



St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Berala

Streams of living water will flow from within. ~John 7:38

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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.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

16 SEP 2018

First Reading

Is 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

Second Reading

Jas 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

Gospel

Mk 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

ANTIPHONS & READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Sir 36:18

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm:

(R) I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

1. I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. **(R.)**
2. They surrounded me, the snares

of death, with anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! **(R.)**

3. How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. **(R.)**
4. He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Cf Ps 35:8

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

Next Week's Readings:

Wis 2:12, 17-20 | Jas 3:16 – 4:3
Mk 9:30-37

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PARISH DIARY THIS WEEK

Mon 17/9	6.45am	Mass
Tue 18/9	6.45am 9.00 am	Mass Mass (SJW)
Wed 19/9	6.45am 9.15am 10.00am	Mass Mass Legion of Mary (St Joseph's House)
Thu 20/9	6.45am 9.15am 3.30pm 7.00pm 7.00pm	Mass Mass Chanel Schola (SPC) RCIA (St Joseph's House) Psalmists practice followed by Parish Choir (8 Wallace St, Sefton)
Fri 21/9	6.45am 9.15am	Mass Mass
Sat 22/9	8.00am 8.30pm 9.00am 5.00pm	Mass Rosary Novena, Adoration, Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 23/9	8.00am 10.00am 4.00pm	Mass (SJW) Mass (SPC) Malayalam Rosary & Mass



"Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE

FROM ST PETER CHANEL
 at Flores Home
 23 The Boulevard, Lidcombe

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.

23 SEPTEMBER 2018**25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY Dom PANGILINAN	William ANDREWS	Mert BOLONIA Roland JAVIER
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Altar & Sacristy: Group 5 Margaret Heys, Carol Mabon, Maria Wood

Hospital Communion Sun: Joyce McDonald & Anna Manganaro

Cleaners SPC: Marian Rosary Group

Children's liturgy: N/A

Saturday 8AM**22 SEPTEMBER**

LECTOR FOR MASS

Christine KENSEY

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Figueras, Scott Shapleigh, Ruth D. Amores, Editha C. Amores, & Maria Cabotaje - Amores

Recently Deceased: Ben Hansan, Sheila Field, Percy Baptiste, Luke William Ballard, Rafael Jr Amarille

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

Deceased: Glen Ford, Joseph Cicuto, Amabile Cicuto, Giovanni Cicuto, Caterina Bertuzzi, Albino Bertuzzi, Joseph Nguyen Van Ngan

Other Intentions: Holy Souls in Purgatory

Anniversary: Paul Ford, Rita Simms, Antonio Florendo Festejo, Engracia Mongcopa-Amores, Herminio A.

Reflections by Fr George Kallumkal



The first reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 50:5-9. The prophet Isaiah describes some of the sufferings which the Messiah will endure. The second reading is from the Letter of St. James 2:14-18 and is a continuation of the practical guidance we heard the past two Sundays. Christians must be "doers of the word not hearers only."

The Gospel is from St. Mark 8:27-35. We need not be surprised at the slowness of the Apostles in grasping the messiahship of Jesus. He did not want the crowds who flocked to him to know this until later - after his resurrection - because they had the idea that the Messiah would be a political leader who would set them free from their subjection to pagan Rome. It was not until this occasion, near Caesarea Philippi, somewhat over a year after he had called them, that he admitted to his Apostles that he was the Messiah. He charged them not to make this fact known outside of their own limited circle. Through the readings of the day we are also asked to take a decision for God and for his people, are we ready? Are we ready to answer the questions he has asked to the disciples? After the positive answer we are bound to take a proper decision according to our conviction and faith. Are we Willing?

We must give up our lives for the sake of Jesus Christ and for His Gospel. Yet none of us wants to give up his or her life. Only when we begin to know Jesus and to believe in Him totally and when we begin to understand His Good News, that we begin to desire to give our life completely for him and the Gospel. So, the challenge is always to know Jesus and to allow him to become the Lord of our life. Unless we know we can't love, unless we love we can't follow, unless we follow we cannot be loyal to him. We want to become like Peter and be able to say with complete faith: you are the Christ! the Son of the living God. The Good News of Jesus, the Gospel of Jesus is that God loves us, and we must love one another.

From the early church onwards, everyone gladly gave their lives to bringing this news of God's great love for men to all nations. From being a scandal, the cross became the emblem and the proud standard of God's love for mankind, for us Christians the cross is everything. We must be ready to follow him on the road to Calvary. We must deny ourselves - deprive ourselves not only of sinful pleasure or gain, but even of lawful things at times, to be Christ-like. We must take up our cross and follow him. This does not mean that we must search for crosses - there are plenty of them in any good Christian's life - but we must gladly accept the crosses life brings us and see in them God's means of keeping us close to him.

