



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.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

13 MAY 2018

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

Second Reading

Eph 1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

Gospel

Mk 16:15-20

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.' And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

ANTIPHONS & READINGS

Entrance Antiphon Acts 1:11

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm:

(R) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

1. All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the

earth. **(R.)**

2. God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **(R.)**

3. God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation Mt 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Mt 28:20

Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

Next Week's Readings:

Acts 2:1-11, 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13
Jn 20:19-23

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grieving after abortion visit
www.sarasplace.org.au Ph: 9699 8190

PARISH DIARY THIS WEEK

Mon 14/5	6.45am	Mass
Tue 15/5	6.45am 9.00am	Mass Mass (SJW)
Wed 16/5	6.45am 9.15am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Mass Mass Legion of Mary (St Joseph's House) RCIA Information (SPC)
Thu 17/5	6.45am 9.15am 3.00pm 7.00pm 7.30pm	Mass Mass Rosary Pilgrim at Snell Home (46 Lewis St, Regents Park) Psalmist followed by General Choir (8 Wallace St, Sefton) Finance Committee Meeting
Fri 18/5	6.45am 9.15am	Mass Mass
Sat 19/5	8.00am 8.30pm 9.00am 5.00pm	Mass Rosary Novena, Adoration, Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 20/5	8.00am 10.00am 11.00am	Mass (SJW) Mass (SPC) First Holy Communion Retreat (Jubilee Hall)

"Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE**FROM ST PETER CHANEL**

at Snell Home

46 Lewis St, Regents Park

Please join them any evening at 7.00pm 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 Langi Home

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

20 MAY 2018		PENTECOST SUNDAY	
Mass	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY Dom PANGILINAN	William ANDREWS	Mert BOLONIA
MUSIC & SINGING	Renee SALAR & SCHOOL CHOIR		SAMOAN CHOIR
LECTOR/S	SPC SCHOOL FAMILY MASS	Ken HARTMAN	Micheline BOTHAM
		Jenny MICHAEL	Hoang NGUYEN
COMMENTATOR		Joe MOSES	Hilary NGUYEN
SP. MINISTER	Phirum DUCH		Mai VU
CHURCH SHOP	Margaret HEYS		Margaret THAM
GREETERS	Parish Children	Loutoa OLIE	Evelina LUI & Vinita NAZARETH
HOSPITALITY			Vinita NAZARETH
Hospital Visitation Sat : Jann Rockliff & Phil Lopez		Altar & Sacristy: Group 5 Margaret Heys, Carol Mabon, Maria Wood	
Hospital Communion Sun: Bob Kensey & Christine Kensey			
Cleaners SPC: Roland & Aida Javier		Children's liturgy: Sharon Iacono	
Saturday 8AM		19 MAY	
LECTOR FOR MASS		Jann ROCKLIFF	

MASS INTENTIONS

Sick: Sami Goubran, Don Willoughby, Angelita Galapon, Anthony Gomes, Anne Nguyen

Recently Deceased: Huy Truy Nguyen, Cindy Muscas

Deceased: Fatima Bolonia, Gloria Bolonia, Consuelo Ibardolaza, Stipe Lisica, Ivan Lisica, Venci Lisica, Franko Lisica, Sigismundo Capra, Salvatore Capra, Nicolo Capra, Conceta Rizzo, Nicolo Rizzo, Mariano Ridolfo, Maria Ridolfo, Franco Abate, Luciano Abate, Lucia Abate, Grazia Capra, Alejandro Garcia, Venancio Sr, Eluseyo

Death Anniversary: Nemesio Tejero Sr (8/5), Nemesio Tejero Jr, Serafina Tejero

Carmen Florendo-Amores, Anita Amores-Avila, Marcelo Amores, Alejandro Piscalbo, & Althea Cristina Figueras, Vic Mogus (10th, 6/5) Alagudurai Alagaiya (30th, 2/5) Cristeta Enriquez (29/4), Esperanza Olarte

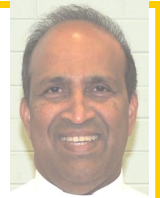
Deceased Members and Friends of: Ross & Mitchell Families, O'Dwyer & Erwin Families, Amores & Florendo Families

Birthday: Gloria Pascua (1/5), Rafael Amarille Jr (8/5), Lucia Emilia

Anniversary: John Sonny & Geovany Lili

Other: Lisica Family in Honour of our Lady Mary Karavaja for health and goodluck.

