



St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Berala

Streams of living water will flow from within. ~John 7:38

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Holy Mass at Berala: Monday to Friday 6.45am, Wednesday to Friday 9.15am, Saturday 8.00am, Saturday 9.00am Adoration & Novena. **Holy Mass at Auburn South:** Tuesday 9.00am (during school term only)

Lord's Day Mass Berala: Saturday 5.00am (Vigil) Sunday 10.00am **Lord's Day Mass Auburn South:** Sunday 8.00am

Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00am - 10.00am. Or contact the parish office for any other time.

For Baptisms, Weddings, Bible Study and Catholic Enquiry, please contact Fr Thomas or the parish office on 9644 7787.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT—YEAR B

25 FEBRUARY 2018

First Reading

Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham,' he called.' Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.' When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt offering in place of his son. The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of your enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

Second Reading

Rom 8:31-34

With God on our side who can be against us? Since

God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

Gospel

Mk 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.'

ANTIPHONS & READINGS

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 26:8-9
Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

Responsorial Psalm:

(R) I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

1. I trusted, even when I said: 'I am sorely afflicted.' O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. **(R.)**

2. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: I will call on the Lord's name. **(R.)**

3. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation Mt 17:5
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

Mt 17:5

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Next Week's Readings:

Ex 20:1-17, 1 Cor 1:22-25, Jn 2:13-25

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Healing After Abortion: 0400 092 555

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www.divineretreatcentre.org.au
Ph: 4372 1598

Sara's Place: For pregnancy support or
grieving after abortion visit
www.sarasplace.org.au Ph: 9699 8190

PARISH DIARY THIS WEEK

Mon 26/2	6.45am	Mass
Tue 27/2	6.45am 9.00am	Mass Mass (SJW)
Wed 28/2	6.45am 9.15am 3.30pm 7.00pm	Mass Mass SVDP (St Joseph's House) Bible Study (St Joseph's House)
Thu 1/3	6.45am 9.15am 11.00am 7.00pm	Mass Mass Legion of Mary (St Joseph's House) Psalmist Practice followed by General Choir practice at 7.30pm (8 Wallace St, Sefton)
Fri 2/3	6.45am 9.15am 10.30am 7.00pm	Mass Mass World Day of Prayer (SPC) Stations of the Cross (SPC)
Sat 3/3	8.00am 8.30am 9.00am 5.00pm	Mass Rosary Novena, Adoration, Confession Sunday Vigil Mass (SPC)
Sun 4/3	8.00am 10.00am 11.00am	Mass (SJW) Mass (SPC) First Holy Communion Classes (Jubilee Hall)

Family that pray together stay together"
PILGRIM STATUE



FROM ST PETER CHANEL

at Kensey Home
57A Regent St, Regents Park

Please join them any evening at
7.30pm for the Rosary.

To host the Pilgrim Statue and
Rosary prayer please contact Mona
on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.

FROM ST JOSEPH THE WORKER
at the Kavanagh Home

To host the Rosary Statue from St
Joseph the Worker contact
Phil Lopez on 9646 1756.

ROSTER NEXT WEEK

4 MARCH 2018		3 RD SUNDAY OF LENT	
Mass	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY Dom PANGILINAN	William ANDREWS	Mario CAPRA Mert BOLONIA
MUSIC & SINGING	Maureen HYNES & PARISH CHOIR	LEWISHAM TONGAN COMMUNITY CHOIR	SAMOAN CHOIR
LECTOR/S	Mai NGUYEN	Ken HARTMAN	Margarette NGUYEN
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GREETERS	Kate PARISH	Joe MOSES	Alan THAM, Suly TAN, Gilbert KIM
HOSPITALITY		Jenny MICHAEL	SPC School
Hospital Visitation Sat: Christine Parish & Mert Bolonia		Altar: Group 6 Korina Kinda, Antoinette Boudaier	
Hospital Communion Sun: Joy Skerritt & Roland Javier			
Cleaners SPC : Samoan Group		Children's liturgy: Anna Facer	
Saturday		3 MARCH	
LECTOR FOR MASS		Jann ROCKLIFF	

