

ST PETER CHANEL & ST JOSEPH BERALA



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From your Pastor

Give to God what is due to Him

Sometimes truth can be unbearable for some people. Jesus, speaking with authority on the Kingdom of God, confronted the duplicity in the lives of the leaders. Therefore they got together and planned to corner Jesus. That is the context of the Gospel today, where Jesus says; give to Caesar what is Caesar's and Give to God what is God's.

The Pharisees, Sadducees, and the Herodians were all offended by what Jesus preached. Therefore they all were against him and they made an alliance to destroy Jesus. It is interesting to note that these three groups of people did not get along with each other. Pharisees and Sadducees, though Jews, upheld different theologies. While the Pharisees believed in the resurrection of the body, the Sadducees denied it. But both these groups of people were against Roman Imperialism of Israel. But the Herodians supported Herod their king who ruled Palestine for the Roman Emperor. Because of their opposition to Jesus, the enemy of the enemy became an ally.

The trick question is whether giving tax to the Roman Emperor is right or not. If Jesus was to answer yes, they wanted to accuse him of lack of patriotism to the Jews who were fighting for freedom from Roman Imperialism. If Jesus were to say not to give tax, that would be a criminal offence against their emperor. But Jesus seeing through their intentions asked for a coin and asked what they see on the coin. It was clearly marked for Caesar with his image on it. So give it to him and give to God what is due to God.

Reliance on Money for securing eternal salvation for oneself will be futile. Therefore one should know that no one can propitiate God with money. It is the disposition of the heart and honesty to God that will win favour before God. This teaching of Jesus also points to what kind of relationship state and religion should have. Theocratic State, where religion and politics are fused, is not a desirable one. They both belong to two different realms. Yet any national politics with no consideration for religious teachings and values will be dangerous. The discussion on Euthanasia in Australia highlights the importance of religious values.

Last week, our Archbishop elect Anthony Fisher wrote a comment in the Sydney Morning Herald. He argued that the killing of people in the name of Euthanasia will be a dangerous move. Therefore in this matter the government should not legislate according to the popular opinion. It should listen to the teachings and values of religion – not just Catholics, but all religions. Palliative care is more compassionate than helping suicide. This is one case of state and religion relationship. Moral teaching and formation of children through catholic schools is another one.

Of course we do need to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, but we should always be mindful of giving God due reverence. Father George Kallumkal, who supplied in my absence, told you a number of stories of how rewarding and effective his reliance on God was in his mission. Do not consider money as the best security in life. Always make sure God is at the centre of life and our life will have the best of security.

From Fr George

Dear Fr Thomas and my dear Friends of St Peter Chanel & St. Joseph Berala

It was a very beautiful experience for me here in this Parish with you all. I am very grateful to you for your generosity, friendship, and love. I pray for you and cherish my memories, and take you all with me in my heart to India. All of you are part of my parish.

Our 42 Boys and 52 Girls, altogether 94 children, of my 2 orphanages and my parishioners will be praying for you. I will be offering masses for your intentions. May God Bless you all. I will be remembering you and spiritually united with you.

YOU ARE A BLESSING FOR CHIMAIMPEL PARISH, GOD BLESS YOU.

"I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living" (Ps 115)

Thanking you

Fr George Kallumkal

New Liturgy Rosters

Liturgy Rosters for the period 9 November to 1 February have now been completed. Copies are available at the rear of the church. Many thanks to all who volunteer their valuable time and talents to the ministries within our parish.

What's on ?

You may like an overview of the schedule for various things happening in the parish.

- ◇ Next Saturday will be the pilgrimage to the tomb of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop
- ◇ **Mass of Anointing of the Sick** will be held at 10 AM at St Peter Chanel Church on Saturday, 8 November.
- ◇ **Volunteers Gathering** on Friday, 14 November. Invitations will be sent out soon.
- ◇ **Candlelight Mass** for the deceased will be held at 8 PM on Friday, 28 November
- ◇ Though there is no Christmas Pageant planned for this year, we need to have teenagers to play the role of Joseph and Mary, and a baby to be child Jesus. Anyone volunteering may contact Fr Thomas.
- ◇ All those who wish to come are invited to **Christmas Luncheon** on Christmas Day to Jubilee Hall. Those who wish to donate food or drinks may contact Arthur Doumit 0417270923 or Parish Office.
- ◇ Pastoral Council will be meeting on Saturday, 7 February 2015 from 10 AM till 4 PM to prepare a **Pastoral Plan for the parish**. Should you have any suggestions, speak with one of the Pastoral Council Members or Fr Thomas.
- ◇ It was decided in the last Pastoral Council to invite Archbishop Anthony Fisher to Parish Feast 2015.

Other Notices

Installation of the Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP

As previously advised by The Apostolic Administrator, Bishop Peter A Comensoli, the Liturgical Reception and Mass of Installation for the Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP as the ninth Archbishop of Sydney will take place at St Mary's Cathedral on Wednesday, 12 November 2014 at 7.30pm. Those attending would need to be seated by 7.00pm. All are welcome.

Mass and Special Blessing of the Padre Pio Statue: will be celebrated at 7.00pm at St Martha's Church Strathfield on Tuesday, 28 October followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Healing after abortion: Rachel's Vineyard ministries offers support and spiritual healing through a retreat for all who suffer grief and loss after an abortion. The next retreat is 21-23 November. Call the confidential voicemail: 0400 092 555 or go to: rachelvineyard.org.au.

