

## Partnered Parishes St Gabriel & St Stephen of Hungary Reservoir—Reservoir East

St Raphael Preston West,

St Joseph the Worker Reservoir North

Clergy: Fr G Pritchard, Fr Jossy Kuriakose, Dcn F Correya

Parish Office Hours:

St Gabriel's 1 Viola St Reservoir 3073

Tues & Wed 9am—1pm Thurs & Fri 9am—3pm

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St Joseph the Worker Reservoir North Wed & Fri 9am –5pm

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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

St Joseph the Worker Church  
79 Wilson Blvd Reservoir North 3073

## 1st SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C 9 March 2025

### WEEKDAY MASSES

*St Gabriel's Church*

9am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

*St Stephen of Hungary Church*

9.30am Tuesday

*St Joseph the Worker Church*

9.15am Wednesday & Thursday

*St Raphael's Church*

9.15am Friday

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4pm Reconciliation

5pm Vigil Mass

1st Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass

Maltese Reservoir North

Saturday 6.30pm Vigil Mass

Reservoir East

Reconciliation on request

Saturday 6.30pm Vigil Mass

Preston West

Sunday 9am Mass English/Italian

Reservoir North

Sunday 8am Reconciliation Reservoir

9am Mass Reservoir

Sunday 10.30am Mass Preston West

English/Italian

### Thanksgiving & Clergy support by direct debit

St Gabriel's & St Stephen's Church

BSB: 083-347 Account: 639372585

St Raphael's Church

BSB: 083-347 Account: 643968007

St Joseph the Worker Church

BSB: 083-347 Account: 645772382



***Our Partnered Parishes are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of everyone including children and vulnerable adults. Please make sure children are supervised at all times within church buildings and on church grounds.***

## SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH

St Gabriel's Church &

Parish Centre Reservoir

Wednesday 19 March 7pm Mass

Presentation by Matt McDonald

*Becoming a man of God*

A special evening for men -

married, single, widowed.

Pizzas & refreshments \$10

Veritatis Publishing presents

a display of books and resources

The **season of Lent** calls us to works of charity and mercy, more generous prayer and self denial. We also accompany those who seek life in the Catholic Church and the Sacraments at Easter. Our RCIA group meets each Thursday 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre. In coming weeks they will be tested by the Scrutinies, as God searches their hearts and they give testimony to their sincerity. TODAY Sunday our 2 catechumens Joshua Conte & Debora Tan Pao Shing and our candidates Sergio Oriana & Ethan Moser attend the Rite of Election 3pm St Patrick's Cathedral. Along with many other catechumens and candidates, Archbishop Comensoli will recognize them and 'elect' or choose them, and encourage them in brave steps in Christian life.

**Corpus Christi College** is the seminary for Victoria & Tasmania. There are 22 students for the Archdiocese of Melbourne; 5 commenced their first year a few weeks ago. This year we are glad and honoured to welcome 2 seminarians at weekend Mass. Nicholas Calandra is in his fifth year and Rohan Prince is in his second year. They will assist at Mass and participate in Parish life especially young parishioners.

Recent renovation work of **St Raphael's presbytery** includes kitchen floor tiles, replacement letter box, bathroom windows replacing louvres. Other works include air conditioner in the dining room, blinds and curtains, and finally painting throughout.

Renovation work of **St Joseph the Worker presbytery** has seen painting of the priest's rooms, carpet in lounge room, dining room and priest's office. In coming days air conditioning, blinds and curtains will be installed.

Parishioners are invited to help at a **working bee** in the grounds of St Gabriel's church Reservoir Saturday 15 March 9am—11am. Enquiries & contact: Ange 0401 858 717.

Parishioners are also invited to join the altar linen roster at St Gabriel's Reservoir

& St Joseph the Worker Reservoir North.

Please contact the Parish office:

St Gabriel's: 0487 116 154

St Joseph the Worker: 9460 3013

## **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.
- Our Parish St Vincent de Paul Conference is now responding to welfare calls from Preston West. Members of our Partnered Parishes are warmly invited to join the Society in its mission of charity and outreach.  
*Contact Conference president Andrew Dos Santos  
reservoir.conf.pres@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*

## **LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP**

Wednesdays 1.30pm  
St Raphael's Church Preston West  
Enquiries: Marijana 0422 340 675

## **ST GABRIEL'S THEATRE GROUP**

Auditions: Sunday 31 August 6pm  
Rehearsals commence 31 August  
Enquiries: Judy judeome@hotmail.com

## **CARMELITE NUNS TASMANIA**

6331 3585 launcestoncarmel.com  
\* scapulars \* prayer requests  
\* enrol in Our Lady's Perpetual Lamp

## **RADIO MARIA AUSTRALIA**

Tune in live via:  
www.RadioMaria.org.au  
Digital Radio: 202.928  
Apple or Google Play App: Radio Maria Play

