## ST PETER CHANEL & ST JOSEPH BERALA



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Yr A, 20 April 2014

From your Pastor

## **Happy Easter**

Christ is Risen. May the peace and joy of Easter fill your hearts and life.

Easter is the most important feast of our liturgical calendar. Christmas may be a much more celebrated commercial season in Australia. But in reality Christmas is only a preparation for Easter and without the Resurrection of Jesus, Christmas would not have any relevance.

On this Feast of Easter, we commemorate the most important turning point in the history of mankind. We honour the fulfilment of the "blessed hope" of every living being, "the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ." [Tit. 2:13] Without resurrection, Jesus would have been a total failure. As St Paul would say, without resurrection of Jesus, all of what we profess and do as Christians would have been meaningless. Our faith would have been futile. In fact, Christ has been raised from the dead! He was not only raised from the dead to prove to us that He is God; He was raised to prove to us that "we will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable body must put on permanence, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable body puts on permanence, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then we can join St Paul in saying: 'Death has been swallowed up in victory.' 'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death is your sting?'" [1 Cor. 15:52-5; Is. 25:8]

To appreciate this gift of resurrection and salvation we need to focus our mind, not on worldly things but on God and his Word. If our life is concerned only on the successes the world can provide us, any failure in personal life or any catastrophe – natural or otherwise – would turn to be disastrous in our lives.

For us Christians, Easter Sunday is a day of joy. It is a day to rejoice over our call to be heirs of resurrection through our baptism. Let us not seal our lives of pleasure and riches like a tomb sealed with rock. Let your faith in the risen Christ remove the blocking stone from the entrance into the new life. Therefore make sure the warmth of your family gatherings radiate the light risen Christ. While the children savour the sweetness of chocolate Easter eggs, dish them some of the greater sweetness of Christ.

Holy Mass at Berala: Monday-Friday:6.45AM. 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.



# This week we welcome into the Catholic faith Veronica Judith Parish

May she always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout her life.

## **ANZAC Day**

25 April — is probably Australia's most important national occasion. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War.

ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces quickly became known as Anzacs, and the pride they took in that name endures to this day.

Australians recognise 25 April as an occasion of national remembrance, which takes two forms. Commemorative services are held at dawn – the time of the original landing – across the nation. Later in the day, ex-servicemen and women meet to take part in marches through the major cities and in many smaller centres. Commemorative ceremonies are more formal and are held at war memorials around the country. In these ways, Anzac Day is a time when Australians reflect on the many different meanings of war.

## **Lest We Forget.**

Friday Masses at SPC - 6.45 AM & 9.15 AM

# other Notices

## 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. More information is available at **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

#### SYDNEY CURSILLO MOVEMENT DAY RETREAT

Saturday, 3 May 2014. 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. 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 <a href="www.wendyit@bigpond.com">wendyit@bigpond.com</a>

### FREE INFORMATION MORNING ON THE VOCATION OF THE PERMANENT DEACON.

Saturday, 10 May from 10.00am-12.30pm at Seminary of the Good Shepherd, 50-58 Abbotsford Rd, Homebush. Registration is essential. To enquire or register, contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate on 9390 5941 or <a href="mailto:diaconate@sydneycatholic.org">diaconate@sydneycatholic.org</a>

### **NATIONAL CORE CONFERENCE**

Tuesday 13 May, 1.00 - 3.15pm. *The Core of Pop Culture* - presenters Dr Roger Scruton, Dr Andrew Mullins & Dr Ryan Messmore at the Lennox Ballroom, Novotel Parramatta 350 Church St. Free Entry! www.tothecore.com.au

# Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45AM Mass.	
Tuesday	6.45AM Mass.	No Mass
Wednesday	6.45AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass, Secretary available	
Thursday	6.45AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass, Secretary available	
Friday	6.45AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass.	
Saturday	8.00 AM Mass & Rosary; 9AM-10AM Adoration, Novena & Confessions 5.00 PM Vigil Mass	
Sunday	10.00 AM Mass.	8.00AM Mass

## Hospitality

At St Peter Chanel - Next week Anna facer 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:** Bendictine Abbey Jamberoo T/F: (02) 4236 0533

E <u>cottageretreats@bigpond.com</u>; Carmelites Varrovile E <u>retreats@carmelite.com</u>; Vincentian Retreat Centre Somersby E <u>clary.antao@gmail.com</u> T: 0434099088

## **Project Compassion**

Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back by the end of this week so all donations may be forwarded on to Caritas.



Together, we are working towards the creation of the just and compassionate world that God desires.

## **ANZAC Vigil Mass**

An ANZAC Solemn Vigil Mass of Remembrance will be held at St Mary's Cathedral on Thursday 24 April at 5.30pm. All are welcome.

### **Mass Intentions**

**Deceased:** Mark Man-Wah Chiu, T K & George Yip, Raymond Yip, Carmen Portelli, Charlie Portelli, Bert Portelli, Carmen Spiteri, Anthony Spiteri and members of Ross & Mitchell families.

May they Rest in Peace.

Planned Giving Program Request Form					
Your contribution to the Planned Giving Program of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the end					
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Your Name:	
Telephone NoEmail 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:**

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

### **Responsorial Psalm:**

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' R.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. R.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. R.

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

## Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

## Communion Antiphon:

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

## **Today's Readings**

Acts 10:34. 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

## **Next Sunday's Readings**

Acts 2:42-47 1Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31



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

27 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2014 2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER				
Mass	Vigil (SPC)	8am (SJW)	10AM (SPC)	
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY	Joseph MARMAN	Mario CAPRA	
ORGANIST	Maureen HYNES		SAMOAN	
CANTOR	Chris HYNES		YOUTH	
LECTOR/S	Jann ROCKLIFF	Karim KASSIS	Hoa NGUYEN	
	Joy SKERRITT	Michael CHOW	Mai VU	
COMMENTATOR	Phirum DUCH	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Micheline BOTHAM	
GIFTS	Graham TOBY Family		Leo PORTELLI Family	
PIETY STALL	Adele MELER		Margaret THAM	
SP. MINISTER	Kay SCULLY		Hilary NGUYEN	
SP. MINISTER	Joy SKERRITT		Pam SNELL	

HOSPITAL Ken HARTMAN & Pam SNELL

ALTAR Group 1: - Gloria Alkstramd; Moya Lewis; Anna Manganaro; Nola Mann.

**COUNTERS** Group 1: – John Le Mottee; John Shanley.

SPC CHILDREN'S LITURGY - None, School Holidays.

Volunteers
The HEART OF THE COMMUNITY

Church Cleaners: SPC: Norie/Gie SITCHON. SJW: Irene Kula, Taoto Langi & friends.



## "Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the Perrera home, 17/26 Brunker 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.