



## 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.

### THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

1 JULY 2018

#### First Reading

**Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24**

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

#### Second Reading

**2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15**

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

#### Gospel

**Mk 5:21-31**

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a

haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

### ANTIPHONS & READINGS

#### Entrance Antiphon Ps 46:2

All peoples, clap your hands.  
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

#### Responsorial Psalm:

**(R) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those

who sink into the grave. **(R.)**

2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **(R.)**

3. The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing, O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **(R.)**

#### Gospel Acclamation See Lk 1:76

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways.  
**Alleluia!**

#### Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all within me, his holy name.

#### Next Week's Readings:

Ez 2:2-5, 2 Cor 12:7-10, Mk 6:1-6

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**CatholicCare.** CCareline team provides caring advice and advocacy to help families navigate their way through the social service sector.  
CCareline 13 18 19 | CatholicCare.org

### Alcohol & Drug Information Service:

(Confidential) 02 9361 8000

### Spiritual Retreats:

Benedictine Abbey  
Jamberoo - www.jamberoobay.org.au/  
retreats Ph: 4236 0533

### Carmelites Varroville -

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

## PARISH DIARY THIS WEEK

Mon 2/7	6.45am	Mass
Tue 3/7	6.45am 7.00pm	Mass Psalmist followed by General Choir (8 Wallace St, Sefton)
Wed 4/7	6.45am 9.15am 10.00am	Mass Mass Legion of Mary (St Joseph's House)
Thu 5/7	6.45am 9.15am 7.00pm 7.30 pm	Mass Mass RCIA (St Joseph's House) Pastoral Council re Parish Day (Jubilee Hall)
Fri 6/7	6.45am 9.15am	Mass Mass
Sat 7/7	8.00am 8.30pm 9.00am 5.00pm	Mass Rosary Novena, Adoration, Confession Vigil Mass
Sun 8/7	8.00am 10.00am 11.00am 4.00pm	Mass (SJW) Mass (SPC) Altar Servers Commissioning (SPC) Final Singing Practice for Parish Day (SPC)

*"Family that pray together stay together"*

### PILGRIM STATUE



FROM ST PETER CHANEL  
at Abraham Home  
7 Clarke Street, Berala

*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 S J W Church  
at the Lopez Home  
To host the Rosary Statue from  
SJW contact  
Phil Lopez on 9646 1756.

8 JULY 2018

14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY Dom PANGILINAN	William ANDREWS	Roland JAVIER Mert BOLONIA
MUSIC & SINGING	Kate PARISH & PARISH CHOIR		ELMER'S GROUP
LECTOR/S	Noelene DONNELLAN Flavia NARAYAN	Ken HARTMAN Joe MOSES	Hoa NGUYEN Margaret Nguyen
COMMENTATOR	Jann ROCKLIFF	Maris MARSH	Micheline BOTHAM
SP. MINISTER	Christine KENSEY		Jenny MICHAEL
CHURCH SHOP	Charlie Scully		John SHANLEY
GREETERS	Roshan & Sharon SEBASTIAN	Joe MOSES	Alan THAM, Suly TAN, Gilbert KIM

**Hospital Visitation Sat :** Amato Hehea  
& Bernadette Hawthorn

**Altar & Sacristy:** Group 6 Korina Kinda,  
Antoinette Boudaher

**Hospital Communion Sun:** Joyce McDonald & Anna Manganaro

**Cleaners SPC:** Samoan Group

**Children's liturgy:** School Holidays

**Saturday 8AM**

**7 JULY**

LECTOR FOR MASS

Jann ROCKLIFF

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Recently Deceased:** Roderick  
Curammeng (20/6), Giovanni Santangelo  
(23/6), Corazon Gantioqui - Amores, Vinh  
Van Le

**Deceased:** Paul Ford, Gloria Astrid,  
Marcelo Amores, Anita Amores-Avila,  
Amelia Mores Figueras, Pancho Parel,  
Herminio Z Florendo

**Anniversary:** Glenn Ford, Nunziatina  
Simeone (20/6), Ted Duffy (23/6), Ruth  
Domingo Amores (23/6), Catalino

Arcinue (24/6), Marina Arcinue (24/6),  
Marie-Lise Edwards (27/6), June Smith  
(27/6), Maria Camua Martin (12/7),  
Avelina Carbungco-Florendo (23/7)

