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.

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

10 JUNE 2018

First Reading Gen 3:9-15

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden;' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, 'Be accursed beyond all cattle, all wild beasts. You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust every day of your life. I will make you enemies of each other: you and the woman, your offspring and her offspring. It will crush your head and you will strike its heel.'

Second Reading 2 Cor 4:13-5:1

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture – I believed, therefore I spoke - we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens

Gospel Mk 3:20-35

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind. The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him,' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either - it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house. 'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'

ANTIPHONS & READINGS

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 26:1-2

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Responsorial Psalm:

- (R) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.
- Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
- 2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. (R.)
- 3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak. (R.)
- Because with the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation Jn 12:31. 32 Alleluia, alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Ps 17:3

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

Next Week's Readings:

Ez 17:22-24, 2 Cor 5:6-10, Mk 4:26-34

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Is your family struggling or experiencing a crisis? CCareline CCareline team provides caring advice and advocacy to help families navigate their

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(Confidential) 02 9361 8000 **Spiritual Retreats:** Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo - www.jamberooabbey.org.au/

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www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

Ph: 8795 3400

Healing After Abortion: 0400 092 555 Vincentian Retreat Centre Somersby 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

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		PARISH DIAF
Mon 11/6	6.45am	Mass
Tue 12/6	6.45am 9.00am	Mass Mass (SJW)
Wed 13/6	6.45am 9.15am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Mass Mass Legion of Mary (St Joseph's House) Confirmation Parents Meeting (Jubilee Hall)
Thu 14/6	6.45am 9.15am 7.00pm 7.00pm	Mass Mass Psalmist followed by General Choir (8 Wallace St, Sefton) RCIA Meeting (St Joseph's House)
Fri 15/6	6.45am 9.15am	Mass Mass
Sat 16/6	8.00am 8.30pm 9.00am 5.00pm	Mass Rosary Novena, Adoration, Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 17/6	8.00am 10.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Mass (SJW) Mass (SPC) Altar Servers Training (SPC) Safeguarding Training for Sacrament Team (St Joseph's House)

"Family that pray together stay together" **PILGRIM STATUE**



FROM ST PETER CHANEL

at Amarille Home 2/15 St Johns Road, Auburn 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 Moore Home

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

17 JUNE 2018	11 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME				
Mass	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)		
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY	William ANDREWS	Mario CAPRA		
	Dom PANGILINAN		Mert BOLONIA		
MUSIC & SINGING	Renee SALAR &		SAMOAN		
	SCHOOL CHOIR		CHOIR		
LECTOR/S		Ken HARTMAN	Mai VU		
	SPC SCHOOL	Jenny MICHAEL	Micheline BOTHAM		
COMMENTATOR	FAMILY MASS	Joe MOSES	Margarette Nguyen		
SP. MINISTER	Pam SNELL		Hoa NGUYEN		
CHURCH SHOP	Margaret Heys		Margaret THAM		
GREETER	Parish Children	Joe MOSES	Evelina LUI &		
			Vinita NAZARETH		
HOSPITALITY			Anna FACER		

Hospital Visitation Sat: Jann Rockliff & Altar & Sacristy: Group 6 Antoinette Phil Lopez Boudaher; Korina Kinda Hospital Communion Sun: Joy Skerritt & Roland Javier Children's liturgy: Sharon Iacono Cleaners SPC: Rey & Brilla Quinoy

16 JUNE Saturday 8AM LECTOR FOR MASS Jann ROCKLIFF

MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Eliseo Visaya, Huy Truy Nguyen

Deceased: Ana Mirjana Maria Stipe Lisica, Ruth Domingo-Amores, Carmen Florendo-Amores, Samuel 'Bo' Amores, Norah Lally, Paddy Lally, Maria Giuseppina Carra. All souls in purgatory.

Anniversary: Ulrich Lourensz (12/), Filippa Bartolotta (14/6)

Deceased Members and Friends of: Orlovic Family, Duong Family, Ross & Mitchell Families, O'Dwyer & Erwin Families, Amores & Domingo Families

Other: Members of the Cragg & Clarke Families. In Honour of MASS INTENTIONS St Anthony for health. TOR THE WEEK



ARE YOU A PASSIONATE DISCIPLE?

