

## Processional Hymn AOV 76

*Refrain:* All the ends of the earth,  
all you creatures of the sea,  
lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord.  
For the Lord of the earth,  
the master of the sea,  
has come with justice for the world.

Break into song at the deeds of the Lord,  
the wonders he has done in ev'ry age. *Refrain*

Heaven and earth shall rejoice in his might;  
ev'ry heart ev'ry nation call him Lord. *Refrain*

The Lord has made his salvation known,  
faithful to his promises of old.  
Let the ends of the earth,  
let the sea and all it holds  
make music before our King! *Refrain*

## Liturgy of the Word

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7  
Romans 5:12-19  
Matthew 4:1-11

## Psalm Response

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

## Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!  
No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word  
that comes from the mouth of God.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!

*The temptations of Jesus in the desert recapitulate the temptation of Adam in Paradise and the temptations of Israel in the desert. Satan tempts Jesus in regard to his obedience to the mission given him by the Father. Christ, the new Adam, resists and his victory proclaims that of his passion which is the supreme obedience of his filial love. The Church unites herself to this mystery in a special way in the liturgical season of Lent.*

Compendium 106

## Preparation of the Gifts AOV 81

*Refrain:* We remember how you loved us to your death,  
and still we celebrate, for you are with us here;  
And we believe that we will see you when you  
come, in your glory, Lord, we remember,  
we celebrate, we believe.

Here, a million wounded souls are yearning  
just to touch you and be healed;  
Gather all your people, and hold them to your heart;  
*Refrain*

Now we recreate your love,  
we bring the bread and wine to share a meal;  
Sign of grace and mercy, the presence of the Lord;  
*Refrain*

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## Holy Communion AOV 49

I am the bread of life.  
You who come to me shall not hunger;  
you who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me  
unless the Father beckons.

*Refrain:* And I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and you who eat of this bread,  
you shall live for ever,  
You shall live for ever. *Refrain*

Unless you eat  
of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood,  
and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you. *Refrain*

I am the resurrection I am the life.  
You who believe in me, even if you die,  
You shall live for ever. *Refrain*

Yes, Lord, I believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God, Who has come  
into the world. *Refrain*

## AOV 64

*Refrain:* We have been told,  
we've seen his face  
and heard his voice alive in our hearts;  
"Live in my love with all your heart,  
as the Father has loved me, so I have loved you."

I am the vine, you are the branches,  
and all who live in me will bear great fruit. *Refrain*

You are my friends, if you keep my commands,  
no longer slaves, I call you friends. *Refrain*

No greater love is there than this:  
to lay down one's life for a friend. *Refrain*

## Recessional Hymn AOV 153

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in his shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

*Refrain:* And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:  
under his wings your refuge,  
his faithfulness your shield. *Refrain*

You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;  
though thousands fall about you,  
near you it shall not come. *Refrain*

For to his angels he's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone. *Refrain*



## Parish of St Gabriel & St Stephen of Hungary Reservoir—Reservoir East

**Parish Priest: Fr Gregory Pritchard**  
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Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am—12:30pm Friday 9am—3pm  
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**St. Gabriel's Church**  
1 Viola St Reservoir 3073



**St Stephen's Church**  
71 Whitelaw St Reservoir East 3073

## 1st Sunday of Lent Year A 26.02.2023

**MASS & RECONCILIATION**  
*Lent is a penitential season  
of prayer, self-denial and helping others.  
In this way, the whole Church  
prepares for Easter  
with those who are to be baptised.*

Tuesday *St Gabriel's*  
9am Mass

11.00am Funeral Mass  
Antonio Follacchio RIP

Wednesday *St Stephen's*  
9am Morning Prayer  
& Eucharistic Adoration  
9.30am Mass

Thursday 9am *St Gabriel's*

Friday *St Gabriel's*  
8.30 Way of the Cross  
9am 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 to  
St Gabriel & St Stephen Parish**

St Gabriel & St Stephen Church  
BSB: 083-347  
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***Our Parish is committed  
to the safety, wellbeing and dignity  
of all children and vulnerable adults***

## LENT 2023

Our **Parish Lent Program**  
is included with today's newsletter.  
**Project Compassion** boxes and envelopes  
are available at Church entries today.

**Way of the Cross / Via Crucis**  
Friday's 8.30am *St Gabriel's Church*.

## PARISH RCIA

**Thursdays 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre**

Our 4 catechumens, sponsors and group attend the Rite of Election St Patrick's Cathedral TODAY Sunday 26 February 3pm. *The second step in Christian initiation is the liturgical rite called both election and the enrolment of names, which closes the period of the catechumenate. The celebration of the rite of election also marks the beginning of the period of final, more intense preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation, during which the elect are encouraged to follow Christ with greater generosity. This step is called election because the acceptance made by the Church is founded on the election by God, in whose name the Church acts. The step is also called the enrolment of names because as a pledge of fidelity the names of the candidates are inscribed in the Book of the Elect.*

## MENS DINNER WITH ROBERT FALZON

**Tuesday 7 March 7pm Reservoir RSL**

Parish men are invited to dinner with menAlive founder Robert Falzon. menAlive is a national movement of Catholic men, promoting Catholic manhood, fatherhood, spirituality and parish life.

