



PARTNERSHIP PARISHES



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5 Sunday of Easter

1/2 May 2021

MASS TIMES

St. Mary's Thornbury

Sunday:
9.00am English/Italian
5.30pm English

St. Joseph's Northcote

Saturday evening: 5.30pm
Sunday: 10:30am Eng/Italian

Weekday Masses

Mon: No Mass

St. Joseph's Parish

Tues: 9.15am English
Thurs: 9.15am English

St. Mary's Parish

Weds: 9.15am Italian
Fri: 9.15am English

WEEKEND ROSTERS 8/9 May

ST. MARY'S THORNBURY

Altar Society Team TBA

9.00am Mass

Lector: M. Dytor
R. Wevers
POF: Filomena Mascia
Sp. Min: A. Zanatta

5.30pm Mass:

Lector: C. Bongcawel
POF: H. Murphy
Sp.Min: A. De Silva

ST. JOSEPH'S NORTHCOTE

Saturday:

Reader: TBA
Musician in charge: Teddy

Sunday:

Reader: TBA
Musician in charge: Nick McKinnon



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Recently Deceased

Anniversaries

Paul Camerino (1 month memorial mass); Rocco & Elisabetta Lombardo; Hares Kodaih and Howla Youssef Taouk

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker



A working father

An aspect of Saint Joseph that has been emphasized from the time of the first social Encyclical, [Pope Leo XIII's *Rerum Novarum*](#), is his relation to work. Saint Joseph was a carpenter who earned an honest living to provide for his family. From him, Jesus learned the value, the dignity and the joy of what it means to eat bread that is the fruit of one's own labour.

In our own day, when employment has once more become a burning social issue, and unemployment at times reaches record levels

even in nations that for decades have enjoyed a certain degree of prosperity, there is a renewed need to appreciate the importance of dignified work, of which Saint Joseph is an exemplary patron. Work is a means of participating in the work of salvation, an opportunity to hasten the coming of the Kingdom, to develop our talents and abilities, and to put them at the service of society and fraternal communion. It becomes an opportunity for the fulfilment not only of oneself, but also of that primary cell of society which is the family. A family without work is particularly vulnerable to difficulties, tensions, estrangement and even break-up. How can we speak of human dignity without working to ensure that everyone is able to earn a decent living? Working persons, whatever their job may be, are cooperating with God himself, and in some way become creators of the world around us. The crisis of our time, which is economic, social, cultural and spiritual, can serve as a summons for all of us to rediscover the value, the importance and necessity of work for bringing about a new "normal" from which no one is excluded. Saint Joseph's work reminds us that God himself, in becoming man, did not disdain work. The loss of employment that affects so many of our brothers and sisters, and has increased as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, should serve as a summons to review our priorities. Let us implore Saint Joseph the Worker to help us find ways to express our firm conviction that no young person, no person at all, no family should be without work!

Pope Francis...Patris Corde

This parish has a commitment to ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable people in our community.



FIRST READING**Acts 9:26-31**

A reading from the Book Acts of the Apostles

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****Ps 21**

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

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord,
those who seek him.
May their hearts live for ever and ever!
2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust.
3. And my soul shall live for him,
my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.'

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

SECOND READING **John 3:18-24**

A reading from the first letter of St John

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 the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, Christ commands 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.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God**Gospel Acclamation**

Jn 15:4-5

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
My branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!**GOSPEL****John 15:1-8**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
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

Prima lettura**At 9,26-31**

Dagli Atti degli Apostoli

In quei giorni, Saulo, venuto a Gerusalemme, cercava di unirsi ai discepoli, ma tutti avevano paura di lui, non credendo che fosse un discepolo.

Allora Bàrnaba lo prese con sé, lo condusse dagli apostoli e raccontò loro come, durante il viaggio, aveva visto il Signore che gli aveva parlato e come in Damasco aveva predicato con coraggio nel nome di Gesù. Così egli poté stare con loro e andava e veniva in Gerusalemme, predicando apertamente nel nome del Signore. Parlava e discuteva con quelli di lingua greca; ma questi tentavano di ucciderlo. Quando vennero a saperlo, i fratelli lo condussero a Cesarèa e lo fecero partire per Tarso.