MASS INTENTIONS

Sick: Angelita Galapon, Anthony Gomes, Anne Nguyen

Recently Deceased: Antonio Abarrio, Matthew Toole (Wilma Baker's brother), Archie Chan, Nellie Lim, Ada Michael, Salvatore Capra, Engelbert Taoneyi

Deceased: Alejandro Garcia, Venancio Sr, Eluseyo, Angelo Zerafa, Mary Zerafa, Poul Gatt, Mary Gatt

Anniversary: Frank Picek (26/2), Cynthia de Souza, Les Willoughby (50th), Louis Moses, Louise R Descombes, Cernon Alinson, Gloria Mari Eamiguel, Consuelo Ibardolaza

Deceased Members and Friends of: Ross & Mitchell Families, O'Dwyer & Erwin Families

Other Intentions: Arlen & Anthony Gomes (Thanksgiving). All souls in Purgatory especially our deceased members. From Friends of the Suffering Souls (2 March)

Three Mountain Tops



Mountain tops give a clearer and wider view. What we seek in this Lent is a clearer and wider vision of God's mind. This Sunday you are invited to 3 different Mountain tops: Moriah, Calvary, Tabor.

Abraham according to the Book of Genesis goes up the Mount Moriah. He was a man of incredible faith. At the top of the Mountain God stops him from carrying out human sacrifice. God gives him a clearer view and understanding of his mind.

The second reading which is from the Letter of Saint Paul to Romans, is about Mount Calvary. On this mount we get a clearer vision of the extent of God's love. His love extended to Jesus, the Son of God, sacrificing his life on the Cross for our sins.

The third Mountain for today's reflection is Mount Tabor. Jesus took three chosen disciples and went up Mount Tabor. Mount Tabor provides a vision for his leading disciples about who Jesus was. Through his transfiguration Jesus himself became the beacon announcing the time to celebrate. The disciples heard God revealing to them, "This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to Him". Though the disciples were taught by Jesus on their way to Tabor, they were given a clearer vision and understanding of who Jesus was though the experience on the top.

Standing with Jesus, the disciples could also see Moses who was given the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai and Elijah who met God on Mount Carmel. God told Moses how to guide and lead the Hebrew people and make them people loved by Him. Elijah on Mount Carmel showed the people that his God is real and much more powerful than their god Baal. Now the disciples' vision is clearer and they know that the Laws of Moses and the Prophecy of Elijah are to be seen hereafter in the light of Jesus, the Son of God. In this Lent, we climb the mountain of fasting (self-discipline) to have a clearer vision about who Jesus is. Let Jesus and his Gospel be your life's vision.

REFLECTIONS ON MARK 1:12-15

Have you thought? Mountaintop Moments

Throughout the Bible there are instances of important encounters with God on mountaintops. Even this week's first reading, the sacrifice of Isaac by Abraham, occurs on a mountaintop. It is not the potential sacrifice, but the new relationship between God and Abraham that is a mountaintop moment. In modern language, we often speak about 'peak experiences' - moments of exceptional clarity, intense emotion or extraordinary accomplishment. Sometimes, like Peter, we are tempted to try to remain 'in the moment' rather than using the peak experience as a motivator for when we go back down the mountain to our normal (if perhaps changed) existence.

Scriptural Context: Not quite.

Throughout the gospel of Mark, it is important to look at the stories that lie either side of important events to pick up the subtlety of the gospel writer's message. In this instance, the passage that immediately follows the Transfiguration is a story of the disciples trying unsuccessfully to heal a boy and Jesus having to intervene. It reinforces the message of the mountain top in which the disciples still only partially understand Jesus' purpose and presence.



They still haven't fully mastered who Jesus is and so they have not fully mastered the ability to heal.

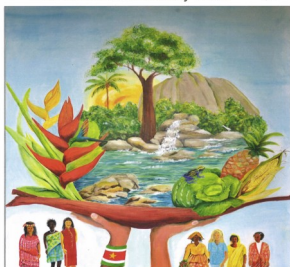
Gospel Focus: A new vision.

