

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

Clergy: Fr G Pritchard, Deacon F Correy

Parish Office: Tuesday - Friday 9am-3pm
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St Gabriel's Church
1 Viola St Reservoir 3073

St Stephen of Hungary Church
71 Whitelaw St Reservoir East 3073

St Joseph the Worker Church
79 Wilson Blvd Reservoir North 3073

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR A 30 August 2026 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 Friday 9:15am Mass
St Joseph the Worker Reservoir North

Thursday 9am Mass
St Lukes Church 1A David St Lalor

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

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

YOUNG PARISHIONERS

NEXT Sunday 6 September 10.30am

St Gabriel's Parish Centre

Venerable Rosario of the Visitation

presented by

Dominican Sisters of the Most Holy Rosary

Lunch included

\$10 working \$5 non working / students

The Dominican Sisters of the Most Holy Rosary were founded by Venerable Mother Rosario Arroya in 1925. Mother Rosario's parents presented the family home at Iloilo to be the Mother House for this new Dominican community, which had its origins in the Dominican Sisters of St Catherine of Siena in Manila. The core mission of the Sisters is education, social and pastoral work, and serving the poor. Since coming to us in April 2025, the Sisters provide our partnered parishes with the powerful sign of religious life, a heart of prayer, catechesis and visitation. Sr MayFlor serves in faith development and religious education at St Monica's College Epping. We are glad that the Dominican Sisters are part of Parish life, and that they are always present at first Sunday Young Parishioners.

PARISH RCIA

Anna Krohn ANIMA Education
concludes 5-week introduction to the
Catechism of the Catholic Church

Thursday 3 September 7pm
St Gabriel's Parish Centre.

The group commences regular meetings
Thursday 10 September leading to Easter 2027

MENS DINNER

Tuesday 15 September 7pm
Darebin RSL 402 Bell St Preston
Register by Tuesday 8 September:

Tim 0412 799 845 stgabrielnotices@gmail.com
Peter 0413 126 871 peternguyen48@yahoo.com.au

ST GABRIEL'S THEATRE GROUP

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory

Auditions & rehearsal: Today Sunday 30 August 6pm

St Gabriel's parish hall Reservoir

Enquiries: Judy judeome@hotmail.com

ST GABRIEL'S PIETY STALL

St Paul's Sunday Missal \$35

St Paul's Weekday Missal \$90

New Community Catholic Bible \$35

CATHOLIC MEN FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY

St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne 10am

melbournemensrosarycrusade.com

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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.*

Conference president Peter Johnson

reservoir.conf.pres@svdp-vic.org.au

Donation boxes are located in

St Gabriel's Church Reservoir

and St Stephen of Hungary Church Reservoir East.

Donations can also be made with the QR code.

Emergency Assistance 1800 305 330

Reservoir Vinnies 10 Edwardes St

invites volunteers 8199 4215

LEGION OF MARY

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Praesidium

Mondays 1.30pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre.

Families are invited to welcome the Pilgrim Statue of

Our Lady of Fatima for a week of family prayer.

New members are always welcome.

Enquiries Maureen O'Dwyer 9460 8520

COMBINED SOCIETIES OF MARY

combinedsocietiesofmary.com 9509 2207

Holy Cross Church 707 Glen Huntly Rd Caulfield

- Tuesday 8 September 7pm *Our Lady of Vailankanni*. Eucharistic Adoration/ Benediction/ Procession/ Mass

- Sunday 12 September 1.30pm *Our Lady of Sorrows* Eucharistic Adoration/ Time of Mercy/ Mass/ Veneration of True Cross

