

# St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Berala

Streams of living water will flow from within. ~John 7:38 Parish Office: 60 Kingsland Rd, Berala, 2141, Ph: 96447787 E: info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au Parish Website: www.stpeter-stjoseph.org.au, facebook: stpeterstjoseph

Holy Mass at Berala: Monday to Friday 6.45am, Wednesday to Friday 9.15am, Saturday 8.00am, Saturday 9.00am Adoration & Novena. Holy Mass at Auburn South: Tuesday 9.00am (during school term only) Lord's Day Mass Berala: Saturday 5.00am (Vigil) Sunday 10.00am Lord's Day Mass Auburn South: Sunday 8.00am Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00am - 10.00am. Or contact the parish office for any other time. For Baptisms, Weddings, Bible Study and Catholic Enquiry, please contact Fr Thomas or the parish office on 9644 7787.

#### SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

#### 29 JULY 2018

#### **First Reading** 2 Kgs 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."" He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

#### Second Reading Eph 4:1-6

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

# Gospel

#### Jn 6:1-15

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down.

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

#### ANTIPHONS & READINGS

Entrance Antiphon Cf Ps 67:6-7, 36 God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

- (R) The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.
- 1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. (**R**.)
- 2. The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. (R.)
- 3. The Lord is just in all his ways and Ex 16:2-4. 12-15 loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

#### Gospel Acclamation Lk 7:16 Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon Ps 102:2** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

#### Next Week's Readings:

Eph 4:17, 20-24 Jn 6:24-35

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www.sarasplace.org.au Ph: 9699 8190

| Mon<br>30/7 | 6.45am   | Mass   |  |  |  |
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| Tue<br>31/7 | 6.45am<br>9.00 am                                      | Mass<br>Mass (SJW)   |  |  |  |
| Wed<br>1/8  | 6.45am<br>9.15am<br>10.00am                            | Mass<br>Mass<br>Legion of Mary (St<br>Joseph's House)  |  |  |  |
| Thu<br>2/8  | 6.45am<br>9.15am<br>3.30pm<br>7.00pm                   | Mass<br>Mass<br>Children's Choir (SPC)<br>Psalmist practice at 7pm<br>followed by General<br>Choir Practice at 8<br>Wallace St Sefton. |  |  |  |
| Fri<br>3/8  | 6.45am<br>9.15am                                       | Mass<br>Mass   |  |  |  |
| Sat<br>4/8  | <b>CWF App</b><br>8.00am<br>8.30pm<br>9.00am<br>5.00pm | Mass   |  |  |  |
| Sun<br>5/8  | <b>CWF App</b><br>8.00am<br>10.00am<br>11.00am         | Mass (SJW)<br>Mass (SPC)   |  |  |  |
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# PARISH DIARY THIS WEEK



"Family that pray together stay together"

#### **PILGRIM STATUE**

FROM ST PETER CHANEL at Hazboune Home 6 Larcombe St, Berala

Please join them any evening at 7.30pm for the Rosary.

To host the Pilgrim Statue and Rosary prayer please contact Mona on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.

FROM S J W Church at the Kassis Home

To host the Rosary Statue from SJW contact Phil Lopez on 9646 1756.

| 5 AUGUST 2018  |  |   | 18 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME |                               |  |  |
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| Mass   | lass VIGIL (SPC)                                     |   | 8AM (SJW)                                | 10AM (SPC)                    |  |  |
| ACOLYTE  | Dom PANGILINAN<br>Bob KENSEY                         | V   | Villiam ANDREWS                          | Roland JAVIER<br>Mert BOLONIA |  |  |
| MUSIC & SINGING  | Maureen HYNES<br>& PARISH CHOIR                      |   | WISHAM TONGAN<br>DMMUNITY CHOIR          | Alannah KASSIS                |  |  |
| LECTOR/S Jann ROCKLIFF   |  | Ken HARTMAN   |  | Amanda GAHAN                  |  |  |
|  | Mai NGUYEN   |   | Joe MOSES                                | Susie MRAVUNAC                |  |  |
| COMMENTATOR  | Christine KENSEY                                     |   | Maris MARSH                              | Mai VU                        |  |  |
| SP. MINISTER   | Warren RYAN  |   |  | Anna MANGANARO                |  |  |
| CHURCH SHOP  | OP   |   |  | Margaret THAM                 |  |  |
| GREETERS   | Kate Parish, Roshan<br>SEBASTIAN<br>Sharon SEBASTIAN |   | Joe MOSES                                | Rhia & Mervin<br>VICTORINO    |  |  |
| HOSPITALITY  |  |   | Jenny MICHAEL                            |                               |  |  |
| Hospital Visitation Sat : Jann Rockliff,<br>Phil Lopez & Maureen Hynes |  | <b>Altar &amp; Sacristy:</b> Group 4 Anita Yip;<br>Catherine Naidu-Narayan; Mariana Tannous |  |                               |  |  |
| Hospital Communion Sun: Bob Kensey & Christine Kensey                  |  |   |  |                               |  |  |
| Cleaners SPC: Samoan Group   |  |   | Children's liturgy: Anna Facer           |                               |  |  |
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# Saturday 8AM

