

## Processional Hymn CWB 295

Refrain: May this Lenten discipline,  
which we undertake with love,  
Turn our minds to things above

Sin has sundered us from God,  
selfish we have grown and cold,  
foolish were the ways we trod,  
evil habits keep their hold. *Refrain*

Now we fast that we may feast  
where the Lord of life presides;  
may our hunger be increased  
for the bread which he provides. *Refrain*

As we keep this Lent with prayer  
and from pleasures are withdrawn,  
Minds and bodies we prepare  
for the joy of Easter dawn. *Refrain*



## Liturgy of the Word

Genesis 12:1-4, 2 Timothy 1:8-10, Matthew 17:1-9

## Psalm Response

Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in you

## Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
this is my beloved Son, hear him.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

## Preparation of the Gifts CWB 434

O raise your eyes on high and see,  
there stands our sovereign Lord;  
his glory is this day revealed,  
his word a two edged sword.

We glimpse the splendour and the pow'r  
of him who conquered death,  
the Christ in whom the universe  
knows God's creating breath.

Of every creed and nation King,  
in him all strife is stilled;  
the promise made to Abraham  
in him has been fulfilled.

The prophets stand and with great joy  
give witness as they gaze;  
the Father with a sign has sealed  
our trust, our hope, our praise.

This glory that today our eyes  
have glimpsed of God's own Son  
will help us ever sing with love  
of Three who are but One.

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## Holy Communion CWB 291

Refrain: Grant to us, O Lord, a heart renewed;  
Recreate in us your own Spirit, Lord!

Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord our God,  
when I will make a new covenant  
with the house of Israel. *Refrain*

Deep within their being I will implant my law;  
I will write it in their hearts. *Refrain*

I will be their God, and they shall be my people. *Refrain*

And for all their faults I will grant forgiveness;  
nevermore will I remember their sins. *Refrain*

## Recessional Hymn 6PM Vigil Mass CWB 861

When evening comes we turn to you,  
the maker of all things.  
We seek that peace and comfort which  
your kindness always brings.  
Protect us from all dangers now  
and all throughout the night,  
that we may rise once more with Christ  
who is our truth and light.

Give glory to the Father who  
is source of all that is.

Give glory to the Son who  
died that we might all be his.

Give glory to the Spirit blest  
whom they to earth do send.

Give glory to our triune God  
whose rule will never end.

## Sunday 10am Mass CWB 296

O God, creator of us all,  
from whom we come, to whom we go,  
you look with pity on our hearts,  
the weakness of our wills you know.

The fast by law and prophets taught,  
by you, O Christ, was sanctified.

Bless all our penance, give us strength  
to share the cross on which you died.

O God of mercy, hear our prayer,  
with Christ Your Son, and Spirit blest,  
transcendent Trinity in Whom  
created things all come to rest.

## May the faithful departed dwell in the company of Moses, Elijah, and all the saints.

Ugo Di' Censo *recently deceased*  
Hermina Brysha  
Marie Celeste Dos Santos  
Tony Morello

## Next weekend 2nd Sunday of Lent Year A

Exodus 17:3-7  
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
John 4:5-42



## Parish of St Gabriel & St Stephen of Hungary Reservoir—Reservoir East

Parish Priest: Fr Gregory Pritchard

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Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am—12:30pm Friday 9am—3pm

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1 Viola St Reservoir 3073

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71 Whitelaw St Reservoir East 3073

## 2nd Sunday of Lent Year A 05.03.2023

### MASS & RECONCILIATION

*May this Lent be a fruitful time to refocus  
our lives on the Lord, and to provide for the  
spiritual and material needs of others*

**Our Parish Lent Program  
is included with today's newsletter  
Project Compassion boxes and envelopes  
are available at Church entries**

Tuesday 9am *St Gabriel's*

Wednesday *St Stephen's*  
9am Morning Prayer  
& Eucharistic Adoration  
9.30am Mass

