



Saint Peter Chanel

## PARISHES OF ST PETER CHANEL BERALA & ST JOSEPH THE WORKER AUBURN SOUTH

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### Thirty first Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 4th November, 2012

*From your Pastor*

#### Two Great Commandments

One of the joys of going home is meeting up with some of the exceptional people. Pyloth of Emmanuel Krupa is one of them. Pyloth retired a few years ago as a Bank officer. He was already a widower by then and his two daughters have married and settled down. One of them is married to a brother of mine. One thing that bothered Pyloth was the number of mentally sick people wandering around with no place to go to and no one to care for. He started to invite them to his house. He would make sure they all took their medication in time. The patients are invited to help with cooking, and other house chores. He gets them also to pray with him each morning and evening. Thomas MM and his wife from my home parish are another such exceptional people. They decided to adopt children deprived of caring families offering a proper family to live and grow. These are not isolated stories.

These stories are examples of radical commitment to the call of Jesus to love God and Neighbour. This world is becoming better and better because of such people. Many people know us as Christians because of such dedication to God's love.

While Liturgy is the Source and Summit of our faith life, the flesh and blood of our faith is the Love of God expressed through the Love of Our Neighbour. The challenge posed by today's Gospel is to be radical in our Love for our Neighbour. We are called to Love Our Neighbours As We Love Ourselves. And we know that living in a globalised world, the Neighbour is not just the one who lives immediately next to us. Visiting Vietnam, I was challenged to express my Christian Charity to people living in floating villages in the rivers and lakes who are deprived of legal documents to prove their mere existence. I am not sure I found a way to do it. But as a Christian I need to be working constantly to get my Christian charity to reach such people.

Biblical faith (on whose tradition Jesus relies) is a process through which we acknowledge God as absolute in our lives. God is not something abstract but someone whom we must love "with all our mind and with all our strength" (Mark 12:30). This is the reason for the categorical rejection of all forms of idolatry that we find in the Bible. As we know, idolatry means putting in our trust in someone other than God. This is a danger for all believers. Perhaps we idolise things other than God – money, personal property, celebrities. So the question to ask is what do our bank balances and diary entries reveal?

**Holy Mass at Berala:** Monday-Friday: 6.45 AM; Tuesday 7 PM Novena, & Mass; Wednesday—Friday 9.15 AM Saturday 8 AM  
Lord's Day: Saturday 5 PM (Vigil), Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM; **Reconciliation at Berala:** Saturday 9.30 AM  
**Holy Mass at Auburn South:** Tuesday 9 AM, Lord's Day, Sunday 9 AM, **Reconciliation** Sunday 8.30 AM  
Baptisms, Weddings, and Anointing of the Sick by Appointment



## All Saints Day

*(Homily by Fr Thomas at St Joseph the Worker, last Thursday)*

We know of Mary MacKillop of the Cross as the saint – the only saint – of Australia. But I say that there are a lot more saints in Australia. All those who are baptised to be a child of God are meant to be saints. Therefore the Feast of All Saints is the feast of all Christians. In fact, being a disciple of Christ implies striving to be holy.

We expect every Christian we meet to be a saint. Saints live in heaven. Therefore we should be creating heaven for everyone we expect to be a saint.

Today's Gospel tells us how to create heaven for others. The passage we read in Mass today is from the Gospel of Matthew and it is commonly known as the beatitudes. It is the Magna Carta of Christian living.

The eight beatitudes speak to us of the fundamental attitudes of Jesus' disciples - Christians.

Blessed are the poor in spirit means we should totally trust in God.

Blessed are those who weep means we must share the suffering of others.

Blessed are the meek means we must be kind to others.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness means we must fervently want justice to reign in this world.

Blessed are those who are pure in heart means we must be consistent and upright in our lives.

Blessed are those who work for peace means we must do our best to establish peace as the outcome of justice.

In short this means we should always be striving to prepare heaven for others. In that course be prepared to be opposed by those who refuse to recognise the rights and dignity of others.

In this spirit, Blessed Theresa of Calcutta (Mother Theresa) prepared a prayer.

“Deliver me, O Jesus:

From the desire of being esteemed

From the desire of being loved

From the desire of being honoured

From the desire of being praised

From the desire of being preferred to others

From the desire of being consulted

From the desire of being approved

From the desire of being popular.

