# ST PETER CHANEL & ST JOSEPH BERALA



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# Christ the King of the Universe

Jesus, all through his life was looking for the lost one. He explained it through the parables of the lost coin, lost sheep, the lost sons, the woman of ill-repute anointing him, Zacchaeus, other tax collectors, the Samaritans, and so on. Nailed to the Cross, as he is being executed brutally, Jesus Christ is still looking for the lost one. When one of the criminals prayed, "'Jesus, remember me, when you



come into your Kingdom", Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise." (Lk23:42-43).

While the criminal on the cross who turned to Jesus Christ for mercy, found it and was saved, the other criminal, who too was in need of salvation, missed it because he was not open to the mercy of God. He did not understand how Jesus Christ is the King. In the eyes of the world it is a paradox to call Jesus Christ on the Cross King. Yet only Christ and no one else can really save us ultimately. Therefore no one else has the power and dominion like Jesus Christ. That why he is the King of Universe. No other ideologies or mighty kings of the history could provide lasting peace and salvation like the Kingdom of God and Jesus Christ. So let us not mock him like the criminal on the left of Jesus on the Cross.

Today, the last Sunday of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, let us enter into his mercy. To do so first of all we need to confess our unworthiness and seek the mercy of God as the wise criminal on the right of Jesus on the Cross. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is the way to do so. Let us also make a public display of our faith, unlike the people around the Cross who mocked and jeered our Lord. Let us not be ashamed to call Jesus Christ as the Lord of our hearts and the King of the Universe. The Eucharistic Procession in the city this weekend and the Candlelight Mass next Friday are opportunities to make a public declaration that Jesus Christ is our King and King of the Universe.



#### Candlelight Mass at St Joseph the Worker Church

On Friday 25 November at 8.00pm, there will be a candlelight Mass for all souls as well as to mark the conclusion of the Year of Mercy.

To receive God's special grace, you need to receive the

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Fr Thomas will be available to hear Confessions from 7.00pm –7.40pm at SJW Church, before the Candlelight Mass.

At the Mass, all names of November Mass intentions and any other names of the deceased Christians you would like to include, will be read and prayed for. You will be able to light a candle for your dear departed souls during the Mass. The candles sold for this occasion are electronic and will cost \$2 each. You can also pre-purchase these candles from Berala Church Shop any day from now on. Since it is a candlelight Mass, it will commence at 8.00 PM.



This week we welcome into the Catholic faith

**Evan Peter Linu** 

May he always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout his life



# Parish Carol Festival

For the first time, a Carol Festival is planned this year. It will be held at 8.00 PM on Wednesday, 21 December, on the lawns next SPC Church Berala. It will also include Scripture readings as well. The Parish Choir will be singing carols. Anyone else wishing to sing carols for the Festival may contact the parish office to organise it.

# **Christmas Singing Practice**

Practices for this year's Christmas Carols have begun and will continue at 5 pm in the church as follows: This weekend Sun 20th Nov, Sun 4th Dec, Sun 18th Dec. There will also be a practice on Sun 11th Dec not in the church but at 8 Wallace St Sefton. All are welcome.

#### **Introduction to Meditation**

Meditation is art of praying used by many contemplative spiritual leaders in the history of the Church. There elements of meditation in the traditional piety of the faithful. But it is the Eastern religions which mastered the technique of Meditation. Fr Thomas will be giving an introduction to Meditation.

Venue: Jubilee Hall Date: Wednesday, 14 December Time: 7 PM – 8.30 PM Cost: free

## God's Word 2017

This book is a Daily Reflections Liturgical Diary and is designed to help you to keep the Word of God close to your heart in your daily life. It includes Liturgical readings of the day, Inspiring reflections of the Gospel of the day and space to note down important events. The Diary is currently being used in the divine Mercy Chapel. It is now available at the Church Shop for \$15.95



## For God's Grace in the Year of Mercy

Year of Mercy will conclude this month. To enter into God's Mercy, a faithful goes to the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) and Receive Holy Communion. Fr Thomas is offering opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays 9 AM- 10 AM at St Peter Chanel Church and 7.00 - 7.45 PM on Friday, 25 November at St Joseph the Worker Church. There is a small book on God's mercy made available this weekend in the foyer of the church for those who are interested.

