


# ST PETER CHANEL & ST JOSEPH BERALA




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**15th Sunday in  
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12 July 2015**

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## Missionary



Amos is considered as one of the minor prophets in Bible study. But he was a man with great a vision for Israel. In his time Israel was divided into 2 different kingdoms – the fertile northern half was known as Israel, and the southern part, including Jerusalem, was called Judea. Amos was from the Jerusalem area, but he was directed by God to announce God's displeasure with the northerner's disregard of the poor and the precepts of the Lord. Their prosperity was going to their head. Amos addressed the northerners soon after king Jeroboam II's victory over the Arameans of Damascus. So the people of Israel were feeling invincible. But Amos warned them that if they do not repent for their injustice to the poor people, and follow the precepts of the Lord, the Lord will punish them. This message was not received well by the northerners. The priest of the temple in their capital city, Bethel, spoke for their King and said, "Go away seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple." (Amos 7:12-13). The allusion is that for Amos, prophesying was a job to earn money. He told them, he never wanted to become a prophet or come to Bethel. He did it only because of the commissioning from the Lord. He was happy with his job of shepherding and the seasonal work of tending the sycamore trees back home. (Ref Amos 7:14-15). About a decade later, the Assyrians started to invade the northern kingdom. Eventually the Jewish kingdoms fell to the Assyrians. So the prophesy came true. The Jewish kingdom was too proud of their prosperity and the rich had contempt for the poor. That is what brought such a collapse for them. It is a message for us too; do not to rely too much on our prosperity and neglect the poor and the precepts of the Lord. Just as the prophet Amos was not welcome into the prosperous Bethel, if the missionaries of out time are not made welcome, we will miss out on the message they bring from God.

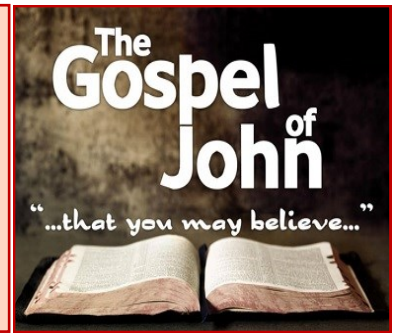
Jesus sent his disciples in pairs to preach the good news of the Kingdom of God, to heal the sick, and to drive away evil. They were not allowed to take any provisions with them except an aid for the journey, a walking stick. The congregation to whom they were preaching were to provide for them. Whether the people provided for the missionaries or not was a test to see whether they welcomed them. If they were not welcome, they were to walk away from them, because without people's acceptance of the message, nothing could be done by the missionary. It is true even for the special commissioned disciples of the Lord.

What are the ways we as a parish community can make the bearers of God's Word welcome? Think about it.

We as Christians are also missionaries of the Gospel. Just like the disciples of Jesus we too are not to expect a hundred percent success in our mission. Be prepared for rejection. Rejections are not failures; they are openings to new beginnings. Therefore do not succumb to rejections as weakness or failures. Each time we experience rejection, we are strengthened and prepared by God for a new beginning with better results.

## **Time to Register for Bible Study**

Starting on 22 July at 7.00pm at Dooleys Regents Park  
Video lectures by Rev Prof Francis Moloney  
and Sr Dr Mary Coloe.  
Eleven weekly sessions on Wednesdays - 1 hour each  
It is FREE  
To register email [info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au](mailto:info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au)  
or telephone 96447787



## **Change of Mass Schedule**

Further work will be carried out on the sanctuary of SPC Church on Wednesday and Thursday. Therefore the 9.15 AM Mass is cancelled on Wednesday and Thursday. There is no Mass at St Joseph the Worker church this Tuesday, due to the funeral of Peter Ross. The normal 6.45 AM Mass is on Monday to Friday at SPC Church.

## **Peter John Ross: 5 November 1927 - 7 July 2015**

On the 7th July 2015, Peter Ross passed away aged 87 after a long battle with ill health and Parkinson's Disease.

Peter first came to Berala as a young child, and attended St. Peter Chanel Catholic Primary School; quickly growing up and becoming an altar boy and involving himself in the Parish. Peter held many roles in the Parish over the years. He became an Acolyte, as well as the Chairperson of the inaugural Parish Council. He was also heavily involved in the local primary school with the Parents and Friends

Association. Peter spent many a Wednesday Night assisting with the Parish Fundraising in Housie (or Bingo as it is now called) for over 50 years. He was involved in the Parish Ball for many years as MC and was an active member of Dooleys, becoming President of the Club for 4 years.

Peter will be sadly missed by his wife Dorothy, his children Wendy, Sue, Peter, Tim and their extended families and friends. Peter was a true gentleman.

