

Processional Hymn

Chorus: Sing O people, sing our God together,
raise your voices, sing alleluia!

Sing with one another,
sing the love that gave us breath!
Sing, each sister, brother,
sing the God beyond all death! *Sing O people ...*

Serve all those who suffer,
serve the love that gave us breath!
Serve that love might conquer,
serve the God beyond all death! *Serve O people ...*

Teach the way of Jesus,
teach the love that gave us breath!
Teach the way that frees us,
teach the God beyond all death! *Teach O people ...*

Live no more uncaring,
live the love that gave us breath!
Live your love unsparing,
live the God beyond all death! *Live O people ...*

Liturgy of the Word



The kingdom of God is already present in our world. It is here that we practise the kingdom values of justice, honesty, love and compassion. It is here that we show our faith in action, work for love and persevere in hope. When we contribute to the well-being of civil society we are promoting the kingdom of God.

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
1 Thessalonians 1:1-5
Matthew 22:15-21

Psalm Response

Give the Lord glory and honour.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

Preparation of the Gifts

God gives us his gracious friendship,
love is in the gift;
love that lasts for evermore,
love that we cannot ignore,
joy is found in love.

May we love as he has loved us.
Joy is found in love.
Then our hearts will beat as one,
joined in love to God's own Son,
joy is found in love.

Take our lives and all our longings,
love is in the gift;
may our lives to others show,
the love that we have come to know,
joy is found in love.

Holy Communion 1

Take and eat, come have your fill now.
Take this bread, come as you will.
For the life of the world, be, be not afraid.

Take this cup, take and be filled now.
Take and drink, come as you are.
For the life of the world, be, be not afraid.

Take my song, come be refreshed now.
Take and live, take and be free.
For the life of the world, be, be not afraid.

Holy Communion 2

Chorus: I thank my God each time I think of you,
and when I pray for you, I pray with joy.

There is one thing I am sure of,
he who began his work in you,
will see that it is truly finished,
when the day of Jesus comes. *Chorus*

That I should feel like this towards you,
seems only natural to me,
for you have shared with me my labours,
the Gospel privilege with me. *Chorus*

Since you have borne with me my burdens,
I now bear you within my heart,
and God alone knows how I miss you,
I love you just as Christ loves me. *Chorus*

I pray your knowledge will be deepened,
your love be mutual and strong,
then you will reach the perfect goodness,
then to the Lord you will belong. *Chorus*

Recessional Hymn

Chorus: Into your hands, we commend our spirit O Lord,
into your hands, we commend our hearts;
for we must die to ourselves in loving you,
into your hands, we commend our love.

Our fathers trusted, and you delivered them,
to you they cried, and they escaped;
in you they trusted when darkness came their way,
and in your goodness you made them free. *Chorus*

I will proclaim your name to all my friends,
God of our fathers, and our God too;
your praise shall sound from every voice O Lord,
soon every heart will welcome you. *Chorus*

Partnered Parishes

**St Gabriel & St Stephen of Hungary Reservoir—Reservoir East
and St Raphael Preston West**

Clergy: Fr G Pritchard, Fr S Grainger, Fr A Fragapane

Parish Office: 1 Viola Street Reservoir 3073
Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am—12:30pm Friday 9am—3pm

Phone: 9460 6036
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www.stgabrielsreservoir.org

St Gabriel's Church
1 Viola St Reservoir 3073

St Stephen's Church
71 Whitelaw St Reservoir East 3073

St Raphael's Church
17 Hardy St Preston West 3072

**29th Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Yr A 22.10.2023**

**October is the month
of the Holy Rosary**

MASS & RECONCILIATION

Tuesday *St Gabriel's* 9am Mass

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

Thursday & Friday
9am Mass *St Gabriel's*

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

Sunday *St Gabriel's*
9am Reconciliation 10am Mass

St Raphael's Preston West
Weekend Masses
Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 9am *Italian* 10.30am Masses

Weekday Masses
Tuesday & Wednesday 4pm
Thursday & Friday 8.30am

Reconciliation Saturday 9.30am

**Thanksgiving & Clergy
support by direct debit**

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***

***Parishioners and visitors to
St Gabriel's Church and parish office
may like to park their cars
in the church car park.***

Anniversary of Consecration

We honour the consecration of St Gabriel's Church (2000)
next Sunday 29 October.
Sausage sizzle after 10am Mass.