La Chiesa era dunque in pace per tutta la Giudea, la Galilea e la Samaria: si consolidava e camminava nel timore del Signore e, con il conforto dello Spirito Santo, cresceva di numero.

Parola di Dio

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.**Seguite il coro se il ritornello del salmo è diverso del foglietto.****Salmo Responsoriale Sal: 21*****Rit: A te la mia lode, Signore, nella grande assemblea.***

1. Scioglierò i miei voti davanti ai suoi fedeli. I poveri mangeranno e saranno saziati, loderanno il Signore quanti lo cercano; il vostro cuore viva per sempre!
2. Ricorderanno e torneranno al Signore tutti i confini della terra; davanti a te si prosterneranno tutte le famiglie dei popoli.
3. A lui solo si prosterneranno quanti dormono sotto terra, davanti a lui si curveranno quanti discendono nella polvere.
4. Ma io vivrò per lui, lo servirà la mia discendenza. Si parlerà del Signore alla generazione che viene; annunceranno la sua giustizia; al popolo che nascerà diranno: «Ecco l'opera del Signore!».

Rit: A te la mia lode, Signore, nella grande assemblea.**Seconda lettura****1Gv 3,18-24**

Dalla prima lettera di san Giovanni apostolo

Figlioli, non amiamo a parole né con la lingua, ma con i fatti e nella verità.

In questo conosceremo che siamo dalla verità e davanti a lui rassicureremo il nostro cuore, qualunque cosa esso ci rimproveri. Dio è più grande del nostro cuore e conosce ogni cosa. Carissimi, se il nostro cuore non ci rimprovera nulla, abbiamo fiducia in Dio, e qualunque cosa chiediamo, la riceviamo da lui, perché osserviamo i suoi comandamenti e facciamo quello che gli è gradito.

Questo è il suo comandamento: che crediamo nel nome del Figlio suo Gesù Cristo e ci amiamo gli uni gli altri, secondo il precetto che ci ha dato. Chi osserva i suoi comandamenti rimane in Dio e Dio in lui. In questo conosciamo che egli rimane in noi: dallo Spirito che ci ha dato.

Parola di Dio

A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio**Canto al Vangelo**

Gv 15,4.5

Alleluia, alleluia.*Rimanete in me e io in voi, dice il Signore, chi rimane in me porta molto frutto.***Alleluia.****Vangelo****Gv 15,1-8**

+ Dal Vangelo secondo Giovanni

In quel tempo, Gesù disse ai suoi discepoli: «Io sono la vite vera e il Padre mio è l'agricoltore. Ogni tralcio che in me non porta frutto, lo taglia, e ogni tralcio che porta frutto, lo pota perché porti più frutto. Voi siete già puri, a causa della parola che vi ho annunciato.

Rimanete in me e io in voi. Come il tralcio non può portare frutto da se stesso se non rimane nella vite, così neanche voi se non rimanete in me. Io sono la vite, voi i tralci. Chi rimane in me, e io in lui, porta molto frutto, perché senza di me non potete far nulla. Chi non rimane in me viene gettato via come il tralcio e secca; poi lo raccolgono, lo gettano nel fuoco e lo bruciano.

Se rimanete in me e le mie parole rimangono in voi, chiedete quello che volete e vi sarà fatto. In questo è glorificato il Padre mio: che portiate molto frutto e diventiate miei discepoli».

Parola del Signore

A: Lode a te, o Cristo

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

St. Joseph's

1st Collection: House: \$

2nd Collection: Thanksgiving: \$

St. Mary's

1st Collection: Thanksgivings: \$

2nd Collection: House: \$

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for 4 weeks, then a new request is required.

Cesarina Zampieri

HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Presbytery on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin.

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATE O CONFINATE A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto contact Parish Offices **9484 2907** or **9489 8008**

ST. MARY'S GODSTART PLAYGROUP

During school terms for children 0-5 years.

Friday 9.30 - 10.45am

in the HALL (entry via Mansfield St). **ALL WELCOME!** Contact:

Megan: 9495 1449

CHILDREN'S

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday, 5:30pm Mass during school terms. This is a way for school aged children to gather and understand the Gospel at their age level. **Cancelled until further notice**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Every Thursday at 2pm

Via Zoom.

