

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

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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR A 12 July 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 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.



NEXT Weekend July 18-19

Pope Leo XIV calls us to be One in Christ, United in Mission, to be missionary disciples united in Christ and sent in love. Our hearts turn this year to Kampira, Malawi. Families there are still rebuilding after Cyclone Ana, and Catholic Mission is supporting the construction of a primary school so that children in this community can learn, grow and look to the future with hope.



Parish RCIA commences Thursday 6 August. Anna Krohn ANIMA Education provides a 5-week introduction to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. The group will then meet weekly leading to Easter 2027. Thank you to those who have already registered. Adults who seek life in the Catholic Church and the Sacraments can register 0487 116 154 reservoir@cam.org.au

SACRAMENTAL JOURNEY

The Sisters commence preparation for
1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion
Monday 13 July 4.30pm
St Joseph the Worker Church Reservoir North

YOUNG PARISHIONERS

Sunday 2 August 10.30am St Gabriel's Parish Centre
Br Albert OP presents St Albert the Great
teacher of St Thomas Aquinas.
St Albert is patron of scientists,
philosophers and students.



FIRST READING *Isaiah 55:10-11*

The word that goes out from my mouth does not return to me empty Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING *Romans 8: 18-23*

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

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

Next weekend

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Romans 8:26-27

Matthew 13:24-43

Recently Deceased

Fr Tadeusz Ziolkowski SChr,
Brother Roger Cripps CFC,
Angela Musolino, Pasquale Al Ezza,
Caterina Lotito, Helen De Bono,
Vito Gandolfo, Paolo Contarino

Anniversary of Death & Remembrance

Fr Emmanuel Bonello,
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GOSPEL *Matthew 13: 1-23*

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such large crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables. He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!' Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' 'Because' he replied, 'the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you, but they are not revealed to them. For anyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. So in their case this prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled: You will listen and listen again, but not understand, see and see again, but not perceive. For the heart of this nation has grown coarse, their ears are dull of hearing, and they have shut their eyes, for fear they should see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their heart, and be converted and be healed by me. 'But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! I tell you solemnly, many prophets and holy men longed to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it. 'You, therefore, are to hear the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in his heart: this is the man who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the man who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But he has no root in him, he does not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and he falls away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so he produces nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Processional Hymn AOV 5

Deep within my heart, I feel voices whispering to me.
Words that I can't understand; meanings I must clearly hear!
Calling me to follow close, lest I leave myself behind!
Calling me to walk into evening shadows one more time!

Chorus: So I leave my boats behind!
Leave them on familiar shores!
Set my heart upon the deep!
Follow you again, my Lord!

In my memories, I know how you send familiar rains falling
gently on my days; dancing patterns on my pain!
And I need to learn once more, in the fortress of my mind,
to believe in falling rain as I travel deserts dry! *Chorus*

As I gaze into the night, down the future of my years,
I'm not sure I want to walk past horizons that I know!
But I feel my spirit called like a stirring deep within, restless,
'til I live again beyond the fears that close me in! *Chorus*



Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 55:10-11 Romans 8: 18-23 Matthew 13: 1-23

Psalm Response

The seed that falls on good ground
will yield a fruitful harvest.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

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Preparation of the Gifts

We plough the fields and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's Almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine
and soft refreshing rain.

Chorus:
All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above.
So thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.

We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seedtime and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
No gift have we to offer,
for all thy love imparts,
and that which thou desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts. *Chorus*

Holy Communion Hymn

Come journey with us, walk with us,
listen to our story.
Our hopes, our dreams, our struggles, our joy,
our story of life, we share with you,
as we journey, Jesus our God.

Chorus:
May our hearts be warmed
and strengthened by your presence here.
In your holy Word and Bread of life,
in the love we share.
May we go forth, on our journey with you.

Come journey with us, talk with us,
tell us of your story.
Open our minds to understand
the mystery of your life with us,
your risen life, Jesus our God. *Chorus*

Come journey with us, stay with us,
make us one with you.
In the blessing of bread, the breaking of bread,
may we truly know, your life in us,
your love for us, Jesus our God. *Chorus*

Recessional Hymn

God, beyond our dreams,
you have stirred in us a memory;
you have placed your pow'rful Spirit
in the hearts of humankind.

Chorus:
All around us we have known you,
all creation lives to hold you.
In our living and our dying
we are bringing you to birth.

God beyond all time,
you are labouring within us;
we are moving, we are changing
in your Spirit ever new. *Chorus*