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

Clergy: Fr G Pritchard, Deacon F Correya
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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

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR A
18 October 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 of Hungary Reservoir East
Wednesday
8.30am Holy Rosary 9am Mass
Thursday Friday 9am Mass
St Gabriel's Reservoir

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.

STELLA MARIS FESTA
St Joseph the Worker Church
Reservoir North
Sunday 18 October
2.30pm Mass 4pm Procession
6pm Refreshments
MMG Concert Band DJ Domenic

NEXT Sunday 25 October
Anniversary of Consecration
St Gabriel's Church Reservoir (2000)
9am Mass Sausage sizzle St Gabriel's Parish Centre

Festa di San Rocco
St Joseph the Worker Church Reservoir North
1pm Mass, Procession, Divertimenti.

Knights of the Southern Cross
Tuesday 27 October 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre
State chairman of the Knights of the Southern Cross Glenn Morris will give a presentation on the work and mission of the Knights of the Southern Cross, an order of men that fosters the Christian way of life in charitable works, family life, supporting the clergy and building up parish life.

Sacrament of Confirmation
2 RCIA candidates Bjorn and Anthony receive the Sacrament of Confirmation Saturday 31 October 6.30pm Vigil Mass St Stephen of Hungary Church Reservoir East. Our parish RCIA group meets Thursdays 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre Reservoir.

Young Parishioners
Sunday 1 November 10.30am St Gabriel's Parish Centre. Lunch included $10 Working $5 non working / students. Sr Mayflor OP & Diane Yuri present St Hildegard von Bingen. *Born in 1098 in Mermersheim, Germany, Hildegard entered the Benedictine order and eventually founded two monasteries on the Rhine. At the age of forty-two, she began writing the first of three volumes detailing her vivid mystical visions. A genuine polymath, she wrote books on medicine and natural science, composed her own music and plays, and carried on a papally approved preaching ministry. She wrote candid letters to kings, popes, and abbotts, encouraging reform. Pope Benedict XVI named her a Doctor of the Church in 2012.*

ST GABRIEL'S THEATRE GROUP
presents



Tuesday 24 November 6pm
Thursday 26 November 6pm
Friday 27 November 6pm
Saturday 28 November 2pm
Rehearsals Sundays 6pm
St Gabriel's Parish Hall Reservoir
Enquiries: Judy judeome@hotmail.com

ST GABRIEL'S PIETY STALL
Columban Art Calendar 2027 $10
Daily Mass Book 2027 $25
St Paul's Sunday Missal $35
New Catholic Community 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

HOLY ANGELS MEMORIAL GARDEN ST STEPHEN/GAUDETE CAMPUS EAST RESERVOIR
A place to honour the lives and contributions of deceased family members, parishioners, students, pastors and loved ones.
Tel 9409 8800
stmonicas-epping.com/memorialplaques

Christ our King guide us, unite us lead us forward in faith

ANCHORED LOVING SMARTER: KEYS TO RELATIONSHIP SUCCESS
Tuesday 27 October 7.30pm Online
During this online webinar, you will discover how understanding your spouse's unique needs can strengthen communication, deepen emotional connection and help you avoid common relationship pitfalls.
Register: trybooking.com/events/landing/1632534

CLERGY WORKSHOP
Fr Pritchard and Deacon Correya will attend clergy workshop Thursday 29 October. Please note: 8.30am Mass St Joseph the Worker Reservoir North

COFFEE & CROISSANTS WITH ANNIE CARRETT
Thursday 12 November 7.30am
The Victoria Room: Victoria Hotel
215 Little Collins St Melbourne
$45 includes continental breakfast,
$35 CWL members $30 students
Booking: trybooking.com/DPTZE

Ordination of Priests and Deacons
St Patrick's Cathedral East Melbourne
Saturday 14 November 10am

Ordination to the Priesthood
Dominic Lawes, Rhys Lowther

Ordination to the Diaconate
Nicolas Calandra, Andrew Tran. Anthony Wright

Permanent Deacons
Peter Nguyen, Bradley Pround
Francis Thomas, Ryan Martin

This Mass will be broadcast live
Community Channel C31 (channel 44 on TV)

Chesterton Academy of Melbourne

Light on the human heart
insights for parents and teachers
presented by Dr Colin Patterson
Roccella Restaurant
TO1/5 Janefield Dve Bundoora
Monday 26 October 7pm
Bookings:
chestertonacademymelbourne.com.au

VENERABLE ROSARIO OF THE VISITATION OP III

Foundress of the Dominican Sisters of the Most Holy Rosary of the Philippines

Before entering the convent, Mother Rosario nurtured her prayer life by frequently visiting the Blessed Sacrament reserved in their family chapel. She was often seen absorbed in prayer. She invited her neighbours' children to pray the Rosary kneeling while she led the prayers.

