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Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B 3 May 2015

Vine and Branches

The Parish Pastoral Council met last Thursday. The meeting discussed a report from the Pastoral Planning meeting in last February, the prospect of a Youth Ministry, a Bible Study Program, and Parish Day. The thread that linked all these discussions was one concern; how to make our parish bear much fruit for Christ. This discernment needs to consider various aspects that condition and challenge us.

Though the situations were very different, the Church which listened to John's Gospel in the first place was also concerned with how to be effective missionaries of the Gospel; in other words how to be fruitful. In the Gospel we proclaimed today, John reminds the disciples what Jesus told them. Jesus said "I am the true vine" (Jn15:1), and "you cannot bear fruit unless you remain in me" (Jn15:4). By saying 'I am the TRUE vine', it is affirmed that Jesus is the true saviour. For the people of John's time, it meant that they should not to trust in the pagan gods and in the might of the Roman Empire. It also meant that they should not waste their time waiting for another messiah as many Jews did.

In our time to believe Jesus as the true vine means not to substitute our faith in Jesus with trust in financial security, scholarship, or new age religion. There is only one true messiah and that is Jesus Christ.

We, as branches in a vine, are to be always in communion with Christ so that we can bear much fruit. Christ, the stem of the vine, does not produce any more fruits. It is left to us produce fruits for the Kingdom of God. We can produce fruits for the Kingdom only if we abide in the love of Jesus, in other words attached to the stem. The way to keep attached to Jesus, the stem, is by sharing in the mission of the Church actively. Church is the presence of Christ in the world. God is not satisfied with us passively participating in religious practices. Ministries and other mission ventures of the Church are very important. Therefore I invite you to consider sharing the mission of the church and demonstrate yourselves as Easter people.

Parish Day 2015

generously.

At the last meeting of the Pastoral Council, it was decided that we will observe Parish Day this year on Sunday 19 July. It is the Sunday immediately after the second anniversary (15 July) of the amalgamation of the two parishes. To mark the unity of the two parishes into one, there will be only one Mass on Sunday 19 July and it will be at 10 AM. After the Mass there will be a BBO lunch for all.

Charitable Works Fund Pastoral Appeal









an important role in providing social, pastoral, advocacy Charitable Works Fund and training programs through its 6 agencies The CWF is your Catholic charity and we encourage you to give it your generous support. Couples, families, refugees, migrants, our future priests, Catholic public school children, the deaf and hearing impaired are just some of the people you are helping by supporting the CWF. There is so much which can be done with your donations, so please give

Our Parish will have to contribute \$6,600 to the Archdiocese from this appeal



House Blessings

Last year I did House Blessings in the parish before Parish Day. This year Parish Day will be observed on Sunday, 19 July. From now till Parish Day I intend to bless houses of interested parishioners. Therefore if you wish to have your house blessed, please let the parish office know. You can either send an email, call the secretary during office hours, or leave a note in the collection plate on weekends. Then you will be contacted to organise a convenient time for the blessing. I am looking forward to do the blessings.

Liturgy Rosters

New Rosters beginning on 10 May are now complete. Copies are available at the rear of the church.

Earthquake in Nepal

Our hearts and minds are with those affected by the terrible earthquake in Nepal and North India. We pray for the injured and deceased and their families. When Caritas announces an appeal, all are encouraged to contribute to helping all affected by this disaster.

Music Ministry Training for Young people

Young adults (18-35 years) involved in or wanting to be involved in parish music ministry are invited to a training. Stephen Kirk (Catholic Song writer & producer), Stephen Smith (Australian Sacred Music Association) and many others, lead participants through the why, when, what and how of music used within a church setting. Registrations close May 18, 2015



Date: 23 May 2015, Place: 108 The Crescent, Homebush West, Time: 9:30am – 5pm, Cost: \$10 What to bring: Your passion for music, your instrument of choice for a jam session, but most importantly an open mind and a thirst for more. Register: events@catholicyouthservices.org or call 97644357



Walk with Christ

Feast of Corpus Christi – Body and Blood of Christ – is celebrated on Sunday 7 June this year. On that day there will be a Eucharistic Procession in Sydney starting at 2.30 PM at St Patrick's Church Hill, Wynyard and ending at St Mary's Cathedral at 4.30 PM. We can take our petitions and prayers to this procession. To do so there will be a Book made available in St Peter Chanel Church during the week for you to write your prayers. This Book will be made available at St Joseph the Worker before and after Sunday Mass.

