

The Parish of St Matthew's North Fawkner

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23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time — September 5, 2021 (Year B)



We may find it hard to speak to God in prayer and harder still to hear Him speaking to us through the Bible and through the Church. Let us ask God's help to open our ears so that we may hear Him while reading the Bible, and praise and worship Him loudly in our family prayer and in our public worship by actively participating in the Holy Mass, singing with the choir and praying with the congregation. Jesus' compassionate touch will help us to hear the cries of the poor and the sick, and to show kindness, mercy and consideration to others. His healing touch will also help us convey peace and hope to those around us.

We need to help Jesus to heal the deaf and the mute today. Let us lend Jesus our hands to give the touch that heals the sick. Let us lend Jesus our tongues to speak to the spiritually hungry through us. Let us lend Jesus our hearts to touch the lives of people in our day through us, just as Jesus touched the lives of millions through saintly souls like St. Francis of Assisi, St. Damien of Molokai, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Jeanne Jugan, and St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa). (frtonyhomilies)

XXIII Domenica del Tempo Ordinario (ANNO B)

Un sordomuto. Assomiglia molto a noi, quando siamo nel peccato.

Possiamo avere accanto Dio, che ci sussurra le parole più dolci e imperiose. Non lo sentiamo. Possiamo aver vicino le persone più acute e più buone, che desiderano aiutarci. Non prestiamo attenzione. O passiamo davanti a chi ha bisogno di un conforto, di una speranza. È come se fossimo soli al mondo, chiusi nel nostro egoismo.

Ma se il sacramento di Cristo ci raggiunge... Può essere la Chiesa che battezza o ci offre il perdono a nome del Signore Gesù. Le dita, la saliva, l'"apriti" possono essere l'acqua o la mano benedicente che si leva su di noi: "Io ti battezzo"; "Io ti assolvo".

Allora avviene nuovamente il "miracolo".

Diventiamo capaci, per grazia, di udire le consolazioni e i suggerimenti e gli imperativi di Dio. Diventiamo capaci di rispondergli con la preghiera e con la vita.

E il prossimo è colui che dev'essere ascoltato e confortato. Nasce la fraternità. Se ci lasciamo salvare dal Signore. Se aderiamo a lui con tutte le forze. (lachiesa.it) The sick in our parish: Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Kathy Romanow, Elda Taranto, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Lorraine, Patricia, David, Vanessa Borg, Peta Wright, Herrmann Family, Adam, Helen Rakuscek, Angelina Butera, Antonina Paulus, Bob Brown.

Recently deceased: Francesca Leone, Evelyn Arbor, Denis Robinson, Joe Medalle, Dulcie Mooney, Judith Karistianos, Luciana Raffaeli.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Gabriele Torchia, Richard Robinson, Wladyslaw Stopa, Maria Di Cello, Elio Raffaeli.

We especially pray for all the deceased whose names are on the Church pews & the Resurrection

Rosters for weekend masses September 12

Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm : J. Butera

Sunday 10.30 am: C. DiGiulio

Mass times (Livestreamed)

Weekday: Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am

Novena mass: Wednesday 6.00 pm Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm Sunday 10.30 (Italian and English mass)

Father's Day Appeal

Father's Day (Sunday September 5), the traditional day for the annual collection for the Priests Retirement Foundation. This appeal creates one the four main income streams for the Foundation enabling us to support the retired priests of the Foundation.

Donations can be the Priests Retirement Foundation website via debit, credit card or Paypal where the donor's details are loaded and receipts can be issued. The site is www.cam.org.au/foundation.

Please donate.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

"Australia is in the middle of a homelessness crisis. Each night, over 25,000 children are experiencing homelessness across the country. Their safety, their education, their emotional and physical health are all suffering. If we don't help now, this moment of pain may turn into a lifetime of struggle. By supporting our Vinnies volunteers, you will help ensure that families at risk of homelessness get the financial and emotional support they need to keep their children safe".

There will a collection for the Vinnies Winter Appeal at masses during September.

Please donate

St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

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