

Processional Hymn

To everyone that thirsts, come to the waters!
Here is an end to hunger, come to the feast!
And everyone that labours, come to the waters!
All you who have no money, come to the feast!

For this is life, the waters of the Jordan.
For this is life, the waters of your birth.
For this is life, the waters that renew you.
O come to the feast, O come to the feast!

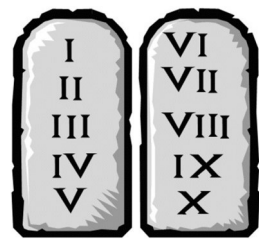
To everyone who seeks, come to the waters!
Hear me and share the riches, come to the feast!
And everyone who mourns, come to the waters!
Now is an end to sadness, come to the feast!

For this is life, the streams of joy and gladness,
For this is life, the rains that bring you joy,
For this is life, the waters that restore you,
O come to the feast, O come to the feast!

Let all who seek their God, come to the waters!
Heed now the One who calls you, come to the feast!
The everlasting stream, come to the waters!
Drink deep the cup that saves you, come to the feast!

For this is life, the floods that overwhelm you,
For this is life, the streams of death and life,
For this is life, the waters that sustain you,
O come to the feast, O come to the feast!

Liturgy of the Word



Exodus 20: 1-17 1 Corinthians 1: 22-25 John 2: 13-25

The Ten Commandments are as valid today as when they were first given by God to Moses on Mt Sinai. They teach us how to live in right relationship with God and with one another. If we seek to live by the Commandments we will avoid the trap of materialism, of being more concerned with buying, selling, and making money, than with loving God and our neighbour.

Psalm Response

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
God loved the world so much,
he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him
might have eternal life.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!

Preparation of the Gifts CWB 434

Chorus: Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah,
My lord, kum ba yah.
Kum ba yah, my lord, kum ba yah,
O Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah ...
Someone's singing Lord, kum ba yah ...
Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah ...

Holy Communion 1

This is my body, take now and share,
Deep in the memory of my own prayer.

This is my blood, come drink and live,
In all completeness, this power I give.

You are my people, my chosen friends,
Come share the Spirit my Father sends.

And hold within you, in constant hope,
My peaceful presence, gift of my heart.

Holy Communion 2

Tree of life and awesome myst'ry,
In your death we are reborn,
Though you die in all of hist'ry,
Still you rise with ev'ry morn.

Seed that dies to rise in glory,
May we see ourselves in you,
If we learn to live your story,
We may die to rise anew.

We remember truth once spoken,
Love passed on through act and word,
Ev'ry person lost and broken,
Wears the body of our Lord.

Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
Come inflame our hearts anew,
We may all your joy inherit
If we bear the cross with you.

Christ, you lead and we shall follow,
Stumbling though our steps may be,
One with you in joy and sorrow,
We the river, you the sea.

Recessional Hymn

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining.
Jesus light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Chorus: Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
From the shadows into your radiance.
By the blood may I enter your brightness.
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me. *Chorus*

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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

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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

3rd Sunday of Lent Yr B 03.03.2024

MASS & RECONCILIATION

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

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

Friday *St Gabriel's*
8.30am Way of the Cross 9am Mass

Friday *St Raphael's*
8.30am Mass 7pm Way of the Cross

**Friday Italian Mass and Via Crucis
at St Stephen's Reservoir East is cancelled**

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 8.30am Saturday 9am

Holy Rosary Wednesday 3.30pm
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 providing a safe environment for everyone.
Please make sure children are supervised
at all times within church buildings
and on church grounds.***

At Sunday 10am Mass today and for the next 2 Sundays, our RCIA group undergo the **Scrutinies** made up of Intercession, Exorcism and anointing with the Oil of Catechumens. We pray for our 6 candidates that, as God searches their hearts, they will hear his call to Catholic life, the gift of repentance and mercy, and the joy of the Gospel. Our parish RCIA meets each Thursday 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre.