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45 AM Mass	
Tuesday	6.45 AM Mass	9.00 AM Mass 7.45 PM Legion of Mary (Hall)
Wednesday	6.45 AM Mass 9.15 AM Mass	
Thursday	6.45 AM Mass 9.15 AM Mothers Day Mass with SPC Primary School 7.30 PM (7 May) Group 2 practice at 8 Wallace St Sefton to prepare for coming Feast days	9.00 - 10.00 AM Playgroup in the Mark Spora Room
Friday	6.45 AM Mass 9.15.AM Mass	
Saturday	8.00 AM Mass 9.00-10.00 AM Adoration, Novena, Reconciliation 5.00 PM Mass	
Sunday	10.00 AM Mass	8.00 AM Mass

Mass Intentions

Please pray for Fred Tannous & Family and Nada Raffoul

Recently deceased: Doreen Hodges

Anniversaries: Cristeta Enriquez, Albina Villaruel, Leah Gonzales, Vic Mogus

Deceased: Tham Sun Yeow, Tham Siew Hin, Joseph Capra,

Deceased members and friends of: Ross & Mitchell Family, Erwin & O'Dwyer Family

other Notices

Downpour Pentecost Rally – Sat 23 May 2015. Join with hundreds as we celebrate Pentecost 2015 and pray for Sydney! This awesome night will feature worship by Steve Angrisano (USA), Gary and Natasha Pinto (Melbourne) and Stephen Kirk (Canberra) with a dynamic preaching by Fr Chris Ryan MGL. A night not to be missed!! Tickets and information available online at downpoursydney.com.

May Celebration in honour of Our Lady and to intercede for Peace in the World and the Welfare of Australia at St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday May 9 commencing at 11.30am with entrance procession the programme includes, Litany of Loreto, Consecration, Rosary and concludes with Mass.

Rescheduled WYD Launch and Young Adult Welcome to Archbishop Anthony 19 May

All young adults are invited to Sydney's launch of World Youth Day 2016. This will also be the first time that our new Archbishop will be present at an official Archdiocesan event for young adults so it is a great opportunity to meet and welcome him. It will be a huge night of celebration with Polish food, Polish dancing, information stalls, a catechesis from the Archbishop and even a spot of fine Polish vodka! At St Mary's

Cathedral College Hall on Tuesday 19 May from 7.30pm. The Archbishop will also be presiding at City Silence in the Cathedral from 6.30pm. For more info visit www.facebook.com/catholicyouthservices

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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

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	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:

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia...

Responsorial Psalm:

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever! R.

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. R.

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.

They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come.

declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:

'These things the Lord has done.' R.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

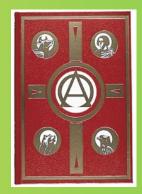
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

Today's Readings

Acts 9:26-31 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17



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

10 MAY 2015	MAY 2015 6 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Mass	Vigil (SPC)	8am (SJW)	10AM (SPC)	
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY	William ANDREWS	Roland JAVIER	
ORGANIST	Kate PARISH		Elmer	
CANTOR	Joji SALAR		Elmer	
LECTOR/S	John DONNELLAN	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Maureen HYNES	
	Noeline DONNELLAN	Maris MARSH	Pam SNELL	
COMMENTOR	Katrina YIP	Karim KASSIS	Micheline BOTHAM	
GIFTS	Anita YIP Family		CHILDRENS LITURGY	
PIETY STALL	Stefanie YIP		Anna FACER	
SP. MINISTER	Kay SCULLY		Anna MANGANARO	
SP. MINISTER	Sam DUCH		Pam SNELL	
HOSPITAL: William Andrews & Robert Jaksic ALTAR: Group 1 G De Alkstrand; M Lewis;			kstrand; M Lewis; N Mann	
SPC CLEANERS	Rey Quinoy, YFC & Friends	COUNTERS: Group 3 K I	COUNTERS: Group 3 K Hartman; A Tham; R Cheema	
SJW CLEANERS: Maris & John Marsh & Joe Moses. CHILDREN'S LITURGY: V Nazareth & A Facer				
HOSPITALITY SPC: Phil Lopez Thanks to all our volunteers - you are the heart of our community!				

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 contact Mona on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.

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

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

Saturday 8.00AM, 9.00AM Adoration & Novena. Lord's Day Mass: Saturday 5.00PM (Vigil), Sunday 10.00AM.

Holy Mass at Auburn South: Tues 9.00AM (school term only) Lord's Day Mass: Sun 8.00AM.

Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00AM - 10.00AM.

