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April 7 – 2nd Sunday of Easter (Year B)

DOMENICA DI PASQUA (ANNO B)

I profeti chiamarono il Messia “principe della pace” (Is 9,5); affermarono che una pace senza fine avrebbe caratterizzato il suo regno (Is 9,6; 11,6). In occasione della nascita di Cristo, gli angeli del cielo proclamarono la pace sulla terra agli uomini di buona volontà (Lc 2,14). Gesù stesso dice: “Vi lascio la pace, vi do la mia pace. Non come la dà il mondo” (Gv 14,27).
 Sul monte degli Ulivi, contemplando la maestà di Gerusalemme, Gesù, con le lacrime agli occhi e con il cuore gonfio, rimproverò il suo popolo: “Se avessi compreso anche tu, in questo giorno, la via della pace!” (Lc 19,42). La pace è il dono apportato dal Redentore. Egli ci ha procurato questo dono per mezzo della sua sofferenza e del suo sacrificio, della sua morte e della sua risurrezione. San Paolo afferma: “Ora invece, in Cristo Gesù, voi che un tempo eravate lontani siete diventati vicini grazie al sangue di Cristo. Egli infatti è la nostra pace, colui che ha fatto dei due un popolo solo, abbattendo il muro di separazione che era frammezzo, cioè l’inimicizia” (Ef 2,13-14). Quando, risuscitato dai morti, si mostrò agli apostoli, Gesù offrì loro innanzi tutto la pace, prezioso dono del riscatto. Quando si mostrò a loro, disse ai suoi discepoli: “Pace a voi!”. Vedendoli spaventati e sperduti, li rassicurò dicendo loro che era proprio lui, risuscitato dai morti, e ripeté loro: “Pace a voi!”. Gesù ha voluto fare questo dono prezioso del riscatto - la pace - e l’ha fatto, non solo agli apostoli, ma anche a tutti quelli che credevano e avrebbero creduto in lui. È per questo che mandò gli apostoli a proclamare il Vangelo della redenzione in tutti i paesi del mondo, dando loro il potere di portare la pace dell’anima per mezzo dei sacramenti del battesimo e del pentimento, per mezzo dell’assoluzione dai peccati. Inoltre, in quell’occasione, Cristo soffiò sugli apostoli e disse loro: “Ricevete lo Spirito Santo; a chi rimetterete, i peccati saranno rimessi e a chi non li rimetterete resteranno non rimessi” (Gv 20,21-23).

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The prophets called the Messiah "prince of peace" (Is 9.5); they stated that endless peace would characterize his reign (Is 9.6; 11.6). On the occasion of the birth of Christ, the angels of heaven proclaimed peace on earth to men of good will (Lk 2:14). Jesus himself says: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you. Not as the world gives it" (Jn 14:27). On the Mount of Olives, contemplating the majesty of Jerusalem, Jesus, with tears in his eyes and a swelling heart, rebuked his people: "If only you too had understood, on this day, the way of peace!" (Luke 19:42). Peace is the gift brought by the Redeemer. He procured this gift for us through his suffering and his sacrifice, his death and his resurrection. Saint Paul states: "But now, in Christ Jesus, you who were once far away have become close through the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, who made the two one people, breaking down the wall of separation that was between them, that is, enmity" (Eph 2:13-14). When, raised from the dead, he showed himself to the apostles, Jesus first of all offered them peace, the precious gift of the ransom. When he showed himself to them, he said to his disciples: "Peace be with you!". Seeing them scared and lost, he reassured them by telling them that it was really him, raised from the dead, and repeated to them: "Peace be with you!". Jesus wanted to give this precious gift of ransom - peace - and he did it, not only to the apostles, but also to all those who believed and would believe in him. This is why he sent the apostles to proclaim the Gospel of redemption in all the countries of the world, giving them the power to bring peace of the soul through the sacraments of baptism and repentance, through absolution from sins. Furthermore, on that occasion, Christ breathed on the apostles and said to them: "Receive the Holy Spirit; whose sins you forgive will be forgiven, and whose sins you will not forgive will remain unforgiven" (Jn 20:21-23).
 And the psalm reassures us: "Great peace for those who love your law" (Ps 119.165).

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RCIA

Any students from government schools in Grade 3 and up wishing to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation in 2024, please contact Anna Proud on 0402741258.

The sick in our parish: Teresa Lamonaca, John and Miriam Markis, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Angela Barto, Sonia Taranto, Evelyn McDonough, Laurence, Floriano Pivetta, Joe and Monica Zahra, Cathy Taviante, Josie, George, Tony and Maria Mallozzi, Aiden Agius, Maryanne, Adam Peric, Meldon Richardson, Susanna, Luise, Andrew, Patrick, Helmet Kolb, John Bussutil, Vicenzina, Mark, Elda Taranto, Alfredo Pannunzio, Anna Taylor, Bill McAllister, Joe Ranno

Upcoming funerals: **Anna Natoli**, Tuesday, April 9, at 11.30 AM, Rosary followed by the requiem mass.
Marjan Rozic, Thursday, 11th April, at 11.00 am.

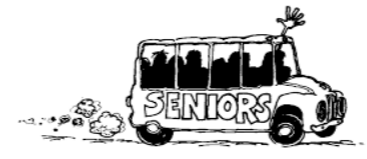
Recently deceased: Marjan Rozic, Anna Natoli, Marianna Schiavello, Giovanni Apollonio, Mario Burelli, Concettina Caruso, Giovanna Serafino.

Anniversaries: Giulio Butera, Ruiu Family, Denti Family, D’Elia Family, Ersila Salvatore, Paul Xiem, Joseph Ngoc, Anton Am, John Thanh, Joseph Ba, Rosaria, Gaetano, e, Giovanni Caruso, Elisabetta, Antonio,, Salvatore, e, Sebastiana Santisi, Salvatore Ragusa, Concettina Butera, Nicola Cirillo, John Iapuzzuto, Frank Andricciola, Carmen Jones, Maria and Antonio Salemi

Mass times
Weekday:
 Tuesday-Friday: 9.30 am. Wednesday: 6.00 pm Novena mass
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 (Lee 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 (April 13/14)
Lectors:
 Saturday 5.30 pm.: Johnson George
 Sunday 9.00 am: L. Iaria
 10.30 am: R. Odoardi
Bus driver: P. Capasso



Joke of the day
 A teenager brings her new boyfriend home to meet her parents. They’re appalled by his haircut, his tattoos and his piercings.
 Later, the teenager’s mum says: “Dear, he doesn’t seem to be a very nice boy.”
 “Oh, please mum!” says the daughter.. “If he wasn’t nice would he be doing 500 hours of community service?”
 - The Sun Newspaper

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 volonta’ 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 perche’ diventiamo una famiglia piu’ 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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