

## ST PETER CHANEL & ST JOSEPH BERALA



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**Passion Sunday-  
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*From your Pastor*

## Passion Sunday

Today we process into the church waving blessed palms celebrating the solemn entry of Jesus through the Golden Gate into the holy city of Jerusalem. But it is followed by the long reading of the passion of the Lord, which is the central piece of today's liturgy. It is the story of Jesus sacrificing his life for the sins of humanity.

People often think of sin as personal matter between God and himself without any relevance to others. It may be seen as breaking God's arbitrary laws. But any sin has implications to the whole society. Sin is always the result of self-centred approach. It may manifest in the form of betrayal of others like Judas did, denial like Peter did, or distancing oneself, like Pilate, from the responsibility to be just and fair to others. Only a life of love willing to be spent for others without fear and selfishness is the remedy for the sin of humanity. Jesus showed it through his life. He did not shy away from the mob lead by Judas Iscariot, one of his own disciples, who came to capture him. He did not hesitate to speak the truth in front of the mighty Roman Governor Pilate. The brutalizing Roman soldiers did not deter him from his loving sacrifice.

Yes it is our sinfulness that caused the suffering and death of Jesus. One may argue that it was all predetermined by God. Therefore we cannot say that people like Judas Iscariot, Pilate, the Roman soldiers, Jewish leaders or us can be held responsible for the cross of Jesus. While God knows everything, he has not predetermined the destiny of anyone. All these characters in the Scripture and all of us have the freedom to choose otherwise. That is why we are responsible for our sins. We are responsible not only for the things we have done wrong, but also for the good we did not do. Otherwise Pilate would not have been guilty.

The Holy Week is a special time to turn back our hearts to God. It is a time to shift from self-centredness to God centeredness. It requires humility. It requires the attitude of Jesus who chose a donkey to a war horse to enter the city of Jerusalem. From our part we should seek the mercy of God to realise the fullness of our God-given life.

If we have love for God, we will be seeking the presence of God in our life always. Prayer basically is our presence to God's presence. If we have failed to be present to God, or God's people through the lack of justice, compassion, benevolence we need to seek God's forgiveness.

This week on Wednesday we shall observe Mercy Night at St Peter Chanel Church and use the opportunity to confess our sins. Through this sacrament we can prepare to celebrate the feast of Easter more meaningfully and fruitfully.

**Holy Mass at Berala:** Monday-Friday: 6.45 AM. Wednesday - Friday 9.15 AM

Saturday 8 AM, 9 AM Adoration & Novena. Lord's Day: Saturday 5 PM (Vigil), Sunday 10 AM.

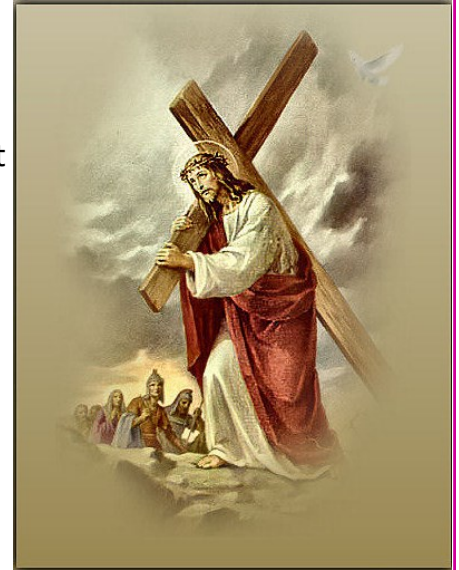
**Holy Mass at Auburn South:** Tuesday 9 AM (school term only); The Lord's Day Sunday 8 AM.