The Board of **Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools** (MACS) has approved the merger of St Stephen's school Reservoir East with St Gabriel's school Reservoir. The St Stephen's school closes at the end of term 1. The site will undergo refurbishment and St Monica's College Epping will open a campus for 200 year 8 students in 2025.

During Lent the 3 Priests will celebrate **Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass** in turns at St Stephen's & St Raphael's churches.

Fr Grainger takes 3 months leave at Easter. We need to think about a **weekend Mass schedule** that the 2 priests can provide at St Gabriel's, St Stephen's and St Raphael's. We will need to look at Sunday morning Masses: retaining the Italian Mass at St Raphael's, as well as English Masses at St Gabriel's and St Raphael's. Please give this some thought.

Fr Fragapane has commenced a Certificate in Catholic Education Accreditation. Parish leaders in Reservoir and Preston West will participate in briefings to transition from the diocesan online system PACS to the new upgraded PACEM. This system includes parish census, database, sacrament registers, finance, etc. We welcome the happy news of the appointment of 3 Dominican Sisters.

SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE

Parishioners Loretta Piazza and Preethi Saldanha will contact Parish volunteers and employees soon to confirm WWCC registration.

WWCC holders must complete a mandatory module online. Help will be provided to those that do not have a computer or for whom this may be difficult. If needs be, we will have a face to face session at St Gabriel's Parish Centre. The certificate is valid for 3 years.

Sincere thanks to Parish volunteers, employees, St Vincent de Paul and Legion of Mary who have provided a current WWCC card to the Parish Office.

PARISH YOUNG ADULTS

TODAY Sunday 3 March
St Gabriel's Parish Centre
11.30am—1pm lunch included

Andrew Dos Santos,
*President of our Parish St Vincent de Paul,
will talk about the mission and work of the Society.*

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

- Our Parish conference meets on the 3rd Monday of the month 7.30pm Emmaus Room Final meeting.
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 Holy Week Missal \$10
St Paul's Sunday Missal \$35
St Paul's Weekday Missal \$90

St Christopher medals, rosary beads, devotional items

MELBOURNE THOMISTIC INSTITUTE

St Dominic's Priory 816 Riversdale Rd Camberwell
6pm Mass 6.45pm sessions \$50
Registration & payment:
www.trybooking.com/COTVQ

WALK WITH MARY

St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne
Sunday 17 March 2pm
www.thecombinedsocietiesofmary.com

THE FIRST SCRUTINY

The Church, like a mother, helps the catechumens on their journey by means of suitable liturgical rites, which purify the catechumens little by little and strengthen them with God's blessing. RCIA n75

After the Homily, the candidates and their sponsors come forward and stand before the Celebrant.



Intercessions for the Elect
Prayer of Exorcism
Laying on of hands
Anointing with the Oil of Catechumens
Profession of Faith

Jesus is God's wisdom and power! He's the Son of God, after all. But what do these words mean? Today's readings can help us.

First, there's Jesus as the wisdom of God. The story of the Ten Commandments in the first reading shows us that God's commands are nothing more - and nothing less - than a revelation of his own divine wisdom. They reveal how he wants his children to live: by loving God and one another. This is the wisdom that Jesus lived out perfectly. In everything he said and did, he showed us what it is like to love God completely and to pour ourselves out in love for the people around us. And nowhere is this revealed more powerfully than when he laid down his life on the cross!

As for Jesus being the power of God, what could be more astounding than his promise in today's Gospel to rebuild the "temple of his body" after three days? Imagine the kind of power it took for Jesus' crucified, lifeless flesh to come back to life! Imagine the power that transformed his body into something radiant and glorious! That was a work that only God, by his own mighty power, could do!