Part of Peter's mistake is to see the appearance of Elijah and Moses as a confirmation that Jesus has come to continue the work of the great prophets of the past. Rather than placing Jesus in the old tradition of the prophets, the appearance of Elijah and Moses, together with the voice of God, is to endorse the new direction that Jesus' ministry is taking. Jesus' new vision for the world is informed by the relationships forged between God and the prophets of the past, but it is a vision of a completely different way of relating to God: a much more personal relationship that calls us to respond from the heart to those around us.

World Day of Prayer—March 2018
SURINAME
All God's Creation is Very Good!



World Day of Prayer on Friday, 2 March at 10.30am at SPC Church.



The World Day of Prayer 2018 host country will be Suriname and the theme is "All God's Creation is Very Good!"

We will have a special guest speaker, Richard Allcock, from the Bible Society who will present on Suriname's history, religious diversity, tolerance and acceptance within the Suriname community.

Please contact the Parish Office by phoning 9644 7787 if you will be attending.

The family is the greatest treasure of any country.

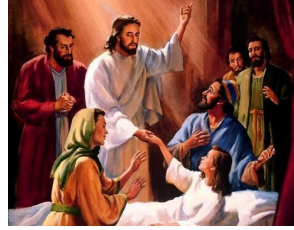
Let us all work to protect and strengthen this, the cornerstone of society. (Pope Francis)

World Meeting of Families 2018

PARISH NEWS

Mass of Anointing of the Sick

This Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am on Saturday, 10 March. The Anointing of the Sick is for everyone with health issues and for all our senior parishioners. After Mass, a light lunch will be provided in the Parish Hall.



If you require transport or would like to volunteer to help on the day please phone the Parish Office on 9644 7787.

There will be NO MASS on Saturday 10 March at 8.00am but instead will have an hour for the Lord & Confession.

New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

This weekend Dominican Sisters, Sr Cecilia Joseph, Sr Mary Helen, Sr Susanna and Sr Elena Marie will be commissioned as Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Some of the teachers of St Peter Chanel School did their training with Fr Thomas last year and they will be commissioned in the coming weeks. Teachers from St Joseph the Worker School who did their training last year are already commissioned. The Parish Congratulates all new Ministers of Communion. A few more people have requested to be trained as Liturgical Ministers. There will be more program of training planned for later this year for them.

Your Chance to Appraise Pastor

I have been with you for more than six years as your Pastor. The greatest best of reward a Pastor can have is how best he has been Christ to his people and how good a steward he was of the parish he is entrusted with. I have my own evaluation of my ministry in Berala so far. But I

would like to see how much of it tallies with the understanding and view of my people. Therefore I have organised to have a formal Appraisal done. Anne-Marie Fensom from the Human Resources department of Sydney Catholic Schools is commissioned to undertake a parish survey to help with my appraisal. She will be contacting you through Email and otherwise soon. I will be very pleased if you could cooperate with the survey when you receive the form. Thank you for your support.

~Fr Thomas

Stations of the Cross



Every Friday of the Lent, Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7 PM at St Peter Chanel Church. After the prayers, about 7.30 PM I will also be available in the confessional for the Sacrament of

Reconciliation. Absolution from sins will be a good way of observing Lent. A proper Lenten observance with renewal of the Parish as the intention can work miracles.

Singing Practices for Holy Week

(Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses) begin on **Sunday, 25 February** from 5.00pm to 6.30pm in St Peter Chanel's Church. All are welcome to attend as this is the highlight of the church's liturgical year and there is much singing to prepare. But if you are not a regular member of the Parish Choir and would like to come, could you call me on 9644-5818 or 0407 268 180 just so that I can prepare sufficient copies of the music needed.

~Maureen Hynes



Second Sunday of Lent 25th February 2018



Rattanak is a skilled young barber, living an independent life in rural Cambodia. But it wasn't always that way. As a child he contracted polio and also became deaf. Like many people who are deaf or hard of hearing, Rattanak faced isolation, with a lack of opportunity to escape poverty. After joining the Deaf Development Program run by Caritas Australia's partner, Maryknoll Cambodia, his life was transformed and he is now supporting himself, his wife and baby.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help deaf youth in Cambodia to build a just future, and live in communities that uphold everyone's dignity.