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

**Other Intentions:** Lola O'Dwyer—good  
health.

**Birthdays:** John & Stella Baldoria



This week we welcome into the Catholic faith

**Annabelle Rose Capilli**

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

## Disciple of Christ Restores Human Dignity

I have been looking at the Year 6 Religious Education Test Questions for this Year. Question 40 was about a teenage boy and her sisters who along with their mother fled the violence in their country Myanmar and ended up in Nauru. This poor family minus their father, who is trapped back in the violence and poverty stricken Myanmar, has been enduring harsh conditions on Nauru for the last 523 days. Then the question: *Guided by the principles of Catholic Social Teaching and model of See, Judge, Act, you decide that Daivika and his family*

- A. *Should return to Myanmar and fight corruption.*
- B. *Should stay on Nauru and appreciate the resources they have there*
- C. *Should contact a family member or friend who is willing to help*
- D. *Should be given access to services to resettle in another country.*

What is religious about this case? Isn't it a political question? Christ's teaching makes it clear that what response we find for this question will have an impact on our discipleship of Christ. Reflecting on Mark 5:21-43 will help us understand why.

According to chapter 5 of Mark's Gospel, Jesus obliges to a Synagogue official who pleads with him to heal his desperately sick daughter. Though this was not part of any temple ritual or Sabbath, it still mattered for the Kingdom of God to show compassion and do all in your capacity to help the needy. By raising the dead child back to life, Jesus showed that he as the Son of God has the power even over death. What Jesus did on the way to Jairus house to attend to the desperately sick child is more revealing of the religion Jesus taught. While Jesus was walking with the crowd, a woman who has been suffering from bleeding for 12 years came forward and touched his cloth and got healed of her ailment. We do not know her name. She did not have her identity recognised, let alone dignity. According to the Jewish custom, touched by a bleeding woman, Jesus, a Jew, would have been defiled. No good Jew would have liked to be defiled like that. But instead of being indignant about it, Jesus called the woman of faith, "daughter". From nobody she has become a daughter of God. The religiosity of the Kingdom of God requires that a true disciple of Christ do all in his capacity to restore the lost dignity of people who are ostracised by the society and have become nobody. Our Master, Jesus, allowing interruption to his trip to heal the synagogue official's child taught this point emphatically. The Question 40 of the Test mentioned above is testing whether you got this teaching of Christ. Unless we intentionally work on restoring the dignity of those who are deprived of it, we cannot be a true Disciple of Christ.



### REFLECTIONS ON MARK 5:21-43

#### **From the perspective of Jairus**

What a whirlwind of emotions Jairus must have gone through. His daughter was sick and getting worse but Jesus had left the region and travelled across the Sea of Galilee. Suddenly, Jairus heard that Jesus had returned! He raced to Jesus and begged him to save his daughter. What joy when Jesus set out to do so! But Jesus was slowed by the crowd and then came to a complete stop and spoke to some woman. Didn't he know this was urgent? Then the news came that the little girl was dead—and no need to hurry now. Finally, unbelievable relief and joy: Jesus raises the little girl and reunites her with her parents.

#### **Gospel Focus. A lesson in faith.**

Although Jairus obviously believed that Jesus might be able to do something to help heal his daughter once news came that she had died he needed a strong reminder from Jesus not to be afraid and to have faith. Was it the example of the woman's faith in Jesus that gave Jairus the strength to continue to believe? When they arrive at the house the mourners laugh at Jesus and are consequently excluded from witnessing the miraculous raising. Since they don't have faith, they are not given the opportunity to witness faith in action.

#### **Have you thought? What's my haemorrhage?**

In the gospel story, the woman suffers a serious physical complaint - an unending flow of blood - that must have left her physically, emotionally and spiritually exhausted. For many of us there is some aspect of our lives that has an almost equally draining effect as the physical complaint of the woman. In effect, some aspect of our lives may be haemorrhaging - a constant outflow of energy and emotion that prevents us from being all that we might be. It may be an unhealthy relationship; an addiction; a lack of confidence; a grudge; a lack of emotional control.

### FEASTS & MEMORIALS OF THE WEEK



#### **Tuesday, 3 July - St Thomas, apostle**

St Thomas the Apostle was one of the twelve disciples commissioned by Jesus. In John's Gospel when upon hearing that Jesus had risen from the dead, Thomas replied, "Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe". But when Jesus appeared Thomas then professed his faith - this story giving rise to the name "doubting Thomas". After Jesus' death it is widely believed he sailed to India in 52AD where he established several churches in the southern state of Kerala. Tradition suggests he was martyred in 72AD; speared to death at a site now called St Thomas Mount, before being buried in Mylapore in modern day Chennai. St Thomas is one of the patron saints of India. Read in this week's Catholic Weekly more about the influence of St Thomas in the Church History



## The Martyrs Had Seen what they Proclaimed

*Saint Augustine on the feast of Peter and Paul*

Last Friday, 29 June was the feast of Saints Peter and Paul. To mark this feast of the first Pope, we also had the Holy Father's Appeal last week. St Augustine's Sermon on the Feast is a good spiritual reading.