These are not just historical facts. The power and wisdom of God are present today - and they're yours in Christ! Every act of love, forgiveness, and generosity that you perform demonstrates his wisdom to a world lost in folly. Every time you pray in confident intercession, every time you rely on God's grace to say no to temptation, and every time you lay down your life to care for someone, you are revealing the power of God. That's right. You can be God's revelation to this world! wau.org

Next weekend 4th Sunday of Lent Year B

2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23
Ephesians 2: 4-10
John 3:14-21



Jesus knew and loved us each and all during his life, his agony, and his passion and gave himself up for each one of us; The Son of God loved me and gave himself for men. He has loved us all with a human heart. For this reason, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, pierced by our sins and for our salvation, is quite rightly considered the chief sign and symbol of that love with which the divine Redeemer continually loves the eternal Father and all human beings without exception. Catechism 478

LENT 2024

WEDNESDAYS OF LENT

Holy Rosary

St Stephen's Reservoir East 9am
St Raphael's Preston West 3.30 pm

FRIDAYS OF LENT

Way of the Cross / Via Crucis

St Gabriel's Reservoir 8.30am
St Raphael's Preston West 7pm *English / Italian*

NEW LIFE IN GOD'S SPIRIT

8 week seminar presented by
Living Gospel Prayer Group
Wednesdays 1.30pm
St Raphael's Church Preston West
Inquiries: Marijana 0422 340 675

MERCY MELBOURNE PRAYER & CONFESSION

Tuesday 19 March 6pm—9pm
Solemnity of St Joseph

The partnered Parishes offer the following program as our participation in Mercy Melbourne, along with Parishes across the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

7pm Mass / Eucharistic Adoration / Reconciliation
St Gabriel's Reservoir & St Raphael's Preston West



4th SUNDAY OF LENT

LAETARE

Fresh Roast Mobile Café
Sunday 10 March 10am Mass
St Gabriel's

**PROJECT
COMPASSION**
FOR ALL FUTURE
GENERATIONS

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday Weekend 23-24 March

St Stephen's Reservoir East Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass
St Gabriel's Reservoir Sunday 10am Mass
St Raphael's Preston West Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 9am Italian Mass 10.30am Mass
Includes Blessing of palms and procession

Holy Thursday 28 March

St Gabriel's 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
9.30pm Night Prayer

St Raphael's Preston West
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 29 March Way of the Cross

St Stephen's Reservoir East 10am
St. Raphael's Preston West 9.30am

The Lord's Passion
St Gabriel's Reservoir 3pm
St Raphael's Preston West 3pm

Holy Saturday 30 March The Vigil of Easter

St Gabriel's Reservoir 8pm The Vigil of Easter
St Raphael's Preston West 8pm The Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday 31 March

St Gabriel's Reservoir 10am Mass

St Raphael's Preston West
9am Mass *Italian* 10.30am Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Raphael's Preston West Saturdays 9.30am

St Stephen's Reservoir East Saturdays 5pm
Wednesdays March 20, 27 10am

St Gabriel's Reservoir Sundays 9am
Tuesday 19 March 9.30am, 6-9pm
Thursday 21 March 9.30am
Friday 22 March 9.30am, 7pm
Tuesday 26 March 9.30am, 7pm
Thursday 28 March 9.30am

EASTER SEASON BLESSING OF HOMES

Register: Parish Office
Email: reservoir@cam.org.au

Great Women of Faith
Portrait Exhibition by Barbara Skorupa

1-10 MARCH 2024
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL - 1 CATHEDRAL PLACE, EAST MELBOURNE

OPENING TIMES:

FRIDAY 1 MARCH: 9am-12 noon, 4-6pm	MONDAY 4 MARCH - WED 6 MARCH (each day): 9am to 12 noon, 2-5pm
SATURDAY 2 MARCH: 9.30-11.30am, 1-2pm, 3-4pm, 5-6pm	THURSDAY 7 MARCH: 9am to 12 noon, 2-5pm
SUNDAY 3 MARCH: 1-2pm, 3-4pm, 5-6pm	FRIDAY 8 MARCH: 9am to 12 noon, 2-5pm
	SATURDAY 9 MARCH: 9.30-11.30am, 1.30-3.30pm
	SUNDAY 10 MARCH: 2-6pm

For updates and details: www.maryglowreymuseum.info/Exhibition