As a religious she had a great devotion to the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This devotion inspired her successors to have daily exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. When she was not occupied with her duties as superior, she would spend time praying the Rosary. Every image of the Blessed Mother received an Ave Maria every time she passed by it. In her Will she stipulated that the different feasts of the Blessed Virgin should be celebrated with a high Mass.

Mother Rosario was a soul full of charity. Her love for God was expressed clearly in her love for her neighbours. Her love for the poor, the needy and the sick was outstanding. She would personally care for a sick Sister. If hospitalization was needed, she would call for her brother Mariano, a physician and would order the best food for the sick Sister. She treated her Sisters equally and lovingly.

As she advanced in years she also advanced in the love of poverty. She was very observant of this vow. Her love for simple things and her detachment from material and worldly goods could not go unnoticed. She used with great care her belongings and those of the community. She wore darned and patched clothing and had very few of them. A scion of affluence, she modelled religious poverty and a simple life.

Her simplicity enabled her to share what she had with the poor, sometimes even giving to sick neighbours food prepared for her. Vanity did not have a place in her heart. Despite her position and patrimony, she never boasted of them. She preferred the obscurity of convent life. She was strict but had a listening heart to the needs and concerns of her Sisters and other people.

Mother Rosario left footprints of virtues. She distinguished herself by a solid piety, love of prayer and strict religious observance.

Mother Rosario's life clearly mirrored the virtues of purity and innocence, deep simplicity and profound humility, ardent love for the poor and needy. As a religious, she was an example in the observance of the vows, the Holy Rule and community life. She was strict in discipline but only because she herself lived it.

During the celebration of the 25th death anniversary of Mother Rosario, the late Jaime Cardinal Sin, then Archbishop of Jaro and later of the Archdiocese of Manila cited her, saying: "For me Mother Rosario personifies the religious woman of today...a woman of God, a woman of prayer, a woman of continuous conversion, a sign of salvation, a witness of community and communion of life in the imitation of the Trinity, a daughter of the Church and a faithful administrator of great heritage."

Mother Rosario died peacefully on June 14 1957 aged 73 after receiving Holy Viaticum and Anointing, surrounded by her Sisters. Her funeral was attended by both ecclesiastical and civil dignitaries and the poor whom she loved and for whom she dedicated her life. She was buried in Molo Catholic Cemetery and later her remains were transferred to the Motherhouse chapel, where they rest today.

May God the Father bless us.
May God the Son heal us.
May God the Holy Spirit enlighten us,
and give us
eyes to see with, ears to hear with,
hands to do the work of God with,
feet to walk with,
a mouth to preach the word of salvation with,
and the angel of peace to watch over us
and lead us at last,
by our Lord's gift, to the Kingdom.

13th Century Dominican Blessing



FIRST READING *Isaiah 45:1,4-6*

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: 'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.'

The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING *1 Thessalonians 1:1-5*

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'

The Gospel of the Lord
All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

CAMMINO VERSO L'UNIFICAZIONE

La Bibbia presenta Gesù Cristo
come Re eterno e sovrano,
Il cui regno spirituale governa su tutta la creazione.

Profezie dell'Antico Testamento

Isaia 9,6–7: Preannuncia la nascita di un bambino destinato a sedere sul trono di Davide e a stabilire un regno di pace senza fine, fondato sulla giustizia e sulla rettitudine.
Daniele 7,13–14: Descrive il "Figlio dell'uomo" che riceve un dominio eterno, gloria e un regno che non sarà mai distrutto.
Zaccaria 9,9: Profetizza la venuta del Re d'Israele in umiltà, cavalcando un asino.

I Vangeli

Matteo 2,2: I Magi cercano il bambino appena nato, domandando dove si trovi colui che è nato "Re dei Giudei".
Giovanni 18,36: Gesù dice a Ponzio Pilato: "Il mio regno non è di questo mondo", indicando che il suo regno ha origine al di là delle strutture di potere terreno. Giovanni 19,19–22: Pilato fa porre sulla croce un'iscrizione con le parole: "Gesù Nazareno, il Re dei Giudei".

Lettere e scritti del Nuovo Testamento

Filippesi 2,9–11: Dio innalza Gesù al di sopra di ogni cosa, stabilendo che ogni ginocchio si pieghi e ogni lingua proclami che Gesù Cristo è Signore. Apocalisse 19,16: Gesù appare con un titolo scritto sul mantello e sul fianco: "RE DEI RE E SIGNORE DEI SIGNORI".

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Recently Deceased

Concetta Cafari,
Maria Di Guglielmo

Anniversary of Death & Remembrance

Maria Vivona,Giuseppe Del Zotti,
Gemma Gulizia, Gaetano Giovanni Bressan



Next weekend 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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

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

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 Hymn

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.

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.

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*

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