



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

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### The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ - 2 June 2013

Starting from 23 June onwards, weekend Masses will be as follows.

Saturday (vigil) 5 PM at St Peter Chanel Berala  
Sunday 8 AM at St Joseph the Worker Auburn South  
Sunday 10 AM at St Peter Chanel Berala.

*From your Pastor*

#### Body and Blood of Christ

The history of the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ goes back to 13<sup>th</sup> century. In 1246, as per the request of St Juliana, Bishop Robert de Thorete instituted the celebration of the feast in Belgium. In 1264, Pope Urban IV declared the Feast of Corpus Christi as a universal feast of the Church, to be celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday. Now this is a major feast in the Roman Rite though it does not appear on the liturgical calendar of most of the Eastern Catholic Rites. Now in many countries, including Australia, the feast is moved to the Sunday after the Feast of Holy Trinity.

In Sydney we have the annual Eucharistic Procession through the city from St Patrick's Church, the place of the first Mass to St Mary's Cathedral.

This feast focuses on the real presence of Christ in the Eucharistic Host. The real presence of Christ in the Eucharist and the importance of Eucharist in the Christian worship is observed by Apostles soon after the death and resurrection of Jesus.

At the Last Supper Jesus instituted the Eucharist and said, "Do this in memory of me". So the Apostles and disciples of Jesus started to gather to 'Break Bread'. The bread and wine blessed at Mass became the tangible presence of Christ. The Gathering to do Eucharist was the identity of the early Christians, just like the observance of Sabbath was the identity of Jews. The Gathering to do Eucharist is Church. Therefore the only way to belong to the Church is to join the gathering to do Eucharist.

Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation are initiation into the Gathering to do the Eucharist. Reconciliation is a Sacrament to make a faithful worthy to participate in the Eucharist. In the Anointing of the sick, the priest prays that the sick person may be made well again to participate in the Eucharistic Gathering. The Ordination of the Clergy anoints men to preside over the Eucharist and assist with initiation into Church. In the Sacrament of matrimony the celebrant prays that the couple may enrich the Church with children. So all other Sacraments are directed towards Eucharistic Gathering. Therefore we say, Eucharist (Mass) is the summit of Christian living.

Sometimes I wonder how much of this is understood by the children preparing for First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Perhaps the parents, who are the primary teachers of the children, may have misconceptions. Many of them could be taking these Sacraments as rites of passage rather than initiation into the Gathering of the Faithful for Eucharist, which we call Church.

This feast of the Body and Blood of Christ invites us to reflect on the fact that the elements of bread and wine in the Mass is the tangible and real presence of Christ and Gathering to participate in the Mass makes us members of the Church.

**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; The Lord's Day Sunday 9 AM.

Baptisms, Weddings, and Anointing of the Sick by Appointment



## Thank You

Last Wednesday and Thursday we had Confirmation celebrations. 47 children received the Sacrament which was conferred by bishop Terry Brady. I would like to thank the parents who prepared these children, their Sponsors and their teachers who helped them prepare for the sacrament. The Altar Society, Samoan Choir, and all others who helped with church decoration and liturgy also did a good job and I thank them. The list of Confirmation children is below and I congratulate them on this Sacrament. May God bless them to own up their faith and stand up for their faith commitment.

Nepa	Alai	Anna Thanh	Nguyen	Melanie	Attard
Charlene Rose	Amos	Peter Quang	Nguyen	Bianca Isabel	Diaz
Julia	Babic	Isabella Giselle	Oyarce	Felicity Jayne	Fallon
Alexander Jalen	Baldoria	Ivan Petar	Pavicic	Isabella Ritamarie	Gambaccioni
Marko	Botic	Tianna	Pecora	Sarah Rose	Macpherson
Stephanie Carmella	Dillon	Rachel	Pei	Gabriela	Mijocevic
Claudia	Frketic	Melissa Therese	Perera	Olivia Madison	Poole
Ante Dinko	Galic	Luke	Petrina	Phillip Andrew	Pre
Stella	Gao	Jamieson	Pham	Frane	Soric
Jayden George	Harrison	Martin Tri	Pham	Lucia	Soric
Daniel	Hoang	Monica	Portelli	Rachel	Sylla
Kristy Faamelea	Hoeflich	Maddison Bree	Ralph		
Paul Franjo	Karlovic	Mathew	Segecic		
Skye	Lorenzi	Branden	Shamoun		
Jacob	Lusic	Christina	Thai		
Tuakalau Joseph Jnr	Mahoni	Michael An	Tran		
Paul Luigi	Mariani	Paul Minh Khoi	Vu		
Micah Ayne	Mendoza	Jonesse	Zabat		