## **CATHOLIC MEN**

### **FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY**

St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne 10am  
melbournemensrosarycrusade.com

## **ST MONICA'S COLLEGE EPPING**

- ◆ Apply now for Year 7 2027  
*registrar@stmonicas-epping.com*
- ◆ Mornings at St Monica's *stmonicas-epping.com/enrolments/book-a-tour/*
- ◆ Grades 4-6 Information Evening Wednesday 2 April  
*www.trybooking.com/cxjbd*

## **PARISH RCIA**

Thursdays 7pm  
St Gabriel's Parish Centre Reservoir.  
**Rite of Election**  
Sunday 9 March 3pm St Patrick's Cathedral  
**The Scrutinies**  
Sunday 9am Mass St Gabriel's  
March 23, 30, April 6

*People who turn to Christianity are not just changing a world view. They travel a path of learning (the catechumenate), in which they become new human beings through personal conversion, but especially through the gift of Baptism. They are now living members of the Body of Christ.*

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## **PARISH LUNCH**

Thursday 13 March 12 noon  
Darebin RSL 402 Bell St Preston  
Register: St Raphael's Church Foyer

## **YOUNG PARISHIONERS**

Sunday 6 April 10.30am  
St Gabriel's Parish Centre Reservoir  
David Schutz ANIMA Education presents  
*Jesus in the Gospels*  
Light lunch \$10 working / \$5 non working / student

### **Recently Deceased**

Fr Peter Carrucan, Dantina Federico, Pia Valentino,  
Maria Casabene, Rosa Torna Tora,  
Shiny, Ivana & Alina Kuriakose

### **Anniversary of Death & Remembrance**

Rose Ishkan, Paolino Porcu,  
Antonio Anastasio

*Names to be included in prayers for the dead  
must be registered by phone or email  
with the Parish Office by Thursday 12 noon*

## **Next weekend**

### **2nd Sunday of Lent Yr C**

Genesis 15:5-12,17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1  
Luke 9:28-36





## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Wednesdays of Lent**

**commencing 12 March**

8.30am *St Joseph the Worker*

*Includes devotional prayers*

7pm *St Raphael's*

*includes Night Prayer and Benediction*

*except Wednesday 19 March*

## **WAY OF THE CROSS / VIA CRUCIS**

**Fridays of Lent**

8.30am *St Gabriel's Reservoir*

8.30am *St Raphael's Preston West*

7pm *St Joseph the Worker*

## **St Luke's Parish Lalor presents Fr Rob Galea Friday 14 March 2025**

*Join St Luke's Parish for an incredible night with  
Fr Robert Galea,*

*Uplifting praise. Inspiring music. Powerful talks.  
All for the glory and honour of Jesus Christ.*

[www.melbcatholic.org/s/lalor](http://www.melbcatholic.org/s/lalor)

## **3rd SUNDAY OF LENT LAETARE**

We celebrate the joyful Sunday of Lent  
at weekend Masses 22-23 March

*St Joseph the Worker*  
Everest Gelato

*St Stephen of Hungary*  
Coffee and cake

*St Gabriel's*  
Fresh Roast Mobile Cafe

**PROJECT**  
*Compassion*  
2025

**Unite Against Poverty this Lent**



### **Renewal of Baptism**

Pope Francis invites all the faithful to **renew their baptismal call** by visiting their place of baptism and renewing the promises of baptism at the font. At Easter all Christians renew the promises of baptism and receive the sprinkling with Easter water.

### **Lenten Retreat**

*led by Fr Rojan George VC  
St Oliver Plunkett Church  
1 Landells Rd Pasco Vale  
March 10, 11, 12 7pm-9pm*

### **Northern Region Pilgrim places**

*St Patrick's Cathedral East Melbourne  
St Mary's Star of the Sea West Melbourne  
St Luke's Church Lalor  
St Mary MacKillop Church Keilor Downs*

### **Cathedral Jubilee Events**

- \* World of Volunteering 9 March*
- \* Sick & Healthcare workers 6 April*
- \* Children, families, elderly, grandparents 1 June*
- \* Priests, Bishops & Seminarians 23-26 June*
- \* Youth 3 August \* All Nations 5 October*
- \* Religious 9 October \* The Poor 16 November*
- \* Prisoners 14 December \**
- Close of Jubilee of Hope 28 December*

### **Lenten Retreat**

**Saturday 15 March 9am-12.30pm**  
St Roch's Church 200 Burke Rd Glen Iris  
The Catholic Women's League  
presents a Women's Retreat  
led by Fr Michael Gallacher.  
*Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation,  
Spiritual talks morning tea.*  
Booking: [www.trybooking.com/CXRYE](http://www.trybooking.com/CXRYE)  
email [info@cwlvicww.org.au](mailto:info@cwlvicww.org.au)

### **Walk with Mary**

Sunday 23 March 2pm  
St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne  
Prayers, Mass, Procession  
[thecombinedsocietiesofmary.com](http://thecombinedsocietiesofmary.com)

### **Anniversary of Election**

Pope Francis was elected to the Papacy on  
Thursday 13 March 2013

*May your hand be upon your holy servant  
And upon your son whom you have anointed*

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.

