

**4 ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered. (Gal 6:14)

**A reading from the Book of Numbers (21,4-9)**  
 The people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses, and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." So Moses made a bronze serpent, and set it on a pole; and if a serpent bit any man, he would look at the bronze serpent and live. **This is the Word of the Lord.**

**Responsorial Psalm: Never forget the deeds of the Lord.**  
 Give heed, my people, to my teaching; turn your ear to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable and reveal hidden lessons of the past. **R./**  
 When he slew them then they would seek him, return and seek him in earnest. They would remember that God was their rock, God the Most High their redeemer. **R./**  
 But the words they spoke were mere flattery; they lied to him with their lips. For their hearts were not truly with him; they were not faithful to his covenant. **R./**

**A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Philippians (2,6-11)**  
 Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father **This is the Word of the Lord.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you; because by your cross you have redeemed the world. **Alleluia!**

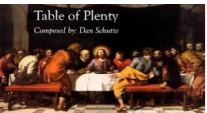
**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John (3,13-17)**  
 Jesus said to Nicodemus: "No one has ascended into heaven, but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him." **Gospel of the Lord.**

**Entrance:**  
**Table of Plenty**  
 Come to the feast of heaven and earth!  
 Come to the table of plenty!  
 God will provide for all that we need, here at the table of plenty.  
 O come and sit at my table where saints and sinners are friends.  
 I wait to welcome the lost and lonely to share the cup of my love.  
 O come and eat without money; come to drink without price.  
 My feast of gladness will feed your spirit with faith and fullness of life.  
 My bread will ever sustain you through days of sorrow and woe.  
 My wine will flow like a sea of gladness to flood the depths of your soul.

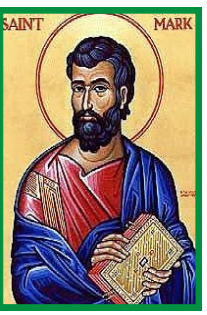
**Offertory:**  
**Take our Bread**  
 Take our bread, we ask you,  
 Take our hearts, we love you,  
 Take our lives, oh Father,  
 We are yours, we are yours.  
 Yours as we stand at the table you set,  
 Yours as we eat t he bread our hearts can't forget.  
 We are the signs of your life with us yet;  
 We are yours, we are yours.  
**Take our bread, we ask you,**  
**Take our hearts, we love you,**  
**Take our lives, oh Father,**  
**We are yours, we are yours.**  
 Your holy people stand washed in your blood,  
 Spirit filled, yet hungry,  
 we await your food.  
 We are poor but we've brought  
 Ourselves the best we could  
 We are yours, we are yours.

**Communion In Christ Alone**  
 In Christ alone my hope is found,  
 He is my light, my strength, my song;  
 this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
 firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
 when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
 My Comforter, my All in All,  
 here in the love of Christ I stand.  
 In Christ alone! who took on flesh  
 Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
 This gift of love and righteousness  
 Scorned by the ones he came to save:  
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
 The wrath of God was satisfied -  
 For every sin on Him was laid;  
 Here in the death of Christ I live.  
 There in the ground His body lay  
 Light of the world by darkness slain;  
 Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
 Up from the grave he rose again!  
 And as He stands in victory  
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
 For I am His and He is mine -  
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ.  
 No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
 This is the power of Christ in me;  
 From life's first cry to final breath,  
 Jesus commands my destiny.  
 No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
 Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
 Till He returns or calls me home,  
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

**Final:**  
**Our God Reigns**  
 How lovely on the mountains are the feet of Him Who brings good news, good news; Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness:  
 Our God reigns, our God reigns!  
 Refrain  
**Our God reigns!**  
**Our God reigns!**  
**Our God reigns!**  
**Our God reigns!**  
 He had no stately form,  
 He had no majesty  
 That we should be drawn to Him.  
 He was despised and we took no account of Him.  
 Our God reigns, our God reigns!



**Communion Antiphon:** When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord. (Jn 12:32)



# Weekly Parish Newsletter

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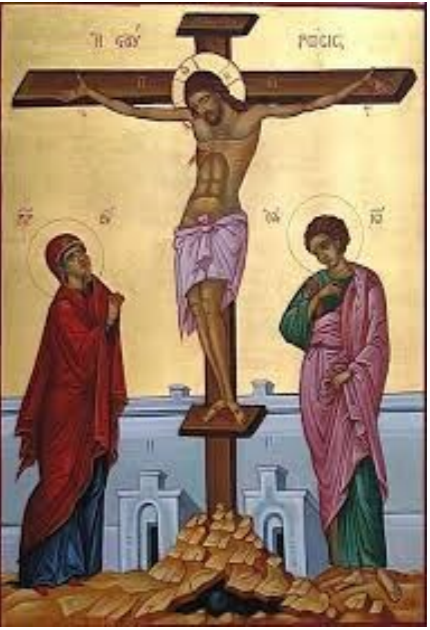
Volume VII-Issue XXXVII The EXALTATION of the HOLY CROSS  
 "Year A" 14th Sept. 2014

