

# Partnered Parishes of Reservoir—Reservoir East—Reservoir North St Gabriel, St Stephen of Hungary & St Joseph the Worker

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

St Joseph the Worker Church  
79 Wilson Blvd Reservoir North 3073

## MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF THE LORD YR A 7 June 2026

2pm Eucharistic procession

### St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne

Melbourne Catholics are warmly invited to join the annual Archdiocesan Corpus Christi procession through the streets of Melbourne. This is a wonderful opportunity for the whole Archdiocesan community to bear witness to Christ in the Eucharist.

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass  
1st Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass  
Maltese Reservoir North

Saturday 6.30pm Vigil Mass  
Reservoir East

Sunday 9am Mass Reservoir

Sunday 10.30am Mass Reservoir North  
English/Italian

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30am Mass  
St Stephen's Reservoir East

Wednesday Thursday  
9.15am Mass

Friday Most Sacred Heart of Jesus  
9.15am Mass  
St Joseph the Worker Reservoir North

## THANKSGIVING & CLERGY SUPPORT BY DIRECT DEBIT

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

St Joseph the Worker Church  
BSB: 083-347 Account: 645772382

## Young Parishioners

TODAY Sunday 7 June

St Gabriel's Parish Centre 10.30am  
lunch included \$10 working \$5 non working / student  
Fr Joseph Vnuk OP introduces St Thomas Aquinas,  
the Common Doctor, the Angelic Doctor.  
We welcome Fr Vnuk at Sunday 9am Mass

This weekend we support St Vincent de Paul **Winter Appeal**. A report on Reservoir Conference activities is included in today's parish bulletin.

## Take the Way of the Gospel Forum Invitation

NEXT Sunday 14 June after 10.30am Mass  
St Joseph the Worker Reservoir North

We all want opportunities for worship and prayer,  
community life, adult faith formation,  
pastoral care of families, women, men,  
young parishioners, widowed, elderly and sick.  
To build up the kingdom of God in our part of Melbourne  
parish life and community must be  
**vital vibrant viable**

**Archbishop Comensoli** celebrates his anniversary of consecration as a bishop Monday 8 June (2011). The Archbishop has placed St Raphael's West Preston in the pastoral care of the Divine Word Fathers, Sacred Heart Preston.

Congratulations to **Deacon Correya** on his anniversary of ordination Monday 15 June (2024).

As we enjoy the **King's Birthday** long weekend, we pray for his health and welfare, and for those who serve in his name: governors, political leaders, judges and the legal profession, police, Australian Defense Force, hospitals, volunteer services, RSL. We thank God for all that we enjoy here in Australia: peace and good government, justice before the law, freedom of religion, and a free society.

## Blessing of St Anthony's Bread

NEXT Weekend 13-14 June

We honour the feast of St Anthony of Padua with the blessing and distribution of St Anthony's bread. A popular custom recalling St Anthony's many miracles and a deeply loved saint.

## ST GABRIEL'S PIETY STALL

St Paul's Sunday Missal \$35  
St Paul's Weekday Missal \$90  
Daily Mass Book \$25  
New Community Catholic Bible \$35

## ST GABRIEL'S THEATRE GROUP

Auditions: Sunday 30 August 6pm  
Rehearsals commence 6 September  
Enquiries: Judy judeome@hotmail.com

## CATHOLIC MEN

### FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY

St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne 10am  
melbournemensrosarycrusade.com

## LEGION OF MARY

Our Parish praesidium (group),  
dedicated to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament,  
Mondays 1.30pm Bethany Room  
St Gabriel's Parish Centre.

