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Sixth Sunday of

Easter Year B

10 May 2015



Happy Mothers Day

*Today, we thank God for the love of the mothers he has given us
And we ask him to bless them with his own special love*

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Principal - John Kennedy
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Mothers Day and Invitation to Love Jesus

“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love.” (Jn 15:9) Jesus told his disciples. Love of God and neighbour, which is the main thrust, has been the theme over the past few weeks. This is also very appropriate for our celebration of Mothers Day this weekend. There is a saying that ‘God appointed mothers because he could not get to everyone always.’ Yes, the love of mothers for their children is the first and most affirming experience of love. It becomes the benchmark for most things that happen later in our lives. Therefore it is important to value the role of mothers and respect all aspects of motherhood.

Jesus has shown us what the best expression of love is. ‘Just as the Father has loved him, Jesus loves us and he was prepared to sacrifice his life on the cross for the sake of his love.’ Then he said “keep my commandments you will remain in my love”. (Jn 15:10) We are in a world where there are people misguided in their understanding how to remain in God’s love. There are people who cut throats or shoot at ‘infidels’ to show their love for God. Hatred and fanaticism has nothing to do with love of one true God. Only evil minds can engage in such atrocities. Jesus said, “A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.” (Jn 15:30) Yes, true love is when we are prepared to sacrifice ourselves for others. It is not engaging in the sacrificing others.

The people who are trying to help the earthquake victims of Nepal are bringing glory to God through their works of charity. We too can become part of this expression of love through our contribution to the Nepal Aid fund of Caritas Australia. There will be an exit collection today for you to make a contribution towards this worthwhile cause and show your love for our suffering brothers and sisters. We, as Christians do not find infidels. We find only people who can love others and those who are in need of mercy, compassion, and charity. Jesus also told his disciples, “I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last”. (Jn 15:16) Yes, we have a serious commissioning from Jesus. Therefore we cannot be complacent and satisfy ourselves with nice words of friendship and love. We need to produce fruits of love for the Kingdom of God. Therefore let us ask ourselves how does my life enhance the goodness in others and show forth the Love of the Father in heaven to others.

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. A Book is available in St Peter Chanel Church during the week to write your prayers. It will also be available at St Joseph the Worker before and after Sunday Mass.

Catholic Inquiry Program

At
St. Peter
Chanel
Church
Berala



to join
Catholic
Church

to learn
about
Catholic
Faith &
practices

7 PM Wednesday 20 May
3 PM Sunday 24 May

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Parish Day 2015

At the Pastoral Planning meeting and later at the Pastoral Council Meeting, I was advised to keep Parish Day this year as a modest and simple celebration and to observe it on Sunday 19 July. Therefore on the weekend of 19 July, there will be one Mass and that will be at 10 AM at St Peter Chanel Church. By combining our Masses into one, the unity of the two churches into one parish will be expressed. After the Solemn Mass there will be a BBQ lunch for all. There will be no entertainment or procession this year.

House Blessings

From now till Parish Day, Sunday July 19, I intend to bless houses of interested parishioners. If you wish to have your house blessed, please let the parish office know. Please send an email, call during office hours, or leave a note in the collection plate. You will then be contacted to arrange the blessing. I am looking forward to do the blessings.

Pastoral Council

At the last meeting of the Pastoral Council, it was decided to incorporate five more members to the Council. Therefore any parishioner volunteering to join the Council may contact Fr Thomas or one of the Council members before the end of May.

Charitable Works Fund Pastoral Appeal

Our parish wishes to thank you for opening your hearts and supporting the appeal last weekend. Through your donation, the CWF is able to continue its work in our local communities, providing spiritual and practical support where it's needed most. Thank you, and may God bless you.



Appeal for Nepal

There will be an EXIT COLLECTION today towards Caritas Australia's Nepal Earthquake Appeal. Over 8000 people are confirmed dead and millions of people are very badly affected by the recent earthquake tragedy in Nepal. Please donate generously.



