

**Partnered Parishes**  
**St Gabriel & St Stephen of Hungary Reservoir—Reservoir East**  
**and St Raphael Preston West**  
**Clergy:** Fr G Pritchard, Fr S Grainger, Fr A Fragapane

**St Gabriel's Church**  
1 Viola St Reservoir 3073

**Parish Office Hours:**  
**St Raphael's** 17 Hardy St Preston West 9470 2586  
prestonwest@cam.org.au Monday 9am—1pm

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

**St Gabriel's** 1 Viola St Reservoir 3073 9460 6036  
reservoir@cam.org.au  
Wednesday & Thursday 9am—1pm Friday 9am—3pm


**St Raphael's Church**  
17 Hardy St Preston West 3072

**5th SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B**  
**28.04.2024**  
**HOLY ROSARY**  
Sunday 28 April 3pm *St Gabriel's*  
Wednesday 1 May 9am *St Stephen's*  
3.30 pm *St Raphael's*  
Thursday 2 May 8.30am *St Gabriel's*

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**& NIGHT PRAYER**  
Thursday 6.30pm *St Gabriel's*

**MASS & RECONCILIATION**  
**Tuesday, Friday**  
9am Mass *St Gabriel's*  
**Wednesday** *St Stephen's*  
9am Rosary 9.30am Mass  
**Thursday** *St Gabriel's*  
8.30am Rosary 9am Mass  
**Saturday** *St Stephen's*  
5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass  
**Sunday** *St Gabriel's*  
8am Reconciliation 9am Mass  
**St Raphael's Preston West**  
Weekend Masses  
Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday 9am *Italian* 10.30am Masses  
**Weekday Masses**  
Tuesday & Wednesday 4pm  
Thursday & Friday 8.30am Saturday 9am  
Reconciliation Saturday 9.30am

**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



***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.***

**CDF COMMUNITY FUND**  
St Stephen's: Saturday 27April 6pm Mass  
St Gabriel's : Sunday 28 April 9am Mass  
St Raphael's : Sunday 5 May 10.30am Mass  
*CDF Community Fund offers competitive interest rates. The Community Fund supports and grows Catholic parishes, schools, hospitals, and initiatives in the life of the Archdiocese of Melbourne.*  
  
Sincere thanks to parishioners who worked on **St Gabriel's gardens and grounds** Saturday 13 April: Ange Braysha, Danielle Gigliotti, Wendy Healy, Gary O'Dwyer, Breda Young-Gee.  
  
St Raphael's School Acting Principal **Rosalba Squarci** received her Masters in Catholic Leadership at ACU 15 April. *Congratulations!*  
  
Our Parish **St Vincent de Paul** Conference is now responding to Welfare calls from Preston West. Members of our Partner Parishes are warmly invited to join the Society in its mission of charity and outreach.  
*Contact Conference president Andriu Dos Santos. reservoir.conf.pres@svdp-vic.org.au*  
  
**Fr Fragapane** assisted at an evening for parents and candidates for First Holy Communion at St Raphael's church 24 April. He also provided Holy Communion and the Anointing of the sick, with the visit of the statue of Our Lady of Fatima to Embracia aged care Reservoir 27 April.  
  
**Bishop Curtin** conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation on 24 candidates at St Raphael's church 16 March and 5 candidates at St Gabriel's church 17 April.  
  
25 priests and seminarians participated in **Holy Hour**, and enjoyed dinner together 21 April. Sincere thanks to parishioners who attended Holy Hour, and supported this event, especially Gianna Spina and Julie Chiappini. We also thank Bernard Girolami and El-Fakhry family.  
  
**Love & Co Real Estate** has kindly provided boards advertising Mass times, church locations and Parish office hours, as well as the special celebration for Our Lady of Fatima. *Thank you!*  
  
The **Easter Offering** provides extra support for our Bishops and Priests. Thank you for your generous support of our Pastors in the weekly collection.

## SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

*Northern Region Festival*

**St Stephen's Church & Hall Reservoir East**  
**Saturday 18 May 6pm**

- Our Parish conference meets on the 3rd Monday of the month 7.30pm Emmaus Room Final meeting. 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*

## PIETY STALL

**St Gabriel's & St Raphael's Churches**

St Paul's Sunday Missal \$35

St Paul's Weekday Missal \$90

St Christopher medals, rosary beads, devotional items

## LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP

Wednesdays 1.30pm

St Raphael's Church Preston West

Inquiries: Marijana 0422 340 675

## ALPHA

St Francis of Assisi Hall Childs Rd Mill Park

Thursday 11 April (10 weeks) 7—9.30pm

trybooking.com/CPYNW

## MYSTAGOGIA

Thursdays 7pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre

This year we present Bishop Robert Barron's

DVD series *Catholicism*

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

### WOMEN'S RETREAT

*'The Seeker of Souls'*

St Peter's Church 581 Toorak Rd Toorak

Saturday 1 June 9am—12.15pm

Mass Eucharistic Adoration Reconciliation Presentation

by Fr Trevor Tibbertsma

Registration: trybooking.com/CQACG

## ANNUAL MASS COUNT

Weekends May 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26

This annual Mass count is important for diocesan and  
Pastoral planning, provision of clergy and services.

## May is the Month of Mary

• **Holy Rosary** Wednesdays May 1,8,15,22,29

9am St Stephen's Reservoir East

3.30pm St Raphael's Preston West

- The Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia will lead us in a **Marian Reflection** Sunday 5 May 10.30am—1pm St Gabriel's Parish Centre. The Sisters will provide 2 talks, with time for reflection, concluding with Holy Rosary. Light lunch. \$5.

*Please register at St Gabriel's parish office 9460 6036*

*reservoir@cam.org.au*

## •Festa della Madonna di Pompei

Chiesa di San Raffaele Preston West

Domenica 5 Maggio

2pm Santo Rosario 2.30pm Messa

Enquiries Mario 9470 1725 Felice 9478 8556

## •Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

Monday 13 May St Gabriel's Church Reservoir

7pm Holy Rosary 7.30pm Holy Mass

8.30pm Procession 9pm Benediction.

Sincere thanks to parishioners who welcome the **statue of Our Lady of Fatima** to their homes for Rosary leading up to 13 May. Please feel welcome to come to these homes and St Gabriel's Church to pray the Rosary:

*Sunday 28 April 3pm* St Gabriel's Church

*Tuesday 30 April 5pm* 12 Butters St Reservoir

*Wednesday 1 May 3pm* 629 Gilbert Rd Preston

*Thursday 2 May 8.30am* St Gabriel's Church

*Friday 3 May 6pm* 185 Elizabeth St Coburg North

*Saturday 4 May 3pm* 16 Fulham Grove Preston



Priest: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

All: And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Priest: May they rest in peace.

All: Amen.

Priest: May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: Amen

Priest: Almighty everlasting God, who sent your Son to die that we might live, grant, we pray, eternal rest to those who gave themselves in service and sacrifice for their country.  
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

## Next weekend

## 6th Sunday of Easter Year B

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

1 John 4:7-10

John 15:9-17

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN AOV 131

Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom,  
Come to him and bless his name.

Mercy he has shown us

His love is forever, faithful to the end of days.

*Chorus:* Come then, all you nations,  
sing of the Lord's goodness,  
melodies of praise and thanks to God.  
Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music,  
Worship him and bless his name.

Power he has wielded, honour is his garment,  
Risen from the snares of death.  
His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken,  
New life he now gives to all. *Chorus*

Praise him with your singing,  
praise him with the trumpet,  
praise God with the lute and harp;  
Praise him with your dancing,  
praise God till the end of days. *Chorus*

## Liturgy of the Word

Acts 9: 26-31 1 John 3: 18-24 John 15: 1-8

## Psalm Response

I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.

Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.

Alleluia!