Thursday 9am *St Gabriel's*

Friday *St Gabriel's*  
8.30 Way of the Cross 9am Mass  
10.30am Funeral Mass  
Ugo Di' Censo RIP

Saturday *St Stephen's*  
5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday *St Gabriel's*  
9am Reconciliation 10am Mass

**Thanksgiving and Clergy support  
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St Gabriel & St Stephen Church  
BSB: 083-347  
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**Our Parish is committed  
to the safety, wellbeing and dignity  
of all children and vulnerable adults**

## WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

Parish preparation Sunday 5 March  
11.30am—1pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre  
Lunch included

Contribution \$10 (working) \$5 (non-working, students)  
Envelope attached

- We welcome Anna Krohn ANIMA Education who presents on Portuguese and WYD patron saints. Today's saints are *Maria Clara of the Child Jesus* (1843—1899), founder of the Franciscan Hospitaller Sisters of the Immaculate Conception in Lisbon. *Chiara Badano* (1971—1990), a young Italian teenager who is on the path to sainthood in the Catholic Church. At age 9 she joined the Focolare Movement and received the nickname "Luce" by the founder Chiara Lubich. When she was 16, she was diagnosed with osteogenic sarcoma, a painful bone cancer.
- 6 young parishioners will represent our parish at WYD this year. We hope to build up a young adults ministry with our WYD pilgrims and other young parishioners. In the lead up to WYD, the Diocese will provide formation and leadership training.
- On the 1st weekend of the month (February to July), an envelope will be attached to the Parish newsletter. Parishioners are invited to support our WYD Pilgrims. They will travel direct to Lisbon, spend a few days at the Shrine of Our Lady at Fatima, and then participate in WYD in Lisbon lead by Pope Francis. Cost per pilgrim is \$6,000. We can support our pilgrims, help with their WYD costs, and provide a bit of spending money. Just place the envelope in the weekend collection. Thank you!

## MENS DINNER WITH ROBERT FALZON

Tuesday 7 March 7pm Reservoir RSL

Parish men are invited to dinner with menAlive founder Robert Falzon. menAlive is a national movement of Catholic men, promoting Catholic manhood, fatherhood, spirituality and parish life.

Register: Tim 0412 799 845 timrebbeci@gmail.com

## PARISH RCIA

Thursdays 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre

The Scrutinies will be celebrated on Sundays

March 12, 19, 26 10am Mass

St Gabriel's

## TURKEY & SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

- Catholic Mission 1800 257 296
- Melkite Catholic Eparchy  
MCF DGR Account  
Ref: Syrian Appeal  
BSB 062784 Account: 100011493
- Aid to the Church in Need  
aidtochurch.org/syrianeearthquake

## 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.
- **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 Sunday Missal \$35  
St Paul's Weekday Missal \$90  
*I'm Going to Mass* For ages 2 to 5 \$15  
Statue of St Gabriel's \$17  
St Gabriel's Charm \$6

## ORDINATION OF PERMANENT DEACONS

Saturday 11 March 10am  
St Patrick's Cathedral

## BOOK AND PLANT SALE

Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver  
154 Cotham Road Kew  
Saturday 18 March 9am—2pm  
Enquiries: Tel 9817 3715

## LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP

St Raphael's Parish  
17 Hardy St, Preston West  
Wednesdays 1.30pm  
Contact: Marijana Jurjevic 0422 340 675

*Above all the Transfiguration shows forth the Trinity: "the Father in the voice, the Son in the man Jesus, the Spirit in the shining cloud" (St Thomas Aquinas). Speaking with Moses and Elijah about his "departure" (Lk 9:31), Jesus reveals that his glory comes by way of the cross and he anticipates his resurrection and his glorious coming "which will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body" (Phil 3:21).  
Compendium 110*

We often forget that, before the Lord called him, Abram was a pagan. That means that, like everyone else around him, he worshipped false gods whose stories were steeped in the selfishness, violence, and pettiness of the world.