## 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.



## ROSARY STATUE at St Joseph the Worker -an inspiration for daily recitation of the Rosary.-

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

## Golden Jubilee for Fr Terence Bell

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Fairfield, wish to invite interested Parishioners to the Golden Jubilee of their Parish Priest and Episcopal Vicar Fr Terence Bell. A Mass will be celebrated at 10.30AM on Sunday, 21st July 2013 at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Vine St Fairfield. Lunch will follow after the Mass in the Mary MacKillop Hall. If you wish to attend please RSVP by Saturday June 15th to Gayle Fernandes on 9724 5997; e-mail - admin@olrfairfield.org.au or call Michael on 0434 720 363.



This week we welcome into the Catholic faith

**Christian Phillip Blunt**

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

# Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45 AM Mass,	
Tuesday	6.45AM Mass, 7.30 PM Novena	9.00AM Mass
Wednesday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass, Secretary Available.	Secretary Available.
Thursday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass Secretary Available.	Secretary Available.
Friday	6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass - Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus	
Saturday	8.00AM Mass, 9.30 AM Reconciliation 5.00 PM Vigil Mass	
Sunday	8.00 AM Mass, 10 AM Mass	9.00 AM Mass



## Hospitality at SPC

*Next week our host is Vinita Nazareth after the 10.00AM Mass.* Please stay and join us for a cuppa and chat. Thank you to all the volunteers for hosting this wonderful event.

## Acolytes and other Liturgical Ministers

The training sessions for Liturgical Ministers, including Acolytes will be starting in July. Those who wish to join the ministry may speak to Fr Thomas.

## Jesus Youth

Jesus Youth is having a prayer gathering at SPC Hall on Saturday 15th June 6.30PM - 10PM. Anyone interested to join please contact Fr Thomas.

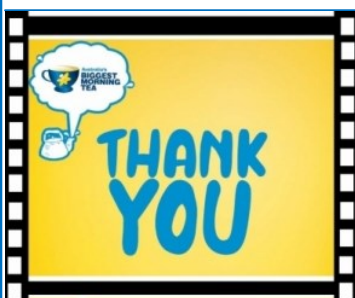
## First Communion Commitment

All children wishing to prepare for First Communion this year are invited to enrol their name and make a commitment at one of the Masses on Saturday 15, or Sunday 16 June. The children should come with their parents 15 minutes before the start of the Mass and present themselves to the priest or the assisting teachers to get a copy of the registration form and instructions. They will be invited to make solemn commitment to the program during Mass. After the commitment the children and their parents will be personally informed of the preparation programs. Those children who are not in one of the parish schools and not baptised in St Peter Chanel Church or in St Joseph the Worker Church will require to produce their baptism certificate also. Anyone baptised in one of the Orthodox Churches and wishing to join the First Communion will need to speak with Fr Thomas personally to enrol in the program.



## Altar Servers Training

Children wishing to be Altar Servers will be trained during school hours at St Joseph the Worker church and St Peter Chanel Church. Those children who do not attend the parish school and want to become Altar Servers are welcome to contact Fr Thomas and he will organize special training sessions for them.



Christine & Julie thank you for your generous support at their Biggest Morning Tea.

\$2,877 was raised for the Cancer Council research, prevention & support services.

Raffle winners:

Money Tree - B Hunter; Hair by Filiz basket - Dot Henry;  
Rug - A Rodoreda; Baby Basket - I Simms.



## Feasts of the Week

### 3 June – St Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs. Memorial

Today, together with the whole Church, we honor twenty-two Ugandan martyrs. They are the first martyrs of Sub-Saharan Africa and true witnesses of the Christian faith. Charles Lwanga, a catechist and a young leader, was martyred in 1886 with a group of Catholic and Anglican royal pages, some of whom were not yet baptized. King Mwanga, who despised the Christian religion, gave orders that all the Christian pages in his service be laid upon a mat, bound, placed onto a pyre and burnt. This took place at Namugongo, just outside Kampala.