For a faithful and grateful Christian, however, theoretical appreciation is not enough but sincere atonement has to be made for our sins, but we have still a very important part to play. Our sins can be forgiven but we must truly repent of them before God and he will forgive them at the time of our confession.

Life on earth is very short, eternal life is endless. No thinking man, and certainly no true Christian, would risk losing the eternal life for the sake of a few paltry gains or a few extra years here below. When we read the Letter of Saint James, we begin to understand that God is asking of us a faith that is willing to act for others, a faith which invites us to sacrifice our own life for the lives of others, a faith that is strong in belief but equally strong in doing good to others.

Just as Jesus was willing to give up His life so that others could live, we also must have that kind of faith. We must be willing to walk in our lives and Jesus walked in His life: love of the Father expressed in love of others. The other day our pope said, "True Christians have cheerful faces and joy in their eyes... because the Lord is incapable of giving less than everything." "When He gives us something, He gives all of Himself," the Pope said. It means entering into a different way of thinking, a different way of behaving, for Jesus gives everything of Himself, "because the fullness of God is a fullness emptied out on the Cross." "A cheerful face and eyes full of joy", the Pope said, "these are the signs that we're following this path of all and nothing, of fullness emptied out." "Amidst all our trials and difficulties, we too must have cheerful faces and hearts full of joy."

May the Holy Spirit guide each of us today so that we may clearly see the path of Jesus in our lives and have the courage and strength to walk in His ways and to proclaim that Jesus is our Lord and master despite our daily difficulties. For this let us pray to the Lord during this Mass.

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.

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REFLECTIONS ON MARK 8:27-35

Scriptural Context. A Turning Point.

This passage forms a crucial turning point in the Gospel of Mark. It occurs at the very mid-point in a 16 chapter gospel. From this point on the gospel takes a greater focus on what it means to be a disciple and Jesus' movement towards Jerusalem. This passage in which Peter processes his faith in Jesus as the Messiah is immediately followed by the account of the Transfiguration. From this point onwards, the gospel writer reveals the growing understanding of Jesus' identity that until now has been wrapped in secrecy.

Scriptural Context. Sandwich technique.

The Gospel of Mark is famous for a technique of 'sandwiching' stories or sections between two related events to bring what is sandwiched into greater focus. This gospel passage falls within a significant sandwich that runs from 8:22 (the healing of a blind man at Bethsaida) to 10:52 (the healing of blind Bartimaeus). The healings of blindness that surround the sandwich reflect the lack of 'sight' that the disciples have. The 'meat' of the sandwich is all about the disciples not really understanding Jesus' mission and what it really means to truly be a disciple. Read the whole section from 8:22-10:52 and see how it works.

Gospel Focus. Peter's insight.

When Peter answers Jesus' question he demonstrates the disciples' dawning awareness of Jesus' true identity. It is the first occasion that the disciples are called to own what they think about Jesus. However, when Jesus begins to spell out what being the Messiah really means—persecution and death—Peter tries to convince Jesus that he doesn't need to go down that path. Jesus turns on Peter and snaps, "Get behind me, Satan!" It is a reminder of the desert temptation Jesus had to face at the start of his ministry when he wrestled with what sort of messiah he was called to be.

Faith is crowned by love and perseverance

It is the memorial of Martyrs Andrew Kim and Companions on 20 September. Here is excerpt from the final exhortation of Saint Andrew Kim Taegön, priest and martyr.

My brethren and dear friends, think about this and reflect on it: from the beginning of time God has ordered the heavens, the earth, and all things. Consider the creation of man in this light and reflect on why he has created man, each man, in his image and likeness: why, and with what purpose.

If, then, placed as we are in this world full of danger and misery, we do not know the Lord our creator, what is the point in having been born? Our life is pointless. Thanks to God, we have come into this world. Also thanks to God, we have received baptism, we have entered the Church, and we have received the glorious name of disciples of the Lord. But what use would that name be if it did not correspond to reality? If it does not, then it is in vain that we have come into the world and entered into the Church. Moreover, such a state of affairs would not serve the Lord and his grace. It would be better for us never to have been born than to receive the grace of the Lord and then sin against him.

Look at the farmer sowing his field. He ploughs the earth at the appropriate time, then he manures it, and he cultivates the growing seed without caring how hard his work is under a hot sun. When harvest time arrives, if the ears are fat then he forgets his labour and his sweat because his heart is full of joy and he delights in the harvest. But if the grains are shrivelled and there is nothing but straw and empty husks, then the farmer remembers his sweat and heavy labour: the more he has worked the field, the more he turns his back on it.