This day has been consecrated for us by the martyrdom of the blessed apostles Peter and Paul. It is not some obscure martyrs we are talking about. *Their sound has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.* These martyrs had seen what they proclaimed, they pursued justice by confessing the truth, by dying for the truth.

The blessed Peter, the first of the Apostles, the ardent lover of Christ, who was found worthy to hear, *And I say to you, that you are Peter.* He himself, you see, had just said, *You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.* Christ said to him, *And I say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.*

Upon this rock I will build the faith you have just confessed. Upon your words, *You are the Christ, the Son of the living God,* I will build my Church; because you are Peter. Peter comes from *petra*, meaning a rock. Peter, "Rocky," from "rock"; not "rock" from "Rocky." Peter comes from the word for a rock in exactly the same way as the name Christian comes from Christ.

Before his passion the Lord Jesus, as you know, chose those disciples of his whom he called apostles. Among these it was only Peter who almost everywhere was given the privilege of representing the whole Church. It was in the person of the whole Church, which he alone represented, that he was privileged to hear, *To you will I give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

After all, it is not just one man that received these keys, but the Church in its unity. So this is the reason for Peter's acknowledged pre-eminence, that he stood for the Church's universality and unity, when he was told, *To you I am entrusting,* what has in fact been entrusted to all. To show you that it is the Church which has received the keys of the kingdom of heaven, listen to what the Lord says in another place to all his apostles: *Receive the Holy Spirit;* and immediately afterwards, *Whose sins you forgive, they will be forgiven them; whose sins you retain, they will be retained.*

Quite rightly, too, did the Lord after his resurrection entrust his sheep to Peter to be fed. It is not, you see, that he alone among the disciples was fit to feed the Lord's sheep; but when Christ speaks to one man, unity is being commended to us. And he first speaks to Peter, because Peter is the first among the apostles.

Do not be sad, Apostle. Answer once, answer again, answer a third time. Let confession conquer three times with love, because self-assurance was conquered three times by fear. What you had bound three times must be loosed three times. Loose through love what you had bound through fear. And for all that, the Lord once, and again, and a third time, entrusted his sheep to Peter.

There is one day for the passion of two apostles. But these two also were as one; although they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, Paul followed. We are celebrating a feast day, consecrated for us by the blood of the apostles. Let us love their faith, their lives, their labours, their sufferings, their confession of faith, their preaching.

## PARISH NEWS

### Sacred Linen Launderer Required

Micheline Botham, along with a few other ministries, is also a voluntary Launderer for the Sacred Linen of the Church. She washes and irons Purifiers, Finer Towels, Altar Clothes each week for the Church. Now she would like to share this ministry with a volunteer. Micheline will be away on a 3 weeks holidays soon. Therefore it is important to get a volunteer to step in during her absence. Therefore please contact Micheline or Fr Thomas for more information and to volunteer.

### Plenary Council

There are 3 questions you may like to answer.

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith or the Church you would like to share?

Tell your stories and responses to some other friends, parishioners, or family. Listen to their responses. Reflect how has another perspective influenced your own. Then you are welcome to write down your response to the three questions above and submit to the Plenary Council directly online at [plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/](http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/) or to the parish office ([info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au](mailto:info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au)) from where it will be collated and submitted to the Plenary Council. In the near future the parish will be organising forums for parishioners to share their stories and present their responses. All responses will be noted and submitted to the Plenary Council by the parish.

For more information, contact Fr Thomas or visit on web [plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au).



## PARISH NEWS

### Planned Giving

Planned Giving receipts for this financial year as well as the new envelopes for the next financial year are now available for collection at the church foyer.



If any of your contact details need to be updated, please contact the Parish Office on 02 9644 7787 or email [info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au](mailto:info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au). Tax. If you wish to join our Planned Giving Program, please fill out the form in this bulletin and place it in the collection plate.

### Planned Giving Receipts

Receipts for your contribution to Planned Giving last Financial Year is now ready for collection from the Foyer of the Church.

### 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.

Thank you to those who have already signed up to donate food & drinks or to volunteer on the day.

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.

Please nominate in the form provided at the church foyer what kind of food you are bringing. We also

need 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.



### Children's Choir

The parish is establishing a Children's Choir. JOSHUA GEREIS OP will be training and leading the choir. Joshua is a trained musician and

chorister with repertoire including Handel's Messiah and Faure's Requiem. He has sung for over 11 years in choirs and is an aspiring primary school teacher. Whether your child can sing or would like to, this is a fantastic opportunity to allow their voices to flourish for the glorification of God.

