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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
27 March 2016

Easter, New Life

The stone is rolled back and there is nothing in the tomb. The body of the one who was summarily executed on the cross after terrible persecution and sealed in a tomb is missing now. The executioners of Jesus thought they were sealing the fate of Jesus by burying him in a tomb. But rising to new life Jesus has changed not just his fate, but the fate of all who believe in him. He has brought new life for the believers.



Most times life is seen as a busy schedule of working to make money to provide for the family and personal needs. Life has become very mechanical and material productivity is seen as the measuring yard for success. But the actual work of life is to provide happiness and peace to our dear ones and neighbours. The real work of the husband is to provide happiness and peace to his wife. For a wife the real work is to provide happiness and peace to her husband. For a parent it is to provide happiness and peace to his/her children. In doing so they provide for themselves greater joy. To acquire greater joy and peace, your life should be providing happiness and peace to your neighbours too. Therefore the new life I am speaking about is not a mechanical life, but the enthusiasm to work for happiness and peace for others. A found life will be passionate about bringing peace and happiness to others.

The things that hinder you from working for the happiness and peace of others are anger, jealousy, greed, pride, lust, despair, ambition for glory and positon. These vices disable you from providing happiness and peace to others. These vices make it impossible for you to enjoy true happiness and peace in your life. These vices are the opposite of love. These vices are products of sin. If your life is not joyful it is a dead life. In that case you should look at which vice is hindering your happiness and peace. It may have been caused by rejection by others, or by suffering you had to endure. But we can learn from Jesus who neither ran away from suffering or rejection nor did he fight them. He showed us a middle path of making them an expression of love for others. Even his crucifixion was turned into an expression of his love for us. Therefore his death could not be sealed in a tomb. Jesus did not succumb to rejection and persecution. He is risen to new life. We too can do the same. If we are with Jesus Christ, no one can put us to the damnation of our life. Therefore look at the vices that block new life in you, confess your sins, ask for God's forgiveness, and start anew. Then celebrate your new life in Jesus Christ. That is Easter.

The new vision and attitude you gain in the new life of Easter is contagious. As you live out the Easter joy, you will notice the people around you are more happy and peaceful. You too, as Christ, will become the light that shines in darkness.

Chris, Sue, and Isabella are embracing the light of Christ through their initiation into the Church at Easter Vigil. Sue and Chris are also having their children Chloe and Teo baptised so that they too will be initiated into the new life of Christ. I wish and pray that their lives will always radiate the joy of the new life in Christ.

Let the blessed paschal candle lighted tonight remind each of us that our lives also are to be providing joy and peace to others. Let us together make the light of Christ bright so that no one will remain in the pit of hopelessness and sadness. Christ is risen. We are here to meet him. Alleluia.

Thanks to Fr John Sullivan

Thanks to Fr John Sullivan for the inspiring talks based on the Gospel of Mark. It has been a great privilege to have him here for Holy Week and the Easter Triduum.







Congratulations to New Members

Congratulations to Chris Lucas, Sue (Ok Sook) Shin and Isabella Araujo who will be initiated into the Church at the Easter Vigil. Many thanks to Pat Kavanagh and team and their sponsors, who helped them in their spiritual journey of RCIA. Please join them in the Jubilee Hall after Vigil Mass to Celebrate.



We also welcome newly baptised children Chloe Shin and Teo Shin

Thank You

This has been a week long celebration. A lot of people have helped to make this feast of celebrations wonderful. The choir has been practicing for weeks and weeks with Maureen, Sergio, Paul, Peter, and Kate taking leadership. The Altar Society (God's House Keepers) were busy. The Liturgical ministers are well involved. The Liturgy Committee, (Jenny Michael, Anna Manganaro, Kay & Charlie Scully, Frank Attard), also were busy organising the ceremonies. A lot of people have been involved in making this feast a wonderful celebration. To all of you thank you.

Living Biblically in a Secular World

Starting on Wednesday 4 May at St Peter Chanel

Project Compassion

Caritas Australia would like to thank you for supporting Project Compassion. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back by the end of this week so all donations may be forwarded on to Caritas. Together, we are working towards the creation of the just and compassionate world that God desires.



Project Compassion 2016

New items in the Church Shop

Now available in the Church Shop is a beautiful range of gifts from Italy. They would make a great alternative to chocolate as Easter gifts. With so many children in our Parish preparing for Sacraments, these items would also make a beautiful keepsake of a very special day.

Our Church Shop also stocks a good range of religious items including prayer cards, rosary beads, Baptism candles and memorabilia. The store is open 15 minutes before each weekend Mass at St Peter Chanel Church.



Polish Pews at SPC

The next stage of maintenance is to paint the interior of SPC Church. The painting of the ceiling will commence after Easter. Along with that the timber floor also will be polished. I think it is time to polish the pews too. It is a time consuming job to strip the pews before it is polished again.

Therefore please let me know if you can volunteer 2 hours on one Saturday after Easter to help with sanding



the pews. Your involvement and support are signs of your appreciation for your parish. Please inform the parish office if you can help.

Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel Church	St Joseph the Worker Church
Monday	6.45am Mass	
Tuesday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass	9.00am Mass 7.00pm Legion of Mary (SJW Hall)
Wednesday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass	
Thursday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass	9.00am Playgroup in Mark Spora Rm
Friday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass	
Saturday	8.00am Mass 9.00 - 10.00am Adoration, Novena, Reconciliation 5.00pm Mass	
Sunday	10.00am Mass	8.00am Mass

Mass Intentions

Deceased: Mirijana Lisica, Al Chong

Deceased members and friends of: Ross & Mitchell Family, Erwin & O'Dwyer Families,

May their Souls Rest In Peace

Want to join the Catholic Church? Contact Fr Thomas info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au or phone 9644 7787



Preparing For The Vocation Of Marriage? Of Life and Love Marriage Preparation Weekend at the Catholic Adult Education Centre. Places available for 14 & 15 May and 27 & 28 Aug, \$250 per couple. For more information, call 9646 9010 or go to www.caec.com.au - *A wedding is a day, but a marriage is a lifetime*

Pilgrimage of Mercy - St Mary's Cathedral Holy Door. "The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life". Pope Francis. Throughout this Year of Mercy, you are invited to come to St Mary's Cathedral and make a Pilgrimage of Mercy. Walk through the Holy Door and make a pilgrimage along the Way of Mercy - six different Mercy Stations throughout the Cathedral where you can stop, reflect and pray. For more information see www.sydneycatholic.org/yearofmercy

Position Vacant Congregation of the Presentation Sisters. Applications are being considered for the position of Executive Assistant to the Congregational Leader and Leadership Team. Part time, 4 days per week (or 5 days with reduced hours). Further information please visit www.catholicjobsonline.com.au or by contacting Anthony Spata, REACH Human Resources, on 0402 210 055. Applications close Thursday, 7 April 2016.

A Mass & Blessing for people with Autism. In celebration of autism Awareness Moth and to honour all those in the community with Autism, Our Archdiocese and the Autism Advisory and Support Service invite you to a Mass and Blessing for people with Autism. At St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 17 April at 2.00 PM. RSVP by Mon 11 April lifemarriagefamily@sydneycatholic.org or phone 93078403

Alcohol and Drug Information Service: (Confidential) (02) 9361 8000

Spiritual Retreats: Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo T/F: (02) 4236 0533 E: cottageretreats@bigpond.com

Carmelites Varroville E: retreats@carmelite.com;

Vincentian Retreat Centre Somersby E: clary.antao@gmail.com

Sara's place: For pregnancy support or grieving after abortion visit www.sarasplace.org.au Ph: 96998190

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries offers a confidential voicemail number: 0400 092 555. There are healing retreats regularly in the Sydney area that offer women and men a spiritual way through grief and loss. Contact them for a non judgemental listening ear through one on one support or a referral to a trained counsellor or a trained, compassionate priest. Visit www.rachelsvineyard.org.au

Antiphons & Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm:

R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' R.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. R.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes R.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 5:12-16 Apoc 1:9-13, 17-19 Jn 20:19-31



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

3 APRIL 2016		SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER		
Mass	Vigil (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)	
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	Joseph MARMAN	Robert JAKSIC	
ORGAN	Maureen HYNES		SAMOAN	
CANTOR	PARISH CHOIR		CHOIR	
LECTOR/S	John DONNELLAN	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Carmel MARTIN	
	Noeline DONNELLAN	Maris MARSH	Mai VU	
COMMENTATOR	Katrina YIP	Karim KASSIS	Margarette NGUYEN	
GIFTS	Anita YIP Family			
PIETY STALL	Charlie SCULLY		Margaret THAM	
SP. MINISTER Joy SKERRITT			Jenny MICHAEL	
SP. MINISTER	Sam DUCH		Hilary NGUYEN	
HOSPITAL: Joy Sker	ritt & Roland Javier	ALTAR: Group 6 Korina Kinda, Antoinette Boudaher		
SPC CLEANERS: S	amoan Youth Group	COUNTERS: Group 2 Christine Kensey; Julie Toby		
SJW CLEANERS: N	Iaronite Group	CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Joji Salar		
HOSPITALITY SPC	Pam Snell	SJW: Ingrid Scharenguivel		



"Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the Sitchon home, 304 Chisholm Rd, Auburn. Please join any evening at 7.30pm for the Rosary To host the Pilgrim Statue from St Peter Chanel contact Mona on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.

ROSARY STATUE from St Joseph the Worker

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

Holy Mass at Berala: Monday to Friday 6.45AM, Wednesday to Friday 9.15 AM Saturday 8.00AM, 9.00AM Adoration & Novena. Lord's Day Mass: Saturday 5.00PM (Vigil), Sunday 10.00AM. Holy Mass at Auburn South: Tues 9.00 AM (During school term only) Lord's Day Mass: Sunday 8.00 AM Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00AM - 10.00AM.

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Your contribution to the Planned Giving Program of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the en	d of the
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