MELBOURNE SYNOD 2026 CONSULTATION

*Where is the Holy Spirit leading
our Archdiocese at this time?*

*Whom are we being called
to accompany in faith
more intentionally?*

*How might we reflect
the face of Christ more clearly
in our local Church?*



PARISH LIFE *Vibrant Viable Vital*

SACRAMENTAL JOURNEY

Saturday 12 September

1st Reconciliation 11am

St Gabriel's Church Reservoir

1st Holy Communion 6.30pm

St Stephen of Hungary Church Reservoir East



ALPHA MASTERCLASS

Saturday 5 September 10am–4.30pm

Cardinal Knox Centre

383 Albert St East Melbourne

Hosted by Alpha Australia in partnership with Proclaim, this one-day training will equip new and existing Alpha teams in hospitality, small-group facilitation, handling big questions and prayer ministry. \$25 Register: events.humanitix.com/alpha-masterclass-melbourne

ST PETER'S SPEAKER SERIES

An Evening with Deacon Peter Pellicaan

Thursday 10 September 7pm

St Peter's Catholic Church, 581 Toorak Rd Toorak

Deacon Peter Pellicaan introduces his book *The Secret Catholic*, presenting the Catholic faith in an accessible, conversational way. Book signing and light refreshments to follow the talk.

CALLED & GIFTED DISCERNMENT PROCESS

Friday 11 September 6–9pm

Saturday 12 September 9am–4pm

Catholic Leadership Centre

576 Victoria Pde East Melbourne

Called & Gifted helps people recognise the charisms the Holy Spirit has given them and discern how to put them into practice for the good of others and for mission. \$95 registration covers the full journey. Information/registration: mission.melbournecatholic.org/posts/called-and-gifted-2026



WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027

Preparations are in full swing for World Youth Day 3–8 August 2027 in Seoul South Korea. Pope Leo XIV will join young Catholics from around the world for the second World Youth Day ever held in Asia. Parish priest at St Mary of the Cross Mordialloc Fr Michael Kong is helping Australian Catholic youth prepare for the event. Young Melbourne Catholics are called to embrace Korea's rich Catholic heritage, which includes the witness of many martyrs.

St Monica's College Epping *St Stephen/Gaudete Yr 8 Campus*



The community of **St Monica's College Epping** thanks Fr Pritchard for continuing support related to the foundation of St Stephen/Gaudete Campus. The College is committed to providing faith-filled and authentic Catholic education for junior secondary students now and into the future. We are enthused and grateful to undertake this ministry with you and members of the East Reservoir community. We shall ensure that we maintain careful stewardship of the grounds, school buildings and church. May the Prayer Fountain always flow with faith, hope and love. *Brian Hanley OAM Principal*

St Monica's Week

Oration Monday 24 August

St Monica's Day Mass Friday 28 August

Commissioning of school captains for 2027

Lunch and amusements

All students are called to offer their talents, time, and services in their unique way to building up the festivities and celebrations.

The beginning of **Semester 2** serves as the halfway point of the academic year. This is important to our students for many reasons – a change in subjects, new teachers, and for our Year 8 students, a change in base campus. The commencement of a new semester also serves as a reminder to our Year 8 students that they are officially closer to being Year 9 students than they are to Year 7. This is a significant marker for our students and frames many of the conversations and learnings that take place in the second half of the year. We call our students to take responsibility for their own learning and to be mature young adults.

Each year St Monica's College **Hearts on Fire Procession** on Friday 19 June. Every step we take symbolises our journey of faith: a journey of trusting in God, following Jesus, and responding to his call with love, courage and hope. As we processed together, we were reminded that faith is not only something we believe but something we live each day. Just as our hearts are set on fire by Christ's love, we are called to let that faith shape our words, guide our actions, and inspire our service to others. Through simple acts of kindness, compassion, and generosity, we become witnesses of Christ's love within our school and the community.

St Monica's College Epping Raffle

supports development of facilities
for current and future students.

Raffle draw Wednesday 4 November.