It is the same with the Lord. The Earth is his field; we men are his seed; his manure is grace. By the Incarnation and the Redemption he waters us with his blood so that we can grow and ripen. When the time for harvest comes at the Day of Judgement, if by his grace we are found to be ripe, we shall know the joy of the kingdom as the adoptive children of God. But if we are found to be unripe, we shall have become enemies of God instead of the adoptive sons we were, and we shall receive the eternal punishment we deserve.

My very dear brethren, know this: our Lord Jesus, coming down here, himself suffered pains beyond counting: by his Passion he founded the Church and by the passion of his faithful he makes it grow. The powers of this world may well oppress it and attack it, but they will never have victory over it. After the Ascension of Jesus, from the time of the Apostles until now, the holy Church has grown everywhere in the middle of persecution.

It is fifty or sixty years now since the holy Church entered our land of Korea. The faithful have endured persecution over and over again. Today it is beginning once more: many of our friends in faith, and I myself, are in prison. You too are under threat. Since we form one body, how can we not have sad hearts? How can we not, as human beings, feel the pain of separation?

All the same, as Scripture tells us, God takes care of the least of the hairs of our head and nothing escapes his infinite knowledge. How then can we see this persecution except as something ordered by the Lord either as a prize or as a punishment? Follow therefore the will of God, fight with all your heart for our divine leader Jesus, and you will vanquish the demon of this world, who has already been vanquished by Christ.

I implore you: do not forget fraternal love but help one another and persevere until the Lord takes pity on us and ends this persecution.

There are twenty of us here and, thank God, all is well with us so far. If one of us is put to death I beg you not to forget his family.

There are many other things I could say to you, but how to say them all in a letter? So I will end here. As for us, in a short time we will go into combat. I beg you to keep yourselves faithful so that we can all be reunited in the joys of heaven. With all my heart, I embrace you.

Rosh Hashanah, a New Year that is Not

Fr Thomas Kurunthanam

Rosh Hashanah is the Jewish New Year but it is not a New Year. Being in Jerusalem, the most Holy City of Israel, I expected to witness fireworks and all that is associated with New Year celebrations in Sydney and perhaps more. But come the day on Monday, 10 September, there was no sign of any of these things. On the eve of the feast, Sunday I celebrated a Holy Mass in Syro Malabar Rite for congregation of 200 people from Kerala to celebrate the feast of the Nativity of Our Lady. I was to finish the Mass before 4.00 pm because all transportation will stop early that evening in preparation for the feast of Rosh Hashanah, Jewish New Year. It would have been the opposite in Sydney. More transportation on New Year Eve. Not less. Shops and business are closed for New Year in Jerusalem. I should not have been surprised. Dr Marcie Lenk had already told us how it is a New Year which is not a New Year in the common understanding. First of all this feast does not fall on the first of the first month of the year. The first month of the Jewish Calendar is Nisan. But Rosh Hashanah is celebrated on the 7th month, Tisheri. According to Leviticus 23:23-25 The Lord spoke to Moses: In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of complete rest, a holy convocation commemorated with trumpet blasts. You shall not work at your occupations; and you shall present the Lord's offering by fire. This is the spirit of Rosh Hashanah.

What is called as Jewish New Year is a day that calls for repentance. This is one of the days most Jews would attend the synagogue service. I too joined them for a service for this day. It started at 9 AM and finished at 2 PM. It consists of reading from Torah (Penteteuch) and Prophets, Hymns and Psalms, Penitential prayers and homilies. One of the very special part of the liturgy is the sounding of shofar (sound of horn) which reminds me of the Last Judgement Day. One of the reflections of the liturgies said, "when we really begin a new year it is decided. And when we actually repent it is determined: who shall be truly alive and who shall merely exist. But repentance, prayer, and good deeds have the power to change the character of our lives. Let us resolve to repent, to pray and to do good deeds so that we may begin a truly new year." Preparing to make a new beginning in your personal life is the new year. Then the celebrations come later on the feast of Sukkot, which starts of 23rd of September and concludes on 30 September, this year.

Rosh Hashanah is New Year not just for the humans, It is also the birthday for all trees that are planted that year. A Jew is not allowed to take fruits from a tree before it is 3 years old. Having the birthday for all trees on the same day helps the calculation of the age of the tree easy. It is like every horse having the same birthday, 1 August.

Rosh Hashanah has many different dimensions. But New Year is not one of them. Yet it is commonly known as the New Year of Jewish Calendar. In fact there are four New Year days each year of the Jewish calendar, one each for each season. But only Rosh Hashanah is celebrated so elaborately. I am learning a few new things in Jerusalem.

New Acolytes

On 2 September 2018 at St Mary's Cathedral, Mert Bolonia and Dom Pangilinan were formally instituted as acolytes by The Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP, Archbishop of Sydney.

About 40 acolytes from parishes across Sydney were instituted during a mass at which the 90th anniversary of the cathedral was also celebrated.



