Processional Hymn CWB 449

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone. Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood; "Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! bread of angels, and on earth our food, our stay. Alleluia! here the sinful come to you from day to day. Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal! you the Lord of lords we own; Alleluia! born of Mary, earth your footstool, heav'n your throne. You within the veil have entered robed in flesh, our great high priest; you on earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic feast.

Liturgy of the Word

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 1 Peter 3:15-18 John 14: 15-21

Psalm Response Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

The early Christian community could not remain as an enclosed, self-contained group in Jerusalem. Its members felt impelled by Christ to bring the Good News to Samaria and then to the ends of the earth. Christians in every age are called to be fully involved in the life and joys and pains of the world. At times this can be difficult but the Spirit of God is always with us to help us.

Next weekend Ascension of The Lord Year A

Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 Matthew 28:16-20

May our dead be raised to the life of the risen Lord

Recently deceased Infant Drummond McDowell Lucia Colombo

Anniversary of death Elio Bragato Edovare Chiofalo Patrick Mullan

Preparation of the Gifts CWB 386

Holy Spirit, come, confirm us In the truth that Christ makes known; we have faith and understanding through your helping gifts alone.

Holy Spirit, come, console us, come as Advocate to plead, loving Spirit from the Father, grant in Christ the help we need.

Holy Spirit, come, renew us, come yourself to make us live: holy through your loving presence, holy through the gifts you give.

Holy Spirit, come, possess us, you the Love of Three in One, Holy Spirit of the Father, Holy Spirit of the Son.

Holy Communion CWB 626

This is my will, my one command, that love should dwell among you all. This is my will, that you should love as I have shown that I love you.

There is no greater love than this: to give your life to save your friends. you are my friends if you obey what I command that you should do.

I call you now no longer slaves; no slave knows all the master does. I call you friends, for all I hear my Father say, you hear from me.

You chose not me, but I chose you, that you should go and bear much fruit. I chose you out that you in me should bear much fruit that will abide.

All that you ask my Father dear for my name's sake you shall receive. This is my will, my one command. that love should dwell in each, in all.

Recessional Hymn

Mary, you now reign on high, far beyond the earth and sky; queen endowed with royal grace, highest honour of our race. Alleluia!

In the upper room at prayer, you kept vigil, waiting there for the Spirit's living fire, to encourage and inspire. Alleluia!

Now enthroned with Christ your Son, Resurrection victory won; Queen of heaven, Star of Sea, Mary, Mother - hear our plea. Alleluia!

May your Son, the world's true Light, grant us grace to win the fight, so with all the saints above, praise the Father's endless love. Alleluia!

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Parish of St Gabriel & St Stephen of Hungary **Reservoir - Reservoir East**

Parish Priest: Fr Gregory Pritchard Parish Office: 1 Viola Street Reservoir 3073 Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am—12:30pm Friday 9am—3pm Phone: 9460 6036 Email: reservoir@cam.org.au www.stgabrielsreservoir.org

St. Gabriel's Church 1 Viola St Reservoir 3073



6th Sunday of Easter A 14.05.2023

MASS & RECONCILIATION

Tuesday St Gabriel's 9am Mass 11.30am Funeral Mass Lucia Colombo RIP

> Wednesday St Stephen's 9am Holy Rosary 9.30am Mass

Thursday 9am St Gabriel's

Friday 9am St Gabriel's

Saturday St Stephen's 5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass

Sunday St Gabriel's 9am Reconciliation 10am Mass

Thanksgiving, Clergy support & Easter offering by direct debit

The Easter offering provides extra support for our Bishops and Priests. Thank you!