"My faith is modern, while yours is old fashioned." This was comment someone made while having a conversation with me. It was in the context of the recent plebiscite on redefining marriage in our country. The implication of the comment was that I do not fit into society. My passion for the teachings of Christ is old fashioned and no more relevant. It was a polite version of telling me that I am out of mind. My consolation is that I am not alone in this experience. My boss also had a very similar experience. He was even told that he is possessed by devil. His family even wanted to rescue him. Therefore the concerned family asked my boss to take it easy and come home.

My boss is Jesus. He was very passionate about the works of his Father in Heaven. He went around healing the sick. He went around teaching the disciples. Most of all he called for conversion of hearts. He called for an intimate union with God the Father. But it touched the comfort zone of the elite, like Scribes and Pharisees. Therefore they wanted to ostracise him. The relatives of Jesus wanted to take him home so that he can cool his head. Did it make Jesus give in and conform to what is considered as normal by the majority of the people around him? No. Jesus was very resolute in his determination to do the will of his Father in Heaven. We read about this in Mark 3:20-35. Jesus was very passionate. He even told his disciples that if a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last.

To conform to the popular opinion, if we make a mishmash of our faith, then it is not going to last. "I am modern Catholic. I do not believe in everything the Church teaches. Some of it are old and irrelevant. We need to keep up with the society and accommodate modern trends in the society in our faith." If our arguments go like that, then it is a kingdom divided between and Jesus Christ and the secular society that we will be embracing. Such kingdom will not last. What we need is total passion for the Kingdom of God. We need to submit ourselves totally to Christ as his disciples. Then only we can be true our identity as Christian. Christians pray every day not because they are out of their minds. Christians attend Mass and make an intimate communion with the Body of Christ each week, not because they are out of touch with reality. Christians engage in the many mission and ministry of the Church not because they are fools. Disciples of Christ are always passionate about doing the will of the Father in Heaven. They show this passion in the ethics they follow in their personal life as well as in their social commitments. Disciples of Christ can be identified by the kind of religious involvement and prayer life they lead. There is nothing old fashioned about it. The world around us needs passionate Disciples of Christ. Are you one of them?

REFLECTIONS ON MARK 3:20-35

Living the Gospel. Who is my mother or brother?

At the end of today's gospel passage, Jesus states, 'Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.' Family bonds were critically important in 1st Century Palestine. Jesus does not deny his family kinship, but expands it to include anyone who does the will of God. All those who work to bring about the Kingdom or Reign of God share a bond with Jesus, they share a familial link with him. Whenever we act to bring about God's dream for this world, we join our efforts with those of our brother, Jesus.

Scriptural Context. Mark's Messiah.

Throughout the Gospel of Mark, the author explores the question of who people believe Jesus to be. Whilst his disciples have a less than perfect understanding of the question, 'Who do you say I am?', those whose faith reveals the truth of Jesus are quickly sworn to secrecy. In today's gospel, the misunderstanding of Jesus' family and the misunderstanding of the Scribes show their incomplete grasp of who Jesus is. Whilst the language about Satan (evil and unclean spirits) is unfamiliar language today, the gospel writer uses this imagery to further his point that Jesus is the Messiah, the one who saves the world.

Gospel Focus. Binding the Strong.

The incarnation of Jesus in the world - God becoming fully human and physically present in the world - was an act of supreme love for the world. The image of binding the strong man echoes this act of love. The image is reminiscent of a bully or tyrant who is reeking havoc and terrorising a community. Before justice can be restored and the victims/ survivors lifted up, the 'strong man' must be restrained and subdued. To bring about the loving act of God in the world, the power of evil must be resisted and bound up.

FEASTS & MEMORIALS OF THE WEEK

Monday, 11 June - St Barnabas, apostle



It is not known when he died, but according to Eastern and Western tradition his remains were discovered on this day sometime in the fifth century. A Jew from Cyprus and one of the first converts in Jerusalem, a leading member of the Church there, though not one of the twelve. He introduced Saint Paul (29 June) to the twelve and worked with him in Antioch and on missionary work in the Mediterranean world. Championed the

Gentiles at the Council of Jerusalem. Remembered as "a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith" (Acts 11:21).

Wednesday, 13 June - St Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor



Born in Lisbon (Portugal) in 1195. Died at Padua (Italy) on this day in 1231. At first an Augustinian priest and scholar, then became a Franciscan to do missionary work in north Africa but this was thwarted by illness. Instead, he became a teacher of theology and a brilliant popular preacher in southern France and Italy. Remembered and loved as an inspired preacher, a servant of the poor, and a worker of miracles.