Dominican Sisters of the Most Holy Rosary

The Sisters will visit Reservoir and Preston West 14-26
November. They will spend a weekend in each Parish, and
visit Archbishop Comensoli and the Vicar General.

Parish Young Adults

WYD Pilgrims and Parish young adults are invited to a get-
together on Sunday 5 November, 11.30 - 1pm St Gabriel's
Parish Centre. Anna Krohn will present St John Henry
Newman. Lunch included. \$10 working \$5 student/non-
working.

Parish RCIA

Weekly meetings for our RCIA candidates
Thursdays 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre

St Gabriel's Gardens and Grounds

Working Bee next Saturday 28 October. 9am – 11am.
Equipment provided. Contact Ange 0401 858 717

Proclaim 2023 November 16-18

Over 3 days join together with parishes from across the
Archdiocese of Melbourne to be inspired, engaged and
equipped to go out and proclaim the joy of the Gospel into
our local communities. Hear inspiring local and internation-
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use the discount code: [parishmember](#) to access the spe-
cial registration price for parishioners.
Enquiries: 9926 5761 proclaim@cam.org.au

Sisters of the Good Samaritan

Congregational Leader Sr Catherine McCahill SGS advis-
es that 2 Good Samaritan Sisters will soon take up resi-
dence in Reservoir. We welcome Sr Meg Kahler SGS and
Sr Veronica Quinn SGS.

Fr Aurelio Fragapane

Our new assistant priest has taken up residence at St
Raphael's Presbytery Preston West. He is available to as-
sist at Italian funerals. Fr Fragapane will soon commence
visiting people at home with Anointing of the Sick and
house blessings. He has already visited some aged care
homes, and he has met Care leaders at Mayflower Aged
Care. He will take up chaplaincy at Mercy Place Keon
Park. Local funeral directors have been advised that Fr
Fragapane, Fr Grainger and Fr Pritchard are available to
assist with funerals at St Gabriel's, St Stephens and St
Raphael's.

ST GABRIEL'S THEATRE GROUP

St Gabriel's Parish Hall Reservoir

Tuesday 21 November 7.30pm
Thursday 23 November 7.30pm
Friday 24 November 7.30pm
Saturday 25 November 4pm

Tickets: Adults \$20 Concession \$15
Family (2 adults, 2 or more children) \$60 Under 5 free
Enquiries Judy O'Meara 0488 580 145
judeome@hotmail.com

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

Columban Calendars are now available for collection
Calendario Italiano \$10
2024 Daily Mass Book \$25
Majellan Christmas cards \$7.50 10 pack

LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP

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

THE BENEDICT CONFERENCE

Truth, Goodness, Beauty

ACU Cathedral Hall Brunswick St Fitzroy
Saturday 28 October 10am – 5pm
www.benedictconference.com

NIGHT OF THE WITNESSES

St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne
Wednesday 22 November 7pm

3 International speakers: Melkite Catholic Patriarch Joseph Absi; Sr Majella Dogonyaro OP (Nigeria); Xavier Bisits ACN head of projects Middle East.
aidtochurch.org/notw

ST AMBROSE BRUNSWICK 150 YEARS

Sunday 19 November
10.30am Mass 12 noon Lunch 2pm Concert
RSVP 1 November
bmcc@cam.org.au Tel: 9380 1023

In first-century Palestine, taxes were a painful reminder that God's people were living under the oppressive rule of a foreign power. So when the Pharisees "plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech", the hot-button topic of taxation seemed like a clever strategy. If Jesus supported paying taxes, he would come across as disloyal to the Jews. If he opposed it, he could be accused of rebelling against Rome.