## FIRST READING

*Deuteronomy 26:4-10*

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement: "My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, the Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 90(91):1-2,10-15*

**R: Be with me, Lord,  
when I am in trouble.**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord:

'My refuge, my stronghold,  
my God in whom I trust!' **R**

Upon you no evil shall fall,  
no plague approach where you dwell.  
For you has he commanded his angels,  
to keep you in all your ways. **R**

They shall bear you upon their hands  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.  
On the lion and the viper  
you will tread and trample the  
young lion and the dragon. **R**

His love he set on me,  
so I will rescue him;  
protect him for he knows my name.  
When he calls I shall answer:  
'I am with you,'  
I will save him in distress  
and give him glory. **R**

## SECOND READING

*Romans 10:8-13*

Scripture says: *The word* (that is the faith we proclaim) *is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart.* If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: *those who believe in him will have no cause for shame,* it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask his help, *for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.*

The word of the Lord.

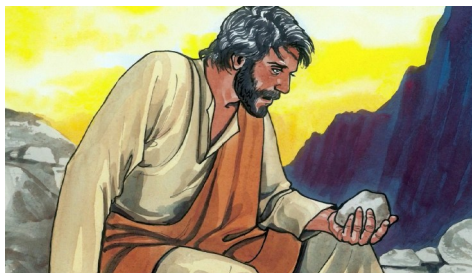
**All: Thanks be to God.**

## 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!



## GOSPEL READING

*Luke 4: 1-13*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.' Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge

of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you  
Lord Jesus Christ**

## NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son, is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that comes forth from the  
mouth of God.

## Processional 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!"

Chorus: 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. Chorus

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. Chorus

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. Chorus

## Liturgy of the Word

Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Romans 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13

*Jesus' temptation reveals the way in which the Son of God is Messiah, contrary to the way Satan proposes to him and the way men wish to attribute to him. This is why Christ vanquished the Tempter for us: For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sinning. By the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert.*

Catechism 540

## Psalm Response

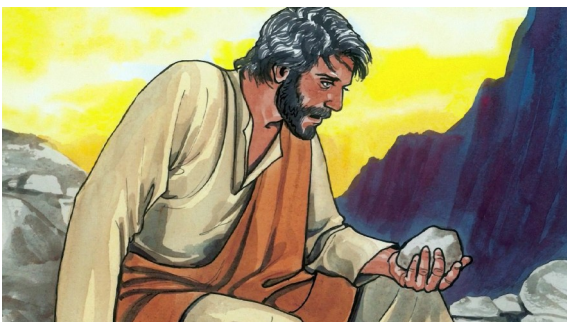
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## Gospel Acclamation

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!



## Preparation of the Gifts CWB 594

*Chorus:* Bread you have given us, Lord, that we may see,  
Wine you have shared with us, Lord, that we may see,  
Your heart and your flesh and forever one with us,  
Lord, that we may see, Lord, that we may see.

We come to sing at the table of love,  
We come to sing at the table of love,  
We come to sing all the songs we know,  
To bring our love, to bring our love. Chorus

We come to laugh at the table of love,  
We come to laugh at the table of love,  
We come to laugh all the joy we know,  
To bring our love, to bring our love. Chorus

## Holy Communion AOV 114

You shall cross the barren desert,  
but you shall not die of thirst.  
You shall wander far in safety  
though you do not know the way.  
You shall speak your words in foreign lands  
and all will understand.  
You shall see the face of God and live.

*Chorus :* Be not afraid.  
I go before you always.  
Come follow me,  
and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea,  
you shall not drown.  
If you walk amid the burning flames,  
you shall not be harmed.  
If you stand before the pow'r of hell  
and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you through it all. Chorus

Blessed are your poor,  
for the kingdom shall be theirs.  
Blest are you that weep and mourn,  
for one day you shall laugh.  
And if wicked men insult and hate you  
all because of me,  
blessed, blessed are you! Chorus

## Recessional Hymn AOV 182

*Chorus:*  
Though the mountains may fall and the hills turn to dust,  
yet the love of the Lord will stand  
as a shelter for all who will call on his name.  
Sing the praise and the glory of God.

Could the Lord ever leave you?  
Could the Lord forget his love?  
Though a mother forsake her child,  
he will not abandon you. Chorus

Should you turn and forsake him,  
he will gently call your name.  
Should you wander away from him,  
he will always take you back. Chorus