Deliver me, O Jesus:

From the fear of being humiliated

From the fear of being despised

From the fear of being rebuked

From the fear of being slandered

From the fear of being forgotten

From the fear of being wronged

From the fear of being treated unfairly

From the fear of being suspected

And, Jesus, grant me the grace

To desire that others might be more loved than I

That others might be more esteemed than I

That in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I decrease

That others may be chosen and I set aside

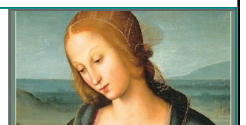
That others may be preferred to me in everything

That others may become holier than I, provided that I, too, become as holy as I can.”

As we are called to be saints, let us make this prayer of Blessed Theresa our prayer too. Instead of getting disappointed after expecting too much from others, let us do a lot for others and surprise them. That is what all the saints did.

**COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR—** Now available at SPC Berala Piety Stall for \$9.00.

Buying a copy you will be supporting the Columban Mission.



## Pastoral Planning

Next Saturday, all members of the Pastoral Councils of both Parishes and Finance Committee members are meeting with members of various ministry groups and the priests. It is a whole day exercise. They will be discussing various aspects of Pastoral Planning for both parishes. It includes Welcome Program for lapsed Catholics, Various Ministries, Amalgamation of Parishes, and renovation of parish facilities. All parishioners are welcome to make comments and suggestions to members of the Pastoral Council so that they can bring them to the discussions. There will be general meeting of each parish on Sunday, 25 November – St Joseph the Worker at 10 AM and St Peter Chanel at 7 PM.

### Pastoral Council, St Peter Chanel

Jenny Michael (Chair)  
Charlie Scully (Vice-Chair)  
Joji Salar (Secretary)  
Kay Scully  
Jacob John  
Jo Fox (SPC School Principal)

### Finance Committee, St Peter Chanel

John Le-Mottee (Chair)  
Micheline Botham (Secretary)  
John Rodoreda (Maintenance)  
Edward Duffy (Budget)

### Pastoral Council and Finance Committee, St Joseph the Worker

Joe Moses [Chair]  
Pat Kavanagh [Vice Chair]  
Marika Noke-Raico [Secretary]  
William Andrews  
Karim Kassis  
John Kennedy (SJW School Principal)

## Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45 AM Mass; Priests' Day off	Priests Day Off
Tuesday	6.45 AM Mass, 7.00 PM Novena & Mass	9.00 AM Mass
Wednesday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass Secretary available at Parish Office	Secretary available at Parish Office
Thursday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass, Secretary available at Parish Office	Secretary available at Parish Office
Friday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass	
Saturday	8.00 AM Mass 9.30 AM Confession 5.00 PM Vigil Mass	
Sunday	8.00 AM Mass 10 AM Mass	8.30 AM Confession, 9.00 AM Mass



**Our great appreciation is extended to  
DOOLEYS Lidcombe Catholic Club  
for their generous support and  
donation of \$50,000  
towards the new audio visual system  
in St Peter Chanel Church.**

*(Pictured right)* Julie Milsom, Community  
Liason Co-ordinator at Dooley's presenting  
the cheque to Fr Thomas.



## CWF 2012 Pastoral Appeal.

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal will be held this weekend. All monies from the appeal will be spread across the six main agencies CWF supports, including CatholicCare, the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, the Ephpheta Centre, the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, the Seminaries and the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney's chaplaincies. Your support with this appeal would be greatly appreciated.



## PILGRIM STATUE

Our Lady this week will be at the Boustani home 18 Lewis St, Regents Park.  
Please join them any evening at 7.30pm for the Rosary.

***"Family that pray together stay together"*** the Rosary Statue is still visiting homes of parishioners of St Peter Chanel every Saturday.  
If you would like to host Our Lady for a week please contact  
Mona for booking on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.



## Feasts this week

### *The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – Friday 9 November, Feast*

Today the liturgy celebrates the dedication of the Lateran Basilica, called "mother and head of all the churches of the city and the world." In fact, this basilica was the first to be built after Emperor Constantine's edict, in 313, granted Christians freedom to practice their religion.



The emperor himself gave Pope Miltiades the ancient palace of the Laterani family, and the basilica, the baptistery, and the patriarchate, that is, the Bishop of Rome's residence — where the Popes lived until the Avignon period — were all built there. The basilica's dedication was celebrated by Pope Sylvester around 324 and was named Most Holy Saviour; only after the 6th century were the names of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist added, and now is typically denominated by these latter.

Initially the observance of this feast was confined to the city of Rome; then, beginning in 1565, it was extended to all the Churches of the Roman rite. The honouring of this sacred edifice was a way of expressing love and veneration for the Roman Church, which, as St. Ignatius of Antioch says, "presides in charity" over the whole Catholic communion (Letter to the Romans, 1:1).

