Entrance Antiphon:
We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered. Alleluia!

Responsorial Psalm:
Do not forget the works of the Lord!
Chúa là Đấng từ bi nhân hậu, Người chậm giận và giàu tình thương.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia! Alleluia! We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your Cross you have redeemed the world. Alleluia.

Next Weekend Readings: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Times Year A
(The names of the sick will only be printed for a month, unless the Office has been notified otherwise)  

SICK: Mable Misquitta, Sia Nyugén, Ioane Toevai, Maria Nguyen, Valasi Fata, Brian & Evans Senn, Hoa Ngo, Jack Salau, Joseph, Darren Crowley, Raymond Cassar, Kevin Sheridan, Danu Tukuafu, Noah Bone, Nu Nguyen, Giralda Savy, Sita Tuafuti, Maria Napoleão, Rosie Vieira, Mark Elmer, Elyssa Morris, Grace King

ANNIVERSARIES: Speranza Borg

REMEMBRANCE: Paul & Carmen Busuttil, George & Adriana Buhagiar, Catherine Aguis, Carmelo Micallef, Andrew Brear, Georgette Dullard, Annie Ryan, Pascoela Andrade, Moses Vella, Jose Tilman, Saturnina DeFatima, Chico Lau, Tahan, Joao, Jorge, Amelia, Constantino, Felicidade, Phanxico Nguyen Luc, Matta Tran Thi Hue and all those mentioned in the Book of Remembrance.

RECENT DEATH: Amelia Espiritu (Lahra Stewart’s Mother)  
Mathew Cutajar  
Mary Kelly (Wife of Jim Kelly)

Exultation of the Holy Cross

In Roman times the cross was used to execute criminals, the cross was a sign of horror and disgrace, yet now we wear the cross as jewellery and decorate our churches with crosses. How did this change come about? Jesus died on the cross and his death brought new life to all so, the symbol of disgrace is now a symbol of triumph. As Moses lead people in the desert some were bitten by serpents, when they looked on the bronze serpent Moses made they were healed. Today’s Gospel says Jesus on the cross brings healing just as the bronze serpent did in the OT story.

Some traditions suggest that in 325 AD Helena, mother of Emperor Constantine dug in the earth near the Holy Sepulchre and found the cross on which Jesus had died. She raised the cross up from the earth and the feast the “Exultation (raising) of the Cross” was established. We do know with more certainty that Constantine ordered a church be built there in 326AD and the feast dates from about that time.

Stewardship Social Night - Tuesday, 16 Sept.

To all the Leaders and Volunteers that helped during the 2014 Stewardship Programme to attend this social evening as a Thank You for all the hard work. This will be held at the Parish House from 7.00 pm.

Pray for the Iraqi People

On the subject of prayer, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference this week issued a statement on the crisis in Iraq. We have been asked to draw your attention to the fact that the bishops have requested that: “Catholic parishioners throughout Australia pray for the Iraqi people this weekend, giving thanks for their great faith and asking God to protect and watch over them.”

MEETINGS AT HOLY FAMILY CENTRE

17 Sept at 7.00 pm Parish Council Meeting