Register: Tim 0412 799 845 timrebbechi@gmail.com

## WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

**Parish preparation next Sunday 5 March  
11.30am—1pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre.  
Lunch included.**

Anna Krohn ANIMA Education will present 2 Portuguese Blesseds and Patrons of World Youth Day:  
Maria Clara del Nino Jesus and Chiara Badano  
*Contribution \$10 (working) \$5 (non-working, students).*

## TURKEY & SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

- Catholic Mission 1800 257 296
- Melkite Catholic Eparchy  
MCF DGR Account  
Ref: Syrian Appeal  
BSB 062784 Account: 100011493
- Aid to the Church in Need  
aidtochurch.org/syrianeearthquake

## SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

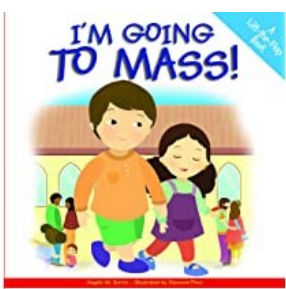
- Our Parish conference meets on the 3rd Monday of the month 7.30pm Emmaus Room St Gabriel's Parish Centre.  
*New members are always welcome.*  
Emergency Assistance 1800 305 330
- Donation boxes are below statue of St Joseph in St Gabriel's Church, and near baptismal font in St Stephen's Church.
- **Vinnies Reservoir 10 Edwardes St Reservoir**  
1300 736 933 vinnies.org.au/getinvolved  
volunteer@svdp-vic.org.au

## 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 Sunday Missal \$35  
St Paul's Weekday Missal \$90  
Statue of St Gabriel's \$17  
St Gabriel's Charm \$6



Here is a book that will help young children join in the celebration of Mass! At home or at Mass, *I'm Going to Mass* will engage toddlers and preschoolers with its colourful illustrations and simple language. For ages 2 to 5. \$15

## LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP

St Raphael's Parish  
17 Hardy St, Preston West  
Wednesdays 1.30pm  
Contact: Marijana Jurjevic 0422 340 675

We know what the first sin was: Adam and Eve disobeyed God by eating the forbidden fruit. But do you know what the first temptation was? "You will be like gods" (Gen 3:5).

This is the temptation that has always plagued humanity. Like gods, we want to be in control. We want to decide what's right and wrong. We want the power, honour, and glory that belong only to the Lord.

This is the same temptation that Jesus conquered in his battle with Satan in the desert. In today's Gospel, the devil tries to tempt Jesus to rebel against his Father's plan. He taunts Jesus, saying, "If you are the Son of God..." (Mt 4:3, 6). In other words, *If you are really who you claim to be, don't wait for your Father's permission. Go ahead and act like God!*

But Jesus "did not regard equality with God something to be grasped" (Phil 2:6). Though he was God incarnate, he submitted to his Father's will each and every day. Finally, he undid that first sin of Adam when he offered himself on the cross to save us (Rom 5:12, 15).

This Lent, ask the Spirit to help you recognize where you are being tempted to rebel against God. It may be something subtle, like persisting in a bad habit. Or it may be something more obvious, like resisting God's will in a difficult situation.

Don't get discouraged if you see signs of rebellion. Instead, let the words of St. Paul in today's second reading encourage you: through Jesus' death and resurrection, we have all received an "abundance of grace" (Rom 5:17). That grace can help you overcome any temptation - including the temptation to be your own god! This Lent, just keep asking for God's grace, and trust that it will never run out.

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*Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation:  
you make us hunger and thirst for holiness.*

*Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation:  
you call us to true fasting:  
to set free the oppressed,  
to share our bread with the hungry,  
to shelter the homeless and to clothe the naked.*

*Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation:  
you manifest yourself when we are silent.*

*Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation:  
for all the earth is yours.*

## May our dead be cleansed of all their sins

Antonio Follacchio, recently deceased  
Maria Meco, anniversary of death



Next weekend  
2nd Sunday of Lent  
Year A

Genesis 12:1-4  
2 Timothy 1:8-10  
Matthew 17:1-9

# LENT 2023

## WEDNESDAYS OF LENT

Morning Prayer & Eucharistic Adoration  
9am St Stephen's

## FRIDAYS OF LENT

Way of the Cross / Via Crucis  
8.30am St Gabriel's

## 4th SUNDAY OF LENT 19 March

Fresh Roast Mobile Cafe  
after 10am Mass St Gabriel's

## PARISH RCIA

### Rite of Election

Sunday 26 February 3pm  
St Patrick's Cathedral

## The Scrutinies

Sundays 12, 19, 26 March  
10am Mass St Gabriel's

## WYD PREPARATION

Sundays March 5, April 2  
11.30am St Gabriel's Parish Centre

## MENS DINNER

### WITH ROBERT FALZON

Tuesday 7 March 7pm  
Reservoir RSL

Register: Tim 0412 799 845  
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## SOLEMNITIES

Friday 17 March St Patrick  
Monday 20 March St Joseph  
Saturday 25 March Annunciation of the Lord



# HOLY WEEK

## Palm Sunday Weekend 1-2 April

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass St Stephen's  
Sunday 10am Mass St Gabriel's  
*includes blessing of palms and procession*

## Holy Thursday 6 April

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
9.45pm Night Prayer  
St Gabriel's

## Good Friday 7 April

10am Way of the Cross St Stephen's  
3pm The Lord's Passion St Gabriel's

## Holy Saturday 8 April

8pm The Vigil of Easter  
St Gabriel's

## Easter Sunday 9 April

10am Mass St Gabriel's

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

## St Stephen's

Saturdays 5pm  
Wednesday 29 March 10am  
Wednesday 5 April 10am

## St Gabriel's

Sundays 9am  
Tuesday 28 March 9.30am, 7pm  
Thursday 30 March 9.30am  
Friday 31 March 9.30am 7pm  
Tuesday 4 April 9.30am, 7pm  
Wednesday 5 April 9.30am, 7pm  
Thursday 6 April 9.30am

# EASTER SEASON BLESSING OF HOMES

Register: Parish Office  
Telephone 9460 6036  
Email: reservoir@cam.org.au