Charles was one of twenty-two Ugandan martyrs who converted from paganism. He was baptized November 1885, a year before his death, and became a moral leader. He was the chief of the royal pages and was considered the strongest athlete of the court. He was also known as "the most handsome man of the Kingdom of the Uganda." He instructed his friends in the Catholic Faith and he personally baptized boy pages. He inspired and encouraged his companions to remain chaste and faithful. He protected his companions, ages 13-30, from the immoral acts and homosexual demands of the Babandan ruler, Mwanga.

Mwanga was a superstitious pagan king who originally was tolerant of Catholicism. However, his chief assistant, Katikiro, slowly convinced him that Christians were a threat to his rule. The premise was if these Christians would not bow to him, nor make sacrifices to their pagan god, nor pillage, massacre, nor make war, what would happen if his whole kingdom converted to Catholicism?

When Charles was sentenced to death, he seemed very peaceful, one might even say, cheerful. He was to be executed by being burned to death. While the pyre was being prepared, he asked to be untied so that he could arrange the sticks. He then lay down upon them. When the executioner said that Charles would be burned slowly to death, Charles replied by saying that he was very glad to be dying for the True Faith. He made no cry of pain but just twisted and moaned, "Kotanda! (O my God!)." He was burned to death by Mwanga's order on June 3, 1886. Pope Paul VI canonized Charles Lwanga and his companions on June 22, 1964.

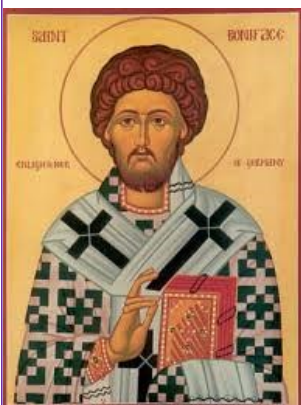


### 5 June – St Boniface, bishop, martyr. Memorial

Boniface, known as the apostle of the Germans, was an English Benedictine monk who gave up being elected abbot to devote his life to the conversion of the Germanic tribes. Two characteristics stand out: his Christian orthodoxy and his fidelity to the pope of Rome.

How absolutely necessary this orthodoxy and fidelity were is borne out by the conditions he found on his first missionary journey in 719 at the request of Pope Gregory II. Paganism was a way of life. What Christianity he did find had either lapsed into paganism or was mixed with error. The clergy were mainly responsible for these latter conditions since they were in many instances uneducated, lax and questionably obedient to their bishops. In particular instances their very ordination was questionable.

These are the conditions that Boniface was to report in 722 on his first return visit to Rome. The Holy Father instructed him to reform the German Church. The pope sent letters of recommendation to religious and civil leaders. Boniface later admitted that his work would have been unsuccessful, from a human viewpoint, without a letter of safe-conduct from Charles Martel, the powerful Frankish ruler, grandfather of Charlemagne. Boniface was finally made a regional bishop and authorized to organize the whole German Church. He was eminently successful.



In the Frankish kingdom, he met great problems because of lay interference in bishops' elections, the worldliness of the clergy and lack of papal control.

During a final mission to the Frisians, he and 53 companions were massacred while he was preparing converts for Confirmation.

In order to restore the Germanic Church to its fidelity to Rome and to convert the pagans, he had been guided by two principles. The first was to restore the obedience of the clergy to their bishops in union with the pope of Rome. The second was the establishment of many houses of prayer which took the form of Benedictine monasteries. A great number of Anglo-Saxon monks and nuns followed him to the continent. He introduced Benedictine nuns to the active apostolate of education.

### *7 June – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Solemnity*



"I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment" (Jesus to St. Margaret Mary).

Sixteenth century Calvinism and seventeenth century Jansenism preached a distorted Christianity that substituted for God's love and sacrifice of His Son for all men the fearful idea that a whole section of humanity was inexorably damned.

The Church always countered this view with the infinite love of our Savior who died on the cross for all men. The institution of the feast of the Sacred Heart was soon to contribute to the creation among the faithful of a powerful current of devotion which since then has grown steadily stronger. The first Office and Mass of the Sacred Heart were composed by St. John Eudes, but the institution of the feast was a result of the appearances of our Lord to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in 1675. The celebration of the feast was extended to the general calendar of the Church by Pius IX in 1856.