You are the Christ to the World



While I was doing my sabbatical program in an Ecumenical Institute, a Baptist Minister refuted the Catholic faith in the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. He said, “It is high time the Catholics acknowledge that after the Resurrection of Jesus, it is the ‘REAL PRESENCE OF THE ABSENCE’ WE ARE OBSERVING’. If this statement does not make any sense to you, do not worry. You are not alone. I too am puzzled by what I heard.

The question is, ‘whether Christ is available to us or not.’ If Christ is still available where is he? The good news is that Christ is not lost to us with his ascension into heaven. When Jesus walked on the land of Israel, he was the physical presence of Christ (saving God) with humanity. Now that physical presence of the saving God is to be made possible through his ‘disciples’. Just before ascending to heaven, Jesus told his disciples, “Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved” It is the presence, preaching, and work of his disciples which makes Christ physically present to the world. We are not observing the absence of Christ; we continue to celebrate the real presence of Christ today.

Not all believers in Jesus Christ and his Gospel are his disciples. Disciples of Christ are anointed and sent to preach the Good News of Christ. St Francis of Assisi once said, “Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words if necessary.” Yes we preach the Gospel through a life of witness, more than anything else. A disciple is always bonded with the Body of Christ through the Holy Communion at the Eucharist. By receiving the blessed bread as the Body of Christ, a disciple allows his body, along with all others of Eucharistic Communion, to be the physical Body of Christ. Bonded with God and sealed with Holy Spirit, we will be effective Disciples of Christ. As Effective Disciples of Christ, we will be working miracles, especially of conversion and peace, in our world. Let us make our parish a body of disciples. Let the world see us working miracles.

REFLECTIONS ON MARK 16:15-20

Scriptural Context. Acts.

Throughout this Easter season, the first reading in the Sunday liturgy is taken from the Acts of the Apostles and so both the first and second readings come from the New Testament. (Normally, the First Reading is taken from the Old Testament.) This week’s first reading account of the Ascension is the very beginning of the book of Acts. This book and the Gospel of Luke are now recognised as being by the same author. The book of Acts records the events involving the followers of Jesus after his death and the growth of communities of believers who sought to follow Jesus’ ways.

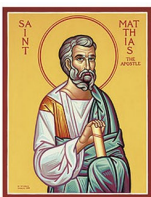
Different View. Snake handlers and Faith healers.

There are certainly Christians who interpret literally Jesus’ description of the signs that will be associated with believers. We have all seen images of old Revivalist meetings where people were called forth to be healed by touch and have evil spirits driven from them. Much of this practice can be traced to this week’s gospel. The many evangelical churches and the tele-evangelists who dominate our early morning television screens operate out of this tradition and generally have a very literal interpretation of scripture. It is based in a belief that God acts in the world through miraculous intervention rather than through the slow and steady presence of individuals like you and me.

Living the Gospel. Proclaim Good News.

Francis of Assisi is credited with saying, ‘Preach the gospel at all times and when necessary, use words!’ I every interaction we have we say so much about who we are, what we think of the other person and what we believe—even without opening our mouth. Our actions and attitudes proclaim our beliefs more powerfully than our words ever do. If we claim to be concerned about justice and yet behave unjustly then it is our actions, not our words, that will be heard! When we are called to ‘proclaim the Good News’ we are called to do this first and foremost in action.

FEASTS & MEMORIALS OF THE WEEK



Monday, 14 May - St Matthias, apostle

St Matthias was a disciple of Jesus who bore witness to his baptism and resurrection and was present when the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples at Pentecost. Because of this, his name was put forward as a candidate to become one of the twelve apostles, with the departure of Judas. Two men were nominated, Matthias and Joseph Barsabas. Lots were drawn and Matthias was chosen and enrolled with the eleven apostles. Little else is known about his life; there are confusions in some traditions with the deeds of Matthew the apostle. Some believe he preached in Judea and then Ethiopia before being martyred.

Catholic Inquiry this Week



If you know anyone interested in Catholic Church and Faith invite them to the Catholic Inquiry Night. **When:** 7.00 pm – 8.30 PM, Wednesday 16 May 2018, **Where:** St Peter Chanel Church Berala, **Contact:** Andrew Tham 0403 566 001 or Fr Thomas 9644 7787

Email: info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au

PARISH NEWS



Rosary with Pilgrim Statue - Legion of Mary

In the month of May you are invited to join Fr Thomas at a group Rosary run by the Legion of Mary according to the following Schedule. This is a special invitation to all parishioners.

Thursday, 17th of May at 3.00pm, at the Snell home - 46 Lewis St, Regents Park
Saturday, 19th of May, at 7.00pm the Boustani home - 18 Lewis St, Regents Park

The usual Saturday Rosary at SPC Church at 8.30am will continue.

