Entrance Antiphon:
When He calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

Responsorial Psalm:
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.  
Lạy Chúa, xin dủ lòng xót thương, vì chúng con đắc tội với Ngài.

Gospel Acclamation:
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

This Weekend Readings: Year A  First Sunday in Lent
1st Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7  2nd Reading: Romans 5:12-19  Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew:
Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.’ But he replied, ‘Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’ The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. ‘If you are the Son of God,’ he said, ‘throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels’ charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Scripture also says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.’ Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.
YEAR A First Sunday in Lent

The mornings have been cooler, the sun pleasantly warm, yes, we have moved into Autumn and how wonderful it feels after our very intense summer. The Church season has changed too. We have moved into Lent, our period of preparation for Easter. Jesus was lead into the wilderness where He fasted and prayed. We too are invited to move away from the crazy pace of life and devote some quiet time to reflecting. Our display near the altar reminds us that there is light and dark every where; the dark is mere earthly things, the light is what leads us beyond earth to our God.

Volunteers!!!

I am trying to organize some volunteers to visit newly arrived asylum seekers living in our area. These people have limited English and are finding it difficult to become part of the community. Please contact Paul 0434 539 892 or the Parish office.

Reconciliation Workshop
Tues. 11 March at 6.30 pm at Holy Child School, Dallas.

Parish Council Meeting
Wed. 12 March at 7 pm at Holy Family Centre, Meadow Heights.

Penola Catholic College Glenroy Campus Tour Thurs., 13 March. Phone 9301 2769.

40 Days of Life: Pray to End Abortion
From Wed. 5 March - Sunday, 13 April, 2014. Organisers of the Lenten 40 days for Life campaign invite you to participate in prayer and peaceful witness for the protection of the unborn and their mothers. For more info Contact 0406 32 694 or www.40daysforlife.com/melbourne/vigil@40daysforlifemelb.org.

Golden Jubilee Celebrations Committee
Jubilee Year for Holy Child Parish and Holy Child School will be celebrated in 2015. We are now inviting people to join a Planning Committee to bring about a range of social and spiritual events leading up to a wonderful celebration of who we are as Holy Child. Contact the Parish Office and leave your name and telephone number.

Project Compassion 2014
Project Compassion Boxes/Envelops available in the Foyer. Please take one home.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION ON FRIDAYS IN LENT.

Mass & Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent
At Holy Child, Dallas (Eng) at 7.00 pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross. Morning Mass remains as usual. At Holy Family Centre, Meadow Heights (Viet) at 7.00 pm Mass followed by Station of the Cross.

This Weekend Children’s Liturgy: During the 6.00 pm Saturday Mass and the 11am Sunday Mass.

Liturgy Committee Meeting - Tues. 18 March at 7pm at Holy Family Centre, Meadow Heights.

‘R (Relationship) Day’ Marriage Enrichment Day– Saturday, 15 March 9.30am-4pm
An invitation to married couples to give yourselves a treat! A whole day together to Relax, Revisit, Renew, Rejuvenate, Reconnect, Romance and Rekindle your Relationship! Throughout the day you will be invited to explore ideas and behaviours which will help build connection, friendship and Intimacy in your marriage. Cost $100 per couple (Lunch & refreshments) at Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert St, E. Melbourne. RSVP 10 March. Contact CatholicCare 9287 516 to register.

Sisters of Charity Celebration 175 Years in Australia -Melbourne Celebration
On 31 December 1838 the first religious sisters, the Sisters of Charity, arrived in Australia from Ireland. To celebrate this important milestone there will be a number of special events during 2014. A Melbourne celebration will take place on 22 March at 10 am at St Patrick’s Cathedral, East Melbourne RSVP 9306 9555 if you wish to attend. More info www.sistersofcharity.org.au.

memALIVE Weekend (Sat. 22– Sun. 23 March)-St. Gabriel’s Catholic Parish, Reservoir
memALIVE is a National Catholic Ministry for men which was founded out of a response to a great need in the hearts and lives of men, and a great need in the life of the Catholic Church. The purpose is to bring together, renew their faith in God and encourage them to become an active force within the Church. Suitable for men over 18 years. Where: 1 Viola St, Reservoir or reservoir @cam.org.au or Gracie 9460 6036.

Lenten Retreat: Inner Peace in Darkness and Light-Mondays: 17 Mar. –14 Apr., 7.30-9.00 pm
There are many forms of inner darkness. Some of this darkness is a result of our own action or the actions of others and some are simply dark places that come with life’s journey. Track through the darker side of your humanity and be given a sure route to wholeness. In powerlessness and vulnerability, be brought very close to God. Both are powerful places for God’s love to burn through. The retreat is a retreat in daily life, with the retreatant praying (with the material provided) in their home most days of the week and coming together in a small group on Monday evenings. www.campioncorpuschristi.com or Contact Jacinta Bright 049 725 425 to register.

News
CathNews provides online Catholic news, both from Australia and abroad, five mornings a week. CathNews Perspectives is published every Friday afternoon, and contains background stories, deeper reflections and comment. To receive CathNews and CathNews Perspectives, please visit: http://www.cathnews.com where you can set up a free subscription.

Liturgal Ministry Workshop-Friday, 21 March, 7.30-9.30pm
Good Shepherd Parish Hall, 8 South Circular Rd, Gladstone Park. Presented by Rev. Dr Elio Capra, SDB
A member of the Dept. of Systematic Theology & Dept of Pastoral & General Studies - Booking Essential 938 2840

Save-the-Date
Saturday, 14 June, 2014
Holy Child Parish
Multi-Cultural Dinner Dance