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*We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.*

**EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS:** Today we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. We celebrate this important feast for two reasons: (1) to recall an historic event that proved to be extremely important in the life of the Christian church, and (2) to underline the importance of the symbol and reality of the cross in the daily life of every Christian man or woman. The important event we commemorate is the finding in the year 326 of the relics of the cross on which Jesus was crucified. According to St John Chrysostom, St Helen, mother of Emperor Constantine, longed to find the cross of Christ. For this reason she travelled to Jerusalem where she organized a dig at the hill of Calvary. The diggers uncovered three wooden crosses. They could not tell which one was the cross of Jesus and which were the crosses of the two thieves crucified with him. Finally they brought a sick woman and a dead man who was being carried to burial. The three crosses were placed one after the other on the sick woman and on the dead man. Two of the crosses had no effect, but on contact with the third cross, the sick woman was healed of her infirmity and the dead man came to life. These miracles clearly indicated which of the three was the Holy Cross.



**ESALTAZIONE DELLA SANTA CROCE:** Ti saluto o Croce Santa è il canto pasquale del Venerdì santo che accompagna i fedeli mentre fanno l'adorazione della croce. Il saluto oggi diventa una festività, una esaltazione che riguarda in primo luogo Colui che umiliandosi per noi si è fatto obbediente fino alla morte e alla morte di croce. Dio stesso lo ha poi esaltato perché ogni ginocchio si pieghi in cielo e in terra e ogni

News of the finding of the true cross quickly spread and believers gathered to see the true cross and to venerate it. The Patriarch of Jerusalem, Makarios, standing on a raised platform, lifted high the cross, "exalting" it, for all to see. The people fell to their knees, bowing down before the cross and crying out repeatedly: "Lord, have mercy!" St Helen then commissioned a church to be built over the site. The church of the Holy Sepulchre was consecrated on September 13, 335. The feast of the finding and exaltation of the Cross was appointed to be celebrated annually on the following day. The basilica of the Holy Sepulchre is today regarded as the holiest spot on earth by Christians of all denominations.  
 Today the sign of the cross has become a universal Christian symbol. Ornamental crosses are fashionable today in the form of necklaces, broaches, earrings, and the like. A crucifix (the cross with an image of Christ's body upon it) identifies a church as a Christian church. Likewise, crucifixes in the homes, the school and the classroom is a constant witness and reminder of our faith in Christ who died on the cross to set us free. These are all useful and important ways of proclaiming and lifting high the cross of Christ. The cross is not just a piece of wood. It is a symbolic summary of the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ by which we have been redeemed. It is a symbol of our faith in the crucified and risen one, our Lord Jesus Christ.  
 Jesus taught us that the cross should be a constant feature in the daily lives of his followers: **"If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me"** (Luke 9:23). To take up the cross in this way we need to do more than wear a crucifix or place it in our surroundings. To lift up the cross the way Jesus asks us to do is a way of life. It is to accept self-denial and sacrifice as part of our daily lives. Sacrifice means to give up something that is of value to me for the sake of God and the benefit of my neighbour. Another word for it is love. Love is measured by sacrifice. People who love much sacrifice much. Yet sacrifice does not make us poorer but richer. This is what we see in Christ. This is what we see in the lives of the saints. This is what we are all called to be.






lingua proclami che Gesù è il Signore. Celebriamo quindi la gloria di Dio Padre, la nostra liberazione e tutto quel grandioso evento salvifico che noi chiamiamo redenzione, salvezza, riscatto. Tutto ciò ci infonde un salutare pensiero: anche noi indissolubilmente legati alla croce, alla sofferenza, frutto del peccato, veniamo esaltati perché redenti, perché anche noi candidati alla risurrezione con Cristo. Abbiamo la grande occasione di recuperare appieno la fiducia nella salvezza e superare finalmente quell'angoscia che ci opprime quando sperimentiamo invece le amare delusioni che ci propiniamo vicendevolmente noi poveri mortali. Quella croce, prima riservata come umiliante condanna degli schiavi, e noi tutti lo eravamo, segno di ignominia, ora è diventato segno di una definitiva vittoria. Per questo S. Giovanni ci ricorda che «Dio non ha mandato il Figlio nel mondo per giudicare il mondo, ma perché il mondo si salvi per mezzo di lui». Quindi è un mistero di amore quello che oggi volgiamo celebrare con l'esaltazione della santa croce. È il giorno della gratitudine, che dobbiamo esprimere con tutta la nostra vita, ma anche semplicemente impegnandoci a fare bene, con attenzione e devozione il segno della croce.