Sacrament of Confirmation Enrolment

Confirmation is the last of the three Sacraments of Initiation. By receiving this Sacrament, the fully initiated Christian, bear fruits of the Holy Spirit for the Church. Jesus said, "by bearing much fruit you will be my disciples." As true Disciples of Christ the Confirmed Christians will actively take part in the ministry and mission of the Church, the Body of Christ. Bishop Tony Randazzo will be confirming the candidates on Saturday 25 August. Enrolment and Commitment for the Sacrament will be held on 9&10 June, Saturday & Sunday at all three Masses. The fee payable on the day will be \$15. Details of the program will be explained at the parents meeting at 7 PM on Wednesday 13 June.

Special Feast of Pentecost Saturday 19 May 5 pm at St. Peter Chanel Berala



We invite all families to come and participate in the Family Mass for the Feast of Pentecost

on Saturday 19 May from 5-6pm. We are looking for children from St Peter Chanel & St Joseph the Worker schools to have a number of special roles: welcoming, altar serving, singing in the choir, reading Prayers of the Faithful and leading the Offertory procession. It is a wonderful opportunity for your child to be engaged in Mass and grow in faith as a family and celebrate the

birthday of the Catholic Church. For more info email Angela at angela.finnane@syd.catholic.edu.au or Barbara at barbara.mucha@syd.catholic.edu.au.

Altar Servers Training

New Altar servers will be recruited and trained in the month of June. Anyone interested is welcome to register their interest with the parish office now.

St Joseph the Worker Auburn Playgroup



Thursday mornings 9-11am. Come along for some music, singing, stories, craft, painting. Just bring a piece of fruit for your child to share. This week we will be making Playdough! Morning tea provided for all carers.

Cost: FREE!

Charitable Works Fund Appeal



CHARITABLE WORKS FUND
Your local charity

Last weekend we collected a total of **\$972** in cash collections. We shall continue the CWF collections this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

Donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible.

The target to for the parish to raise is \$ 5400



Walk with Christ is the annual Eucharistic Procession that travels through the streets of Sydney and culminates in prayer and Benediction at St Mary's Cathedral forecourt. 2018 marks the 200th Anniversary of Eucharist Adoration in Australia.

Come join us in a very moving experience with thousands of Catholics walking together for their faith. Everyone is invited to walk together from St Peter Chanel Berala & St Joseph Parish. Bring your family and friends! Join us as we witness to the presence of Christ in our city. We will be meeting at Martin Place (Cnr. of Pitt Street) in the CBD at 2:30pm on **Sunday 3 June 2018** For more info, email Angela Finnane angela.finnane@syd.catholic.edu.au or visit www.sydneycatholic.org/walkwithchrist.

A book of petition is available at the front of the church for you to write your prayers. This book will be taken in the Eucharistic Procession on 3 June. Please write your prayers in it.



A little girl asked her mother, "How did the human race appear?" The mother answered, "God made Adam and Eve and they had children, and so was all mankind made ..."

Two days later the girl asked her father the same question. The father answered, "Many years ago there were monkeys from which the human race evolved." The confused girl returned to her mother and said, "Mom, how is it possible that you told me the human race was created by God, and Dad said they developed from monkeys?" The mother answered, "Well, dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his!"



This week we welcome into the Catholic faith

Genesis David Mafi

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



World Meeting of Families – 21-26 August 2018

Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018. Guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World". Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church.



The family is essential for the future of the world and the Church. Everyone first learns what love means in their family, as they become aware that they are loved, and learn how to love in return. This is essential so that people can grow into mature individuals. To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each one must show concern, not only for his or her own life, but also for the lives of the other members of the family: their needs, their hopes, their ideals. (Pope Saint John Paul II) For further information: <https://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/>.

Church Shop

Drop by our Piety Stall and grab a gift for that special someone. The shop is filled with a range of religious items perfect as presents for those celebrating the Sacraments of Holy Communion, Baptism, Reconciliation and Confirmation.

The Church Shop is open on Sundays before and after the 10.00am mass. If you have any product enquiry, please contact the Parish Office by phone or email.