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



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



St Stephen's Church 71 Whitelaw St Reservoir East 3073

The month of May is the month of Our Lady

• Wednesdays of May Holy Rosary 9am St Stephen's

• We welcome the Pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima, provided by the Legion of Mary. We consecrate our Parish and families to Our Lady, and each of us will receive a Fatima medal. An envelope for Mass offerings is attached to today's bulletin. This can be placed in the weekend collection.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT

Mass attendance is counted each weekend of May. This count helps the Archdiocese to chart the Church's life as more people come back to regular worship after COVID 19. The count also assists provision of diocesan services, pastoral planning, Take the Way of the Gos*pel*, etc

MYSTAGOGIA

Thursdays 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre Presented by Anna Krohn ANIMA Education

> 18 May Isaiah & Jeremiah 25 May The Divine Office

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

The Sisters hope to visit Reservoir—Reservoir East and Preston West mid—year, after their General Chapter in July. An image of their foundress, Mother Rosaria Arroyo de la Visitacion (1884-1957) has been placed on our Lady's Altar (St Gabriel's).

CARDINAL PELL LUNCHEON & LECTURE

Presented by Aid to the Church in Need Sunday 21 May Park Hvatt Hotel Melbourne Promo code: GP2023 for \$100 discount trybooking.com/CFYTF

COVID-19

The World Health Organisation has declared that the global health emergency is over. Hand disinfectant has been removed from our churches. Face masks are not required. Sincere thanks to everyone for observing health directions and government mandates since the public health emergency was declared by WHO January 30 2020.

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 I'm Going to Mass For ages 2 to 5 \$15 Statue of St Gabriel's \$17 St Gabriel's Charm \$6

LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP

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

UNDERSTANDING DIVINE MERCY

St Francis of Assisi 290 Childs Rd Mill Park 7pm Holy Mass 8pm Presentation Fr Chris Alar MIC Enguiries: Carlo 0419 351 472

MENS FIRST SATURDAY **ROSARY OF REPARATION**

Knights of the Precious Blood, an organisation of Croatian Catholic men, holds a Mens Rosary of Reparation on the first Saturday of the month St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne. All Catholic men are encouraged to come and give witness and to pray in reparation.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MCKILLOP

Australian pilgrimage 17-28 October 2023 www.marymackillopplace.org.au

ST GABRIEL'S THEATRE GROUP

This year's production the musical Fiddler on the Roof Enquiries: Judy O'Meara 0488 580 145 judeome@hotmail.com

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love only what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, O Holy Spírít, that I may always be holy.

The Holy Spirit makes me receptive to God; he teaches me to pray and helps me to be there for others.

St Augustine calls the Holy Spirit "The quiet guest of our soul". Anyone who wants to sense his presence must be quiet. Often this Guest speaks very softly within us and with us, for instance, in the voice of our conscience or through other interior and exterior promptings. Being a "temple of the Holy Spirit" means being there, body and soul, for this Guest, for God in us. Our body is therefore God's living room, so to speak.

The more receptive we are to the Holy Spirit in us, the more he becomes the master of our life, the sooner he will bestow on us even today his charisms for the upbuilding of the Church. And so, instead of the works of the flesh, the fruits of the spirit grow in us: Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. YOUCAT 120

Philip was having great success in Samaria. As the result of his preaching and ministry, many Samaritans came to believe in the Lord. Not only that, but unclean spirits were being routed and people were being healed of all kinds of afflictions. Crowds of people were being baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection and were experiencing the joy of their redemption.

So why did the apostles in Jerusalem even bother to send Peter and John to Samaria? What more could the people possibly need?

The Holy Spirit, that's what! Just as he had made all the difference for the apostles on the day of Pentecost, so did he make all the difference for the people of Samaria-and for us.

What is that difference? Here are some examples.

It is clearly amazing to witness a miraculous healing as the Samaritans did - or even to receive one yourself as some of the Samaritans did. But when the Spirit comes to dwell in you, he can bring healing to your wounded memories and free you from lifelong patterns of sin and guilt and shame.

It's a good thing to be able to memorize prayers or passages from Scripture. But it's even more wonderful to have the Spirit alive in you, breathing new life and joy into your heart through these prayers and passages and giving you new insights into his love.

It's one thing to muster what strength you have to fight sin, but it's another thing altogether to experience the indwelling Spirit giving you his own grace to say no to temptation and keeping your faith alive in times of difficulty.

The truth is, we need the Holy Spirit to renew our minds, to fill our hearts, and to keep us connected to Jesus.

