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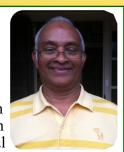
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28th Sunday

#### Give Thanks and Praise to God

In the past Sundays we heard about faith, its importance and how to keep up. Today again Timothy is telling us to be faithful even if one has to suffer or die. The good news is that Jesus Christ is raised from the dead so our life is faith; our breath is faith, for us Christians everything is built upon the resurrection of Christ and faith in him. Even if we go astray he will be faithful to us. He remains faithful always.



The first reading is taken from the second book of Kings 5:14-17. Elisha from Thisbe in Galaad is the first of the great prophets in Israel after the separation of Israel from Judah. He lived during the reign of King Achab (869-850), who married a daughter of the pagan king of Tyre. She introduced idolatry into Israel which Elisha fought fearlessly. He is credited with many miracles, one of which is related in today's reading about Naaman and his healing "And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child and His response was "Now I know that there is no God anywhere on earth except in Israel"

The second reading is from the second letter of Paul to Timothy 2:8-13. St. Paul exhorts his convert and disciple to be proud of the Gospel. He must guard the rich treasure of the faith he has received from Paul and hand it on to the next generation. Today, he reminds Timothy of the resurrection of Jesus, the crowning act of divine drama of our redemption.

Today's Gospel we hear about how Jesus, continuing on his journey to Jerusalem, heals 10 lepers. This story is a lesson about faith and gratitude. Ten people afflicted with leprosy cry out to Jesus. Struck with pity, Jesus heals all 10. However, only one is described as glorifying God and returning to thank Jesus. The one who returns is a Samaritan, a foreigner.

In the Jewish circles in which Jesus lived, Samaritans were the heretics and they were looked down upon because of the differences between the two communities in their observance of Judaism. It is significant; therefore, that Jesus commends the Samaritan for his faith, which has been his salvation. "Stand up, go on your way, your faith has saved you!" What prompted Jesus' observation was that the man turned back praising God at the top of his voice. Faith has to do with relationships. Faith has to be expressed with conviction. He was not afraid to express it. He totally and fully surrendered and showed full trust. When we truly love God, truly trust God, truly entrust ourselves to God, we are living in faith.

All 10 of the lepers were given the gift of healing, but in his gratitude to God for this gift, the Samaritan found salvation. Our salvation is found in recognizing the gifts we have been given and knowing to whom we must offer our thanks and living according to his will and surrendering to him.

How often and how wholeheartedly do we give thanks to those who deserve it? Gratitude is an attitude of the heart. Let us be grateful to God always because God has given us everything. What else is needed? Nothing else, our duty is to live with him, live for him with our family, with our groups, with our society forming like him and inviting others to FOLLOW THE RISEN LORD WITH GRATEFUL HEART.

Gratitude, love, trust and hope, expressed in ordinary things, daily, resonate out beyond us, into eternity, into mystery, into God. Indeed, they are what we shall take with us –all we take with us – when we step eventually from this life into the next.

GIVE US A GRATEFUL AND LOYAL HEART LORD

#### HSC Exams 2016

HSC Exams begin this week on 13 October. We want to encourage all students to know that they are in our prayers over the next few weeks. We pray that they remain calm and are able to concentrate during each exam, understand each question, recall what they have learned and convey that learning to the paper in front of them. Please continue to keep them in your thoughts and prayers

#### **Liturgy and Ministry Rosters**

The new Liturgy and Ministry Rosters will begin on November 6. If you would like to be included or your availabilities have changed, please contact the Parish Office.

## First Reconciliation Preparation

Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will begin next Sunday, 16 October, after the 10.00am Mass in the Jubilee Hall. All enrolled children are required to attend with a parent. Should you have any queries regarding First Reconciliation or any other Sacrament, please contact the Parish Office.

#### Free Organ

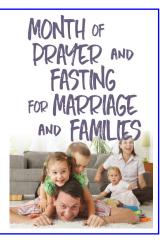
If you are interested in owning an organ, an Elka, 2 keyboard, 5 pedal organ is available for free. Please call Pat on ph: 0424 068 076 for more information.

#### Month of Prayer and Fasting for Marriage and Families

The Australian Catholic Bishops have called for a month of prayer and fasting for marriage and families during October. All parishes in Australia will be praying for this intention during October. More info visit www.acmfc.org.au. Today and throughout this week we pray for all families in distress.

Heavenly Father, grant healing to all families in distress, especially those burdened with strained relationships. Draw close to all families who have experienced violence, upheaval, illness or division:

May all who have been wounded find ready comfort and healing.



#### **New Ministry - Greeter at Mass**

A meeting to discuss this new ministry will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 13 October in the Donovan Room. All volunteers are invited to attend. If you have not yet volunteered but are interested in taking part, you are also welcome. For more information please contact the parish office.

# other Notices

The first ever post-WYD Vocations Camp for Men Save the date! including talks by our new Auxiliary Bishops Tony Randazzo and Richard Umbers, 18-20 November 2016. For any young man (18-30 years) interested in the Priesthood. Further details in the weeks ahead.