Jann ROCKLIFF

#### MASS INTENTIONS

**Sick:** Fr Graham Kings, Fr Mark Spora, Kathleen Cassie Resuello

Recently Deceased: Corazon Gantioqui-Amores, Ray Mills, Vinh Van Le

Deceased: Ananaias Garcia, Josefina Tan, Dominador Tan, Unborn Baby, Theresita Sabayton, Theresita Villegas, Restitota Villegas, Pedro Villegas, Rosita Tan, Pimio Villegas, Ester Bollozos Tan, Francisco Fontejon Amores, Teresita Sarmiento, Mary Ellen Masterson, Jeff Eagleson, Peter Joshep Nguyen, Peter Soi, Matta Vu Thi Thinh Anniversary: Maria Nguyen Thi Cuc (22/7), Maria Beatriz Nazareth (24/7), Carmen Florendo-Garcia (26/7), Valerie de Souza (12/8)

4 AUGUST

**Deceased Members and Friends of:** Ross & Mitchell Families, O'Dwyer & Erwin Families, Amores & Florendo Families

**Other Intentions:** Lola O'Dwyer—good health.

Birthdays: Dolores Mortillero (75th)

# **Generosity and Trust, Key to the Miracle of Satisfaction**

When I arrived in Berala, I could see that the Church and premises needed some maintenance. Therefore I asked the then Finance Committee to make a list of the maintenance work to be attended. They came up with a list which did not include what I thought were major and urgent repairs like leaking roof of the Church and eroded window frames. So I asked them

what about the roof and the windows of the church. "We cannot afford them Father," they said, "so why bother to include them in the list". Like good financial stewards, they were making a business case. There was not enough money in the parish fund to attend to these major works. Therefore they had a point. But I told them that we do not go by business like planning. We look at what is needed. If it is God's Church, God will provide. We identified the important works to be done, and started to act on them. Then, so many generous people started to pour in their time, their talents, and their resources to assist the parish. Consequently now have a well set up and maintained church and premises. And our finances are very healthy, even better than before starting the renovation works. That is the miracle. When we are open to the generosity of the people and trust in the providence of God, miracles happen.

We see a similar miracle in John 6:1-15. The Gospel speaks about the multiplication of the loaves by Jesus on the shores of Tiberias. Jesus saw the hungry crowd in the lonely place and said to Philip, "Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?" Philip's answer would fit in with the concept of a good business man. He assessed the financial situation and said, "Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each." So it is an untenable situation, according to Philip. Andrew, another disciple, also shared the attitude of Philip. He said, "There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?" Jesus taught them to welcome the generosity of the little boy with five barley loaves and two fish and put their trust in the providence of Our Father in Heaven. Even after feeding the five thousand men and their women and children, there were enough left over food for all twelve tribes of Israel, twelve baskets full of scraps.

As an introduction to this narrative, John writes, 'It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.' In telling so, John indicates that what we see in this miracle is what to expect in the Last Supper of Jesus Christ. For us it is about what to expect in the Eucharist which is the re-doing of the Last Supper of the Lord. Be generous with what you have and trust in the providence of God. Then you see miracles happening, in your life as well as in the world around you. Also be open to the generosity of your brothers and sisters and lead them to trust in the providence of God the Father. This, not the our skilful business plan, is the satisfying solution to the real hunger of the people around us.

#### **REFLECTIONS ON JOHN 6:1-15**

Different View. A miracle of sharing. Some scripture scholars suggest that the real miracle of the feeding of the multitude was not so much a multiplication of meagre resources by Jesus but rather a personal response by individuals within the crowd. It is suggested that upon seeing the willingness of Jesus (and the small boy whose food it was) to share the small amount of food available, everyone dug into their pockets and pulled out the small amount of food they also had an shared it with one another. The miracle was a breaking through from selfishness and isolation to a spirit of sharing and community.