THE STORY OF FATIMA

On 13 May 1917, three children were pasturing their little flock in the Cova da Iria, Fatima, Portugal. They were called Lucia de Jesus, (10), and her cousins Francisco (9) and Jacinta Marto. (7)

About midday, after praying the Rosary, they were amusing themselves building a little house of stones scattered around the place where the Basilica now stands. Suddenly they saw a brilliant light, and thinking it to be lightning, they decided to go home. But as they went down the slope another flash lit up the place, and they saw on the top of a Holm oak, "a Lady more brilliant than the sun", from whose hands hung a white rosary.

The Lady told the three little shepherds that it was necessary to pray much, and she invited them to return to Our Lady of Fatima is with us! We wel Celebrant: the Cova da Iria during five consecutive months, on the come her, confident of her intercession 13th day. with her Son, Jesus Christ.

At the last apparition, on 13 October, with about 70,000 people present, the Lady said to them that she was the Queen of Peace. "Lady of the Rosary" and that a chapel was to be built there in her honour. After the apparition all present wit- All sing: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! nessed the miracle promised to the three children in July Celebrant: We welcome you. Queen of the Holy and September: the sun, resembling a silver disc, could Rosary and Mother of the Church be gazed at without difficulty and, whirling on itself like a wheel of fire, it seemed about to fall upon the earth.

Years later, Sr Lucia related that, between April and Oc-Celebrant: We welcome you, Queen of the Family tober 1916, an Angel had appeared to the three children, and Refuge of Sinners. twice in the Cabeco and once at the well in the garden behind Lucia's house, who exhorted them to prayer and All sing: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! penance.

Since 1917 pilgrims have not ceased to come to the Cova da Iria in thousands upon thousands from all parts of the world.

LUCIA OF JESUS was born on 22 March 1907, in Blessed be your name, O Lord, Aljustrel, in the parish of Fatima. On 3 October 1928 she you are the fount and source of every blessing. made religious profession of temporary vows, and on 3 You look with delight October 1934, perpetual vows with the Sisters of St Dorupon the devout practices of the faithful. othy, with the name Maria Lucia of Dolours. Draw near, we pray, to these your servants On 25 March 1948 she was transferred to Coimbra, enand, as they wear these medals of Our Lady of Fatima, tering the Carmel of St Teresa, and taking the name Sr grant that they may also be transformed Maria Lucia of the Immaculate Heart. On 31 May 1949, into the likeness of Christ your Son she made profession of solemn vows. Sr Lucia visited who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever.

Fatima several times; 1946, 1967, 1981, 1982, 1991 and 2000. She died on 13 February 2005. Her cause for canonisation is underway.

FRANCISCO MARTO was born on 11 June 1908, in Aljustrel. He died a saintly death on 4 April 1919, in his Virgin Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, to your Imparents' house. Very sensitive and contemplative, he maculate Heart we consecrate ourselves, in an act of directed all his prayer and penance towards "consoling" total entrustment to the Lord. Our Lord".

JACINTA MARTO was born in Aljustrel on 11 March By Him and with Him we will be led to the Father. 1910. Her holy death took place on 20 February 1920 in We will walk in the light of faith, and we will do everything the Hospital of D.Estefania, Lisbon, after a long and so that the world may believe that Jesus Christ is the painful illness, offering all her sufferings for the conver-One sent by the Father. sion of sinners, for peace in the world and for the Holy All: With Him we wish to carry His Love and Father.

Francisco and Jacinta were proclaimed Blessed by Pope John Paul II in Fatima on 13 May 2000 and were canonised by Pope Francis 13 May 2017.



PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

WELCOME

Mass commences in the usual way with the Processional Hymn, Sign of the Cross and greeting

We welcome you, Mother of God and

All sing: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

The Gloria is sung, while the Celebrant incenses the statue of Our Lady of Fatima

BLESSING OF FATIMA MEDALS

All: Amen.

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO OUR LADY

All: By you we will be led to Christ.

Salvation to the ends of the earth.

Under the protection of your Immaculate Heart, we will be one people with Christ. We will be witnesses of His Resurrection. By Him we will be led to the Father, for the glory of the Most Holy Trinity, whom we adore, praise and bless forever.

All: Amen