A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Planned Giving Request Form

Your financial contribution to the Planned Giving of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the end of the financial year you will receive a receipt for your contributions. 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, please organise automatic credit card deductions. (An authority form will be sent)



As we enter into this holy season of Lent, the sisters invite you to a day of reflection. The day will include talks, discussion, Eucharistic Adoration, an opportunity for Confession, and lunch.

WHO: Single, Catholic women ages 18-35
WHEN: Saturday, 3 March, 9.30am-3.00pm (optional 8.30am Mass)
WHERE: Sydney Uni Catholic Student Centre, 150 City Rd, Darlingtown, 2008
COST: \$10
RSVP: Sydney@op-tn.org

An Afternoon for Couples Hoping to Conceive

This event is for married couples (Catholic or otherwise), who are trying to have children, or who desire to learn more about the various options available to assist fertility and which are in harmony with the dignity of married love.

The afternoon will include presentations by natural fertility experts, a testimony from a couple, the opportunity for questions and an *Individual Blessing for Couples* by Fr Brendan Purcell. Afternoon tea will follow. This event is free of charge. Please RSVP (for catering purposes) t: 9307 8404 or LMEvents@sydneycatholic.org.

Saturday, 17 March 2018
 Dooleys Waterview Club
 Silverwater Rd, Silverwater
 2.00pm—4.30pm



Invitation to Clergy, Religious & Parishioners

Clergy, religious and parishioners are invited to join Archbishop Anthony Fisher, OP and his auxiliary bishops in their **Prayers of Forgiveness and Reparation** for all people who have been affected, directly or indirectly, by abuse within the Church. Survivors of abuse who feel able to attend this liturgy are warmly welcome.

The prayers, centered around the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, will be in St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney at 6.30 pm on Friday March 2nd, which is an **Ember Day** of prayer and fasting throughout Australia.



Open Day

Auburn Campus
 13 Park Road, Auburn

March 7
 4pm – 8pm

E: info@trinity.catholic.edu.au • www.trinity.catholic.edu.au • Ph 9749 1919



This week we welcome into the Catholic faith

Emiliana Belle Obusan

May she always know the love of God
 and feel His guiding hand throughout her life.



OTHER NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT

Communications & Development Manager. Council of Catholic School Parents NSW/ACT. Permanent full-time position. Sydney CBD-based. For further information please contact Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources, on 0402 210 055. Applications close 27 February 2018.

Donor Relations Officer (Casual). Applications are invited for the casual position of Donor Relations Officer in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney. For further information, the advertisement can be viewed at www.catholicjobsonline.com.au

Housekeeper/Cook – Bishop's Residence (Part Time).

Applications are invited for the position of Housekeeper/Cook – Bishop's Residence (Part Time) in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney. For further information, the advertisement can be viewed at www.catholicjobsonline.com.au

EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & RETREATS

9-10 March, 2018 - "24Hrs for the Lord" a time of Adoration and Reflection. Theme: "Do not be afraid Mary for you have found favour with God". Luke 1:30 When: From Friday 9th March beginning with Holy Mass at 6pm and finishing Saturday 10th March with Holy Mass at 5pm. Reconciliation will be available at times through out the 24Hrs. Tea and Coffee available. Where: Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa 2745. Cost: To come to the Shrine: Free. To have accommodation and meals provided for the 24Hrs - Cost is \$90. Bookings: Bookings: info@schoenstatt.org.au or Phone: 4773 8338

9-11 March, 2018 - Lenten Retreat for Young Adults

Note that the 24 Hrs for the Lord commences on Friday 9th with 6pm Holy Mass so if you come on Friday, it is to participate, as you want, in the 24 Hrs for the Lord (adoration with hourly reflection). The retreat will officially begin at 9am on Saturday. Registration and payments essential by Sunday 4th March Where: Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa 2745. Cost: Fri-Sun: \$200 or Sat-Sun \$150. Contact: Sr M Julie Brcar - 0408 738 334 or juliebrcar@gmail.com.

