

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

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Yr B - 25th November, 2012

From your Pastor

Christ the King

We are living in a time of social media. Yet our time is marked by INDIVIDUALISM. This follows a century of secularism. The Feast of Christ the King was one of Pope Pius XI's response to the growing secularism in 1925. He saw that secularism was on the rise, and many Christians were doubting Christ's authority, as well as the Church's. The message of this feast still is relevant as we live in world where the authority of Christ and Church is questioned.

Pius hoped the institution of the feast would have various effects. They were:

1. That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state

2. That leaders and nations would see that they are bound to give respect to Christ.

3. That the faithful would gain strength and courage from the celebration of the feast, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

Today Individualism has been embraced to such an extreme, that for many, the only authority is the individual self. The idea of Christ as ruler is rejected in such a strongly individualistic system.

Christ's kingship is different to many of the earthly kings. It is one of humility and service. Jesus said:

You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to become great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many (Mark 10:42-45).

And Pilate said to Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?"... Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b, 36-37).

Christ's kingdom is tied to his suffering and death. While Christ is coming to judge the nations, his teachings spell out a kingdom of justice and judgment balanced with radical love, mercy, peace, and forgiveness. When we celebrate Christ as King, we are not celebrating an oppressive ruler, but one willing to die for humanity and whose "loving-kindness endures forever." Christ is the king that gives us true freedom, freedom in Him. Thus we must never forget that Christ radically redefined and transformed the concept of kingship.

Christ the King Sunday celebrated on the last Sunday of Ordinary Time, which is the Sunday before Advent. This theme is continued into Advent, especially the first two weeks when we are invited to meditate on the second coming of Christ.

Holy Mass at Berala: Monday-Friday:6.45AM; Tuesday 7PM 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



Welcome to Major Archbishop

Fr Thomas invites everyone to the reception program for Mar George Cardinal Alencherry, Major Archbishop of Syro-Malabar Church. The program starts at 6.30 PM on Tuesday, 27 November at St Mary's Cathedral. It includes a Solemn concelebrated Mass in Syro-Malabar Rite. This is the first ever visit by the Major Archbishop of Syro Malabar Church in Australia.

Parish Meetings

Today (Sunday) you are invited to your parish meeting.

St Joseph the Worker Auburn South Parishioners are invited to a meeting after Mass in St Joseph the Worker Primary School Hall.

St Peter Chanel Berala Parishioners are invited to a meeting in Jubilee Hall, starting at 7 PM

Amalgamation of Parishes

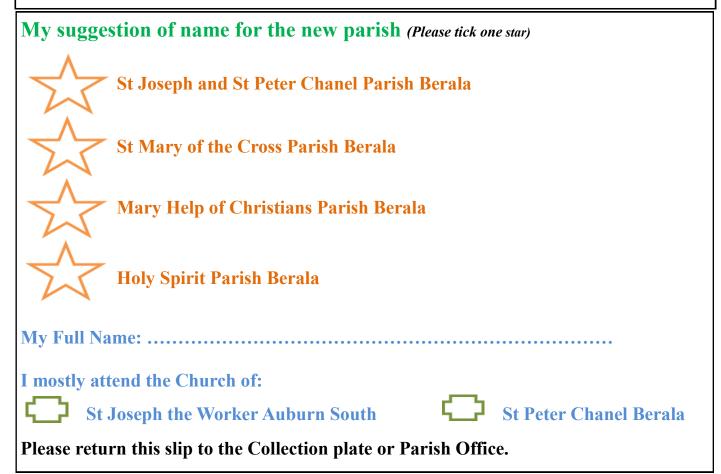
Amalgamation of St Joseph the Worker parish and St Peter Chanel Parish was also discussed. There was dissent to the proposal. It was comforting for the participants to know that both churches will retain their names and will have Eucharist celebrated in both churches.

After the amalgamation, the new parish will have a new name. The four names suggested by the meeting to put forward to both parish communities to vote on are as follows.

- * St Joseph and St Peter Chanel Parish Berala
- * St Mary of the Cross Parish Berala
- * Mary Help of Christians Parish Berala
- * Holy Spirit Parish Berala

Parishioners from both parishes are welcome to vote on these names so that I can prepare a recommendation to the Cardinal. Voting will be open until the end of the week. You can either email your response or return the slip from this Bulletin. Please indicate your current parish in your vote.

The topic of amalgamation will be discussed in the General Meeting of both parishes today (Sunday). After that I shall prepare a document for all parishioners to sign their consent/descent to the proposal. It will be a crucial document for the rest of the process.



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 Mass9.30 AM Confession5.00 PM Vigil Mass		
Sunday	8.00 AM Mass 10 AM Mass	8.30 AM Confession, 9.00 AM Mass	

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR— Now available at SPC Berala Piety Stall for \$9.00. Buying a copy you will be supporting the Columban Mission.