On this solemnity the Word of God recalls an essential truth: the temple of stones is a symbol of the living Church, the Christian community, which in their letters the Apostles Peter and Paul already understood as a "spiritual edifice," built by God with "living stones," namely, Christians themselves, upon the one foundation of Jesus Christ, who is called the "cornerstone" (cf. 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17; 1 Peter 2:4-8; Ephesians 2:20-22). "Brothers, you are God's building," St. Paul wrote, and added: "holy is God's temple, which you are" (1 Corinthians 3:9c, 17).

### *St Leo the Great - Saturday 10 November, Memorial*

St Leo the Great was the pope for twenty years from the year 440. During his pontificate he defended Rome from the barbarian conquerer, Attila the Hun, by convincing him to accept tribute from the city rather than sacking it. St Leo's greatest triumph as pope came from the acceptance of his dogmatic letter, which taught that Jesus Christ is one Person, in whom both human and divine nature are permanently united. Almost one hundred of his letters and sermons still survive; he was declared a doctor of the church in 1754.





## Other Notices

### World Youth Day 2013

ARE YOU COMING? Come and join with the Archdiocese as we travel to Rio de Janeiro to meet with the Holy Father and celebrate what it means to be a young Catholic! Check out [www.wydtours.com.au](http://www.wydtours.com.au) to discover the seven amazing pilgrimages that are on offer and register now! The pilgrimage of a lifetime awaits you!

### Discover OLMC Parramatta in November

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta would like to invite you to visit the College and see Mercy values in action at our final Open Morning Tour for this year on **Monday November 12, 2012**. The College is now enrolling for 2014 and there are limited vacancies for 2013. Visit [www.olmc.nsw.edu.au](http://www.olmc.nsw.edu.au) or phone 8838 1263 to reserve your place or obtain further information.

### Bereavement Support

Wednesday 14th November Time: 10 a.m. Topic: Normal Grief Responses

### "Discerning with Grace and Virtue": A Retreat for Women 23-25 November 2012

A special discernment retreat is being offered for all women considering a vocation to be a religious sister or a consecrated lay woman, so one may be given to Christ and His Church. This retreat will include talks on Religious Life, Discernment, Grace and Virtue. Speakers: Fr Michael de Stoop, Fr Aloysius Rego, OCD, Sr Lydia Marie, RSM and Sr Anthony Mary, RSM. There will also be common and private prayer, Mass, Confession, and Eucharistic Adoration. Various religious women will give vocation stories and be available for private meetings.

**Where:** Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, St. Andrews Road, Varroville, NSW 2566

**When:** Friday, 23 November (evening) to Sunday, 25 November 2012.

**What:** The retreat program can be downloaded from [www.vocationcentre.org.au](http://www.vocationcentre.org.au) under "Important Dates."

**Cost:** \$160/person. Registration is essential for food & accommodation. **Enquiries/registration:** [vocations@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:vocations@sydneycatholic.org) or 9390-5970.

Please register by Wednesday, **14 November 2012**.

### HOLY SOULS

**Please pray for the peaceful repose of** Maureen Elliott (nee Barton), Mark Man-Wah Chiu, Santina Baudille, Rosa Manganaro, Maria Yianni, Baby Lopez, Patricia Le Mottee, Noel Le Mottee, Leonard McDonald, Josephine Worthington, Hubert Worthington, Mary Worthington, Lorna Maltby, Ian Maltby, Nina Bell, Pat Crowther, Clarrie Creighton, Catalino Arcinue, Marina Arcinue, Zacarias Abadam, Aurelia Abadam, Litecia Marcelo, Teodoro Abadam, Lauriano Vega, Francisca Abadam, F Majchrzak, W Puchalski, J Kula, C Romanowicz, Kath Gazzard, Harold & Audrey Smith, Pablo C Martin, Ernesto Martin, Yoly Vegh, Charlie Orr, Sarah Vyden, Titus Jayasekara, Merle Garcia, Fred Ryan, Simon Mortillero, Rufina Mortillero, Felicidad Mortillero, Edmund & Ramon Mortillero, Augusta Lapitan, Agnes & Bill Kelso, Trudy B, Dominic Botham, Vemala Botham, Krupaiah Botham, Elias Costa, Pascal D'Souza, Adrienne D'Souza, Avelino Nazareth, Thedius carvalho, Sancha Violetta D'Souza, Ana Severina Carvalho, Joseph Noronha, Agazio Fraietta, Elisabeta Fraietta, Salvatore Capra, Maria Rodolfo, Sigismondo Capra, Nicolo' Capra, Felice LaGreca, Nicolo' Capra (Snr), T B McManus (Snr), V McManus, T McManus, Cecile McManus, Richard McAllister, Gladys Mendis, Victor Patrick, Winifred Nimal, Marlene Marman, Ian Marman, Michael Marman, Reginald Marman, Regina Poon Seu Git, Eddie Tan Cheng Soon, Peter Hung, Anna Vinh, Anna Ly', Joseph Pham, Anna Thanh, Peter Ty', Giuse Dung, Maria Nghi, Veronica Seckold, Mary & Alphonso Scanlan, Melita Warrington, Edwin Warrington, Carmen Formosa, Evan Formosa, Nina Zammit, Gianni Muscat, John Xerri, Caterina Sapiiano, Anil Herat, Iris Raymond, Aubrey Forbes, Trevine Caspersz, John Tanti, Gianni Tanti, Andreanna Muscat, Tony Muscat, Felix Muscat, Charlie Portelli, Paulina Tanti, Salvatore Muscat, Charles Kensey, Kevin O'Brien.