# The feeding of the multitude is a profoundly political statement. Quite simply, there is sufficient food in our

Living the Gospel. Plenty for all.

world to ensure that no one should ever be hungry. Sadly, the distribution of that food is such that there are some in our world whose bellies are expanding from an excess of food while others' are distended from the lack of it. We can easily feed the entire world. It is the responsibility of those of us in the developed world with more than we need to bring about a more equitable distributions with those who don't even have enough to live.

#### Gospel Focus. Messiah.

.At the time of Jesus there was a heightened expectation that the Messiah-the anointed one of Godwould come and once again set the people of Israel free. However, there was great conjecture about what sort of person the Messiah would be. Some thought he would be a warrior king; others a wise priestly leader; others thought a shepherd-king in the image of David. Confounding all these expectations, Jesus' model of Messianic leadership was that of the servant leader; a leader who was one with the people, offering hope and meaning in the midst of their everyday suffering and struggling.

# **Charitable Works Fund Pastoral Appeal**

The appeal will be held next weekend, 4/5 August 2018. Donations to this appeal from our parishioners are crucial in assisting the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney with its charitable and pastoral works, and we ask you to support it generously. Our Parish contribution to this collection is \$4600.



#### CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

Your generous donation would be of great benefit and much appreciated. Thank you!



# I rejoice exceedingly in all my tribulations

From a homily by Saint John Chrysostom on the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 7:2-16.

From a homily by Saint John Chrysostom on the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 7:2-16. Again Paul turns to speak of love, softening the harshness of his rebuke. For after convicting and reproaching them for not loving him as he had loved them, breaking away from his love and attaching themselves to troublemakers, he again takes the edge off the reproach by saying: Open your hearts to us, that is, love us. He asks for a favor which will be no burden to them but will be more profitable to the giver than to the receiver. And he did not use the word "love" but said, more appealingly: Open your hearts to us.

Who, he said, has cast us out of your minds, thrust us from your hearts? How is it that you feel constraint with us? For, since he has said earlier: You are restricted in your own affection, he now declares himself more openly and says: Open your heart to us, thus once more drawing them to him. For nothing so much wins love as the knowledge that one's lover desires most of all to be himself loved.

For I said before, he tells them, that you are in our hearts to die together or live together. This is love at its height, that even though in disfavor, he wishes both to die and to live with them. For you are in our hearts, not just somehow or other, but in the way I have said. It is possible to love and yet to draw back when danger threatens; but my love is not like that.

I am filled with consolation. What consolation? That which comes from you because you, being changed for the better, have consoled me by what you have done. It is natural for a lover both to complain that he is not loved in return and to fear that he may cause distress by complaining too much. Therefore, he says: I am filled with consolation, I rejoice exceedingly.

It is as if he said, I was much grieved on your account, but you have made it up for me in full measure and given me comfort; for you have not only removed the cause for any grief but filled me with a richer joy.

Then he shows the greatness of that joy by saying not only I rejoice exceedingly but also the words which follow: in all my tribulations. So great, he says, was the delight that you gave me that it was not even dimmed by so much tribulation, but overcame by its strength and keenness all those sorrows which had invaded my heart, and took away from me all awareness of them.

# **FEASTS & MEMORIALS OF THE WEEK**

#### Tuesday, 25 July - St Ignatius of Loyola



Born at Loyola (Spain) in 1491. Died on this day at Rome in 1556. A Spanish nobleman trained in diplomacy and the use of arms, wounded in battle against the French. The experience of conversion while convalescing led him to write the Spiritual Exercises. Then founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and became its first superior

general. Remembered for his loyalty to the Church and its renewal, his ministry to the marginal, his concern for education, and his dedication "to the greater glory of God," the motto of the Jesuits.

#### Wednesday, 1 August - St Alphonsus Liguori



Born at Naples (Italy) in 1696. Died at Nocera on this day in 1787. A lawyer before ordination. After founding the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists), he was for thirteen years bishop of Sant' Agata dei Goti, but resigned due to ill health. He coped with much internal conflict within the

congregation and external opposition. Remembered as a popular preacher and devotional writer and as an influential master of moral theology.

