Processional Hymn CWB 520

Refrain: In faith and hope and love with joyful trust we move

t'wards our Father's home above.

Christ, our star, our map, our road

to the Father's high abode. Refrain

Christ, our bread along the way;

Christ, our rescue when we stray. Refrain

Christ, our shelter. Christ our friend.

our beginning and our end. Refrain

Christ, our hope and our reward;

our redeemer and our Lord. Refrain

Liturgy of the Word

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 Hebrews 12:1-4 Luke 12:49-53

Psalm Response

Lord, come to my aid!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice,

says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Some of the first converts to Christianity were shocked to find that their lives as Christians still contained many difficulties. In some cases, becoming a Christian added to their troubles as they met opposition from non-Christian family members. We too face difficulties of one kind or another. Participating in the Eucharist does not eliminate our problems, but gives us the strength and courage we need not to give up in the face of them.

Preparation of the Gifts CWB 397

Refrain: Jesus, in your heart we find love of the Father and mankind: these two loves to us impart divine love in a human heart.

May we stand within the fire of vour sacred heart and raise to our God in joyful choir all creation's song of praise. Refrain

In our hearts from roots of pride deadly growths of evil flower; but from Jesus' wounded side streams the sacramental power.

Refrain

To the depths within your heart draw us with divine desire, hide us, heal us, and impart your own love's transforming fire. Refrain

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Holy Communion CWB 512

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast". I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, and worn and sad; I found in him a resting place. and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;" look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done.

Recessional Hymn CWB 408



Hail, Queen of Heav'n, the ocean star, guide of the wand'rer here below, thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care: save us from peril and from woe. Mother of Christ, Star of the sea, pray for the wand'rer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless maid, we sinners make our prayers through thee; remind thy Son, that he has paid the price of our iniquity. Virgin most pure, Star of the sea, Pray for the sinner, pray for me.

And while to Him who reigns above, in Godhead One, in Persons Three, the source of life, of grace of love, homage we pay on bended knee. Do thou, bright Queen, Star of the sea, pray for thy children, pray for me.

Next weekend 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time C

Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Luke 13:22-30



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Please hand sanitise at entry & Holy Communion **Face masks** recommended indoors

WEEKDAY MASS

Assumption of Our Lady Monday 15 August

St Stephen's Holy Rosary 9am Mass 9.30am

St Gabriel's **Holy Rosary 7pm** Mass 7.30pm

Tuesday 9am St Gabriel's

FEAST OF ST STEPHEN OF HUNGARY Wednesday 17 August

9am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass St Stephen's

> Thursday 9am St Gabriel's Friday 9am St Gabriel's

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday St Stephen's 5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass Sunday St Gabriel's 9am Reconciliation 10am Mass

Thanksgiving and Clergy support offering by direct debit

St Gabriel's Church BSB: 083-347 account: 639372585

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Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

THE CATHOLIC LANDSCAPE

Introduction to the Catechism of the Catholic Church Presented by Anna Krohn ANIMA Education St Gabriel's Parish Centre (rear St Gabriel's Church) Reservoir Thursdays 7pm August 18, 25

Ideal introduction to the Catechism and the Catholic Faith for RCIA inquirers, team leaders and members, parents, teenagers and young adults, adult formation.



ANNIVERSARIES OF ORDINATION

Many priests celebrate their anniversary of ordination to the priesthood at this time. Fr Hoctor was ordained on 16 August 1980 and Fr Pritchard on 17 August 1985.

The sacrament of Holy Orders and Marriage have something in common: They are directed to the good of others. No one is ordained just for himself, and no one enters the married state merely for his own sake. The sacrament of Holy Orders and the sacrament of Matrimony are supposed to build up the People of God: in other words, they are a channel through which God pours out love into the world. YOUCAT.248

CATHOLICCARE VICTORIA **SUNDAY APPEAL**

CatholicCare Victoria provides counselling and mental health programs, affordable housing, specialised supports for children and teenagers, pastoral care. support for separating families, refugee and asylum seeker help, employment help, crisis help, homeless and advocacy support, and courses helping to strengthen relationships and wellbeing.

