

## ST PETER CHANEL & ST JOSEPH BERALA



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**The EPIPHANY of the  
LORD  
5 January 2014**

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Principal—Jo Fox  
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St Joseph the Worker  
Auburn South  
Principal—John Kennedy  
T. 96461434

*From your Pastor*

## People from beyond boundaries meet Jesus



On New Year Day I have completed two years in Berala. In this last two years I have made new friends and have accomplished some of my vision and mission. I am grateful to many good colleges from the parish who have made it possible. Boxing Day was the 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my Ordination. I

celebrated the day with some of the priest friends who are Indian Missionaries, like me, in Australia. The constant reflection of such gatherings is that we are to make Christ present to the people entrusted to us as Messiah beyond boundaries. The Epiphany of the Lord which we celebrate today is also a reminder that as Christians, all of us are called to proclaim Jesus Christ as the saviour beyond all boundaries.

Through the birth of Jesus, our God has become very tangible. The babe born in Bethlehem was cuddly. Like any other child he also cried and smiled. He had to be fed and dandled. The shepherds could describe the colour of his eyes. Yes they could touch and feel their God now.

When the three Magi travelled to Bethlehem, they too were in search of God who could be touched, felt, and experienced. These men came from far and beyond the usual boundaries of the people of God, the Israelites. Our God has become near to people beyond any cultural boundaries. The Magi made offerings to the child Jesus and adored him as their God. The Magi's acceptance of Jesus as the expected Messiah, represents the universal acceptance of Jesus as the Saviour.

Jesus is still tangible for us. We can touch, taste, feel, and experience him in our Eucharist. The mystery and universality of Jesus present to us in the Eucharist is the vision and strength of us Christians. I, like many of you, have happily crossed cultural, political, and geographical boundaries to proclaim Jesus Christ as Son of God and our Saviour.

On this day of Epiphany, I wish the nearness of Incarnated God to you all. As we all start a new year, may it be full of God experience.

**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 10 AM.  
**Holy Mass at Auburn South:** Tuesday 9 AM (school term only); The Lord's Day Sunday 8 AM.  
**Reconciliation at Berala:** Saturday 9.30 AM

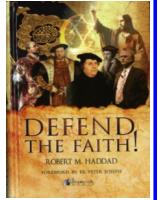
**If you have a smartphone try a special application UNIVERSALIS.  
It has the daily Mass prayers, Readings, Daily Prayer of the Church, etc.**

## Parish Social Profile

Now I have the Social Profile of the parish. It is prepared based on the data collected through 2011 Census and the recent National Church Life Survey. Any parishioner interested in using it for further research and prepare recommendations to me or the Pastoral Council is welcome to speak with Fr Thomas. Research students may have particular interest in this document and data.

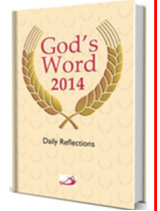
## DEFEND THE FAITH

DEFEND THE FAITH is one of the special works of Robert Haddad. Now it is available in our piety stall at a concessional rate. It retail price is \$34.95. But we are selling it for \$25. Stock is limited – only 8 copies. It will make a good Christmas gift for someone who likes to read faith matters.



## GOD'S WORD 2014: DAILY REFLECTIONS LITURGICAL DIARY

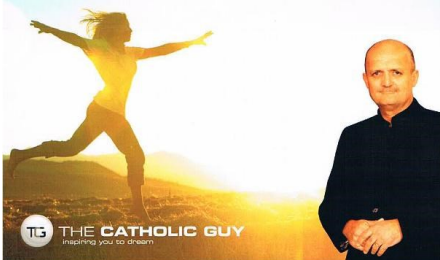
Now available in the Piety Stall, Berala for \$15  
Designed to help you to keep the Word of God close to your heart in your daily life.  
Pray with it, share it and make your life a daily celebration with the word of God.  
Grow in God's love, being nourished daily by His word, the bread of life.



## SPC Altar Society Roster

The new SPC Altar Society Roster for 2014 is now available in the Sacristy at St Peter Chanel Church. A copy may also be accessed on our website.

**BE INSPIRED  
BE RENEWED  
BE CHANGED**



**ALL NEW 2014 MISSION EVENT  
PRESENTED BY THE CATHOLIC GUY**

**AT ST PETER CHANEL CHURCH BERALA  
20-24 MARCH 2014**

**FREE ADMISSION**

**DISCOVER FOR YOURSELF THE MISSION THAT  
HAS CHANGED THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE**



*Fr Thomas is also tweeting.*

 *Fr Thomas @TKurunthanam*

*Become a facebook friend of the parish*

 *StPeter StJoseh*

## Mass Intentions

**Anniversary:** Liam Coyne

**Deceased:** Brien Roberts, Teonesto Estrada, Leonard Gabrielle, Mackiw & Wennek families, Nekrawcewkz & Sokolowski families, Ross & Mitchell families.