HOLY SOULS

Please pray for the peaceful repose of John P Yahl, Maureen Elliott (nee Barton), Mark Man-Wah Chiu, Norma Willoughby, Gary Williams, Colin Baudille, Santina Baudille, 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, Mary & Alphonso Scanlan, Melita Warrington, Edwin Warrington, Carmen Formosa, Evan Formosa, Nina Zammit, Gianni Muscat, John Xerri, Caterina Sapiano, 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, John Pemasi, Alosina Uisa, Pemasi Uisa, Denis & Mary Magdalen Caruana, Percy Smith, Gert & Jack Herrmann, Clement Hill, Kevin, Ellen, Jim & Ron O'Brien, Hugh & Kathleen & Owen McDermott, Kathleen Orth, Mary & John Bull, Gene Worlford, Noelene Gemmell, Maureen Freestone, Matthias Xudong Cheng, Fr Colin Barker, Michael McGill, Tommy & Sue, Frank & Sid Cox, Mr & Mrs Brewster, Mrs Michaels, Mr & Mrs McGill, Louise Constantin, Marie-Anne Ribet, Music Stipe & Tera, Music Ante & Kata, Nobilo Bozo & Maria, Nobilo Ante, Batistic Jaka & Jakov, Iurac Kata & Nikola, Music Stipe & Frank & Maria, Sestanovic Dinko, Vincent Boyd, Concetta & Nicola Rizzo, George West, Dawn Roll, Jack Green, May Campbell, Paul Kent, Lorne Braithwaite, Joy Smith, Douglas Amett, Mr & Mrs Liuaga, Ivo, Mele & Jack, Melchor Dela Cruz, Jose Rene Jarque, Consuelo Capellan, Mary & Louis Moses, Bruce McManus, Reg Starr, Joan & Vince Byrnes, Marie Thibault, Lillian Murphy, Aileen & Stan Sullivan, Bahija & George Moses, Veronica Seckold, Rosa Manganaro

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, Walsh, Hill, Leonardi, Roll, Stanislas, Portelli, Cuscheri, Barrett, Ross & Mitchell, Green, Smith & Itenoeq.

May Their Souls Rest in Peace

Our Lady this week will be at the Perrera home 17/26 Brunker Rd Yagoona. 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.

ROSARY STATUE at St Joseph the Worker

-an inspiration for daily recitation of the Rosary.-

There is now a new roster available at the back of the church. Anybody who is interested in having Our Lady's Statue in their home for a week please put your name, address and phone number on the roster. Claudette Abu Azzar will contact those interested persons, for delivery and pick-up of the Rosary Statue. Thank you from the Legion of Mary

Feasts this week

30 November – St Andrew, apostle. Feast

PILGRIM STATUE

Saint Andrew was the first disciple of Jesus. He was the younger brother of Saint Peter and was born in Bethsaida on the Sea of Galilee. The brothers were fishermen by trade. Jesus called them to be his disciples by saying that he would make them "fishers of men."

The Gospel of John teaches us much about St. Andrew who was originally a disciple of St. John the Baptist.

When John pointed to Jesus and said, "Behold the Lamb of God!" Andrew understood that Jesus was greater and immediately left John to follow Jesus. He visited in Jesus' home and later brought his brother Simon Peter, who Jesus also called to be an apostle.

It is believed that Saint Andrew and Saint Peter continued their trade as fishermen until Christ called them to a closer relationship, and they left all things to follow Jesus.

After Christ's crucifixion and resurrection, St. Andrew the Apostle preached the gospel in Asia Minor and in Scythia as far as Kiev. Not much is mentioned in the Book of Acts regarding the life of Saint Andrew.

Saint Andrew was martyred by crucifixion at Patras in Achaea in Greece. Because St. Andrew deemed himself unworthy to be crucified on the same type of cross on which Christ had been crucified, he asked to be tied to a Crux decussata or an X shaped cross. The Apostle Andrew did not die right away but instead he was left to suffer for two days while he continued to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ until he finally died.

Christmas activities at St Mary's Cathedral

BLESSING OF THE OUTDOOR NATIVITY SCENE AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL. The magnificent 12 piece life-size Nativity Scene in the Cathedral forecourt will be blessed following the 10.30am Mass on Sunday, 2 December. We invite everyone to come, reflect and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas – the gift of God's Son.

FOOD FESTIVAL – HOSTED BY THE CATHEDRAL'S YOUTH GROUP 'EMBRACE'. A Food Festival, hosted by the Embrace Youth Group, will follow the Blessing of the Nativity Scene on 2 December in the grounds of the Cathedral. All welcome.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY - CATHOLIC STUDENTS ART EXHIBITION. Over 90 inspired artwork pieces showcasing the creative talent of young Catholic students in Years 5 and 6 will be presented in an exhibition - The Christmas Story. One artwork will win the Cardinal's trophy. Open to the public from 3 December in the Crypt of St Mary's. Monday to Thursdays - 10am to 4pm.

