among them.

THANK YOU AND WELL DONE

Thanks to all parishioners and friends of St. Joseph the Worker for joining me in celebrating my 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. I give many thanks and congratulations to all those who helped in the organization at the church and Hall. Thank you all for the special gift which is displayed in the Narthex. Thank you for all your expression of best wishes and for your great support of prayers. Thank you and well done.

Fr Manny

MEMORIAL MASSES

Wednesday 2 July 7.00pm – Pasqualina Inzitari (1 mth)
8.00pm -Vittorio DeFazio (d. rec.)
Thursday 3 July 7.00pm – Teresa Tallarida (1 yr)
Friday 4 July 7.30pm – Maria Del Papa (1 yr)

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral Mass for Rosaria D’Amico will be celebrated on Monday 30 June at 10.30am. The Rosary will be recited on Sunday 29 June at 7.00pm at St Joseph the Worker Church.

FEAST

Thursday 3 July - St Thomas, apostle

LITURGY TEAM

The Liturgy Team will meet on Tuesday 1 July at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING ON THURSDAY 3 JULY.

ARCHBISHOP OF MALTA COMING TO MELBOURNE

On the occasion of the World Youth Day, the Archbishop of Malta, Monsignor Paul Cremona OP, is coming to Melbourne, to meet the Maltese Community. He will concelebrate a Solemn Mass at St Patrick’s Cathedral, East Melbourne, on Sunday 13 July at 3.00pm. This is a very special occasion and everyone is welcome, as he would like to meet as many Maltese as possible.

MALTESE MASS

A reminder that the Maltese Mass will be celebrated next Saturday 5 July at 6.00pm.

BAPTISM

Congratulations to Amber Camilleri daughter of Jason and Lenore who will be baptised this weekend. We welcome her into our parish community and assure the family of our prayerful best wishes on this happy occasion.

BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

The Baptism Preparation Meeting will be held on Monday 7 July in the Parish Meeting Room.



WORLD YOUTH DAY



DID08 COMMISSIONING MASS

Days in the Dioceses Melbourne is proud to announce the release of Tickets for the DID08 Commissioning Mass to be held at Telstra Dome on Friday 11 July.

To reserve your tickets for the Commissioning Mass please email ticketing@did08.com with your parish, school or group information or alternatively call the DID08 Ticketing Hotline on 9926 5619.

Make sure to get your order in immediately as Tickets are limited.

Please note that your order will not guarantee your requested amount of Tickets. You will be advised of your ticket allocation

The Mass commences at 6.30pm and Gates open at 4.00pm. All ticket holders are encouraged to arrive at 4.00pm to ensure they are seated for pre-Mass activities.

The Commissioning Mass will be the highlight of the Days in the Dioceses Program and a special celebration of our community, our city and the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

**We invite you to a special Farewell English/Italian
Combined Mass on Sunday 13 July at 10.00am**

DANCERS WANTED!

We are planning on having a Liturgical Dance at the Combined Farewell Mass on Sunday 13 July and are looking for interested dancers (of any age) to join others for this special occasion. If you would like to be part of this memorable occasion please contact Jeff Tanti on 9670 9661 or 0416 006 720.



If you require any further details about this event hosting please contact the Parish Event Co-ordinator Diane Chybowski on 9471 1060.

We REALLY need your help and support

FEAST DAY OF ST. PETER AND PAUL

The Feast Day of St Peter and Paul is a timely reminder of the pivotal roles each played in setting the foundations of the Church. Yet they represent two strikingly different approaches to discipleship. Peter had to learn slowly, make many mistakes along the way and be reliant on the mercy and encouragement of Jesus. In contrast, Paul came to the faith immediately and never backed away from his zeal to proclaim Christ to the world. As we remember two great apostles let us contemplate our own journey with Christ.