*And the deceased members and friends of the following families*

Donnellan, O'Connor, Mullins, Willoughby, Rodrigues, Lopez, Cardozo, Oliver, Plumb, D'Souza, Babagalo, O'Rourke, Puxty, Ann, Hart, Johnstone, Eamiguel, Alinson, Swat, Kensey, Snell, Croning, Seckold, North, O'Shea, Moore, Marsh, Nolan, Quigley, Elek, Blazevic, Lisica & Orlovic.

**and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time;** Norma Willoughby, Gary Williams, Colin Baudille

**May Their Souls Rest in Peace**

### Planned Giving

Your contribution to the Planned Giving Program of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the end of the Financial Year you will receive a Receipt for your contributions which will enable you to claim Tax deduction. To join the Planned Giving Program fill this form, tear this part off and place it in the Sunday Collection plate

Your Name:.....Parish: ☐ Berala / ☐ Auburn South

Telephone No ..... Or Email ID .....

## Antiphons & Readings

### Entrance Antiphon:

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;  
be not far from me!  
Make haste and come to my help,  
O Lord, my strong salvation!

### Responsorial Psalm:

**R.** I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,  
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
My God is the rock where I take refuge;  
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.  
The Lord is worthy of all praise:  
when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**

Long life to the Lord, my rock!  
Praised be the God who saves me.  
He has given great victories to his king  
and shown his love for his anointed. **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to  
them.

**Alleluia!**

### Communion Antiphon:

Just as the living Father sent me  
and I have life because of the Father,  
so whoever feeds on me  
shall have life because of me, says  
the Lord.



### Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 6:2-6  
Hebrews 7:23-28  
Mark 12:28-34

### Next Sunday's Readings

1 Kings 17:10-16  
Hebrews 9:24-28  
Mark 12:38-44

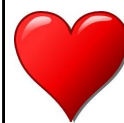
## Berala Rosters — God's House Keepers, Next Week

11 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER		32 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
MASS	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	S EAMIGUEL	R.KENSEY	R. JAVIER
ORGANIST	-----	----	SAMOAN
CANTOR	-----	----	CHOIR
LECTOR/S	P FORAN	A THAM	J. MICHAEL
	K CAROLL	F ROLL	M. BOTHAM
COMMENTOR	JOY SKERRITT	K HARTMAN	R. JAKSIC
GIFTS	C MABON	WARDENS	CHILDREN'S
	FAMILY	-----	LITURGY
PIETY STALL	S YIP	C KENSEY	J. SHANDLEY

**Group 3: ALTAR** – C Estrada; Helen Le Mottee; J Rockliff

**Group 5: COUNTERS** – Elizabeth John; Jacob John, Monica Smith

**Church Cleaners: Nov 10** - Vietnamese Community.



## Volunteers

The **HEART** Of The  
COMMUNITY

## Auburn South Roster - God's Housekeepers, Next Week

11 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	
1st Reading & Resp. Psalm	Ingrid Scharenguivel
2nd Reading	Maris Marsh
Prayers of the Faithful	William Andrews
Altar Servers	TBA
Cleaning	Maris & John Marsh & Joe Moses

Please contact Joe Moses on 9749 9220 if you are interested in:

- 1) Preparation and operation of Power Point Presentation during mass.
- 2) Altar Serving.
- 3) Joining the Choir.
- 4) Offertory Procession participation.
- 5) Joining monthly church cleaning group.

**New Liturgy Roster** from 28 October to 8 December is now available in the Church and online at [www.stpeter-stjoseph.org.au](http://www.stpeter-stjoseph.org.au). Contact us through the website for Roster password.