His funeral will be held at St Peter Chanel Church at 10.30am on Tuesday 14 July  
May he Rest in Peace



## **Patrick Bohan: 17 March 1930 - 9 July 2015**

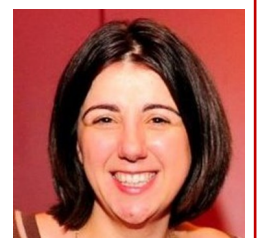
Patrick Bohan passed away on Thursday 9 July, 2015. He was born in Ireland on St Patrick's Day but lived in Auburn South for many years with his wife Isabel. He is survived by his two children, Jenny and Tony, and 3 grandchildren, Dayne, Jarryd and Tayla who will miss him dearly.

Patrick's Funeral will be held at the Sacred Heart Chapel at Rookwood Cemetery on Thursday 16 July at 10.30am.

May he be granted eternal rest.

## **Monica Doumit on same sex marriage**

Monica Doumit, coordinator of Catholic Talk, will be talking about marriage and related issues in the context of the same sex marriage debate. It is mainly for young people aged between 13-25. The venue of the talk will be the Jubilee Hall and it will be at 7 PM on Friday 24 July. You can register your interest by phoning or emailing the parish office [info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au](mailto:info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au)



## **Choir Practices for Parish Day Celebrations (19th July).**

All parishioners who love to sing and who would like to add to the joy of our Parish Day Celebrations, are warmly invited to come along to join us for our last practice this Sunday 12 July in the church. Practice will begin at 4.30pm and finish by 6.15pm. (Please note starting time).

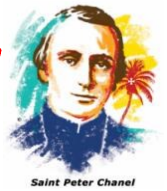
## **Liturgy Rosters**

New liturgy rosters that begin on 9 August are now being organised. If you would like to be included or your availability has changed, please contact Marisa in the parish office.





# CELEBRATE PARISH DAY 2015



**Sunday 19 July**  
**Our Liturgy is ready!**

The African dance group, Samoan dancers and the Arathi team are all ready to enhance the Solemn Feast Mass.

The choir have been preparing for weeks.

The Liturgy Committee have organised multi-lingual Prayers of the Faithful.

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to bring food to our Multicultural Food Fiesta.

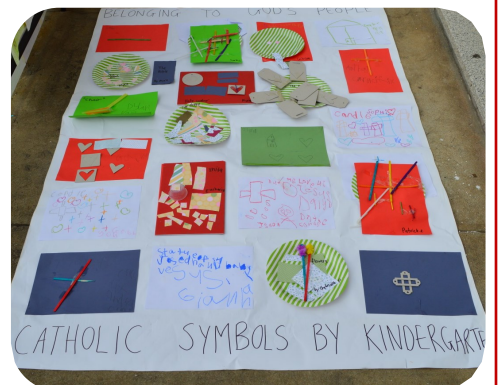
All are invited to share the feast!

**Cancelling 8 AM Mass and having only 10 AM Mass will represent the unity of the parish in a symbolic manner**

The artwork below was provided by the children of St Joseph the Worker Primary School.

They will be displayed in the church especially for our celebrations.

Artwork from the children of St Peter Chanel Primary School will also be on display.



## Planned Giving Receipts

Receipts for last year's contribution to Planned Giving, Charitable works and other tax deductible donations to the church are now available for you to collect from the back of the church. If you have not joined the Planned Giving, you are welcome to fill in slip from the Bulletin to become a contributor to the good works of the parish.

## Monthly Dinner

A sit down dinner once a month in the Jubilee Hall, Berala, is one of the things discussed in the Parish Pastoral Council for some time. Micaiah Vella has volunteered to co-ordinate this ministry. It would help to have some more volunteers to join the ministry. Anyone wishing to help is invited to let the parish office know. For more information, please speak with Fr Thomas.

## Other Notices

**Rachel's Vineyard Ministries** offers a confidential voicemail number: 0400 092 555. There are healing retreats regularly in the Sydney area that offer women and me a spiritual way through grief and loss. Contact them for a non judgemental listening ear through one on one support or a referral to a trained counsellor or a trained, compassionate priest. Visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org.au](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.au)

**A short course in Christianity** The Sydney Cursillo is running a "Short Course in Christianity" at the Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, from Friday evening 21 August to Sunday evening 23 August, continuing with a follow-up evening on Friday, 29 August at Moorebank. Bookings essential - for more information please phone either, Ian Skuse 0407 251 241 or Wendy Tourle 9755 2448, 0414 471 702 or email [wendyjt@bigpond.com](mailto:wendyjt@bigpond.com) (please put the word Cursillo in the subject line). Online applications are also available through the following link <http://cursillo.skuse.info>. This weekend is a wonderful opportunity to look at our faith as adults. All welcome.