PARISH NEWS

Mass with Anointing of the Sick



Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be held next Saturday, 16 June at 10.00 am. This Sacrament is for everyone suffering from any form of illness as well as for the ageing members of our community.

Committee will buy food case we need to know when please nominate in the food food you are bringing.

Another major requirements

Following the Mass, everyone is invited to a light lunch in the Jubilee

Hall. Please let the Parish Office know by phoning 9644 7787 if you need transport.

Parish Day

Our Parish Day this year will be on Sunday, 15 July. The day will start with a Solemn Mass at 9 AM followed by the customary procession and the fellowship meal of lunch. Children in both parish schools are preparing posters based on the theme 'Anointed and Sent'. These posters will be displayed on the Parish Day. One another thing the children will undertake to reflect the fact we are a faith community bringing together the richness of faith from various cultures and lands. To represent it children will make a guard of honour with icons of the saints who were

integral to faith community in their cultural heritage.

As always, you are invited to bring food to share in the fellowship meal. If it is not practical for you to bring food, you can commit to make a money donation and the Parish Day Committee will buy food with your donation. In any case we need to know who is bringing what. Therefore please nominate in the form provided today what kind of food you are bringing.

Another major requirement of the day is volunteers to usher the procession and carry the statues, the flags, and help with various aspects of forming the procession. There are volunteers required to help in the Hall. Please nominate yourself as a volunteer for the day. Let us make it as big celebration shared by all parishioners.

Formation & Training Course for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

If you are interested in becoming an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, please book in a time to see Fr Thomas in the office to discuss and organise registration. You will need to provide a copy of your Baptism Certificate. This program is over two Saturdays, 7th and 14th of July, 9.00am-12noon at Parish Centre, Ryde-Gladesville, 2A Charles Street, Ryde.

Course Formation for Acolytes

This course if primarily intended to prepare lay men to be instituted by the Archbishop into the ministry of Acolyte. You would need to have completed the formation course for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion prior to attending this course. Please book in a time to see Fr Thomas to register your interest. The course will be held on Saturdays 4th, 11th & 18th of August, 9.00am-12.00pm at Parish Centre Ryde-Gladesville, 2A Charles Street, Ryde.

Thank You

Last weekend 47 children made their Holy Communion with the Body of Christ for the first time. Mia is making her First Holy Communion this weekend and last weekend Trei Tupou whose name was missed from the list last week.

A lot of preparation has gone into making the day of Holy Communion very festive and meaningful. The parents of these children have been slowly initiating them to Church and Mass slowly for many years. Lately they have been sitting with them for many weeks and explaining what it means to be in Communion with the Body of Christ.



I thank the parents for their passion for Christ and Holy Communion. The teachers at SPC and SJW schools as well as the Catechists who do Scripture in the Public Schools were busy teaching the children about Sacraments and Spiritual life. They too deserve our special thanks. Then for the day of the celebration itself, the Parish Choir and the Tongan Choir sang beautifully and devotionally. The Liturgy Committee and the floral arrangers did a good job decorating the Church. Then there are the people who cleaned the Church and the Sacristy and the Church Linen. Most of all Micheline, Josie, Vinita and Alan from the Sacramental Team did all the planning and execution of the program so well. For a job well done thank you. To all who helped as part of one big parish family, a big thank you. Let us keep this spirit up in all our parish activities.



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, Thursday, 14 June 2018, **Where**: St Joseph's House, 68 Kingsland Road, Berala **Contact**: Andrew Tham 0403 566 001 or **Email**: info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au

Little Sisters of the Poor Appeal Next Weekend

The Little Sisters of the Poor care for the elderly poor in the spirit of humble service. They welcome the elderly as they would Jesus Christ Himself and serve them with love and respect until death. Their vision is to continue the charismatic inspiration of Jeanne Jugan in today's world using all modern means to improve care for the elderly and to promote their role in society. They desire to show to all with whom they come in contact, the primacy of eternal values and the boundless love of God



The appeal will take place on **Saturday, 16th and Sunday 17th of June**. Please give generously so that they can continue to provide care to the elderly.