*New members are always welcome.*  
Enquiries Maureen O'Dwyer 9460 8520

## COME CLOSER TO JESUS SCHOOL OF ADORATION EVENING

Tuesday 9 June 7.45pm  
St Roch's Church 200 Burke Rd Glen Iris  
emmanuelcommunitymel@gmail.com

## ST JOSEPH'S MEN

Eucharistic Adoration, fellowship, formation  
Thursday 18 June 8pm  
Our Lady of Lourdes, 631 High St Prahran  
[truthgoodnessbeautyproject.com/events/st-josephs-men-june](http://truthgoodnessbeautyproject.com/events/st-josephs-men-june)

## ENCOUNTERING BEAUTY SACRED MUSIC SERIES:

*Celebrating the Nativity of St John the Baptist*

Friday 26 June 2026 7pm  
St Peter's Catholic Church 581 Toorak Rd Toorak  
[trybooking.com/events/landing/1540853](http://trybooking.com/events/landing/1540853)

## PROCLAIM26

*Go out to the whole world;  
proclaim the Gospel to all creation.*  
June 26-27 Catholic Leadership Centre  
76 Victoria Pde East Melbourne.

## MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

*Sunday 12 July 11am St Patrick's Cathedral*

Couples and their families are invited as we celebrate the gift of marriage and family. Couples who are celebrating the following anniversaries, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 or 40 years and above will receive a commemorative certificate.

## NATIONAL MASS COUNT MAY 2026

### Weekend May 16-17

- 115 males and 124 females attended Mass at St Joseph the Worker Church Reservoir North.
- 18 males and 30 females attended Mass at Stephen of Hungary Church Reservoir East.
- 59 males and 85 females attended Mass at St Gabriel's Church Reservoir.

### Weekend May 23-24

Mass attendance by age group:

- 0-17** St Gabriel's 0; St Stephen's 0;  
St Joseph the Worker 8
- 18-29** St Gabriel's 5; St Stephen's 5;  
St Joseph the Worker 5
- 30-49** St Gabriel's 4; St Stephen's 4;  
St Joseph the Worker 32
- 50-69** St Gabriel's 10; St Stephen's 10;  
St Joseph the Worker 26
- 70+** St Gabriel's 24; St Stephen's 24;  
St Joseph the Worker 113



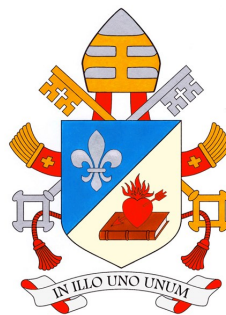
The Sisters commence Sacramental Journey  
preparation for

**1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion**  
**Monday 13 July**

Applications: [reservoir@cam.org.au](mailto:reservoir@cam.org.au)

## PETER'S PENCE

**weekend 27-28 June**  
**[obolodisanpietro.va](http://obolodisanpietro.va)**



Peter's Pence is an offering that may be small, but has a profound symbolic value: it expresses love and trust for the Holy Father, Peter's successor. It is a tangible gesture of closeness to the Pope's mission of bringing the Gospel and spreading charity and love all over the world. Our donation supports the Holy Father's mission, the Pope's charitable initiatives and provides aid in humanitarian emergencies

# Media Apostle II

Archbishop Fulton Sheen  
pioneering Catholic communicator  
inspired millions through radio and TV

Fulton Sheen had a sense of humour, memorable one-liners, and simple yet profound expressions that captured his view of the world, "The world is like a giant puzzle with pieces that fit together only in the Christian vision," and "The best way to solve problems and to fight against war is through dialogue."

The program, *Life Is Worth Living*, ran until 1957, drawing as many as 30 million people weekly, an audience that is estimated to have been made up mostly of non-Catholics, and managing to surpass the programming on other networks that included famed actor Milton Berle and singer Frank Sinatra. A few years after the program's conclusion, Pope Paul VI appointed Sheen as Bishop of Rochester, New York, where he made inroads in ecumenical relations between Catholic, Jew-ish, and Protestant believers.