**Position Vacant – Pastoral Associate, Leichhardt North Parish**. Applications are being considered for the position of Pastoral Associate. Part time role working 15 hours per week. For further information please visit www.catholicjobsonline.com.au or by contacting Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources on 0402 210 055.



Little Johnny's dad was asked to be guest speaker at a Church on Sunday. By way of bribery he told Johnny before arriving to the Church that if he was a good and well-behaved boy he would take him to McDonalds after Mass. During his fiery reflection on the destination of the good vs. the evil he asked in a loud voice, "And where do you think those that live a pure, just and good life before the Lord are going to?" and full of excitement Johnny called out "to McDonalds!"

Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel Church	St Joseph the Worker Church
Monday	6.45am Mass	
Tuesday	6.45am Mass	9.00am No Mass
Wednesday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass	
Thursday	6.45am & 9.15am Mass 7.00pm Psalmist Practice - Maureen's house, 8 Wallace St Sefton 7.30pm General Choir Practice as above 7.30pm Greeter at Mass meeting in the Donovan Room	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	
Sunday	10.00am Mass 11.00am First Reconciliation Preparation in the Jubilee Hall	8.00am Mass

#### **Mass Intentions**

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

May their Souls Rest In Peace

Parish Evangelisation Facilitator All Saints Liverpool is advertising for a suitably qualified and experienced person to pioneer the new position of Parish Evangelisation Facilitator. The position will enable All Saints to grow as a more enlightened and effective evangelising parish. Please contact Fr Paul Monkerud, Parish Priest at fr.paul.monkerud@gmail.com for a Position Description or more info at www.catholicjobsonline.com.au. Applications close 5pm Friday, 28 October 2016

The Catholic weekly Circulation and Sales position Casual role - 3 x days per week (School Hours). looking for someone with excellent communication, sales and relationship building skills, to work with parishes to develop and increase circulation. Must have a reliable vehicle, driver's licence and good knowledge of the greater Sydney area. Applications close Friday, 21 Oct. Visit catholic jobsonline.com.au for full details. If you are interested email: circulation@catholicweekly.com.au. Please Note: We will only respond to those who make the short list. No phone calls please.

Walk with Christ Completing the Year of Mercy. The annual CBD Walk With Christ Eucharistic procession will take place this year at 2.30pm on Sunday, 20 November; the Feast of Christ the King. As the procession coincides with the closing of the Jubilee doors at St Peter's Basilica, Rome, it will be the completing event for the Year of Mercy in Sydney. Participants will gather for the start in a closed section of Pitt St, between Hunter St and Martin Place. The Blessed Sacrament will be brought to meet us there from St Patrick's, Church Hill. For more details visit www.sydneycatholic.org/walkwithchrist.

**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



# Feasts of the Week

15 October St Teresa of Jesus Born at Avila (Spain) in 1515. Died at Alba de Tormes in 1582. Left her aristocratic family for the Carmelite monastery in Avila at the age of twenty, but only after two decades of dryness in prayer felt an inner conversion to Christ. Honoured as a spiritual writer and mystic who experienced and comprehensively described the life of prayer. Remembered as a strong, practical reformer who restored the strict Carmelite observance of poverty, solitude, and austerity.

### Antiphons & Readings

#### **Entrance Antiphon:**

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

R The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. R.

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. R

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy R

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,

because this is what he expects of you in Christ

Alleluia!

#### **Communion Antiphon:**

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing

#### This Week's Readings

2 Kg 5:14-17 2 Tim 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19

#### **Next Sunday's Readings**

Ex 17:18 -13 2 Tim 3:14 - 4:2 Lk 18:1-8



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

16 OCTOBER 2	016	29 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME		
Mass	Vigil (SPC)	(WLS) MAS	10AM (SPC)	
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	William ANDREWS	Mario CAPRA	
ORGANIST	Renee SALAR	SJW	SAMOAN	
CANTOR	Renee & YOUTH CHOIR	YOUTH CHOIR	CHOIR	
LECTOR/S	SPC	Ken HARTMAN	Hoa NGUYEN	
	SCHOOL FAMILY	Jenny MICHAEL	Maureen HYNES	
COMMENTOR	MASS	Joe MOSES	Hilary NGUYEN	
GIFTS			CHILDRENS LITURGY	
CHURCH SHOP	Adele MELER		Anna MANGANARO	
SP. MINISTER	Kay SCULLY		Mai VU	
SP. MINISTER	Joy SKERRITT		Anna MANGANARO	

HOSPITAL VISITATION SAT: J Le Mottee & Deb Gooch
HOSPITAL COMMUNION SUN: K Hartman & J Michael
COUNTERS: Group 2 C Kensey; J Toby
HOSPITALITY SPC: Alex Baldoria SJW: Maria Simeone
CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sharon Iacono

**CLEANERS - SPC:** Howard Duff & Friends **SJW** Maronite Group



## "Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the Abadam home,

2/79 Vaughan Street, 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 Progra	m of the Parish is your	r appreciation for the Pa	rish. At the end of the
Financial Year you will receive a Receipt for yo	ur contributions which	will enable you to claim	Tax deduction. To join
the Planned Giving Program fill this form, tear t	this part off and place i	it in the Sunday Collection	on plate

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