This week we welcome into the Catholic faith Norah Deehan & Daniel Deehan May they always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout their life.

Crucifixion of St Andrew













24th December - Christmas Vigil - 6.00pm at St Peter Chanel Midnight Mass - St Peter Chanel 25th December - Christmas Day - 9.00am at St Joseph the Worker and 9.00am at St Peter Chanel

other Notices World Youth Day 2013

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

Divine Mercy Devotion - December 9, 2012

St Ambrose Catholic Church, 2 Burke St Concord West. 1pm – 3pm devotion, confession, adoration & divine mercy prayers. 3pm – 4pm Holy Mass. Enquiries: ruby 0468871810 email: <u>divinemercylife@hotmail.com</u>

Divine Mercy Retreat 2012

1-2 December 2012, 8 am Saturday til 5pm Sunday. Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road Varroville NSW. Cost: \$140 per person for 2 DAYS plus 1 NIGHT Accommodation inclusive of Room with Ensuite, Retreat Materials and all meals. BOOKINGS: RUBY 0468871810 or EMAIL: <u>divinemercylife@hotmail.com</u>



MONTE SANT ANGELO 'Class of 1983' 30 Year REUNION

Save the Date: Saturday 23rd March 2013 Tour the school at 4.30pm – Join friends for a drink 5.00-7.30pm For further details please contact montereunion83@gmail.com

iWitness Conference

Looking for somewhere to wind down from the year? Hoping to meet other young Catholics? Then come and join the hundreds of young adults (17-35yrs) headed to this year's iWitness Conference, from 6-9 December at Stanwell Tops. iWitness is organised for young people by young people - it brings together fantastic speakers, fun and games all just a few minutes from beautiful South Coast beaches. As well as meeting like-minded young people and hanging out at the beach, participants have a chance to deepen their relationship with God, with daily Mass, perpetual Adoration and Reconciliation, on offer throughout the conference. In this Year of Faith, the focus of the talks is on the seven Sacraments, and speakers include the Sisters of Life (all the way from New York), Bishop Peter Comensoli, Fr Greg Morgan, Professor Greg Craven, Peter Holmes and many more! For more details or to register, visit www.lifetothefull.com.au.

COURSE DIRECTOR OF RCIA FROM MARYVALE INSTITUTE, ENGLAND VISITING SYDNEY.

All involved in the RCIA or who would like to know more about the RCIA are warmly invited to information sessions being held on 30 November 6pm-8pm and 01 December 9.30am-4pm, 2012 at the Catholic Centre, Lidcombe presented by Mrs Teresa Kehoe, Course Director of RCIA from the Maryvale Institute, Birmingham, England. All welcome! The cost for both days is \$30 and RSVP's can be made to Catherine Hilder at the Catechumenate Office 9390 5951 or email rcia@sydneycatholic.org.

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:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. R

The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **R**

Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. R

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. **Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Today's Readings

Daniel 7:13-14 Revelation 1: 5-8 John 18:33-37

Next Sunday's Readings

Jeremiah 33:14-16 1Thessalonians 3:12. 4:2 Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

<u>Berala</u> Rosters — God's House Keepers, Next Week

2 ND DECEMBER		FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
Mass	Vigil	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	S EAMIGUEL	F ROLL	R. JAVIER
ORGAN		K.PARISH	ELMER
CANTOR		W.BAKER	ELMER
LECTOR/S	J DONNELLAN	A. WILLOUGHBY	S. IACANO
	FAMILY	J RODOREDA	M. BOTHAM
COMMENTATOR	E CHIA	J LE MOTTEE	J. MICHAEL
GIFTS	J MELER	A. WILLOUGHBY	CHILDREN'S
	FAMILY	C.PARISH	LITURGY
PIETY STALL	A MELER	A. WILLOUGHBY	M. THAM

Group 6: ALTAR – Micheline Botham; Korina Kinda **Group 3**: COUNTERS – Romaine Cheema; K Hartman; Andrew Tham **Church Cleaners: Dec 1 -** Samoan Youth Group



Auburn South Roster - God's Housekeepers, Next Week

2ND DECEMBER		 Please contact William Andrews on 97020428 or 0410878952 if you are interested in: 1) Preparation and operation of Power Point Presentation during mass. 	
1st Reading & Resp. Psalm	Doreen Stanmore		
2nd Reading	Joe Moses		
Prayers of the Faithful	Ingrid Scharenguivel	2) Altar Serving.	
Altar Servers	TBA	3) Joining the Choir.4) Offertory Procession participation.5) Joining monthly church cleaning group.	
Cleaning	Maronite Group		

A little boy was overheard praying: 'Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am.'