So imagine Abram's surprise when he encountered the one true God! He was unlike any other "gods" Abram had already worshipped. There was a selfless quality about the way the Lord spoke to him. He didn't ask Abram to perform elaborate sacrifices; he didn't command him to go into battle on his behalf; he didn't even threaten to kill him if he didn't obey him. Instead, the Lord was totally invested in Abram, not himself. He promised to "bless" Abram even before Abram had done a single thing for him (Gen 12:2). All God wanted was for Abram to leave home, that place of violence and selfishness, and travel to a new land where he and his descendants could begin a new, grace-filled life.

Just as he did for Abram, God wants to bless you - simply because he loves you. He's not concerned with how much you sacrifice to him. He isn't calculating your reward based on the number of good deeds you perform for him. He doesn't "need" anything from you at all. He just wants to help you leave whatever "places" of sin, violence, and selfishness are in your heart so that you can receive his blessings. All he wants is for you to experience life in the promised land, the kingdom of his beloved Son.

In a world that is so often based on the give-and-get transactions of business contracts and self-serving relationships, God's calling can be hard to believe. It can seem too good to be true. But it is true! Your heavenly Father loves you for who you are. He simply wants to bless you. Will you embrace his call and enter his promised land?  
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*We pray that the Lord God send down His Holy Spirit upon the Ukrainian nation and give them endurance in faith, hope and love in these times of trial; that He grant peace and liberate Ukraine from all enemies, so that they can in justice and truth glorify our good and merciful God; for God's care over all the armed forces who perform their duty to protect Ukraine; for those who suffer as a result of hostilities; for the injured, for the displaced; for those who have lost their relatives, homes and property; for all those who are in the conflict zone; that the Lord God defend and heal them, preserve them from all disasters and give them His grace. We pray you, O Lord, hear us and have mercy.*

Moleben to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Ukrainian Catholic Church

## LENT 2023



### SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Saturday 25 March  
8.30am Holy Hour  
Eucharistic Adoration Holy Rosary  
9.30am Mass  
St Gabriel's

### WEDNESDAYS OF LENT

Morning Prayer & Eucharistic Adoration  
9am St Stephen's

### FRIDAYS OF LENT

Way of the Cross / Via Crucis  
8.30am St Gabriel's

### 4th SUNDAY OF LENT 19 March

Fresh Roast Mobile Cafe  
after 10am Mass St Gabriel's

### PARISH RCIA

#### The Scrutinies

Sundays 12, 19, 26 March  
10am Mass St Gabriel's

### WYD PREPARATION

Sundays March 5, April 2  
11.30am St Gabriel's Parish Centre

### MENS DINNER

#### WITH ROBERT FALZON

Tuesday 7 March 7pm  
Reservoir RSL  
Register: Tim 0412 799 845  
timrebbechi@gmail.com

### SOLEMNITIES

Friday 17 March St Patrick  
Monday 20 March St Joseph  
Saturday 25 March Annunciation of the Lord



## HOLY WEEK

### Palm Sunday Weekend 1-2 April

Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass St Stephen's  
Sunday 10am Mass St Gabriel's  
*includes blessing of palms and procession*

### Holy Thursday 6 April

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
9.45pm Night Prayer  
St Gabriel's

### Good Friday 7 April

10am Way of the Cross St Stephen's  
3pm The Lord's Passion St Gabriel's

### Holy Saturday 8 April

8pm The Vigil of Easter  
St Gabriel's

### Easter Sunday 9 April

10am Mass St Gabriel's

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

### St Stephen's

Saturdays 5pm  
Wednesday 29 March 10am  
Wednesday 5 April 10am

### St Gabriel's

Sundays 9am  
Tuesday 28 March 9.30am, 7pm  
Thursday 30 March 9.30am  
Friday 31 March 9.30am 7pm  
Tuesday 4 April 9.30am, 7pm  
Wednesday 5 April 9.30am, 7pm  
Thursday 6 April 9.30am

## EASTER SEASON BLESSING OF HOMES

Register: Parish Office  
Telephone 9460 6036  
Email: reservoir@cam.org.au