We thank St Gabriel's and St Stephen's for your support and efforts to promote the work of CatholicCare Victoria. Together we can strengthen individuals, families and communities, and help everyone to live life to the full.

> The parish office is open Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am to 12.30pm Friday 9am to 3pm



SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

 Our Parish conference meets on the 3rd Monday of the month 7.30pm Emmaus Room St Gabriel's Parish Centre.

New members are always welcome. Emergency Assistance 1800 305 330

- Donation boxes are below statue of St Joseph in St Gabriel's Church, and near baptismal font in St Stephen's Church.
- Vinnies Reservoir 10 Edwardes St Reservoir 1300 736 933 vinnies.org.au/getinvolved volunteer@svdp-vic.org.au

Vinnies Reservoir welcomes Uni students for placement, year 10+ for work experience, and Duke of Edinburgh award applicants. Volunteers needed 7 days 9am to 12pm

LEGION OF MARY

- Our Parish praesidium (group), dedicated to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, meets every Monday 1.30pm Bethany Room St Gabriel's Parish Centre. New members are always welcome.
- Our Parish Legion of Mary invites families to welcome the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima for a week of family prayer.
- Enquiries Maureen O'Dwyer 9460 8520

ST GABRIEL'S PIETY STALL

St Paul's Holy Week Missal \$10
St Paul's Sunday Missal \$35
St Paul's Weekday Missal \$60
New Order of Mass \$7
My Simple Mass book \$8 (children)
My Little Missal \$8 (children)
Baptism Candles & Stoles \$15

LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP

St Raphael's Parish 17 Hardy St, Preston West Wednesdays 1.30pm Contact: Nikki Daniel 9470 5840

20th Sunday in Ordinary time

"I have come to set the earth on fire." Pope Benedict XVI wrote that the fire is Christ's own Passion of love, "a fire that is to be handed on. Whoever comes close to him must be prepared to be burned. This is a fire that makes things bright and pure and free and grand. Being a Christian, then, is daring to entrust oneself to this burning fire." The fire is set ablaze when we speak the truth, like the Prophet Jeremiah, who is punished for it. Christ comes to divide us from whatever keeps us from him, to rid us of every burden and sin that clings to us. We keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, waiting for him, trusting that he will put a new song of praise into our mouth.



Assumption of Our Lady

The Blessed Virgin Mary's bodily Assumption into heaven makes clear to us that there is room for our humanity in heaven. Mary's Assumption assures us that what Jesus accomplished in rising from the dead and ascending into heaven was not limited to his own Person. Even though we are not divine, we too are meant to be in heaven with the Incarnate Son, in his home with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Thus, the Blessed Mother's birth into heaven generates in us "an ever new capacity to await God's future" (St John Paul II). Just as grace does not destroy but perfects our nature, so the glory of heaven will include our whole humanity, body and soul. "That transformation of our material bodies to which we look forward one day has been accomplished-we know it now for certain-in her" (Msgr. Ronald Knox).



St Stephen of Hungary

Stephen was born in 975, and at the age of twenty-five he was crowned the first king of Hungary. He strove to Christianise the Hungarian tribes by founding monasteries, building churches, and abolishing pagan laws. To his kingly accomplishments Stephen added the witness of a saintly family life. He, his wife Gisela, and his son Emeric are all venerated in Hungary. It is said that Stephen wrote the Admonitions, letters of advice for Emeric: "Be humble in this life, that God may raise you up in the next. Be gentle so that you may never oppose justice. Be honourable so that you may never voluntarily bring disgrace upon anyone." Stephen died in 1038.