Sisterhood Catholic Women's Conference. 16-18 March 2018

Stanwell Tops Sydney. Do you want to go deeper in your relationship with Jesus, do you want to grow as a Catholic woman and develop friendships with other women of faith? Join women of all ages for a weekend of prayer, keynote talks, the sacraments, adoration and quality sisterhood time. Keynote speakers include Darlene Zschech, Laura Roland, Sr Mary Rachel OP, Jonathan and Karen Doyle, Jo Hayes, Justine Cumbo, Francine Pirola and more. To find out more www.sisterhood.org.au

18 March - The Day of the Unborn Child . This marks the day Our Lord became a tiny unborn child in His mother's womb. It is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. It is also a day to remember the millions of unborn children whose lives have been ended by the violence of abortion. Join us to witness the sanctity of human life ! For more information: Call Life and Family Institute: (02) 9002 0354 / www.lifeandfamily.com.au or email: info@lifefadfamily.com.au

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend – Relationship Enrichment for Married Couples. 27th – 29th April at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Bookings online at www.wwme.org.au or Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com.

SUPPORT & SERVICES

Natural Fertility Services is looking for suitable applicants in the Greater Sydney area to train as Fertility Educators. Thorough, in-depth training over a 12-month period is provided to successful applicants and sessional work is available to those who complete the training and become accredited educators. For more information and application forms please contact The Manager NFS (02) 9509 1222.

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse – is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held April 8th – 13th 2018. Email Anne at info@griegtograceaus.org.au or phone 0407704539. For more information visit www.griegtograce.org

Bereavement Support Reflections Mornings. Third Wednesday of Every Month 10.00am – 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve and their companions. Understanding and managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereavement. Morning tea provided. For further information please contact Bereavement Support bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au or Ph: (02) 9646 6908.

CatholicCare. Do you have time to help people in your community? We need volunteers to provide much needed companionship to elderly people who feel lonely and isolated in Sydney's South West and Inner West. If you have time to spend with someone who would truly appreciate it, please call us on 13 18 19 and become a volunteer today. Visit us on the web at www.catholiccare.org.

PILGRIMAGES & TRAVEL

Footsteps of St Paul—Pilgrimage to Greece. Fr. Peter De Souza from Hornsby Cathedral, would like to invite you for a 14-day pilgrimage that he is leading. The group departs on 28th of May, 2018, featuring Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete, Santorini, Thessaloniki, Philippi, Meteora for an all-inclusive early-bird offer of \$5,690. This fare includes a 3 Night Cruise with all meals + Return Airfares + Local Transfers + Stay in 4 Star Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners. Call 0385 622 246 or email pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au.

Visiting Rome? Stay at Domus Australia. Domus Australia is a 32 room guest house established by the Australian Catholic Church, welcoming travellers to Rome seeking comfortable accommodation and an ideal base from which to explore historical and cultural sites of the Eternal City. Centrally located with a magnificently restored Chapel featuring daily Mass in English, Domus Australia is the perfect oasis in the heart of Rome for Aussie pilgrims. Email for more info: reservations@domusaustralia.org or www.domusaustralia.org

Footprints of Jesus Pilgrimage May 2018. Join Fr Gabriel Ezenwa on 7 - 20 June 2018 for a 14 day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Watch the Gospels come alive on this most authentic faith journey live on location in the Holy Land of Israel. Take the chronological road of Jesus' life from Bethlehem to Nazareth and Galilee to Jerusalem. Daily Mass. Optional Extension to Petra. If interested, call Harvest Journey today for bookings or for more info 1800 819 156.

MISCELLANEOUS

Walk the Lenten Journey on your Mobile Phone! The Xt3 Lent Calendar 2018 App is available for download on Apple and Android devices (search for Xt3 Lent) and can be viewed from the website: www.xt3.com/lent. The Lent calendar will run from Ash Wednesday to Divine Mercy Sunday. Each day will unlock a new video, meditation or podcast, to help you prayerfully journey through Lent.

Boy & His Bike

A small boy parks his bicycle nearby the parliament house in Canberra and walks on. A security guard stops him and asks: "why did you park your bicycle here? Don't you know about this road? Members of Parliament and the Ministers, and sometimes even the Prime Minister pass this way..." The boy replied innocently, "Don't worry, I have locked by bicycle".