First Reconciliation

Registration Commitment for the First Reconciliation Program will be held on Saturday & Sunday, November 3 & 4. Registrations will be accepted during the Vigil Mass or at 8AM Mass or 10AM Mass on the first weekend of November.

Parents meeting will be at 7PM on Wednesday, 7 November.

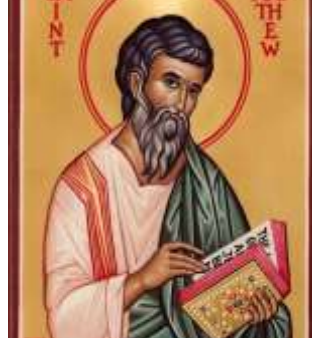
FEASTS & MEMORIALS OF THE WEEK

Thursday, 20 September—Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang (Memorial)



Andrew Kim Taegon was the first Korean presbyter and Paul Chong Hasang a catechist and lay apostle. After more than two centuries of lay leadership, the Church in Korea was subject to fierce persecutions between 1839 and 1867. This commemorates 103 of the numerous Korean martyrs, representatives from all walks of life: men and women, married and unmarried, the elderly, teenagers and children, missionary bishops and presbyters. Remembered for their fearless witness in the face of torture and death.

Friday, 21 September - St Matthew (Feast)



Matthew, also known as Levi, was a Jew who collected taxes for the Romans at Capernaum in Galilee. Here Jesus met him and called him to be an apostle (Luke 5:27-28). Venerated as the author of the gospel which highlights Jesus' role as Messiah and underlines the presence of the kingdom of God in the Church.

OTHER NOTICES

EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & RETREATS

St Mary's Cathedral Parish, Sydney Invites you to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary by joining the Dean to pray the HOLY ROSARY. The prayer intentions for the Holy Rosary will be Family, the Rekindling of Faith and the Sanctification of the Church and Clergy. Sunday 7 October, 2018 at 2:00pm, St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney. Our prayers will be joined with the prayers of thousands around Australia and the World as part of the "OzRosary" and "Global Rosary" projects.

Be Awake National Catholic Men's Conference

"Be Awake; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong." 1 Cor 16:13-16. "Where are you men of God? Are you AWAKE?" MenAlive and the Young Men of God Movement have united to host a life-changing event for the men of this nation. The conference will bring the very best of MenAlive's hugely successful MAX conference, and the unrivaled strength of the Young Men of God National Conference. There is nothing like the journey of growing in faith alongside your brothers. There will be great speakers, worship, prayer, sacraments, sports and brotherhood time. Be inspired, be transformed at this extraordinary event not to be missed! **To register go to menalive.org.au or ymgmovement.org.**

SUPPORT & SERVICES

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a journey of spiritual healing to help women and men overcome the painful effects of an abortion experience. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment. The next retreat will be held: **16-18 November**. You could assist those who might benefit from Rachel Vineyard's Ministries support by asking the parishes to run the following bulletin notice over the coming weeks and months making available the details of the retreats and how to contact us.

Healing After Abortion. Rachel's Vineyard Ministries offers a confidential voicemail number: 0400 092 555. Healing

retreats are held regularly in the Sydney area offering women and men a spiritual way through grief and loss. A brochure can be downloaded at the website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.au. The next healing retreat will be held 16-18 November. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non judgmental environment.

Bereavement Support Reflections Mornings. Third Wednesday of Every Month 10.00am – 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve and their companions. Understanding and managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereavement. Morning tea provided. For further information please contact Bereavement Support bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au or Ph: (02) 9646 6908.

Natural Fertility Services is looking for suitable applicants in the Greater Sydney area to train as Fertility Educators. Thorough, in-depth training over a 12-month period is provided to successful applicants and sessional work is available to those who complete the training and become accredited educators. Contact The Manager NFS (02) 9509 1222

MISCELLANEOUS

Full Tuition Scholarships to St Mary's Cathedral College Boys currently in year 2 are invited to audition as members of the prestigious St. Mary's Cathedral Choir to begin in 2019. All students receive full-tuition scholarships to St Mary's Cathedral College when placed as Cathedral Choristers. To arrange an audition or for more information at music@stmaryscathedral.org.au or by visiting <https://cathedralchoir.sydney/about/choristers/>.

Check Out The Archdiocese Of Sydney's New Website. The Archdiocese has launched a fresh new-look website with all the latest news and information from across the archdiocese and the Church in Australia. Visit the new-look site at <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/>



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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.

A girl asks her father, "Why does it rain? Is it God sweating or crying?" " No," says her father, " it rains to make the plants grow. Do you understand?" " Not exactly," says the girl. " Why does it rain on the sidewalk?"