Jesus' reply makes an important point for both first-century Jews and for us today: we can, and should, meet both our civic and religious obligations. What "belongs to Caesar"? In other words, what are our civic duties? According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "It is the duty of citizens to contribute... to the good of society in a spirit of truth, justice, solidarity, and freedom". This includes a moral obligation "to pay taxes, to exercise the right to vote, and to defend one's country" (2239, 2240)

What about our religious obligations? What exactly "belongs to God? Our entire selves! Regardless of nationality or citizenship, we are all made in the image of the living God. So while we pay our taxes and cast our vote to fulfil our political obligations, we give to God what belongs to him - and that involves the surrender of our entire lives.

Participating wholeheartedly at Mass is a wonderful way to offer to God what belongs to him. Today, as you set aside other activities to listen to the word of God and receive Jesus in the Eucharist, reflect on what he has given you. Then invite him to show you how to surrender to him even more - of your time, treasure, dreams, and of all the people you hold dear.

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ALL SAINTS DAY Wednesday 1 November

St Stephen's 9.30am Mass
St Raphael's Preston West 4pm Mass

ALL SOULS DAY Thursday 2 November

St Gabriel's 9am Mass
Includes Indulgence prayers for the faithful departed.
St Raphael's Preston West Masses 8.30am, 7pm

November is a special time pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2 November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the pope's intentions. November offering envelopes are available at Church entrances. Place your envelope in the weekend collection. Masses for the faithful departed are offered during November.

Our dead called to the Heavenly city

Recently Deceased

Edmond Galea, Lucia Giandinoto, Larry Marshall

Anniversary of Death

Guiseppa Brogno, Carmen Brandano

Next weekend

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Exodus 22: 20-26 1 Thessalonians 1: 5-10
Matthew 22: 34 - 40



St Vincent de Paul Society
VICTORIA
good works

The first Australian conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society met in Melbourne at St Francis Church on 5 March 1854. The first president was Fr Gerald Ward.

The Society was established as a result of the discovery of gold in 1851 which caused a rush to the goldfields of central Victoria. Melbourne's population doubled and left women and children homeless and on the streets.

Today in Victoria the Society has over 300 conferences made of dedicated men and women who live out their faith in action by providing hope, comfort and dignity to disadvantaged Victorians trapped by their circumstances due to sickness, job loss, mental illness and family breakdown.

The St Vincent de Paul Society a members and volunteers provide practical support, advocacy and friendship to the most vulnerable in our community.

The majority of assistance provided by the Society is through local groups known as conferences, our soup van services and Vinnies Shops. However, the Society also provides assistance to asylum seekers and refugees seeking to rebuild their lives in a new country, as well as supporting individuals and communities in developing countries. The St Vincent de Paul Society is one of the best recognised and highly regarded charitable organisations in Australia. The Society's members, volunteers and employees reach out and serve the most vulnerable in our community.

By **visiting people in their homes**, we extend the hand of friendship and offer practical support to people who seek our assistance.

The Society supports and encourages **young people** in schools, universities and youth conferences to be active in assisting people in need in their local communities

We offer **meals, friendship and referral services** to people living on the streets or in unstable accommodation. The first of the nine soup vans commenced operating in Fitzroy in 1975

Vinnies provides a range of services to support and assist **refugees** to rebuild their lives and establish a home in their new country. We also provide support to people in developing countries, fostering links and cultural exchange.

Vinnies shops provide quality clothing, furniture and household goods to people in need who are being supported by their local conference. Donated goods not required for supporting people in need is offered for sale to the public and the revenue generated is redistributed to further support the local welfare work of the Society.

Parish conferences assist students from a wide range of backgrounds and ethnic groups to embrace and develop their educational experience through **reading and tutoring programs**.

VincentCare Victoria established in 2003 by the Society provides a range of professional accommodation and support services to people facing disadvantage and the aged throughout metropolitan and regional Victoria.



Catholic Mission is the Pope's international Mission agency in Australia. We partner with communities, helping them to flourish by supporting grassroots projects, including healthcare, education, faith formation, and being an active voice for human rights.

As the Pope's international Mission agency, we respond to the call to love God and to love our neighbour by forming individuals and communities as missionary disciples of Jesus who share their faith in action and through prayer. We share in God's mission to reach out and give life by sharing our personal and financial resources to proclaim the Gospel, serve people in need, an act for peace justice and creation in partnership with local churches so that all may have life in Christ.



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