ALL WELCOME!

Contact: Mirella 0408 470 114

BAPTISMS: by appointment only

First Wednesday of the month.

St. Joseph's: 7.00pm: Baptism Preparation meeting the church.

By appointment only.

St. Mary's: By appointment only please call parish Office

SENIORS

Last Friday of the month

St. Joseph's: 2.00pm: Seniors Mass at the parish Centre.

First Friday of the month

St. Mary's: 2.00pm Mass of Anointing of the Sick.

Catholic Religious Education

St. Joseph's: Weds: 4-5pm R.E. classes for Children for State & Secondary Students in the Parish House.

St. Mary's: Thurs: 4-5pm R.E.

Classes in preparation for Sacraments. Please contact Mirella 9484 2907.

Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable People

Committee Contact Person: Moses El-Fahkri **0417 383 923**



La reazione della gente di Nazaret a proposito della sapienza di Gesù fa pensare al capitolo del Siracide, che contrappone il lavoro manuale e la legge. La gente del popolo (operai, contadini) dice il Siracide, mette tutta la sua attenzione nelle cose materiali; lo scriba invece ha pensieri profondi, cerca le cose importanti e può essere consultato per il buon andamento della città.

La gente di Nazaret si domanda: "Da dove mai viene a costui questa sapienza? Non è il figlio del carpentiere?", che non ha studiato e non può avere cultura?

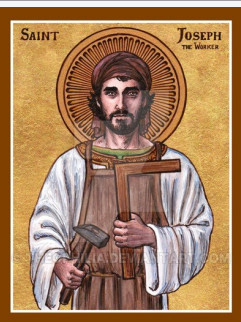
È chiaro: la sapienza di Gesù è sapienza divina ed egli ha insistito varie volte sul mistero di Dio che viene rivelato ai piccoli, ai semplici e nascosto ai sapienti ed ha criticato gli scribi "che dicono e non fanno".

D'altra parte il Vangelo insiste anche sulla parola: è necessario accogliere la parola di Dio E soltanto se ispirato alla parola di Dio il lavoro vale. "Tutto quello che fate in parole ed opere, tutto si compia nel nome del Signore Gesù, rendendo per mezzo di lui grazie a Dio Padre".

"Tutto quello che fate", siano lavori materiali, siano discorsi. Il Vangelo inculca il servizio sincero, umile, la disponibilità nella carità, per essere uniti a Gesù, figlio del carpentiere, che ha dichiarato di essere venuto a servire.

La vera dignità consiste nel servizio dei fratelli, secondo le proprie capacità, in unione con Gesù, Figlio di Dio.

Verifichiamo la nostra scala di valori, per renderla sempre più aderente ai pensieri di Dio.



Prayer to St Joseph for workers

Silent and well-known carpenter in Nazareth, model of workers,

by the work of your hands you gave your contribution to the work of the Creator, you earned your living, and you provided for the needs of the Holy Family. Intercede for all workers, in the difficulties of their daily lives especially for the unemployed, in their anxieties for tomorrow, so that through the guidance of God, the great

Architect and Builder, they all may use their strength and talents to make visible God's new creation, to offer a concrete service to society, and to earn wages worthy of their efforts. With confidence and trust we make this prayer through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.



St Joseph's Plant Sale

WHEN: After both Masses, 5.30pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday this weekend.

PLANTS: African Violets, Aloe Vera, various succulents.

These plants will be available to buy outside the church Great Mother's day gifts

Please come and support our sale. All money will go to St. Joseph's Parish

If you are not in the Thanksgiving Offerings and you would like to receive a set of envelopes please ring the parish Offices on 9484 2907 St. Mary's or 9489 8008 St. Joseph's.

50 Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood

On 22 May Fr. Gerry celebrates his 50 Anniversary of Ordination. Fr. Shabin has invited him to celebrate 9am Mass on 23 May at St. Mary's please come along and join Fr. Gerry in celebrating this important milestone.

Please note from now on we can only use QR codes for attending Mass each week. Please see the people at the door if you do not have a smart phone as everyone must register using the QR Code. If you do not have a smartphone please write your name on the list provided and we will register for you.