Over the course of his lifetime, Sheen wrote over 50 books and hundreds of articles and columns. In his book on *The Life of Christ*, he wrote, "Two classes of people make up the world: those who have found God, and those who are looking for him - thirsting, hunger-ing, seeking! And the great sinners came closer to him than the proud intellectuals! Pride swells and inflates the ego; gross sinners are depressed, deflated and empty," wrote Sheen. "They, therefore, have room for God. God prefers a loving sinner to a loveless 'saint'. Love can be trained; pride cannot. The man who thinks that he knows will rarely find truth; the man who knows he is a miserable, unhappy sinner, like the woman at the well, is closer to peace, joy and salvation than he knows." As he neared the end of his life, Sheen's ministry could be summed up as one who had found God and who had spent his ministry trying to reach those who were looking for him. Just two months before his death in 1979, despite his weak and frail condition, he managed to be present in St Patrick's Cathedral New York for the arrival of Pope John Paul II.

The Pope approached the great communicator and said to him, "You have written and spoken well of the Lord Jesus Christ. You are a loyal son of the Church."

*Messenger of St Anthony*



**Catholic Mission Appeal**  
**Weekend July 20-21**



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
*good works*

## Our Mission.....

The Society of St Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organisation that aspires to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice, hope and joy, and by working to shape a more just and compassionate society.

## Our Beginnings...

The Society of St Vincent de Paul began in Paris in 1833. A group of Catholic university students, led by Bl Frederic Ozanam, were involved in debates on religion. Against sceptical opponents, Frederic argued that Christianity had always fostered human progress. He demonstrated this with evidence from history. They challenged him. "But what is the Church doing now? What are you doing? Show us your works, then we might believe!" Ozanam took up the challenge. His response?

**"We must do what Jesus did...  
Let us go to the poor."**

The Society was established under the patronage of St Vincent de Paul. The first Conference in Victoria was established at St Francis Church Melbourne in 1854. St Vincent de Paul Reservoir conference was founded in 1929, and Reservoir East conference 1963. Both conferences amalgamated in 2017, and now responds to calls for support and outreach in Reservoir and Reservoir North.

## Good Works in Reservoir

Since June 2025, our Parish conference made 596 visits assisting 1470 adults and children, including 66 new callers. We distributed \$96,548, providing assistance: food, food vouchers, clothing, Vinnies/Coles cards, furniture and financial assistance. 50 hampers were distributed at Christmas time. We endeavour to provide a flexible approach to responding to people in need and are committed to empowering them to regain their independence. Callers typically include men and women living in rooming houses and flats. Single mothers fleeing abusive partners. Grandparents looking after grandchildren. Persons recently released from detention. Persons with mental health issues. Persons suffering drug addiction. Asylum seekers. Homeless people.

Reservoir Vinnies 10 Edwardes St  
invites volunteers  
1300 736 933  
[vinnies.org.au/getinvolved](http://vinnies.org.au/getinvolved)  
[volunteer@svdp-vic.org.au](mailto:volunteer@svdp-vic.org.au)

**Parishioners are invited to join the Society  
in its mission of charity and outreach.  
Contact Conference president Peter Johnson  
[reservoir.conf.pres@svdp-vic.org.au](mailto:reservoir.conf.pres@svdp-vic.org.au)**



## FIRST READING *Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16*

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not become proud of heart. Do not forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.' The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING *1 Corinthians 10:16-17*

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf. The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL *John 6: 51-58*

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.' The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## *Take the Way of the Gospel Invito al Forum*

**Domenica 14 giugno dopo la Messa 10.30am  
San Giuseppe Lavoratore, Reservoir North**

Tutti desideriamo opportunità di culto e di preghiera, vita comunitaria, formazione della fede per adulti, cura pastorale delle famiglie, delle donne, degli uomini, dei giovani parrocchiani, dei vedovi, degli anziani e dei malati. Per costruire il Regno di Dio nella nostra parte di Melbourne, la vita parrocchiale e la comunità devono essere **vitali vivaci e sostenibili**