#### Friday, 3 August - St Dominic



Born at Calaruega (Spain) about 1170. Died at Bologna (Italy) on 6 August 1221. An Augustinian canon noted for prayer, penance, and an exemplary life. In a time of violent crusades he sought the reconciliation of Albigensian heretics through instruction and prayer. Established the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to

revitalise the Church through study, teaching, preaching, and prayer. Remembered as a preacher, organiser, and patron of learning.

#### Saturday, 4 August - St John Vianney

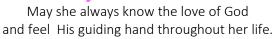


Born near Lyons (France) in 1786. Died at Ars on this day in 1859. Overcame various obstacles, including little education and lack of means, to be ordained a priest. Served in a remote parish as the Curé of Ars, where his sanctity attracted thousands of visitors. Remembered for his preaching and confessional counsel and is honoured

as a model for parish clergy.



This week we welcome into the Catholic faith Kiyana Abadam





### **PARISH NEWS**

## Visit to Mary MacKillop

Are there any parents, carers or Parishioners interested in visiting Mary MacKillop Place and attending Mass on her feast day - August 8?

If you are interested, I thought we could go in by train in time for the 10.00am Mass. Please email Barbara Mucha at barbara.mucha@syd.catholic.edu.au by Friday, 3Aug. ~Barbara Mucha (Family Faith Educator)

# **Volunteers Needed**

**Church Shop:** We are in need of volunteers to help with the church shop on Saturdays before and after the 5.00pm Vigil Mass (5 Aug, 12 Aug, 19 Aug & 7 Oct).

Children's Liturgy: There are only two people left on

roster to help with the Children's Liturgy during the Sunday 10.00am mass. You will need a current Working With Children Check Number and be trained for this position. If you are interested but do not have a WWCC number, the Parish Office can help you submit an application. If you would like to volunteer please contact the Parish Office on 9644 7787.

# **New Liturgy Rosters**

The new Liturgy Rosters starting 5 August to 28 October are now available. Copies have now been emailed and printed copies can be collected at the back of the church. Thanks to all who volunteer to the various ministries of our church - your contribution greatly enriches our community.

# **Catechists Attend Northern Area Mass**

Over 80 catechists attended a special gathering for the annual Northern Area Mass at St Kevin's Parish, Eastwood on July 20. Organised by the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD), the Mass and luncheon has become a tradition for those involved with Special Religious Education in State Schools.

Three of our catechists, Taoto Langi, Dunia Boustany and Brenda Wendt-Hussein, represented Berala at the event. They took along a candle on behalf of our parish catechist group and this was lit during the entrance procession to recognise each parish's effort in bringing the light of Christ to the children we teach. Thanks go to our Parish Secretary Lea for doing such a great job in designing a label for our parish candle with all the names of our current catechist teachers and helpers. Mass was celebrated by



Fr Martin Maunsell (St Kevin's), Fr Michael McLean (St Mark's, Drummoyne) and Fr Greg Morgan (St Charles, Ryde).

CCD Director Doug Mawhinney and Faith Education Officer (Northern Region) Anita Lee thanked catechists for their contribution to Special Bringin Religious Education in the Christ to Archdiocese of Sydney. Anita



Bringing the light of Christ to the children.

stressed that the Area Mass was a time to celebrate the contribution parishes made to this ministry. She said the event was an important opportunity to bring the Northern Area CCD community together and to recognise the commitment of catechists.

It was also a time to thank God for his many gifts.

~Brenda Wendt-Hussein, Catechist Co-ordinator 0402 051 365

# **Celebrating years of service....**



We will be recognising and celebrating the many years of service of Lynette Lawrence, the Crossing lady from St. Joseph the Worker, from the 1990's until recently in 2018. Lynette served our community every school day morning and afternoon helping keep our children and grandchildren safe. We were blessed by her warm smile and friendly presence and we will paying tribute to her in at the St. Joseph the Worker School Assembly on Friday 3 August from 2:30pm. We warmly invite anyone that attended St. Joseph the Worker during this time to come to Lynnette's farewell assembly.

When: Friday 3 August (2:30pm-3pm) | Where: St Joseph the Worker, Auburn School, Fr. Mark Spora Rm Please sign in at the school office upon arrival.

#### **POSITIONS VACANT**

**Finance Manager - Vincentian Fathers.** Part-time, permanent position. Based in Marsfield NSW. For further information please contact Nevine Piperides at REACH Human Resources on 0418 698 327. Applications close Tuesday 7 August 2018.