### *8 June – The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Memorial*

The history of the devotion to the Heart of Mary is connected on many points with that to the Heart of Jesus; nevertheless, it has its own history which, although very simple, is not devoid of interest. The attention of Christians was early attracted by the love and virtues of the Heart of Mary. The Gospel itself invited this attention with exquisite discretion and delicacy. What was first excited was compassion for the Virgin Mother. It was, so to speak, at the foot of the Cross that the Christian heart first made the acquaintance of the Heart of Mary. Simeon's prophecy paved the way and furnished the devotion with one of its favourite formulae and most popular representations: the heart pierced with a sword. But Mary was not merely passive at the foot of the Cross; "she cooperated through charity", as St. Augustine says, "in the work of our redemption".

Another Scriptural passage to help in bringing out the devotion was the twice-repeated saying of St. Luke, that Mary kept all the sayings and doings of Jesus in her heart, that there she might ponder over them and live by them. A few of the Virgin's sayings, also recorded in the Gospel, particularly the Magnificat, disclose new features in Marian psychology. Some of the Fathers also throw light upon the psychology of the Virgin, for instance, St. Ambrose, when in his commentary on St. Luke he holds Mary up as the ideal of virginity, and St. Ephrem, when he so poetically sings of the coming of the Magi and the welcome accorded them by the humble Mother. Little by little, in consequence of the application of the Canticle of the loving relations between God and the Blessed Virgin, the Heart of Mary came to be for the Christian Church the Heart of the Spouse of the Canticles as well as the Heart of the Virgin Mother. Some passages from other Sapiential Books, likewise understood as referring to Mary, in whom they personify wisdom and her gentle charms, strengthened this impression. Such are the texts in which wisdom is presented as the motherly love, of fear, of knowledge, and of holy hope. In the New Testament Elizabeth proclaims Mary blessed because she has believed the words of the angel; the Magnificat is an expression of her humility; and in answering the woman of the people, who in order to exalt the Son proclaimed the Mother blessed, did not Jesus himself say: "Blessed rather are they that hear the word of God and keep it", thus in a manner inviting us to seek in Mary that which had so endeared her to God and caused her to be selected as the Mother of Jesus? The Fathers understood His meaning, and found in these words a new reason for praising Mary. St. Leo says that through faith and love she conceived her Son spiritually, even before receiving Him into her womb, and St. Augustine tells us that she was more blessed in having borne Christ in her heart than in having conceived Him in the flesh.







# Monsignor Berbari's Felicitation

Monsignor Berbari is the Patriarchal Vicar for Australia and New Zealand appointed by the Syrian Catholic Patriarch of Antioch.





## Other Notices

### Bethlehem College Ashfield 2013 annual reunion

Bethlehem College Ashfield. All former students and staff are invited to attend the Ex-Students' Association 2013 annual reunion day on Sunday 16th June. The day will commence with Mass at St Vincent's Church at 10am, followed by morning tea and College tours. The Biennial General Meeting will take place at 11.30am. Lunch will be served in the College hall at 1pm. For further information and to RSVP, contact the College before June 7th : [bethlehemexstudents@gmail.com](mailto:bethlehemexstudents@gmail.com) or 9798 9099 EXT 131 , or visit the website <http://www.bethlehemcollege.nsw.edu.au>

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend for married couples

14 – 16 June at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. For Bookings call 4283 3435 or e-mail [wsharpe@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wsharpe@bigpond.net.au) Information: [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)

**HYMN COMPETITION.** The Australian Hymn Book Pty Ltd is delighted to announce its first international hymn competition as part of its work of gathering the finest congregational songs for its growing *Together in Song* collection. The competition has two entry levels, either of which may be selected by an individual competitor: General and Specific. For more information on entry level requirements and guidelines or visit [www.togetherinsong.org](http://www.togetherinsong.org) . **All entries must be submitted by 5pm on 31 July 2013.**

### COMPLETE 14 KILOMETRES FOR COMPASSION AT THE CITY2SURF 2014.

This year, Caritas Australia is proud to announce that we are a Gold Charity Member of the City2Surf. To commemorate, we are giving 15 dedicated supporters the opportunity to join the official **Ks for Caritas team** and run in solidarity with the world's poor. This is a great opportunity to meet a bunch of likeminded supporters and actively contribute to the development goals of Caritas Australia. Every step of the way, team members will be supplied with regular communication and support from Caritas Australia. Plus, on the day you'll start the run at the front of the pack with your very own Caritas Australia Cheer Squad! Are you ready to be an advocate for change? If yes, visit <http://www.caritas.org.au/act/events> to find out more.

