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August 27 — 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

We should accept Jesus as the Son of God and our personal Savior. This means that we are accepting Jesus as our Good Shepherd, our Divine Savior, and our Redeemer. Next, Jesus should become a living experience for us – as our God protecting us and providing for us in our life's journey, loving us, forgiving us, helping us, and transforming our lives and outlook. This is made possible by our listening to Jesus through the daily, meditative reading of the Bible, by talking to Jesus through daily, personal, communal and liturgical prayers, by offering our lives on the altar with Jesus whenever we participate in the Holy Mass, by receiving him in Holy Communion, and by leading exemplary lives, as we cooperate with God's grace. Our personal experience of Jesus will also lead us to praise and thank God in all the events of our lives, both pleasant, and painful, realizing that God's loving hands are behind everything.

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XXI Domenica del tempo ordinario (ANNO A)

Quando Gesù chiese ai suoi discepoli: "La gente chi dice che sia il Figlio dell'uomo?", le loro risposte rispecchiarono le diverse teorie e speculazioni riguardo Gesù diffuse nella loro cultura.

Se la stessa domanda fosse posta da Gesù oggi, le risposte sembrerebbero forse più colte, ma sarebbero molto simili. Invece di evocare Elia, Giovanni Battista o Geremia, si evocherebbero forse le speculazioni dell'ultimo convegno sulla cristologia, oppure ancora i risultati di un recente sondaggio. Possiamo immaginare che Gesù ascolterebbe gentilmente, forse sorridendo. Poi però giunge la vera e propria domanda: "Voi chi dite che io sia?". Non possiamo più rifugiarsi dietro ad opinioni di altri, siano essi teologi o conduttori di dibattiti televisivi. Gesù vuole la nostra risposta personale. Dobbiamo prendere posizione personalmente nei suoi confronti. È quello che succede con l'atto di fede. Gesù lancia una sfida a ogni uomo e a ogni donna direttamente e personalmente: "Tu, chi dici che io sia?".

La nostra risposta possa essere quella di Pietro: "Tu sei il Cristo, il figlio del Dio vivente". La nostra risposta possa essere quella della Chiesa, che fu fondata da Cristo su Pietro come su una pietra, affinché il "credo" diventasse un "crediamo": Crediamo in Dio, Padre onnipotente..., in un solo Signore Gesù Cristo, unigenito Figlio di Dio..., per opera dello Spirito Santo... incarnato nel seno della Vergine Maria. *(lachiesa.it)*

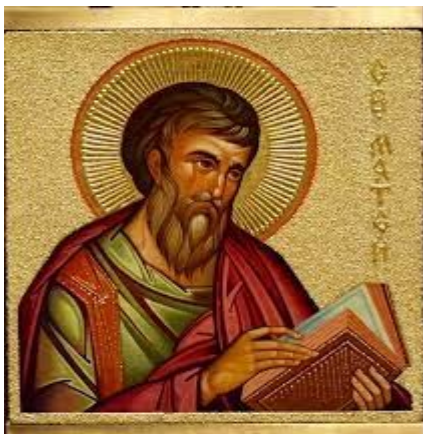
CatholicCare Victoria Appeal

There will be a special collection for CatholicCare Victoria this weekend



CatholicCare offers counselling and mental health programs, affordable housing, specialised supports for children and teens, pastoral care, support for separating families, refugee and asylum seeker support, crisis help, homelessness and advocacy support, and a variety of courses helping to strengthen relationships and wellbeing. The support received from our parish community will go towards funding a range of these programs, so that CatholicCare can continue to provide care and compassion to those in our communities.

Please contribute to this appeal.



St. Matthew's Feast Day

Please note that the Parish will be celebrating the Feast Day of our patron saint St. Matthew on Friday the 22nd of September in the Parish Hall from 7.00 pm onwards.

Banda Bellini will be playing music on the night.
 Tickets will be available before and after weekend masses, or, from the Parish Office.

(Adults \$25.00, Children under 12 years of age \$10.00)

There will also be a Parish Raffle up to the feast day celebrations on September 22. Tickets will be available before and after weekend masses, or, from the Parish Office. Tickets will be \$2.00 each.

Please support the Parish in these activities.

The sick in our parish: Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Miriam Markis, Elda Taranto, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Angela Barto, Patrick Brennan, Sonia Taranto, Evelyn McDonough, Laurence, Floriano Pivetta, Rita Paladino, Joe and Monica Zahra, Cathy Taviane, Nina Garoffolo, Josie, George, Lori, Emma and Tony Mallozzi, Catarina Calvi, Aiden Agius, Maryanne, Concetta Ioffrida, Adam Peric, Meldon Richardson

Upcoming funerals: **Nunziata Lia**, Tuesday, 29th August at 11.00. Rosary followed by mass.

Luigi Zanin, Monday, 4th September at 10.30. Rosary followed by mass.

Recently deceased: Luigi Zanin, Nunziata Lia, Bob Brown, Annunziata Aloise, Giuseppe Schiavello, Estrella Galdo, Francesco Galante, Concetta Lo Nigro, Vincenzo Lo Nigro, Eduardo Morales

Anniversaries: Vincenzo Strazzeri, Silvio Papile, Michele Malarbi, Rita Bono, Enza Tabacco, Laura and Dario Della Valle, Tina De Luca, Salvatore Buccheri, Giovanni Mantaneo, Brian Miller, Trevor Richardson, Giovanni, Maria, and, Antonio Kalafatis

We especially pray for all the deceased St. Matthews parishioners, those whose names are on the Church pews & the Resurrection Chapel.

Mass times

Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday: 9.30 am ; Wednesday: Novena mass : 6.00 pm

Weekend: Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm Sunday 9.00 am ; Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass)

Reconciliation: Saturday: 5.00 pm. Bookings are essential. Contact the Parish Office

Mass times

St. Marks, Fawkner (Leo Street, Fawkner)

Weekday: Monday-Saturday: 9.00 am

Weekend: Saturday: 6.00 pm ; Sunday: 10.00 am ; 6.00 pm
 Hope Café: Thursday: 5.30 pm (free dinner for the needy)

Reconciliation: Saturday: 9.30 am and 5.30 pm or phone Fr. Colin (9359 3111)

Rosters for weekend masses (September 2/3)

Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm.: J. Caparelli

Sunday 9.00 am: M. Markis

10.30 am: G. Gamberale

Bus driver: J. Butera

St Vincent de Paul, Fawkner Conference

Donation basket

There is a basket in the church for those wishing to donate food items (non-perishables).

These items will be passed on to the Fawkner Conference of St. Vincent de Paul.

Preghiera di San Matteo Dio nostro

Padre, ti ringraziamo per tutti i doni che hai conferito sulla nostra famiglia parrocchiale. Concedici la Sapienza per cercare la tua volontà in ogni cosa. Circonda le nostre famiglie con la tua protezione amorosa.

Dona salute e gioia ai nostri genitori, sapienza e coraggio ai nostri giovani e fede ed allegria ai nostri figli.

Per intercessione di San Matteo, benedici perché diventiamo una famiglia più fedele ed amorosa e di cuore e mente unici.
 Amen.

St. Matthew's Prayer

God Our Father, we thank you for all the blessings you have bestowed upon our Parish Family. Give us the wisdom to seek Your Will in everything. Encircle our families with Your loving care.

Give good health and happiness to our parents; wisdom and courage to our youth; faith and cheerfulness to our children.

Bless us, through the intercession of St. Matthew, to grow stronger in faith and love, as a family of one heart and one mind.
 Amen

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

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