#### Personal Assistant to the Provincial - Vincentian Fathers .

Part-time, permanent position. Based in Marsfield NSW. For further information please contact Nevine Piperides at REACH Human Resources on 0418 698 327. Applications close Tuesday 7 August 2018.

#### **EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & RETREATS**

Silent Retreat for Men. How does a Diocesan Priest live this mission? Find out more by attending this upcoming retreat on **3 - 5 August 2018**. This is a silent retreat weekend for all men (18 – 35 yrs. old) considering a vocation to the Priesthood. This silent retreat for men will be led by Fr. Epeli Qimaqima – Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Sydney. The cost of the retreat is \$75. RSVP: Wed 1 August 2018. For online registration: http://

www.vocationcentre.org.au/events/silent-retreat-for-men-2018/ | Registration/Enquiries:

vocationcentre@sydneycatholic.org|(02) 9307 8424 or Email vocations@sydneycatholic.org.

The Bishop's Blend: Looking to network with other young Catholic professionals and learn how to live your faith in the workplace? Then join the Most Reverend Bishop Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney on Monday, 6th August 2018 at 7:00am at the Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney for The Bishop's Blend, a quarterly breakfast series for young professionals. Online booking is essential. https:// thebishopsblendfifthedition.eventbrite.com or contact us at bishopsblend@sydneycatholic.org

Lessons from the Long Paddock. Fr Richard Leonard SJ, Sr Michele Connolly RSJ and Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE reflect on stories from people in the Diocese and explore the lived experiences of faith in the bush. Thursday 9th August 2018 9.30am - 12.30 at the Ron Dyer Centre Our Lady of the Way Parish, St Mary's North Sydney - Admission Free. For enquiries ring Kate Englebrecht on 0420 309 689 or visit http://www.wf.catholic.org.au for more information.

**Pro-Life Training LifeChoice Australia.** LifeChoice Australia is running pro-life training for young people on **Saturday 25th August.** Two international speakers will run the workshops -

Brendan Malone from New Zealand and Lia Mills from Canada. This will be a great opportunity for young people to learn how to argue against abortion with intelligence and compassion. Tickets are only \$30 and the event will be held in Sydney. More information and to register: www.LifeChoice.org.au

**Catholic Communications Congress**. Communicating Hope and Trust: How can we share the message of Christ and his Gospel in contemporary Australia? Speakers from here and abroad will challenge delegates at the Australian Catholic Communications Congress to take up Pope Francis' call for Catholics to "communicate hope and trust". September 5-7 in Brisbane. All are welcome. Find out more and register at www.catholic.org.au/accc

#### **SUPPORT & SERVICES**

**CatholicCare Sydney.** Join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team to raise funds for CatholicCare Sydney's HOPE program in this year's City2Surf. We're aiming to raise \$75,000 to help vulnerable young mothers and their babies. Challenge yourself and run for HOPE! Register online at https://fundraise.catholiccare.org/city2surf and join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team today! For further information please contact Ashleigh Green on 0419 954 839 or at community@catholiccare.org.au.

**CatholicCare Sydney Home Care.** Do you know any seniors in your community who could use a little help at home? Our home care services help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence. Call CCareline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

**Funeral Music Service - Maureen Hynes.** Qualifications: Music: LTCL & A Mus A (Teacher & Performer), Teaching Certificate (CTC), BA (English & French), MA – Theol & Liturgy, Post Grad Cert in RE. Fees \$200 or negotiable per Funeral (including any practice desired). Phone: 9644 5818.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**St Vincent de Paul – Redfern**. Over the last 20 years, St Vincent de Paul Society has been running the Sharing of the Meal at SVDP Catholic Church in Redfern - 117 Redfern St Redfern. Every Tuesday and Friday from 8.45am to 10.45am. We are looking for volunteers. If anyone is interested we would love to hear from you. It could be a once a month support or every week. Please call Jenny Carter on 0407 977 180 if you are interested.

# **Planned Giving Request Form**

Your financial contribution to the Planned Giving of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the end of the financial year you will receive a receipt for your contributions. To join the Planned Giving Program fill this form, tear this part off and place it in the Sunday Collection plate.

Your Name:....

Telephone No .....Email .....

Yes, please organise a set of envelopes. Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions. (An authority form will be sent)

# ADDING CHURCH

#### The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on phone 02 9390 5812.

Poor Old Humpty Dumpty

Humpty Dumpty always had a terrible summer. At least he had a great fall. **Middle of the Face** Why is your nose in the middle of your face? Because it's the scenter.