Prizes 1st 2026 BYD Atto 3 Premium

2nd \$5000 Joy Hub Travel Voucher

3rd Samsung 75 inch Neo QLED 4K

Mini LED Smart AI TV

Tickets: stmonicas-epping.com

*St Monica's College Epping
is honoured to establish
St Stephen of Hungary
Holy Angels Memorial Garden
St Stephen/Gaudete Campus, East Reservoir.*

*The garden has been created
as a lasting tribute to the generations
of parishioners, families, students,
pastors and community members
who have contributed to the rich history
of St Stephen of Hungary Parish and School.*

*Holy Angels Memorial Garden
provides an opportunity
for past and present parishioners
to honour and remember
deceased loved ones
through the installation
of a personalised bronze cast memorial plaque.*

*Holy Angels Memorial Garden
has been established to:
Provide a peaceful space for prayer,
reflection and remembrance.
Honour the lives and contributions
of deceased family members and loved ones.
Celebrate the enduring connection
between St Stephen of Hungary Parish
and St Monica's College Epping.
Preserve the rich heritage
of St Stephen of Hungary Parish community
for future generations.*

*All plaques will be ordered and installed
by St Monica's College Epping.
Plaques must follow the standard approved design.*

HOW TO ORDER ONLINE

Scan this QR Code



or go to

www.stmonicas-epping.com/memorialplaques

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20: 7-9

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.' Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 12: 1-2

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL *Matthew 16: 21-27*

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord;' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Il Vangelo di Matteo 16,21-27 ci presenta Gesù che parla ai suoi discepoli della sua passione, morte e risurrezione. Pietro non riesce ad accettare l'idea di un Messia che debba soffrire e cerca di allontanare Gesù da questa strada. Ma Gesù gli ricorda che il progetto di Dio non segue sempre la logica umana.

Gesù poi dice: «Se qualcuno vuole venire dietro a me, rinneghi se stesso, prenda la sua croce e mi segua». Essere suoi discepoli non significa cercare una vita senza difficoltà, ma imparare ad affrontare le nostre croci con fede, amore e fiducia in Dio. La croce non è la fine del cammino: attraverso di essa Gesù ci conduce alla vita nuova.

Spesso siamo tentati di scegliere ciò che è più facile, ciò che ci dà sicurezza o riconoscimento. Gesù, invece, ci invita a perdere la nostra vita per amore, perché «chi perderà la propria vita per causa mia, la troverà». Il vero valore della nostra vita non si misura nelle ricchezze, nel successo o nelle cose che possediamo, ma nell'amore che doniamo e nella nostra fedeltà a Dio.

Chiediamo al Signore la grazia di seguirlo con coraggio, anche quando il cammino è difficile, sapendo che ogni croce portata con fede può diventare una strada verso la risurrezione.

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Recently Deceased

Armando Raponi, Costanzo Sangiuliano,
Angel Pampin, Ada Colalancia

Anniversary of Death & Remembrance

Joseph & Lorenza Deguara,
Emilia Sferopoulos, Sonia Cappola,
Leonora Cobrador, Maria Monarca,
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Felice Taranto, Lucy Tombino



**Next weekend
23rd Sunday
in Ordinary Time
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Ezekiel 33:7-9
Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20

Processional Hymn CWB 588

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress.
praise him, still the same forever,
slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Fatherlike he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace!

BE
TRANSFORMED
BY THE
RENEWING
OF YOUR
MIND.

Liturgy of the Word

Jeremiah 20:7-9 Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27

Psalm Response

My soul is thirsting for you,
O Lord my God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.
Alleluia!

Holy Communion Hymn CWB 311

Refrain:

I have loved you
with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine;
I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine.

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
he will bring you his light and his peace.

Refrain

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
he will bring you his joy and his hope.

Refrain

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
he will bring you his care and his love.

Refrain

Recessional Hymn CWB 399

Christ, our Lord, the Prince of ages,
Christ, the nations' glorious King,
whom we praise with exultation,
saints and angels answering,
to your throne with true devotion,
hearts and minds and senses bring.

On our own dear land, Australia,
let the light of mercy shine,
that, in holy Church, united,
all may know the saving sign:
Christ, up on the Cross uplifted,
drawing all with love divine!

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