**Sick:** Aiden Lynch.

# Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45AM Mass.	
Tuesday	6.45AM Mass. 7.00 PM Novena followed by Mass	No Mass
Wednesday	6.45AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass.	
Thursday	6.45AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass.	
Friday	6.45AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass.	
Saturday	8.00AM Mass, followed by Recital of Rosary 5.00PM Vigil Mass	
Sunday	10AM Mass	8.00AM

**Alcohol and Drug Information Service:** (Confidential) (02) 9361 8000

## Spiritual Retreats:

Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo T/F: (02) 4236 0533 E [cottageretreats@bigpond.com](mailto:cottageretreats@bigpond.com)

Carmelites Varroville E [retreats@carmelite.com](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com);

Vincentian Retreat Centre Somersby E [clary.antaogmail.com](mailto:clary.antaogmail.com) T: 0434099088

## Sacraments at Home

Anyone requiring Confession, Holy Communion, or Anointing of the Sick at home, please contact Fr Thomas to arrange it.

## Beach Day Out

On the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2014, Catholic Youth Services are inviting kids from years 7-12 to "Beach Day Out" We will travel from Catholic Youth Services office in Homebush West to Bronte Beach (via train and bus) where we will have a BBQ, music, swimming and games! Date: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 2014  
Cost: \$20 Time: 8:30am – 5:30pm RSVP: 13<sup>th</sup> of Jan 2014. If you have any questions or would like to register to come along please email [emma@catholicyouthservices.org](mailto:emma@catholicyouthservices.org) for a registration form.

A mother took her little boy to church.

While in church the little boy said, "Mommy, I have to pee."

The mother said to the little boy, "It's not appropriate to say the word 'pee' in church. So, from now on whenever you have to 'pee' just tell me that you have to 'whisper'."

The following Sunday, the little boy went to church with his father and during the service said to his father, "Daddy, I have to whisper."

The father looked at him and said, "Okay, just whisper in my ear."



**You can join the organising team of the 2014 MISSION EVENT THE CATHOLIC GUY by contacting Joseph Vu or Linda Mijocevic or Fr Thomas**

## Planned Giving Program Request Form

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: .....

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

☐ Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.

YES/NO Tax deduction

☐ Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions.  
(A credit card authority form will be sent to you for completion)



## Antiphons & Readings

### Entrance Antiphon:

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;  
and kingship is in his grasp,  
and power and dominion.

For he shall save the poor when they cry  
and the needy who are helpless.  
He will have pity on the weak  
and save the lives of the poor. **R.**

### Responsorial Psalm:

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

O God, give your judgment to the king,  
to a king's son your justice,  
that he may judge your people in justice  
and your poor in right judgment. **R.**

In his days justice shall flourish  
and peace till the moon fails.  
He shall rule from sea to sea,  
from the Great River to earth's bounds. **R.**

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts  
shall pay him tribute.  
The kings of Sheba and Seba  
shall bring him gifts.  
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,  
all nations shall serve him. **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

We have seen his star in the East;  
and have come to adore the Lord.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

### Communion Antiphon:

We have seen his star in the East,  
and have come with gifts to adore  
the Lord.

### Today's Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

### Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Mt 3:13-17



## St Peter Chanel & St Joseph the Worker Rosters - Next Week

12TH JANUARY 2014		THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	
MASS	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY		Roland JAVIER
ORGAN	Kate PARISH		Elmer
CANTOR	Lyn FORBES & Joji SALAR		Elmer
LECTOR/S	John DONNELLAN	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Ken HARTMAN
	Noelene DONNELLAN	Maris MARSH	Micheline BOTHAM
COMMENTATOR	Katrina YIP	Deborah GOOCH	Fatima BOLONIA
GIFTS	Anita YIP Family		Roland JAVIER Family
PIETY STALL	Stefanie YIP		Anna MANGANARO
SP. MINISTER	Christine KENSEY		Anna MANGANARO
SP. MINISTER	Joy SKERRITT		Pam SNELL
HOSPITAL		Roland JAVIER & Romaine CHEEMA	

ALTAR Group 4: – S Cendra-Kahoe; Anita Yip Micheline Botham, April.

COUNTERS Group 2: – Christine Kensey; Julie Toby.

SPC CHILDREN'S LITURGY - None during school holidays.

**Volunteers**  
The HEART Of The  
COMMUNITY

**Church Cleaners: Jan 11** CFC Youth for Christ. **SJW:** Maris & John Marsh & Joe Moses



***"Family that pray together stay together"***

**PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel** on 11 January 2014 at Perrera family,  
17/26 Brunner Rd, YAGOONA, Please join them any evening at **7.30pm** for the Rosary.

To host the Pilgrim Statue from St Peter Chanel contact Mona on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.

**ROSARY STATUE from St Joseph the Worker** To host the Rosary Statue from  
St Joseph the Worker contact the Legion of Mary.