Volunteer with Palms Australia-



Get out there and be the Church, "bruised, hurting and dirty"

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but **immerse themselves in overseas communities** for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, **share them with our global family!** Contact Christine at Palms on 02 9560 5333 or go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer/

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 NoEmail

☐ Yes, please organise a set of envelopes. ☐ Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions. (An authority form will be sent)

OTHER NOTICES

EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & RETREATS

Fatima Day – 13 May 2018, 4:00pm. All Hallows Church - 2 Hally Street, Five Dock. Last October, on the feast of Our Lady of Victory, later to be known as Our Lady of the Rosary, well over one million lay people gathered in Poland around the Polish borders to pray the Rosary for the protection of their country and to intercede for their young people. Ireland, Italy, England and France followed to pray for their countries. Now 53 sites around Australia will do the same for our country on 13 May, Mother's Day - What a coincidence! Oz Rosary 53# because there are 53 Hail Mary's in the Rosary and there will be 53 sites around Australia in which to pray. All HALLOWS FIVE DOCK is one and everyone is welcome

God's Design For Marriage—Celebrating 50 Years of Human Vitae. Chris Gordon from the Life, Marriage and Family Centre will speak on this topic at various locations across Sydney. What did God intend for human sexuality? How have couples responded to the call in Paul VI's seminal encyclical Humane Vitae to be open to life., etc. For info: Phone 9307 8402 or lifemarriagefamily@sydneycatholic.org.

Mount St Benedict Centre

Children's Meditation Workshop. This fun workshop is for children aged 5-12 years, and aims to build a healthy body and mind. By teaching a variety of simple meditation techniques using breath and visualisation, creating mandalas and moving the body in a conscious way, children are encouraged to find that centre of stillness inside. This can help with anxiety, building confidence and understanding emotions. **Saturday 19 May 1.30pm-4.30pm**, 449D Pennant Hills Road. Entrance off Hull Road, \$30 BYO Afternoon Tea. Reserve your place: mtstbenedict@goodsams.org.au or phone 8752 5390.

Introduction to Meditation and Renewal Day at St Benedict's Monastery. 22 May 2018 at 10:00am, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia No Cost, Registration is on the day, donations to monastery welcome. Phone: 9456 4775. Email: atlomas@bigpond.com anniebergman@hotmail.com. Coffee, tea and biscuits provided, BYO picnic Lunch Accommodation at the Monastery guest house enquiries to Br Terry Cavanagh on 0438 282 318.

The Bishop's Blend: Looking to network with other young Catholic professionals and learn how to live your faith in the workplace? Then join the Most Reverend Bishop Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney on **Tuesday, 22nd May 2018 at 7:00am** at the Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney. For more info and tickets email bishopsblend@sydneycatholic.org or go to <https://bishopsblendfourthedition.eventbrite.com>

MGL Vocations Day - Saturday 2 June 2018. The Missionaries of God's Love Priests and Brothers invite young men to come and see what our life is all about. Kicking off with 8:00am Mass followed by bacon and egg breakfast, the day will also include short talks and the opportunity for sharing and personal prayer. Finishes at 9:00pm. Held at St Declan's parish, 55 Penshurst St, Penshurst. Bring sports gear and \$10 to help cover meal costs. Enquiries/RSVP: Fr Chris: ceatonmgl@gmail.com/0410935621. The MGLs are a homegrown missionary congregation of priests and brothers serving the Church in Australia, Indonesia and the Philippines. Find out more at www.mglpriestsandbrothers.org

Heart Women's Conference 7-9 June, Fairfield RSL. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. Invite your daughters, mothers, sisters and friends! Men—What women in your life can you spoil by sending them to Heart 2018? Full Registration Cost \$199. Register: Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com. Phone: 1300 734 880. Email: heart@TheCatholicGuy.com

SUPPORT & SERVICES

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 Ph: (02) 9646 6908 / bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au.

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. Contact The Manager NFS (02) 9509 1222.

Courage in Sydney. Courage is a movement for those with same-sex attraction who desire to live chaste lives in accordance with the Church's teachings. Any interested person can call the Sydney chaplain on 0418 136 785. A men's group meets monthly in Sydney, privately, for fellowship, discussion & prayer, guided by the priest chaplain. Confidentiality assured

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.

Last Days of the Apostle Paul. 21-29 June 2018. 6 nights in Rome, 2 nights in Milan. Rome Pilgrimages are giving pilgrims the opportunity to trace the last days of St Paul. Led by Eastwood's Fr Martin Maunsell. Phone 1800 753 959 or visit www.rome pilgrimages.com for more details.

Join Pope Francis in Panama Sydney Catholic Youth are inviting you on the a pilgrimage to Panama, celebrate Mass with Pope Francis and millions of young Catholics from around the world. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP leading the Sydney pilgrimage **15 January 2019**. Info: www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/wydw

Visiting Rome? Stay at Domus Australia. Domus Australia is a 32-room Boutique Pilgrim Guesthouse 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. Domus Australia is the perfect oasis in the heart of Rome for Aussie pilgrims. Email: reservations@domusaustralia.org www.domusaustralia.org



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