The Induction Day is Friday 20 July 2018, Time: 10 AM – 12 PM.

Venue: St Peter Chanel Church

Registrations before the Induction Day will be free of charge.

For Registration contact Barbara Mucha (SPC School); Angela Finnane (SJW School; and Parish Office (9644 7787 or [info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au](mailto:info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au))

### Parish Choir

You are welcome to Choir Practice on Thursday at 7.30pm at Maureen's House, 8 Wallace St, Sefton.

The first Parish Day Mass Singing Practice is on at 4pm Sunday 1 July at St Peter Chanel's church. All are welcome to join the singing for the Parish Day.

Enquiries to Maureen on 9644-5818 or 0407 268 180.

~Maureen Hynes

### 2018 Holy Father's Appeal

Our parish will hold the Holy Father's Appeal again this weekend. We collected a total of \$190 in cash last week. Thank you to those who have already donated. Through your gift you can help Pope Francis bring hope, opportunity and the spirit of Jesus Christ to our less fortunate brothers and sisters around the world.

To give, please use the appeal envelopes provided or phone the Fundraising Office on during office hours on 1800 753 959.



### Catholic Mission Appeal Next Weekend



***'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news...'*** Isaiah 52:7

Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to help to heal a nation through education in Myanmar. Led by Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, the Church is developing an alternative system of quality education, with comprehensive teacher training programs and the establishment of new schools, especially in remote areas. It has been called an "education revolution", and the potential impact is far-reaching. Please come prepared next weekend and give generously to this important work. You will have an opportunity to become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as a monthly giving partner. This regular contribution will directly support education in Myanmar. **Freecall: 1800 257 296 [catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar](http://catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar)**



## 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, July, 5 June 2018, **Where:** St Joseph's House, 68 Kingsland Road, Berala **Contact:** Andrew Tham 0403 566 001 or **Email:** info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au

## OTHER NOTICES

### EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & RETREATS

**Women's Day Retreat 2018.** A day for young women to discover more about the Consecrated Life. This day retreat will be an opportunity for young women (Single – 18 to 35) to meet and have conversations with consecrated women from various communities, for confession and adoration. For more information: vocations@sydneycatholic.org or 02 9307 8424.

**Saturday 14 July 2018** | Time: 9am – 3:30pm | Location: St Benedict's Broadway Hall, 104 Broadway, Chippendale NSW 2008. RSVP by Wed 11 July 2018

### NSW Launch of the National Catholic Medical Association

**Saturday 21st July:** 3pm. Annual NSW Mass and Blessing of the Hands Ceremony at Sacred Heart Parish Darlinghurst Sydney. All doctors, nurses and allied health care colleagues including students are warmly invited to attend see <http://facma.org.au/news.html> or <https://www.facebook.com/events/1591788990944281/> and this week's Catholic Weekly for further information.

**Lessons from the Long Paddock.** Fr Richard Leonard SJ, Sr Michele Connolly RSJ and Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE reflect on stories from people in the Diocese and explore the lived experiences of faith in the bush.

**Thursday 9th August 2018** 9.30am - 12.30 at the Ron Dyer Centre Our Lady of the Way Parish, St Mary's North Sydney - Admission Free. For enquiries ring Kate Englebrecht on 0420 309 689 or visit <http://www.wf.catholic.org.au> for more information.

### SUPPORT & SERVICES

**CatholicCare Sydney.** Join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team to raise funds for CatholicCare Sydney's HOPE program in this

year's City2Surf. Challenge yourself and run for HOPE! Register online at <https://fundraise.catholiccare.org/city2surf> and join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team today! For further information Ashleigh Green on 0419 954 839 or at [community@catholiccare.org.au](mailto:community@catholiccare.org.au).

**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: [www.rachelsvineyard.org.au](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.au) or call us on our confidential voicemail number 0400 092 555 or email [info@rachelsvineyard.org.au](mailto: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](mailto:bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au).

### 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 23 July 2018. Details and application: <http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

## 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](mailto:LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org).



### 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.*

### ALL MEN / ALL GIRLS

When my daughter, Kelli, said her bedtime prayers, she would bless every family member, every friend, and every animal. For several weeks, after we had finished the nightly prayer, Kelli would say, "And all girls." This soon became part of her nightly routine, to include this closing. My curiosity got the best of me and I asked her, "Kelli, why do you always add the part about all girls?" Her response, "Because you always finish your prayers by saying 'All Men!'"



## 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 .....

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