Parish Diary This Week!

	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 7.30 PM (14 May) Choir Practice at 8 Wallace St Sefton for Pentecost & Corpus Christi Feasts Days (Vigil Mass)	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 Feast the Ascension	
Sunday	10.00 AM Mass Feast the Ascension	8.00 AM Mass Feast the Ascension

Mass Intentions

Recently deceased: Doreen Hodges

Anniversaries: Josef Starc, Alagudurai Alagkkiya, Noel Le Mottee

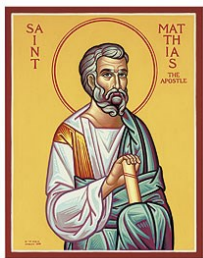
Deceased: Giovana Macuso, Natala Fruli, Taufow Nipa, George Yip, Fatima & Gloris Bolonia, Consuelo Ibardolaza

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

Other Notices

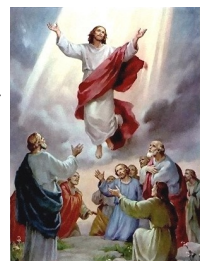
Inspire Retreat: Gathers people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the power of God in a real and relevant way through scripture, music and arts. Date: 16 May 2015 Venue: Mount Carmel College, 210 Spitfire St Varroville Cost: Free. There is also a special daytime program for children aged 2 -10. For more info Ph: 1300734 880 or E: inspireNSW@thecatholicguy.com

Feasts of the Week.



14 May - St Matthias The first act of the apostles after the Ascension of Jesus was to find a replacement for Judas. Two men fit this description-Matthias and Joseph called Barsabbas. They knew that both these men had been with them and with Jesus through his whole ministry. The apostles knew that only the Lord could know what was in the heart of each. They cast lots in order to discover God's will and Matthias was chosen. He was the twelfth apostle

17 May - the Ascension of the Lord The Ascension has always been a part of the joyful celebration of the fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost but was singled out for commemoration on the fortieth day (see Acts 1:3) toward the end of the 4th century. The feast develops the glory of the resurrection by acclaiming the exaltation of Christ as Lord of heaven and earth. It serves to prepare the Church, toward the end of the season of Easter, for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.



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 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:

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power

Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation **R.**

The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Today's Readings

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

1 Jn 4:7-10

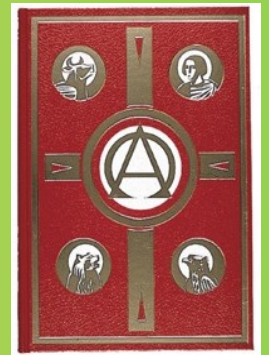
Jn 15:9-17

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 1:1-11

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13

Mk 16:15-20



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

17 MAY 2015		THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	
MASS	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	William ANDREWS	Robert JAKSIC
ORGANIST	Renee SALAR	SJW YOUTH	SAMOAN
CANTOR	YOUTH CHOIR	CHOIR	CHOIR
LECTOR/S	Phirum DUCH	Ken HARTMAN	Anna FACER
	Joy SKERRITT	Jenny MICHAEL	Mai VU
COMMENTATOR	Jann ROCKLIFF	Joe MOSES	Monica SMITH
GIFTS	Carol MABON Family		Micheline BOTHAM Family
PIETY STALL	Margaret HEYS		John SHANLEY
SP. MINISTER	Warren RYAN		Micheline BOTHAM
SP. MINISTER	Janet RYAN		Rita JAKSIC
HOSPITAL: Bob & Christine Kensey		ALTAR: Group 2 Bolonia Family	
SPC CLEANERS: Roland & Aida Javier		COUNTERS: Group 4 Charlie & Kay Scully	
SJW CLEANERS: Maronite Group		CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Pam Snell & Maria Jurcic	
HOSPITALITY SPC: V Nazareth SJW: J & M Moses		FLOWERS: Pam Snell & Josie Pangilinan	

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the Maradin home, 58 First Ave, Berala

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.