# **Advent Preparation with Sr Elena Marie (Note change of dates)**

Would you like some time to prepare for the coming of the Christ Child at Christmas? You are invited to attend an Advent Preparation on Thursdays December 1st, December 8th, December 15th from 2.30pm to 3.30pm in St Peter Chanel Church. The time will include Lectio Divina/ Meditation and discussion. For more information please contact Sister Elena Marie, O.P on ph: 9644 2786 or E: sydney@op-tn.org

## Advent Recollection Day for Women: Prepare the Way of the Lord

You are invited to join the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia for a day of recollection, prayer and fellowship on Saturday December 17th 2016 at St. Peter Chanel's Parish Hall. The day will include: Mass (8am); Adoration and Confession (9am); Welcome and morning tea (10am) followed by talks given by the Sisters and time for personal recollection. The day will end at 4.30pm and 5pm Vigil Mass is available. Please bring a plate to share for lunch. For more info contact Dominican Sisters: sydney@op-tn.org or 96442786.



## Sunday smiles!

A priest said to a precocious six-year-old boy, "So your mother says your prayers for you each night? That's very commendable. What does she say?" The little boy replied, "Thank God he's in bed!"

#### Kids Summer Camp 2017



In January this year we had successful kids camp for three days – Thursday-Saturday. Though it was called a camp, it actually consisted of day activities in Jubilee Hall only. To do another camp in a similar fashion in January 2017, we will require new volunteers. With the experience of last camp we have a tried out schedule and useful resource material. So far I have 2 volunteers to help with the camp 2017. If we get another three more we can start planning for the next one. Failing to do so, we may have to rethink Camp 2017. If you are willing to help, please inform the parish office as soon as possible.

2016 National

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# National Church Life Survey (NCLS)

Next week - 26/27 November

Help plan and nurture our church life! Please participate in the National Church Life survey next weekend.

Forms will be available on November 26 - 27or go on line www.2016ncls.org.au Your say is important!

#### **New Altar Servers**

Six new altar servers were commissioned last Sunday at SJW Church. They were trained over a number of weeks by Karim Kassis and Frank Attard. The parish is delighted always to have new ministers, like Altar Servers, and thanks Karim and Frank for training them.

Another group of 9 Servers are currently in training at SPC Church. Barbara Mucha, Karim, and Frank are training them. At the conclusion of their training they will be commissioned at SPC Church.



## Talk on Holy Liturgy

There will be a talk on the Holy Liturgy (Holy Mass) at 7 PM on Wednesday, 23 November in the Jubilee Hall Berala. It will look at the historical and theological context of the Liturgy. The session will conclude at 8.30 pm. All interested people are welcome. If you are interested, please enrol your name with the parish office, for the purpose of preparing handouts.

## **Helping Refugees**

As the Jubilee Year of Mercy draws to a close. The Parish Pastoral Council has come up with an initiative to support refugees.

A food collection is being conducted in the parish ending this weekend. We request non-perishable food, that is, food with a long life - all canned goods, rice, pasta, oil, tomato paste and pasta sauces, long life milk and juice, tea, coffee and sugar etc.

It is our intention to put together food hampers for 30 refugee families. You may bring your contribution to any of the Masses on the weekend and baskets will be left near the altar.

Please be generous. These families are struggling and are in need of our help. God bless you.