Raising Your Child in a Digital World Seminar

Date: Thursday, 21 June 2018 | Time: 7-9pm (please note talk starts promptly at 7pm) | Location: DOOLEYS Lidcombe Catholic Club, 24 John Street, Lidcombe 2141 | Tickets: \$5 via Eventbrite. Tickets are limited, book now! https://bit.ly/2lypi3k



Dr Kristy Goodwin is a leading digital parenting educator, researcher, author & former teacher (and mum who deals with her kids' techno-tantrums). She translates the latest research into essential and digestible information and tips, for parents, educators and health professionals so that they can safely navigate the digital terrain... without suggesting that kids be 'digitally amputated'! Kristy has spoken at and consulted with schools throughout Australia and Asia, she's regularly called on by the media for her expert opinion.

Annual Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on Sunday, 8 July at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney at 10.30am. All married couples are welcome.

Mass will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on 9307 8404 or LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org.



Registered couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 60th or 65th wedding anniversaries will receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher. Special recognition will also be given to couples who were married at the Cathedral.

Bishop Vincent Long Talk

You are invited to hear Bishop Vincent Long, an ardent supporter of Pope Francis, speaking about "the New Dawn of the Church" at 'Winbourne', Edmund Rice Retreat & Conference Centre, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on **Saturday 16th June** 2018. Entry by donation. Registration 10.00 am. For more info contact Dennis Farrar 0425209840. Organised by the Passionist Family Group Movement.



Marriage Enrichment Weekend

Take the time to step back from everyday distractions and rediscover your relationship!

17th – 19th August at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW Book online at www.wwme.org.au

Alternatively contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on phone 02 9390 5812.



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EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & RETREATS

Cardinal from Myanmar at St Mary's Cathedral

Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, S.D.B., Archbishop of Yangon, Mynamar will be celebrating Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on **Sunday 10th June 2018 at 10:30am**. The Cardinal is an official guest of Catholic Mission who will be holding their annual mission appeal over the weekend of 9th and 10th June. Please join us in warmly welcoming Cardinal Bo to St Mary's Cathedral as we look forward to hearing more about the 'education revolution' in Mynamar. Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar

Relic of St Anthony. Parishioners and friends of St Anthony are invited to join the celebrations commencing with Mass and 9 days of Novena on St Anthony's Feast day, Wednesday 13 June 2018, culminating in the reception of the Holy Relic on Thursday 21 June and Masses and public veneration of the Relics on Friday 22 June. www.stanthonyschurch.org.au or phone 96313316 for full details of the Celebrations.

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Catholic Charismatic Renewal NSW. Invites you to a Formation Day with the inspired preacher Fr. Roni George of the Divine Retreat Centre, Somersby on June 30, from 10 am to 4 pm. Theme; "Three Major Weapons in His Vineyard". Venue; St. Joseph's Church Hall, Gordon St. Rozelle. Please register by June 27 at CCR Centre 9810 2499 or email@ccrnsw.org.au. Cost by donation. Lunch provided

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a journey of spiritual healing to help women and men overcome the painful effects of an abortion experience. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment. The weekend retreat is facilitated by professionally trained spiritual counsellors and priests. The retreat we offer is a service for all who seek spiritual healing and wholeness in their lives. The next retreat will be held: 10 - 12 August and 16 - 18 November.

You could assist those who might benefit from Rachel Vineyard's Ministries support by asking the parishes to run the following bulletin notice over the coming weeks and months making available the details of the retreats and how to contact us.

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Healing After Abortion. Rachel's Vineyard Ministries, Sydney offers regular healing retreats for those who have experienced an abortion. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non judgmental environment. Information and a brochure can found at: www.rachelsvineyard.org.au or call us on our confidential voicemail number 0400 092 555 or email info@rachelsvineyard.org.au.

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.

PILGRIMAGES & TRAVEL

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/wyd.

Visiting Rome? 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. Email for more info: reservations@domusaustralia.org.

MISCELLANEOUS

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship: Applications now Open. The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offer scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Applications close 23rd July 2018. Details and application: http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html.



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Darlene was sitting on her grandfather's lap as he read her a bedtime story.

From time to time, she would take her eyes off the book and reach up to touch his wrinkled cheek. She was alternately stroking her own cheek, then his again. Finally she spoke up, 'Grandpa, did God make you?' 'Yes, darling,' he answered, 'God made me a long time ago.'

'Oh,' Darlene paused, 'Grandpa, did God make me too?'

'Yes, indeed, poppet,' he said, 'God made you just a little while ago.'

Feeling their respective faces again, Darlene observed, 'God's getting better at it, isn't he?'