Faith in Action: Social Justice Expo: If you are aged 16 - 30 this is your opportunity to engage with agencies and organisations working in justice and peace and explore ways you can get involved. On Nov 3 & 4, guest speakers will explore a justice topic from a Catholic perspective. The Expo on Nov 5 will feature exhibitors, live entertainment, food and competitions at the Courtyard of the University of Notre Dame, Broadway. Mass will follow at 8:15pm at St Benedict's. Register at faithinactionosydney.com

Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45 AM Mass.	
Tuesday	6.45 AM Mass	9.00 AM
Wednesday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass	
Thursday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass	9.00 AM - 10.00AM Playgroup in the Mark Spora Room.
Friday	6.45 AM Mass 9.15 AM Mass 11.00 AM Mass at Berala on the Park	
Saturday	8.00 AM Mass, 8.30 AM Pilgrimage to St Mary's North Sydney 9 -10 AM Adoration & Novena & Reconciliation 5.00 PM Vigil Mass	
Sunday	10.00 AM Mass 5.00 PM (26th) Group 2 Singing practice in the church	8.00 AM Mass

Mass Intentions

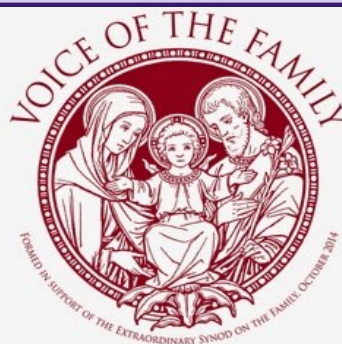
Anniversaries: Isabel Bohan

Recently Deceased: Juan Arcinue, Pauline Spora, Norman Harrison

Deceased: Daniel and Elena Latorre, Rev Fr Paschal Chang, Ross & Mitchell Families.

May they Rest in Peace

SYNOD OF BISHOPS PASTORAL CHALLENGES TO THE FAMILY IN THE CONTEXT OF EVANGELIZATION



Pope Francis has opened a landmark synod of bishops from around the world which is reviewing Church teaching on the family and marriage. For Catholic Bishops the synod is one of the most important meetings in which they may participate. Two hundred sixty-two bishops have gathered to discuss the theme "Pastoral Challenges of the Family in Context of Evangelization."

The bishops and a small number of lay figures are addressing the gulf between what the Church says about issues such as divorce, contraception, pre-marital sex and homosexuality and what many followers actually do. The Bishops, families and the Pope himself are discussing some of the challenges faced by modern day families and what the Church can do to help.

The two week Synod will conclude on October 19th. The second phase of the Synod, where concrete decisions are expected, will take place from October 4th to the 25th, 2015.

Planned Giving Program Request Form

Your contribution to the Planned Giving Program of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the end of the Financial Year you will receive a Receipt for your contributions which will enable you to claim Tax deduction. To join the Planned Giving Program fill this form, tear this part off and place it in the Sunday Collection plate

Your Name:

Telephone NoEmail ID

Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.

YES/NO Tax deduction

Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions.

(A credit card authority form will be sent to you for completion)

Antiphons & Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;
turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye;
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Responsorial Psalm:

R Give the Lord glory and honour.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. **R**

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens. **R**

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts. **R**

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **R**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life. **Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon:

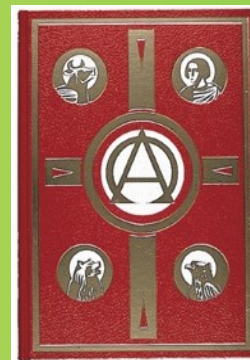
Behold, the eyes of the Lord
are on those who fear him,
who hope in his merciful love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine.

Today's Readings

Is 45:1,4-6
1 Thess 1:1-5
Mt 22:15-21

Next Sunday's Readings

Ex 22:20-26
1 Thies 1:5-10
Mt 22:34-40



St Peter Chanel & St Joseph the Worker Rosters - Next Week

26TH OCTOBER 2014		30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
MASS	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY	William ANDREWS	Mario CAPRA
ORGANIST	Kate PARISH		SAMOAN
CANTOR	Sergio EAMIGUEL		YOUTH
LECTOR/S	Jann ROCKLIFF	Karim KASSIS	Hoa NGUYEN
	Joy SKERRITT	Michael CHOW	Hilary NGUYEN
COMMENTATOR	Christine KENSEY	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Margarette NGUYEN
GIFTS	Graham TOBY Family		CHILDRENS LITURGY
PIETY STALL	Adele MELER		John SHANLEY
SP. MINISTER	Kay SCULLY		Hilary NGUYEN
SP. MINISTER	Joy SKERRITT		Mai VU
HOSPITAL: Ken Hartman, Pam Snell		ALTAR: Group 3 - C Estrada; H Le Mottee; J Rockliff	
SPC CLEANERS: CFC Youth for Christ		COUNTERS: Group 3 - K Hartman; A Tham; R Cheema	
SJW CLEANERS: I Kula, T Langi & Friends.		CHILDRENS LITURGY: J Salar & Renee	

HOSPITALITY: This week Pam Snell will be hosting morning tea after 10.00am Mass. Next week Antoinette will be hosting. Thank you to our hospitality team for providing this very important ministry.

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the Botham home, 353 Cumberland Ave, Berala
Please **join them** any evening at **7.30pm** for the Rosary.

To host the Pilgrim Statue contact Mona on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.

ROSARY STATUE from St Joseph the Worker To host the Rosary Statue contact the Legion of Mary.



Holy Mass at Berala: Monday-Friday:6.45AM. Wednesday - Friday 9.15 AM

Saturday 8 AM, 9 AM Adoration & Novena. **Lord's Day Mass:** Saturday 5 PM (Vigil), Sunday 10 AM.

Holy Mass at Auburn South: Tuesday 9 AM (school term only); **Lord's Day Mass:** Sunday 8 AM.

Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00 AM - 10 AM.