Alcohol and Drug Information Service: (Confidential) (02) 9361 8000 Spiritual Retreats: Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo T/F: (02) 4236 0533 E: <u>cottageretreats@bigpond.com</u> Carmelites Varroville E: <u>retreats@carmelite.com</u>;

Vincentian Retreat Centre Somersby E: <u>clary.antao@gmail.com</u>

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

#### **Mass Intentions**

**Recently deceased:** Dot Ross, Bruno Cristiano, Edgardo R. Paat **Anniversaries:** Fatima Bolonia

#### **November Mass Intentions**

Mark Man-Wah Chiu, Mary Wong, Mary & Alfonso Scanlan, Harley Simms, Rita Simms, Charlie Kensey, Gary Williams, Ivan Buterin, Frane Baraba, Don Ivan Baresa, Zacarias Abadam, Aurelia Abadam, Teodoro Abadam, Juan Abadam, Francisca Abadam, Laureano Vega, Catalino Arcinue, Marina Arcinue, Juan Arcinue, Rafael Arcinue, Carmen Arcinue, Reynaldo Barron, Avelino Nazareth, Pascal D'Souza, Adrienne D'Souza, Joseph Noronha, Ana Severinha Rocha, Teddy Carvalho, Edna Flores, Miguela Almasora, Cipriano Flores, Perpetua Vasquez, Alfredo Javier, Maria Javier, Fernando Javier, Zenaida Manalaysay, Godofredo Manalaysay, Bernabe Decastro, Anita Carpio, Arturo Carpio, Gener Carpio, Norma Javier, Avelino Flores, Lorenzo Vasquez, Jospeh Merlino, Aquilina Sollars, Phil O'Loughlin, Dick Webber, Andrew Sidoli, Bill Mulder, Rodriguez, Lopez, O'Rourke, Oliver, Cardoza, Silva, Agito, Briggs, Nicholson, Macrae, Dunn, Buck Puxty, Durga D'Souza, Joe Bailey, Margaret Fertnick, Stipe & Tera Music, Ante Nobilo, Bozo & Marija Nobilo, Kata & Nikola Curac, Frank & Marija Music, Jaka & Jakov Batistic, Stipe Music, Kata Music, Vincent Boyd, Theresa Thi, Leonard McDonald, Mary Downie, Stephen Downie, Betty Lewis, Neil Lewis, Barbra Cowan, Maurice Day, Angelia Colantonio, Nicola Rizzo, Luciano Abate, Lucia Abate Franca Abate, Grazia Capra, Salvatore Capra, Sismundo Capra, Nicolo Capra, Concetta Rizzo, Eddie Tan Cheng Soon, Regina Poon Seu Gu, Kim Huynh, Lee Tenn Seyu, Tran Lay Lee, J Zivkovic, Kata Zivkovic, Agazio & Lisa Fraietta, Salvatore & Maria Capra, Sigismundo & Felicia Capra, Nicolo Capra, Rev. Nicolo Capra, Concetina Capra, Sigismundo & Rosa Capra, Francesco & Felicia Ridolfo, Grace Capra, Concetina & Nicola Rizzo, Mary & Louis Moses, Bruce McManus, Joan & Vince Byrne, George & Bahija Moses, Reg Starr, Lil Murphy, Marie Thibault, Jacqui Heath, Renae Abdo, Aileen & Stan Sullivan, Jim & Joan Beaumont, Joyce & Jack Michael, Maria Yen Vu, Maria Tuyet Nguyen, Steven Lee, Ernest & Ellen Caspersz, Baden & Gena Forbes, Aubrey Forbes, Milburn Caspersz, Aleksander Jarczewski, Dominique, Maria, Francis, Joseph Martha, Joseph Portelli, Sylvia Portelli, Leo Cuschieri, Janet Cuschieri, Carmen Portelli, Charlie Portelli, Ted Duffy, Colin Baudille, Santina Baudille, Rosa Manganaro, Maria Yianni, Aphrodite Yianni, Patrick Lynch, Violet Lynch, Aidan Lynch, Siobhan Morris, Ted Noonan, Bernice Noonan, Robynne Taylor, Joyce Zito, Immacolata Zito, Gaetano Squadrito, Anita Liew, Al Chong, Mary Chong, Agnes Chang, TK Sen, Francis Kong, Anna Chong, Sandy Ng, Theresa Thi, Felixberto Ibardolaza Sr. & Consuelo Ibardolaza, Donald Ibardolaza & Ledelia Ibardolaza, Josephine Bates, Olive Ng, Calvin Ng, Siap Bee, Kirby Ng, Molly Ng, Ben Hoban, Gladys Hoban, Peter Rooney, Margaret Rooney, Patrick Rooney, Matthew Ryan, Mary Ryan, Adam Darrington, Catherine Wynne, Stella Mills, Philomena Mills, Melchor Della Cruz, Jose Rene Jarque, Angelo Munarriz, David Skerritt, Joe & Vicky Cassar, Maria Nguyen, Peter Oh, Frank Pizcek, Nadia Soliman, John Hogan, Joan Binn, Edna Alimpangog, Hershel Smith, Helen Jelica Ugarkovic, Francis & Peter Abraham, Latife & Moussa El-Bahri, Fadile Aflec, Nunziatina Simeone, Olga Passerini, Fiore Simeone, Francesco Mazzaferro, Alan Jones, Lee Beaumont, Helena Curic, Derek Kehler, Ray Youssef, Anna Youssef, Sofia Christoforidis, Paul Gomes, Jirmine Gomes, Wmiliano Galapon, Ana Riza Galapon, Jose Romeo Advincula, Haifer Daher, Ricardo Salar, Mamerto Sr Bolonia, Gloria Bolonia, Astrid Bolonia, Felixberto Sr Ibardolaza, Consuelo Ibardolaza, Donald Ibardoloza, Ledelia Ibardolaza, Feisberto moraleda, Henrietta Moraleda, all souls, all Catholics,