**Reconciliation at Berala:** Saturday 9.00 AM - 10 AM.

# Holy Week Schedule

## St Peter Chanel Berala

Wednesday, 16 April - 2nd Rite of Reconciliation at 7.00 PM.  
Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper of the Lord and washing of Feet  
at 7.30 PM  
Good Friday: Stations of the Cross at 10.00 AM,  
Passion of the Lord at 3.00 PM  
Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer and Blessing of Food at 8.00 AM  
Easter Vigil at 7.00 PM  
Easter Sunday: Mass at 10.00 AM



## St Joseph the Worker, Auburn South

Holy Thursday: Mass of Lord's Supper at 6.00 PM  
Good Friday: Passion of the Lord at 3.00 PM  
Easter Sunday: Mass at 8.00 AM

## Collection for Holy Lands

On Good Friday afternoon, at the veneration of Cross, you will have opportunity to make a donation towards Holy Land. The collection taken on Good Friday will be sent to the Holy Land Commiserate to help maintain the churches and premises of Holy Land.

## Celebrate New Catholics

At the Easter Vigil celebration on Saturday night, 19 April, two ladies will be baptised and initiated into the Church. They are Kelli Rigney and Susie Tam. They have been preparing for their initiation for some time through the Rite of Christian initiation of Adults. The whole parish community rejoices over their baptism and we shall celebrate it. All parishioners are invited to join them in the Jubilee Hall after the Easter Vigil for the celebration. You are also welcome to bring finger food or sweets for the supper.

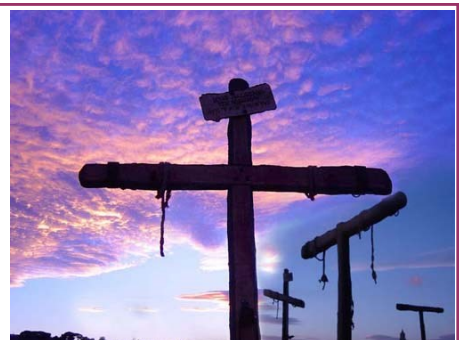


## Change of Mass time

Next Saturday being Easter Vigil there is no mass at 5 PM the Vigil Mass will be at 7PM and it will be a very solemn and special Mass

## Dramatic Presentation of the Way of the Cross

Students from Trinity catholic College will be presenting a dramatized version of the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. It will start at 10.00AM at St Peter Chanel Church with costumes and drama. The Trinity students will take the congregation into a prayer and reflection on the Passion of Our Lord. All are invited to this special presentation.



## Project Compassion Donations

You are welcome to bring your Project Compassion Donations – boxes or envelopes – on Holy Thursday night for the offertory. Should you require a new box or envelope, please collect one from the church today. Participation in the Project Compassion is a practical way of showing our love for the less advantaged.

## Project Compassion

### Nirangini's story

Nirangini, 31, remembers her childhood fondly, growing up in a family of nine siblings during peacetime in Veravil, a small fishing village in Sri Lanka.

From 1983 to 2009 a civil war affected Sri Lanka. When the conflict impacted Veravil, the entire community was forced to leave. Nirangini, her 67-year-old mother and her son who was seven-years-old at the time were constantly on the move with no permanent home.

During those years, poverty and the trauma of constantly being on the move took a toll. There was little food or water and Nirangini's son became undernourished.

In December 2009, in the hope that a familiar environment would offer a safe setting for her son, Nirangini and her family moved back to her childhood village. In Veravil, a Caritas Sri Lanka program, supported by Caritas Australia, was assisting families to resettle.

In March 2012, the Caritas program supported Nirangini to build her own permanent home.

*"We had survived a war and just managed to return to our home with virtually nothing. Now with the support of Caritas my family lives in a proper house. I am so relieved. The state of uncertainty we were living in is now over."*

Thanks to a livelihood grant, Nirangini was able to start a home garden and small poultry business. These give her a good income and provide her family with nutritious food.

A permanent home and an income source are also beneficial as it means her son can attend the village school and gain a good education.

*"We are very thankful ... We now have the confidence to stand on our feet and look after ourselves."*

**Your support for Project Compassion allows Caritas Australia to lift the voices of the poor and promote the dignity of each person, regardless of ethnicity, religion or cultural beliefs.**



## Mass Intentions

### Recently Deceased:

**Death Anniversary:** Jelica Helen Ugarkovi, Keith Seckold.

**Deceased:** Mark Man-Wah Chiu, members of Ross & Mitchell families.

**May they Rest in Peace.**





***“Family that pray together stay together”***

**PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel** at the Fleeton home, 10 Downing Ave, Berala. 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.

