

ST PETER CHANEL & ST JOSEPH BERALA

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Mario and the Baptism Fire

Mario, Joseph's father told him, "If you want to be a Christian, I have to kill you," and tried to make good on his promise, but a miracle saved his life. Sulaiman, son of a Turkish migrant in Kerala, India started his Muslim studies at the age of 8 and after 10 years of intense study he became a Muslim cleric, Imam. But then his studies of the Koran led him to believe in Jesus Christ and today he is a Catholic Preacher. His conversion to Christianity was intolerable for his father who took him out of the Pota Retreat centre in Kerala and tortured him at home for many days. Eventually his father attempted to stab his son to death. But Sulaiman miraculously escaped the stabbing. Now Sulaiman is a convert to Catholic Church and is known as Mario Joseph. Since 2013, a number of interviews with him have been published. You can read more about his conversion on his official website, www.mariojoseph.in. (One of the interviews with Mario Joseph can be read on the parish website.)



Jesus said, "Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." (Luke 12:51-53) Mario's story reminds us that what we read in the Gospel is not from long ago and far away. It is still experienced by people from Muslim, Mormon, and Jewish families who chose to become Catholics.



Mario Joseph &
Major Archbishop Cardinal Alanchery

Mario's family hated him for his conversion. But the fire of love for Jesus has consumed Mario and it is inflammatory. We can say Mario's baptism was really by fire. Such kind of conviction and intensity of love for Christ is what the Gospel is demanding from us, Christians. "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already!". Are we too complacent to ablaze the fire of baptism in us? Is our attachment to the material world making it too difficult to make sacrifices for the sake of our faith life?

Monday 15 August - feast of the Assumption

The feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is held on the 15 August and is a holy day of obligation. Please take note of the following Mass times:

6.45am - St Peter Chanel Church
9.15am - St Peter Chanel Church (with Primary School)
11.45am - St Joseph the Worker Church (with Primary School)
2.00pm - St Peter Chanel Church (with Trinity College)

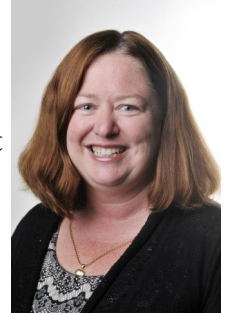
National Vocations Awareness Week

Today we celebrate the close of National Vocations Awareness Week. On this day in particular, we are reminded to pray for all those in the priesthood and consecrated life. This week, let us reflect on the vital role that priests and consecrated people play in modelling Christ and his teachings to us. May we never forget these generous and courageous people in our prayers.

New School Appointments



Mr Peter Hughes has commenced as Acting Campus Coordinator at Trinity College, Regents Park on August 8 2016 until the end of the 2016 school year. Mr Hughes replaces Mrs Jennifer Lowe as Mrs Lowe commences maternity leave. Mr Hughes has most recently been the Professional Officer at Sydney Catholic Schools in Policy, System Accountability and System Stewardship



Mrs Gai Melville is appointed as substantive Principal of St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School Auburn, effective immediately. She is currently the Interim Principal at St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School Auburn. Gai holds a Bachelor of Education from the University of NSW, a Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies from the Sydney College of Divinity. Gai's appointment to this position acknowledges the quality of her leadership, her qualifications and the experience she will bring to the Principal role. She is to collaborate with St Raymond's (Maronite) Parish as well.

Boys Education Seminar

Mr Warren Hopley will facilitate a seminar on how boys learn best on 30 August at 7.00pm in St Peter Chanel Primary school Library. All interested parents are invited to attend particularly those with boys. Ideas around homework, study habits and general behaviours will be discussed. Please ring the School Office (96449083) if you plan to attend.

First Holy Communion

On Sunday 14 August, 8 children from our parish will receive their First Holy Communion at the 8.00am Mass at St Joseph the Worker Church. We pray that they may constantly feel the presence of the Lord and grow continually under the grace of God.

Thank you from the Dominican Sisters

The Sisters wish to thank Father Thomas and all of the parishioners for their support of Sister Mary Helen and Sister Cecilia Rose on the occasion of their Final Profession of Vows. Thank you to Father Thomas for celebrating the Mass of thanksgiving and for his hospitality to the priests. Thank you all for your prayers, the gift of your presence at the Mass of Thanksgiving, your witness of love for Jesus, and the gifts you have given.... We are blessed to be in this parish with you. In Saint Dominic, Sisters Mary Rachel, Mary Helen, Cecilia Rose, and Elena Marie

First Reconciliation Enrolments

Enrolments for the Sacrament of first Reconciliation will be accepted at all Masses on the weekend of 3/4 September. The cost of the program is \$15 and we ask all parents to supply a copy of the child's baptism certificate if they were not baptised in our parish.

The First Reconciliation program will run on the first four Sundays of term four at 11.00am in the Jubilee Hall. For more information, please contact the parish office.

Charitable Works Fund Appeal

We wish to thank you for your generous support of the appeal last weekend. Your gifts will go towards helping the CWF continue its vital work in our communities through its benefiting agencies. We thank you on behalf of CatholicCare, Ephpheta Centre, the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (catechists), the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, our Seminaries and Catholic Chaplaincies.



CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

St Peter Chanel Family Mass

On the third Saturday of the month, the families of St Peter Chanel Primary School will actively participate in the liturgy at the 5.00pm Mass. The first of such Masses will be next week. Tea and coffee will also be offered after the Mass.



Lot's Wife

A catechist was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted, "My Mummy looked back once while she was driving," he announced triumphantly, "And she turned into a telephone pole!"

Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel Church	St Joseph the Worker Church
Monday	6.45am Mass Feast of Assumption 9.15am Mass Feast of Assumption	11.45am Feast of Assumption
Tuesday	6.45am 7.00pm RCIA in the Donovan Room	9.00am NO MASS
Wednesday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass	
Thursday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass	9.00am Playgroup Mark Spora Rm 6.00pm Legion of Mary (SJW Hall)
Friday	6.45am Mass & 9.15am Mass	
Saturday	8.00am Mass 9.00am - 9.45am Adoration, Novena, Reconciliation 5.00pm Mass - Family Mass	
Sunday	10.00am Mass	8.00am Mass First Holy Communion

Mass Intentions

Sick: Fida Gourani, Fr Mark Spora,

Anniversaries: Franceso & Caterina Rodi

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

Other Notices

Memorial Mass for the Unborn Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will celebrate this annual event on Friday 2 September at 7.30pm at St Mary's Cathedral. The Mass will be offered in commemoration of the lives lost to abortion and in solidarity with the women and men who grieve this profound loss. During the Mass 82 candles will be bought forward to represent the 82 lives lost to abortion each day in NSW. All are invited. Enquiries: Life, Marriage and Family Centre, 9307 8404 or LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org.

James Parker Speaking Tour A gay rights activist turned husband and father returns to Sydney to speak on "Why I Changed My Mind about Same-Sex Marriage". Venues: 18 August CAEC Lidcombe 7.30pm, Parishes: 23 August Kensington 7.30pm, 26 Aug Liverpool 7.30pm, 27 Aug North Ryde 6.15pm, 28 August Surry Hills 12.30pm, 08 September Caringbah 7.30pm, 10 September Summer Hill 7.30pm, 27 September Beverly Hills 7.30pm (Chris Gordon speaking). More Info: Ph: 9307 8402.

Mass for Pregnant Mothers: Are you expecting a baby or know someone who is? You are warmly invited to attend the annual Mass for Pregnant Mothers to be celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 21 August at 10.30am. Morning tea will follow in the Chapter Hall. Enquiries call 93078404

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.antaog@gmail.com

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

Feasts of the Week

15 August Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary This feast originated in Jerusalem before the fifth century as the "Falling-Asleep of the Mother of God." It was adopted in Rome in the mid-seventh century and was renamed the "Assumption" in the next century. It celebrates Mary's passing over, body and soul, from this world into the glory of her risen Son.



20 August St Bernard Born near Dijon (France) in 1090. Died at Clairvaux on this day in 1153. Joined the impoverished, reformed abbey of Citeaux at the age of 21. Soon became the founder and abbot of Clairvaux and pioneered the reform and expansion of the Cistercian Order. A prolific writer on theology and spirituality, an eloquent preacher, and an adviser of popes and kings. Remembered as the most influential churchman of his age, for his inspirational leadership, and for his devotion to the humanity of Christ and to the Blessed Virgin.

Antiphons & Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;
and look on the face of your anointed one;
one day within your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Responsorial Psalm:

R Lord, come to my aid!

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry. **R.**

He drew me from the deadly pit,
from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock
and made my footsteps firm. **R.**

He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear
and shall trust in the Lord. **R.**

As for me, wretched and poor,
the Lord thinks of me.
You are my rescuer, my help,
O God, do not delay! **R**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

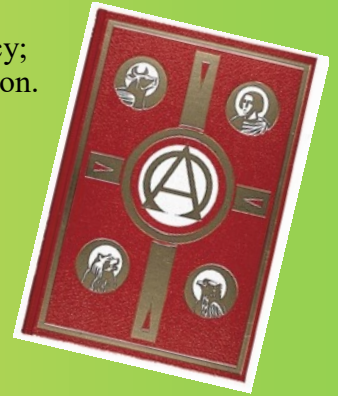
With the Lord there is mercy;
in him is plentiful redemption.

This Week's Readings

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10
Heb 12:1-4
Lk 12:49-53

Next Sunday's Readings

Is 66:18-21
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13
Lk 13:22-30



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

21 AUGUST 2016		(FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS SJW)		21 ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	
MASS	VIGIL (SPC)		8AM (SJW)		10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY		William ANDREWS		Roland JAVIER
ORGANIST	Renee SALAR		SJW		SAMOAN
CANTOR	Renee & YOUTH CHOIR		YOUTH CHOIR		CHOIR
LECTOR/S	SPC FAMILY MASS		TBA FIRST HOLY COMMUNION		Sharon IACONO
					Hoa NGUYEN
COMMENTATOR					Hilary NGUYEN
GIFTS					CHILDRENS LITURGY
CHURCH SHOP	Charlie SCULLY				John SHANLEY
SP. MINISTER	Joy SKERRITT				Karen NGUYEN
SP. MINISTER	Janet RYAN				Anna MANGANARO
HOSPITAL VISITATION SAT: D Simon & J Fahd			ALTAR: Group 2 Bolonia family		
HOSPITAL COMMUNION SUN: W Andrews & R Jaksic			COUNTERS: Group 2 C Kensey; J Toby		
HOSPITALITY SPC: Anna Facer SJW: T Langi & S Soric			CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sharon Iacono		
CLEANING - SPC: Howard Duff & Friends SJW: Maronite Group					



"Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the Ryan home,
206 Harrow Rd, Berala. Please join them 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 8.00am

Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00AM - 10.00AM.

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 No Email

☐ Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.

YES/NO Tax deduction (please circle)

☐ Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions. (An authority form will be sent for completion)