**Deceased members and friends of:** Ross & Mitchell Families, Erwin & O'Dwyer Families, Amores & Domingo Families, Orlovic & Lisica Families, Debrineat & Bigeni Families, Rush, Hopkins & Nolan Families, Kensey & Simms Families, Stanislas & Edward Families, Melotte Family, Eisenhuth & Williams Families, O'Halloran & Millard Families, Buterin & Baraba Families, Cvitan Family, Hilliker & Merlino Families, Barrett Family, Zivkovic Family, Matasic & Barcan Family, Yip Family, Ng Family, Jarczewski & Mamo Family, Duffy Family, Manley Family, Scully Family, Snell Family, Collins, Coyne & Roche Families, Ng Family, Eamiguel Family, Alinson Family, Smith & Herrmann Families, Dimarco Family, Mansour Family, Mitchell Family, Yburan Family, Mari Family,

# Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel Church	St Joseph the Worker Church
Monday	6.45am Mass	
Tuesday	6.45am Mass	9.00am Mass 7.00pm First Reconciliation celebration
Wednesday	6.45am & 9.15am	
Thursday	<ul><li>6.45am &amp; 9.15am</li><li>7.00pm Xmas Luncheon Committee meeting</li><li>7.00pm Psalmist practice at 8 Wallace St Sefton</li><li>7.30pm General Parish Choir Practice (as above)</li></ul>	9.00am Playgroup in the Mark Spora Room 6.00pm Legion of Mary (SJW Hall)
Friday	6.45am Mass & 9.15am Mass, Fr Thomas to visit Berala Public School	8.00pm Candlelight Mass
Saturday	8.00am Mass 9.00am - 10.00am Adoration, Novena, Reconciliation 5.00pm First Week Advent	
Sunday	10.00am First Week Advent	8.00am First Week Advent

# other Notices

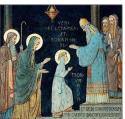
**Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary Open Day** – Sunday, 27 November. Open 1pm until 4pm on Sunday, 27 November. Afternoon Tea & Coffee will be served from 3pm and Vespers will be sung in the Sanctuary of the Word by the Seminarians at 4pm. Come and join us for a tour of the Seminary and a chat and prayer. Address: 106 Gurney Road, Chester Hill. Ph:9726 8114 E: secretary@seminary.org.au.