## PREPARATION OF GIFTS CWB 348

*Refrain:* Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Glory to God who does wondrous things,  
Let all the people God's praises now sing  
All of creation in splendour shall ring Alleluia *Refrain*

See how salvation for all has been won,  
Up from the grave our new life has begun,  
Life now perfected in Jesus the Son: Alleluia *Refrain*

Now in his presence the Lord will appear,  
Shine in the faces of all of us here,  
Fill us with joy and cast out all our fear: Alleluia *Refrain*

Call us, Good shepherd, we listen to you,  
Wanting to see you in all that we do.  
We would the gate of salvation pass through: Alleluia *Refrain*

Lord we are open to all that you say,  
Ready to listen and follow your way,  
You are the potter and we are the clay, Alleluia *Refrain*

If we have love, then we dwell in the Lord,  
God will protect us from fire and sword,  
Fill us with love and the peace of his word: Alleluia *Refrain*



## HOLY COMMUNION 1 AOV 125

*Chorus:* Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread and drink this cup,  
trust in me and you not thirst.

I am the bread of life,  
the true bread sent from the Father. *Chorus*

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert  
But this is the bread come down from heaven. *Chorus:*

Eat my flesh and drink my blood,  
And I will raise you up on the last day. *Chorus:*

Any one who eats this bread, will live forever *Chorus:*

If you believe and eat this bread,  
you will have eternal life. *Chorus:*

## HOLY COMMUNION 2 AOV 54

I heard the voice of Jesus say  
'Come unto me and rest;  
Lay down, thou weary one,  
lay down thy head upon my breast'  
I came to Jesus, as I was weary and worn and sad;  
I found in him a resting place and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say  
'Behold, I freely give the living water:  
Thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live  
I came to Jesus and drank of that life giving stream'  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
And now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say  
'I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, thy morn shall rise  
and all thy day be bright'  
I looked to Jesus, and I found in, him my star, my sun  
And in that light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done

## RECESSIONAL HYMN AOV 8

*Chorus:* Wake up, my people, listen to my word,  
Proclaim my love among you,  
let this song be heard.

Our God has spoken, and is speaking now to you'  
The Spirit is longing to reveal the living truth  
We gather together and wait expectantly  
For the fire of life that will set us free. *Chorus*

We're one in the Spirit embodied in your love  
We're brothers and sisters; as one family we come,  
Praying for justice and freedom in our land.  
Lord, our lives are in your hands. *Chorus*



### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

### 1st READING Acts 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit. The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 21(22):26-28,30-32*

*I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.*

I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD. The lowly shall eat their fill; they who seek the LORD shall praise him: "May your hearts live forever!"

*I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.*

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of the nations shall bow down before him.

*I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.*

To him alone shall bow down all who sleep in the earth; before him shall bend all who go down into the dust.

*I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.*

And to him my soul shall live; my descendants shall serve him. Let the coming generation be told of the Lord that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born the justice he has shown.

*I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.*

### 2nd READING 1 John 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL READING Jn 15: 1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.' The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

### 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.

### May the Sick experience the healing touch of God

*Giuseppina, Cabrini, Dorothy, Marie, Raffaella, Claudia, Cesarina, Pauline, Graeme, Patrick, Luana, Gitti, Coradina, Angela, Tanya, Narelle, Trish, Grace, Marelle, Peter, Isidoro, Anne, Kevin, Daniella, Aemon, Nelson, Adam, Joseph, Grazie, Frances, Mariana, Kristiana, Juan, Alice*

### Anniversary Masses at St Raphael's

Sunday 28 April 2024 10.30am  
*Sou-Li Savic-Wong*

### St Raphael's Parish Office

Mondays 9am — 1pm  
Telephone : 9470 2586  
Email: prestonwest@cam.org.au

*Parishioners are kindly asked  
to make their requests for anniversary  
Masses IN WRITING  
to St Raphael's Parish office  
Mondays 9am to 1pm.*



# 2024

## YEAR OF PRAYER



## MONDAY 13th MAY

## The Family as a School of Prayer



### ST GABRIEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Corner of Spring Street & Viola Street, Reservoir

7PM: INTERNATIONAL ROSARY  
7:30PM: HOLY MASS  
8:30PM: CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION  
9PM: ADORATION & BENEDICTION