**VOLUNTEER COUPLES WANTED.** Are you and your wife/husband searching for something that can both assist you with growing both your relationship and those of others. Catholic Engaged Encounter is searching for couples who are passionate about Marriage to join our dynamic team. Catholic Engaged Encounter (CEE) is a marriage preparation program designed for engaged couples to develop a closer relationship and plan for their future life together. If you would like to know more about CEE and the roles we have to offer please contact Kylie & Damian Fawkner on 0431 737 557 or [kylie@thefawkners.com](mailto:kylie@thefawkners.com)

### Free e-book on the daily Gospel of this year 2013

The following free e-book, entitled **Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year C-1** presents the Gospel of each day of this Liturgical Year C-1 (2013), together with a reflection on each Gospel passage. It will also serve for any C-1 Liturgical Year. The book carries the Imprimatur of Bishop Anthony Fisher OP of Parramatta. The e-book (7 mb size) may be downloaded to one's computer or to one's e-reader, and is free of charge. The URL address to download the book is as follows: [www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/](http://www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/)

### Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> July at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, at 10.30 am. Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Pell and all couples are welcome to attend and renew their vows. Couples who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year or who have been married in the last 12 months are invited to register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on 9390 5283 or [lmfevents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:lmfevents@sydneycatholic.org), so they may receive a special acknowledgment at the Mass.

## HOLY SOULS

**Please pray for the peaceful repose of the recently deceased: Joso Zivkovic.**

*The deceased members and friends of the following families Ross & Mitchell; Donnellan; Cheng.*

**and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; Helen Ugarkovic.**

**May Their Souls Rest in Peace.**

## Antiphons & Readings

### Entrance Antiphon:

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

### Responsorial Psalm:

**R.** You are a priest for ever,  
in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord's revelation to my Master:  
'Sit on my right:

I will put your foes beneath your feet.' **R.**

The Lord will send from Zion  
your sceptre of power:  
rule in the midst of all your foes. **R.**

A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains;  
from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. **R.**

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.  
'You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.' **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

### Communion Antiphon:

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

### Today's Readings

Genesis 14:18-20

1Corinthians 11:23-26

Luke 9:11-17

### Next Sunday's Readings

1Kings 17:17-24

Galatians 1:1-19

Luke 7:11-17



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

9 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE		10 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
MASS	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	E DUFFY	R.KENSEY	M CAPRA
ORGANIST	-----	KATE PARISH	ELMER
CANTOR	LYN FORBES	WILMA BAKER	ELMER
LECTOR/S	L LOPEZ	J RODOREDA	F BOLONIA
	P DUFFY	A THAM	C MARTIN
COMMENTOR	J ROCKLIFF	K HARTMAN	R. JAKSIC
GIFTS	M LEWIS	J TESTA	CHILDREN'S
	H LE MOTTEE	FAMILY	LITURGY
PIETY STALL	M LEWIS	A WILLOUGHBY	M THAM

Group 3: ALTAR – C Estrada; Helen Le Mottee; J Rockliff.  
Group 5: COUNTERS – Elizabeth John; Jacob John, Monica Smith.  
CHILDREN'S LITURGY - PAMELA SNELL & MARIA JURCIC

**Church Cleaners: June 8**  
Roland/Aida JAVIER

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

9 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE		10 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
1st Reading & Resp. Psalm	Ingrid Scharenguivel	Altar Servers	TBA
2nd Reading	Maris Marsh	Cleaning	Maris & John Marsh & Joe Moses
Prayers of the Faithful	Joe Moses		

Please contact Joe Moses on 979 9220 or 0415 475 749 if you are interested in  
volunteering at Auburn South Church in any way.

***Q: Why do they say 'Amen' at the end of a prayer instead of 'Awomen'?***

***A: The same reason they sing Hymns instead of Hers!***