**XT3 2016** Advent Calendar App Start the lead up to Christ's birth by preparing your heart with the Xt3 Advent Calendar app – filled with reflections, videos and scripture readings to help you go deeper in your faith. Go to www.xt3.com/advent for more.

**The Order of Malta Lourdes Day Mass** The Order of Malta invites all parishioners to Lourdes Day Mass 2016 to be celebrated at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, 3 December at 10.00am.

A Blessing of the sick will take place during the celebration of the Liturgy with water brought from the spring at the Shrine of Lourdes. Those receiving the Blessing will, also be provided with a bottle of Lourdes Water for their personal use.

**Lights of Christmas 8 Dec-25 Dec.** Once again, St Mary's Cathedral will light up this Christmas with inspiring and reflective projections of the Christmas season. FREE EVENT! St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt 8-25 Dec each night from 7.30pm-12.00am www.lightsofchristmas.com.au



# Feasts of the Week

**21 November - The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary** This memorial originally marked the dedication of a sixth century church of the Virgin Mary near the Temple of Jerusalem. The East took it up as a celebration of Mary's presentation to God in the Temple at the age of three, a non-biblical story from the apocryphal gospel of James. Established in the West late in the Middle Ages, the feast was universally observed by the sixteenth century. It celebrates Mary in her grace-filled

life, wholly given over to the Holy Spirit from the time of her conception.

22 November - St Cecilia Though a late fourth century church in Rome was named after her, nothing is known of her life or death. Popular legends were written about her in the late fifth century, and in the sixteenth century she was named the patron of music. Remembered in tradition as a virgin, martyred for the faith. Her name is included in Eucharistic Prayer I (The Roman Canon).





**24 November - St Andrew Dung Lac & Companions** Andrew (1795-1839), baptised at the age of fifteen, worked first as a lay missionary and then as a diocesan presbyter before being beheaded at Hanoi (Vietnam). Listed among 117 canonised martyrs who died in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862: ninety-six Vietnamese, eleven Spanish Dominicans, and ten presbyters from the Paris Foreign Mission Society. Remembered as representatives of the thousands of Christians tortured and martyred in Vietnam between the seventeenth and nineteenth centuries: bishops, presbyters, religious, and lay people, both children and adults.

# Antiphons & Readings

#### **Entrance Antiphon:**

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

R Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. R.

Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. R

For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. R

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

#### **Communion Antiphon:**

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

#### This Week's Readings

2 Sam 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

#### **Next Sunday's Readings** Is 2:1-5

Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44



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ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	William ANDREWS	Roland JAVIER		
ORGANIST	Kate PARISH		SAMOAN		
CANTOR	S EAMIGUEL & PARISH CHOIR		YOUTH		
LECTOR/S	John DONNELLAN	Karim KASSIS	Sharon IACONO		
	Noelene DONNELLAN	Michael CHOW	Maureen HYNES		
COMMENTATOR	Lawrence LOPEZ	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Monica SMITH		
GIFTS	Helen Le MOTTEE		CHILDREN'S LITURGY		
SP. MINISTER	Christine KENSEY		Micheline BOTHAM		
SP. MINISTER	Sam DUCH		Hoa NGUYEN		
CHURCH SHOP	Adele MELER		Anna MANGANARO		
GREETERS	Charlie & Kay SCULLY	Joe MOSES	R & S SEBASTIAN		
HOSPITALITY		T LANGI & S SORIC	Anita ZRILIC		
HOSPITAL VISITATION SAT: A Hehea & B Hawthorn ALTAR: Group 4 A Yip; M Botham;					
HOSPITAL COMMUNION SUN: K Hartman & J Michael COUNTERS: Group 4 C & K Scully, J Michael					
CLEANERS -SPC: R & A Javier SJW: I Kula, T Langi & friends. CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Vinita Nazareth					



"Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the La Torre home, 170 Amy St, Regents Park. 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.

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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**

Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.

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/NO Tax deduction (please circle)

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