*In questo brano, Gesù ci provoca con parole forti: "Io sono il pane vivo, disceso dal cielo. Se uno mangia di questo pane vivrà in eterno" (Gv 6:51). I Giudei mormorano e si scandalizzano. Non comprendono come un uomo possa dare la sua carne da mangiare. Eppure, Gesù ci sta rivelando un mistero fondamentale: l'Eucaristia non è un semplice simbolo, ma la vita stessa di Dio che entra in noi*

*La manna nel deserto nutriva il corpo per un giorno, ma poi si moriva. Il Corpo e il Sangue di Cristo nutrono la nostra anima e vincono la fame più profonda dell'essere umano: il desiderio di felicità, di senso e di vita eterna.*

*Gesù dona la sua carne "per la vita del mondo". L'Eucaristia è la logica di Dio che si rovescia rispetto a quella del mondo. Mentre il mondo insegna ad accumulare e a primeggiare, Dio si fa pane spezzato, insegnandoci che la vita si realizza solo quando la si dona per amore.*

*"Chi mangia la mia carne e beve il mio sangue dimora in me e io in lui" (Gv 6:56). Non basta conoscere Gesù intellettualmente, bisogna interiorizzarlo. Quando ci nutriamo di Lui, assimiliamo il suo stile, il suo perdono, la sua misericordia e il suo amore.*



**Next weekend  
11th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time Yr A**

Exodus 19:2-6  
Romans 5:6-11  
Matthew 9:36-10:8

## **Recently Deceased**

Pasquale De Pasquale , Renato Ceconato,  
Joan Fernando, Giuseppe Mamone,  
Lidia Maria Damiano

## **Anniversary of Death & Remembrance**

Antonietta Guagliardi, Louis Gonzaga,  
Angela & Raffaele Sirianni, Carla Cocola,  
Johny & Tina Forte, Nancy Iacobucci (Scaringi),  
Giulio Gencarelli, Salvatore Pilegi, Teresa Caputo

## Processional Hymn

Let the earth acclaim Christ Jesus,  
God the Father's equal Son,  
in the Virgin's womb incarnate  
when the course of time had run.  
He became for us a servant,  
bore the cross and crushed the grave,  
and remains, a living Presence,  
to complete his plan to save.

For the same divine Lord Jesus,  
by our gracious Father sent,  
comes to us upon the altar  
in the Blessed Sacrament.  
Here he stands and knocks for entry.  
See, the King of glory waits!  
Open wide the door in welcome.  
Lift up high the ancient gates!

In this festival of gladness  
may we be transformed, O Lord,  
Sacrifice, O Source and Summit,  
Jesus, Eucharist adored.  
Jesus, Sacrament most holy,  
Jesus, Sacrament divine,  
may all praise and all thanksgiving  
be at every moment thine.

## Liturgy of the Word

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16  
1 Corinthians 10:16-17 John 6:51-58

### Psalm Response

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

### Sequence CWB 396A

Come, behold, the bread of angels,  
this our strength on pilgrims' way.  
For the children God is giving  
manna for our bread each day.  
Now the sign of Isaac telling:  
Christ has conquered on this day.

Hear our prayers, O kindly Shepherd,  
be for us true living bread.

Grant us peace in all our doings,  
to our resting place be led,  
forth with all the saints now dwelling,  
We the body, you the Head.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

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## Holy Communion CWB 593

See us, Lord, about your altar;  
though so many we are one;  
many souls by love united  
in the heart of Christ, your Son.

Hear our prayers, O loving Father,  
hear in them your Son, our Lord;  
hear him speak our love and worship  
as we sing with one accord.

Wheat and grape contain meaning:  
food and drink he is to all;  
one in him, we kneel adoring,  
gathered by his loving call.

Members of his Mystic Body,  
now we know our prayer is heard,  
heard by you, because your children  
have received th'eternal Word.



## Recessional Hymn CWB 398

Christ is the King! O friends rejoice;  
brothers and sisters, with one voice  
let the world know he is your choice.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let love's all reconciling might  
your scattered companies unite  
in service to the Lord of light,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

So shall God's will on earth be done,  
new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,  
and the whole Church at last be one.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!



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