## Other Notices

### Got your wedding under control?

But how prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information see our website: [www.engagedencounter.org.au](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au)

### **CANONISATIONS OF POPE JOHN XXIII AND POPE JOHN PAUL II - Live Streaming from Rome.**

Celebrate this historic occasion on **Sunday, 27 April** in TWO ways: **1.** Celebrations at St Mary's Cathedral - come for an afternoon and evening of festivities for all ages with the Divine Mercy devotions, activities in the hall, food stalls and watching the event live from Rome. **2.** Watch the live web streaming direct from the Vatican wherever you are. Gather in a parish group or watch it from home to commemorate this historic moment in the Church as two great figures are recognised as saints. More information is available at [xt3.com](http://xt3.com).

### **DISCOVER WEEKEND FOR YOUNG WOMEN.**

Inviting Young Women aged 18-35 to **DISCOVER** Retreat - a self-knowledge weekend on identity, personality, dignity, womanhood, personal ideal, vocation and mission. From **2-4 May** at Mount Schoenstatt Retreat Centre. Registration essential. For further information or to register contact Sr M Julie Brcar [juliebrcar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebrcar@gmail.com)

### **Bethlehem College Ashfield—Reunion**

All former students and staff are invited to attend the Ex-Students' Association 2014 annual reunion day on Sunday 15th June. The day will commence with Mass at St Vincent's Church at 10am. Morning tea will be in the College hall, with one College tour at 11.30am, followed by a light luncheon. For further information and to RSVP, before June 6th : contact [bethlehemexstudents@gmail.com](mailto:bethlehemexstudents@gmail.com) or the College 9798 9099 , or visit the website [www.bethlehemcollege.nsw.edu.au](http://www.bethlehemcollege.nsw.edu.au)

### **WHAT IS THE STATE OF YOUR SOIL? Discernment Weekend for Men Exploring the Priesthood (3-4 May).**

If you are discerning what 'seed' God has planted within you regarding the possibility that you are called to be a priest, then this **free** retreat is for you. It includes inspiring talks, daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, communal and private prayer, Confession and one-on-one spiritual direction with a priest. Speakers include Bishop Terence Brady, Fr Matthew Solomon, Fr Michael de Stoop, and Sr Anthony Mary, RSM. There will also be opportunities to meet or speak with students for the priesthood. Making time for God can make all the difference in the world! Place: Seminary of the Good Shepherd, 50-58 Abbotsford Road, Homebush. Enquiries/RSVP to Sr Anthony Mary, RSM at [vocations@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:vocations@sydneycatholic.org) or **9390 5970**. Every enquirer's details are kept Confidential.

### **SYDNEY CURSILLO MOVEMENT DAY RETREAT**

Saturday, 03 May 2014. An opportunity to continue to develop your faith journey as well as refresh and revive the mind and spirit. The Sydney Cursillo Movement is providing a Day Retreat at St Joseph's Parish Church and Hall, Cnr Newbridge & Nuwarra Roads, Moorebank, commencing with Mass at 9am. The cost is \$25 per head which includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. The theme for the day will be "Asking the Question - Who Are We?" reflecting on key aspects of our identity as human, Christian and Catholic, presented by Sr. Veronica Bourke rsj of the Sisters of St Joseph. For catering purposes please RSVP by 28/04/14 and for more information - Contacts: Jenny Kidd 9601 2404, Jennie Myers 0419 286 400, Charlie Gullo 0419 636 352 or Wendy Tourle 9755 2448 email [wendyjt@bigpond.com](mailto:wendyjt@bigpond.com) . Please join us, all welcome.

# Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45AM Mass.	
Tuesday	6.45AM Mass.	11.00 AM Mass at Berala on the Park No Mass at SJW
Wednesday	6.45AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass, 7.00 PM 2nd Rite of Reconciliation Secretary available	
Thursday	No morning Mass. 7.30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper Secretary available	6.00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday	10 AM Stations of the Cross, 3.00 PM Passion of Our Lord.	3.00 PM Passion of Our Lord.
Saturday	8.00 AM Morning prayer and food blessing. 7.00PM Easter Vigil Mass	
Sunday	10AM Mass.	8.00AM Mass

## Hospitality

**At St Peter Chanel - This week Antoinette will be hosting morning tea after 10.00am Mass.**

*Thank you to all our hospitality team for providing this very important ministry. Please ring Pam Snell if you are unable to attend your rostered week.*

**Note that in the event of rain there will be no hospitality.**

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

**Spiritual Retreats:** Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo T/F: (02) 4236 0533

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

## Washing of Feet

On Holy Thursday night at St Peter Chanel Church there will be washing of feet. Those who would like to have their feet washed at the Mass may leave their names with Fr Thomas or the Parish Office. We will require 12 people, comprising of young and not so young, men and women.

**This week little Johnny couldn't wait to go to church to find out what Palm Sunday was. But sadly, he came down with the chickenpox. His parents hired a baby-sitter to take care of Johnny while they went to church. When they came home holding palm leaves, Johnny asked, "What are the palm tree leaves for Mum?" She replied, "When Jesus walked through the town, people waved palm leaves at him in respect." Johnny looked upset and said, "Wouldn't ya know it? The first day I'm not in church, he shows up!"**



## 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:

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters ),  
like the crowds who acclaimed Jesus in Jerusalem,  
let us go forth in peace.

### Responsorial Psalm:

**R.** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;  
let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet.

I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

They divide my clothing among them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren

and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;

all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation:

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of  
endless glory!**

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying  
on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high  
and gave him a name above all other names.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of  
endless glory!**

### Communion Antiphon:

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my  
drinking it, your will be done.

### Today's Readings

Isaiah 50:4-7

Philippians 2:8-9

Matthew 26:14 - 27:66

### Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 10:34. 37-43

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9

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

MASS	HOLY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY (SJW)	GOOD FRIDAY (SPC)
1 <sup>st</sup> READER	Jenny MICHAEL	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Lawrence LOPEZ
2 <sup>nd</sup> READER	Christine KENSEY	Ken HARTMAN	Katrina YIP
NARRATOR		Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Phirum DUCH
OTHER		Karim KASSIS	Carmel MARTIN
CROWD		Michael CHOW	Pam SNELL
JESUS		Fr MARK	Fr THOMAS
ACOLYTE	ALL ACOLYTES	WILLIAM ANDREWS	ALL ACOLYTES

19 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2014	EASTER SATURDAY
ACOLYTE	ALL ACOLYTES
ORGANIST	ALL
CANTOR	CHOIRS
1 <sup>st</sup> READER	Jenny MICHAEL
2 <sup>nd</sup> READER	April RIGNEY
3 <sup>rd</sup> READER	Jann ROCKLIFF
4 <sup>th</sup> READER	Phirum DUCH
5 <sup>th</sup> READER	Joy SKERRITT
GIFTS	NEWLY BAPTISED – Suzie & Kelli

**ALTAR** Group 6: – Korina Kinda,  
Antoinette Boudaher.

**COUNTERS** Group 4: –  
Charlie & Kay Scully.

### Church Cleaners: April 19

**SPC:** Ed and Perla AMORES.

**SJW:** Maronite Group.

20 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2014	EASTER SUNDAY	
MASS	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	William ANDREWS	Robert JAKSIC
ORGANIST	SJW YOUTH	SAMOAN
CANTOR	CHOIR	CHOIR
LECTOR/S	Ken HARTMAN	Carmel MARTIN
	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Micheline BOTHAM
COMMENTATOR	Joe MOSES	Mai VU
GIFTS		Micheline BOTHAM Family
PIETY STALL		John SHANLEY
SP. MINISTER		Micheline BOTHAM
SP. MINISTER		Rita JAKSIC

### HOSPITAL

Roland JAVIER & Romaine CHEEMA