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**2 Liturgical Calendar and activities**

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
<b>SATURDAY SABATO</b> 13th September 2014 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Year "A" (Vigil)	"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."		6.00pm Carmen GALEA Carmela FARRUGIA 7.00pm Spanish Mass In Honour to Our Lady of Coromoto Patroness of Venezuela	<i>Baptism Celebrations for Hugo Charles MONTEIRO @ Giuliana Mirella TIGANI Congratulations!</i> 
<b>SUNDAY/DOMENICA</b> 14th September 2014 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Year "A"	"Dio infatti ha tanto amato il mondo da dare il Figlio unigenito, perché chiunque crede in lui non vada perduto, ma abbia la vita eterna".	8.30am PRO-POPULO	9.45am 11.00am In onore della MADONNA Vincenzo TRIGILA Damiano Felice ALESSI Felice ALESSI Assunta e Felice D'AMORE Domenico VIGLIAROLO	<i>Baptism Celebrations for Zoey Alisha INZITARI Congratulations!</i>  2.00pm Mass for the Erithrean Community
Monday/Lunedì 15th September 2014 Our Lady of Sorrow Heb 5:7-9; Jn 19:25-27	<i>Responsorial Psalm Save me, O Lord, in your steadfast love.</i>	8.00am	9.15am Francis CHAN	
Tuesday/Martedì 16th September 2014 Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31; Lk 7:11-17	<i>Responsorial Psalm. We are his people: the sheep of his flock.</i>	8.00am 	9.15am Mary VIANI (1st annv.) 10.30am Funeral Mass for Rutiano CHONG -GUM	<i>Our deepest sympathy to relatives and friends of Rutiano Chong-Gum. May the God of mercy grant him eternal rest and give peace and comfort to his loved ones.</i>
Wednesday/Mercoledì 17th September 2014 1 Cor 12:31 - 13:13; Lk 7:31-35	<i>Responsorial Psalm. Beato il popolo fondato sull'amore.</i>	8.00am <i>Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.</i>	9.15am 2.00pm Mass for Year 11 Simonds Boys.	<i>Dopo la S. Messa delle 9.15am segue il Gruppo di Preghiera Carismatico</i>
Thursday/ Giovedì 18th September 2014 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50	<i>Responsorial Psalm Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	
Friday/ Venerdì 19th September 2014 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3	<i>Responsorial Psalm Mostrami, Signore, la luce del tuo volto.</i>	8.00am <i>Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.</i>	9.15am 7.00pm Novena in honour to San Lorenzo Ruiz	

**Sabato prossimo 20 settembre alle 10.30am Santa Messa per i nostri cari anziani a "Rathdowne Place" 497 Rathdowne Street, Carlton. Tutti benvenuti. (Questa messa viene celebrata ogni primo e terzo sabato del mese)**

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Liturgy of the Word 20th & 21st Sept.2014	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid	Offertory Procession	Special Ministers	Church Cleaning
I Reading	Volunteer	L. Murphy	M. Fabri	P. La Marca	N. Ieraci / G. Moretti	M. Lauria	S. Colosimo
Responsorial Psalm	Volunteer	G. Piantella	A. Smyth	A. Bernar	J. Smith / M. Omenihu		
II Reading	Volunteer	R. Simoncini	J. Vaccari	T. Toscano	C. Zorzi / L. Di. Franco		

**NOZZE D'ORO**  
*Le nostre più sincere congratulazioni e auguri a Santo e Lina Colosimo nella ricorrenza del loro 50mo anniversario di matrimonio. Preghiamo il Signore di concedergli ancora tanti di questi bellissimi giorni colmi di felicità, salute e tante benedizioni.*

**Feast of OUR LADY OF SORROW**  
Next Sunday 21st September, here at St. Brigid's, commencing at 2.30pm with Servite Rosary followed by Holy Mass, Procession Solemn Benediction. Everyone Welcome.  
  
Festa dell'ADDOLORATA si celebra Domenica prossima con inizio alle 2.30pm Santo Rosario seguito dalla Santa Messa, Processione e Benedizione Eucaristica. Tutti benvenuti.

*Auguri alla nostra cara parrocchiana Pia Munari nella ricorrenza dei suoi 100anni di vita. Il Signore la benedica e la mantenga ancora in buona salute*

**FATHER'S DAY APPEAL**  
La somma raccolta è stata di \$570. Grazie di cuore a tutti i donatori. Ci sono ancora buste in chiesa per coloro che desiderano contribuire.  
**FATHER'S DAY APPEAL** Amount donated so far is \$570. The are still envelopes available. A big thank you to all who have already donated.

**ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGIUM**  
Saturday 4 October, 6pm Mass  
St Joseph's Church, cnr Hope Street and Melville Road, West Brunswick  
A Chamber Choir of young singers will perform liturgical music from the 16th century to the present day directed by Anthony Halliday. Mass will be 'Eymard Mass' by Roger Heagney with Motets 'Ave Maria' by Rachmaninov and 'Rejoice in the Lord Always' by Purcell.  
**Contact:** Enza on 9380 4789

**URGENT VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**  
Co.As.It is an organization funded by the Department of Human Services & Commonwealth Government. They are currently looking for Italian speaking people who are willing to volunteer one hour per week to visit elderly people of Italian origin, who are socially isolated or lonely and in need of company. If you are interested or require further information, please contact Davide on 9355 8625 or 0419516735.

**St Luke's Youth and Family Trivia night**  
Saturday 11 October, 7pm for a 7.30pm start St Luke's Parish Hall, 1A David Street, Lalor  
The Healers' Youth Group at St Luke's Parish Lalor are holding a Youth and Family Trivia night. Come along for a night of fun and prizes. BYO snacks and non-alcoholic drinks.  
**Cost:** Child (under 18) \$5, Adult \$10 and Family \$30 **Contact:** 0431 965 734 or [stlukes-thehealers@outlook.com](mailto:stlukes-thehealers@outlook.com)

**St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections**

1 Collection	\$ 985 - 00
2 Collection	\$ 550 - 00
Envelopes	\$ 234 - 00

**CERCHIAMO VOLONTARI - URGENTE!**  
Co.As.It organizzazione al servizio della comunità italiana D'Australia, cerca persone di lingua italiana che spendano un ora a settimana con persone anziane di origine italiana, che sono socialmente isolate e hanno bisogno di amicizia. Se sei interessato e ne vuoi sapere di piu' chiama Davide al 93558625 o al 0419516735

*Domenica prossima alle 2.30pm. Celebrazioni in onore a San Padre Pio nella chiesa di Sant'Ambrogio, Sydney Road Brunswick Celebrante: P. Delmar Silva. Tutti benvenuti.*

**Canto D'ingresso:**  
**TI ESALTO, DIO, MIO RE**  
*Ti esalto, Dio, mio re, Canterò in eterno a te: lo voglio lodarti, Signor, E benedirti. Alleluia!*  
Il Signore è degno d'ogni lode, Non si può misurar la sua grandezza Ogni vivente proclama la sua gloria, La sua opera è giustizia e verità.  
Il Signore è paziente e pietoso, Lento all'ira e ricco di grazia, Tenerezza ha per ogni creatura, Il Signore è buono verso tutti.  
Il Signore sostiene chi vacilla E rialza chiunque è caduto. Gli occhi di tutti ricercano il suo volto, La sua mano provvede loro il cibo.  
Il Signore protegge chi lo teme, ma disperde i superbi di cuore. Egli ascolta il grido del suo servo; ogni lingua benedica il suo nome.

**Canto D'Offertorio**  
**MISTERO DELLA CENA**  
Mistero della Cena è il Corpo di Gesù. Mistero della Croce è il Sangue di Gesù. È questo pane e vino è Cristo in mezzo ai suoi. Gesù risorto e vivo sarà sempre con noi.  
Mistero della Chiesa è il Corpo di Gesù. Mistero della pace è il sangue di Gesù. Il pane che mangiamo fratelli ci farà. Intorno a questo altare l'amore crescerà.

**Canti di Comunione**  
**RICORDATI DEL MIO AMOR**  
*Prendi e mangia; questo è il mio corpo, dato per te e per tutto il mondo. Prendi e bevi; questo è il mio sangue, versato per te e per la tua salvezza. Ricordati del mio amore, ricordati del mio amor.*  
Chi viene a me l'accoglierò E al Padre mio lo condurrò. Per questo mio Padre mi ha mandato E son venuto per il tuo amor. **Rit.**  
Io sono il pane disceso dal ciel. Questo è il mio corpo che dono per te. Chi mangia il mio corpo e beve il mio sangue Vivrà in me, vivrà in me. **Rit.**  
Restare con te voglio Gesù. Dimora sì dolce per me sei tu. Mi parli ancora del tuo amore? Quello che vuoi io ti darò (2v.) **Rit.**

**Canto Finale**  
**DELL'AURORA TU SORGI PIÙ BELLA**  
Dell'aurora Tu sorgi più bella, coi tuoi raggi, a far lieta la terra, e fra gli astri che il cielo rinserra non vi è stella più bella di Te.  
**Bella Tu sei qual sole Bianca più della luna, e le stelle le più belle non son belle al par di Te.**  
Gli occhi tuoi son più belli del mare La tua fronte ha il colore del giglio, Le tue gote, baciato dal Figlio, son due rose, e le labbra son fior.  
T'incoronano dodici stelle. Al tuo piè piegano l'ali del vento Della luna s'incurva l'argento Il tuo manto ha il colore del ciel.