'GRANDCARE' IS JUST ANOTHER WORD FOR LOVE

Looking after the grandkids is an overwhelmingly positive experience for the nation's grandparents, who are motivated at least as much to build their own relationship with the little ones as they are to help their own children out, new research shows.

The study reveals Australia's grandparents play a significant role in the care of grandkids, and the vast majority do so for the purest of reasons-love.

Quibbles about the care they give affecting their ability to work the hours they want, the tiring nature of looking after young children or the weight of family expectations to help out pale against the enjoyment they draw from the experience and the connectedness they feel with their family, the study shows.

The Australian Institute of Family Studies report finds six in 10 grandparents provide at least some childcare if they have a grandchild under the age of 10.

Just over one in four grandparents with a grandchild under 13 are helping out at least once a week, the survey of more than 2300 grandparents taken in the middle of last year reveals, with around 60 per cent caring on a more casual basis.

One in five grandparents provide 20 or more hours of childcare per week, the report, titled Grandparents and Child Care in Australia, finds.

They help out for myriad reasons, the report finds, the most common being to support their children to continue to work or study, and because formal child care is so expensive. Another rea son is to give the parents a break. But the care itself is a positive experience for grandparents, the survey shows, with 97 per cent reporting they enjoy providing the care, and 86 per cent saying that caring for their grandchildren gives their lives added meaning.

Even among the grandparents who say the care they give is tiring, most also said they enjoyed doing it and the family connections it deepened.

And there was strong disagreement that they were resentful about being asked or expected to do it. "There was just this over whelming positivity coming through in the survey about the time these grandparents spend with their grandchildren," AIFS researcher and report author Jennifer Baxter said.

"Some were even a bit cross about it being called child-care," Dr Baxter said. "They said it was just love and time and connection with their children's children."

Melbourne grandmother Bev Zachariah, 71, and her husband Paul, 70, straddle between two lots of grandchildren, including Olivia, 5, and Elfriede, 2, as they look to support their own kids.

"We really do get so much joy from them, they make us laugh and are such good fun," Ms Zachariah said.

"You think back to your own kids and realise how fast they grow up, so second time around you know how important it is to be there for as much time as you can."

Social Services Minister Amanda Rishworth said grandparents "are an important support to families and by many have told me that caring for children can often improve their physical and mental health". "Quality affordable early childhood education is an import ant part of (increasing female workforce participation), but this report shows grandparents are also helping with care responsibilities too," Ms Rishworth said.

The report found many grandparents would like to help out more, but distance proved the biggest barrier. Another issue preventing grandparents from providing the amount of care they would like to was a breakdown in family relationships. Stephen Lunn The Australian 21/7/22



CATHOLICCARE SUNDAY APPEAL

CatholicCare Victoria is the social service agency of the four Catholic dioceses in Victoria, supporting families and individuals in our local community. CatholicCare Victoria's mission is to empower communities, build strength and resilience, and enable everyone to reach their full potential and live life to the full. A mission they invite you to help make possible.

Our world is broken and hurting. But Jesus promises life... and life to the full. Your kindness and compassion today will help struggling Victorians to trade brokenness for a happy and fulfilling life.

Your compassionate generosity will help those facing job loss and homelessness, those experiencing mental health issues, families struggling with relationship problems, people in hospitals and prisons, newly arrived refugees, and those experiencing anxiety, grief and trauma.

Please continue to share in Christ's mission by donating to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal today.

You can donate by filling out the envelopes, or by making an online donation via CatholicCare Victoria website at www.eatholiccarevic.org.au or by calling CatholicCare Victoria East Melbourne office. 97875517

Thank you for your faithful and Christ-like compassion toward those who are struggling in our communities. Thank you for helping them to trade brokenness for life to the full.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

Anniversary of death

Robert Řavida Emilio & Maria Nero Michael Power

In death, Christ comes to meet us and lead us into eternal life. "Not death, but God will take me"

(St Therese of Lisieux +1897)