



The Parish of St Matthew's North Fawkner
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3rd Sunday Lent Yr A. March 15, 2020

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Parish Mass Times SUNDAY

Vigil (Sat) 5:30 pm
 9:00 am English
 11:00 am Italian

KNANAYA COMMUNITY
 Sundays 4:30pm

WEEKDAY ROSARY
 20 mins prior to Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES
 Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 9.30 am
 Wednesday 10.30am

CONFESSION
 Sat, evening 5 pm or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1ST THURS OF THE MONTH @ 7 PM
 1ST FRI OF THE MONTH @ 8.30 AM

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS
 By appointment

Parish Ministries
St Matthew's Prayer Group Tues
10.30 am

Perpetual Novena Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Every Wednesday @ 7pm

Mass followed by Stations of the Cross @ 7.00 pm
Every Friday during Lent
Our Lady's Statue
 Resumes Mar 22
 McDonough family

Life messages:

We need to allow Jesus free entry into our personal lives. Jesus wishes to come into our "private" life, not to embarrass us, not to judge or condemn us, but to free us, to change us, and to offer us what we really need: the *living water of the Holy Spirit*. Let us find this *living water* in the Sacraments, in prayer, and in the Holy Bible, especially during this Lenten season.

We need to be witnesses to Jesus as the Samaritan woman was. Let us have the courage to "be" Jesus for others, especially in those "unexpected" places for unwanted people. Let us also have the courage of our Christian convictions to stand for truth and justice in our day-to-day life.

We need to leave the "husbands" behind during Lent as the Samaritan woman did. Today's Gospel message challenges us to get rid of our unholy attachments and the evil habits and sinful addictions that keep us enslaved and idolatrous. Lent is our time to learn from our mistakes of over-indulgence in food, drink, drugs, gambling, promiscuity, or any other addiction that distances us. *from the Living Water*.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE:

In the Footsteps of Jesus IN THE LAND OF THE BIBLE with optional Egypt Tour.

October 16-27 2020

Chaplain Rev Fr Florentino (Boy) Galdo with Biblical Catholic guide \$5640 per person twin share.

\$1699 Egypt. Extra.

For further information contact

Philippine Tours:

9384 1844.

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or email:

Pilgrims@discountflights.com.au

Training workshop for all Readers & Eucharistic Ministers in preparation for Holy Week Services.

All current Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers who would like to participate in the Liturgy MUST attend one of the workshops below, to be held in the Church.

Dates:

Sat.21 Mar.@ 4.00 – 5.00 pm
 Sat.28 Mar.@ 4.00 – 5.00 pm

Please contact the office (9359 2369) advising the workshop you wish to attend.

Recently Deceased: Antonio Tomino,
Anniversaries: Pasquale Tregalia, Filippo Orifici, Giuseppina & Vincenzo Leone, Antonietta Perri

Please pray for the Sick : Maura, Robert, Joe, Adam, Rosa, Diana, Gina, Nola, Tony, Emma, Teresa, Steve, Michael, Paul, Giuseppe, Emmanuel, Mary, Michelle, Lucia, Leanne, Raemond, Muriel, Peter, Raphaela, Natalina, Daniella, Christian, John, Anthony, Jessie, Con, Teresa, Rita, Gabriella Gino, Jason & Giovanni

YOUTH UPDATE

In February's youth group sessions, we explored the fact that our Faith is not just a story in the Bible about a man 2000 years ago. It is about having a personal relationship with Jesus, our Saviour who loves each of us and who is alive today supporting and guiding us. Prayer is essential to our lives.

MARCH YOUTH GROUP DATES:

Year 7&8 - Fri 13 March
 6.30-8.30pm, old Family Room
 Year 9+ - Fri 20 March
 6pm-8pm, old Family Room
 Newcomers are welcome!

RISE

Saturday 21 March, 9am-4pm, Emmaus College One-day Melbourne Catholic youth festival (Year 7 - 30 years). Explore the faith with workshops, expo, games, talks and prayer. Cost per person: \$20. We are organising a group to travel there on the parish bus. Please see Adrian 0403 211 890 and stmatthewsparish.org.au/youth for more details. Please keep our young people of our Parish in your prayers. Youth Leaders - Adrian, Anna, Angelo, Stephanie or Jennifer

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

LENTE REFLECTION
Every Thursday @ 7.00pm in the Presbytery

ANOINTING MASS
Wed April 1 @ 10.30 am

CONFESSIONS
Thurs April 2 @ 7.00 pm
 English & Italian

PALM SUN April 5
Sat Vigil @ 5:30 pm
Sun 9.00am & 11.00 am

HOLY THURS Last Supper
April 9 @ 7.00pm

GOOD FRI April 10
Stations of the Cross
9.30am

Solemn Service 3.00 pm

EASTER SUN April 12
Sat Vigil 7.00 pm
Sun 9.00am & 11.00 am

POPE FRANCIS ~ TWITTER

Let us pray together. During these days you can follow the Mass from Santa Marta live every morning at 7am (Roman (Rome time))

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

March 8, 2020
 Thanksgiving: \$769.95
 Presbytery: \$5438.65
Thank you for your support

ROSTER March 21 & 22

Lectors:
5.30 pm L.Psaila
9.00 am L.Iaria
11.00 am F & R.Penco

Special Ministers:
5.30 pm B.Gauci
9.00 am V.Burgio
11.00 am G.Gamberale

POWERPOINT

Church Cleaning
 E.Nkotanyi

Altar & Sanctuary
 G.Caruso & G.Gamberale

Bus Drivers
 P.Capasso & C. Di Giulio
Altar Servers
 T.Siegafo & Z.Proud

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN AT NON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN APRIL 2020

If you would like your child to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation please contact the office on 9359 2369

Humour: A girl who asked a boy, "Are you a Presbyterian?" He answered, "No, we belong to another abomination."

Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.