**Do you care about peace, justice, ecology or development?** Subscribe to 'Act Justly' the monthly newsletter from the Archdiocese Justice and Peace Office and keep up to date with social justice issues you care about. Learn about Catholic social teaching and find out what's going on in the Sydney Archdiocese. To subscribe, view archived copies or learn more, visit the Justice and Peace Office website, <http://www.justiceandpeace.org.au>.



### Gracefest

We're going to celebrate the One Year to WYD with Gracefest! A night of Praise and Worship which draws over 200 young people every year! This Year we are extremely excited to have our very own Archbishop Anthony give the catechesis on the WYD Theme "Mercy". Once again we will Adore our God and be led in worship by Stephen Kirk and the Graceband. Reconciliation will be available throughout the night provided by the priests that will accompany us on our WYD journey and NET will inspire us with testimonies and dramas.

If you are thinking about/are excited/haven't even heard about WYD, then Gracefest is for you! Meet fellow pilgrims and begin the journey NOW! 31 July 2015, 7pm at St Joachim's Parish – 2 Mills St, Lidcombe

**The Mustard Seed Bookshop Annual sale:** 23 – 25 July, in store only. Save up to 85% off selected items, with a minimum 20% off everything in store! Catholic books, DVDs, CDs, pious goods, statues and T-shirts. 3 Keating St Lidcombe - 9646 9000. [www.mustardseed.org.au](http://www.mustardseed.org.au)

# Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45 AM Mass	
Tuesday	6.45 AM Mass 10.30 AM Funeral for Peter Ross 5.30 PM Catholic Inquiry (Donovan Room)	No Mass at 9.00 AM 7.45 PM Legion of Mary (SJW Hall)
Wednesday	6.45 AM Mass No Mass at 9.15 AM	
Thursday	6.45 AM Mass No Mass at 9.15am 7.30 PM Group 2 singing practice at 8 Wallace St Sefton	10.30 AM Funeral for Patrick Bohan at Sacred Heart Chapel, Rookwood
Friday	6.45 AM Mass 9.15 Mass	
Saturday	8.00 AM Mass 9.00 - 10.00AM Adoration, Novena, Reconciliation 5.00 PM Mass	
Sunday	<b>10.00 AM Mass PARISH DAY</b>	<b>8.00 AM NO MASS</b>

## Mass Intentions

**Recently Deceased:** Peter Ross, Patrick Bohan

**Deceased:** Latife Bahri, Moussa Bahri, Fadile Aflec, Francis Abraham, Jack Breen, Charlie Smith, Audrey Smith, Giuseppe Lagana

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

**May they Rest in Peace**

**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.antaog@gmail.com](mailto:clary.antaog@gmail.com)

**Sara's place:** For pregnancy support or grieving after abortion visit [www.sarasplace.org.au](http://www.sarasplace.org.au) Ph: 96998190

## Feasts of the Week.

**15 July - St Bonaventure:** Born at Bagnoregio (Italy) about 1218. Died at Lyons (France) on this day in 1274. He joined the Franciscans when studying in Paris and eventually became minister general of the order. Later appointed cardinal-bishop of Albano and died assisting Pope Gregory X during the Council of Lyons. Known as the "Seraphic Doctor". Remembered as a teacher, for his extensive biblical and mystical writings, and for his holiness, gentleness, and compassion.



## 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 .....

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Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.

YES/NO Tax deduction

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



## Antiphons & Readings

### Entrance Antiphon:

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;  
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

### Responsorial Psalm:

**R.** Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace,  
peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our hearts  
that we might see how great is the hope  
to which we are called..

**Alleluia!**

### Communion Antiphon:

The sparrow finds a home,  
and the swallow a nest for her young:  
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my  
God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house,  
for ever singing your praise.

### Today's Readings

Amos 7:12-15

Eph 1:3-14

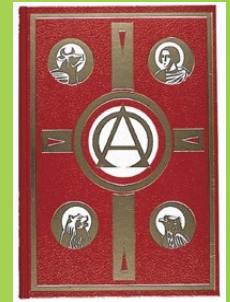
Mk 6:7-13

### Next Sunday's Readings

Jer 23:1-6

Eph 2:13-18

Mk 6:30-34



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

19 JULY 2015		PARISH DAY	16 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
MASS	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	<b>NO MASS</b>	ALL ACOLYTES
ORGANIST			COMBINED
CANTOR			CHOIR
LECTOR/S	Maureen HYNES		Carmel MARTIN
	Christine KENSEY		Sharon IACONO
COMMENTATOR			Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL
GIFTS			Micheline BOTHAM FAMILY
PIETY STALL			Margaret THAM
SP. MINISTER			
SP. MINISTER			

<b>HOSPITAL:</b> Joyce MacDonald	<b>ALTAR:</b> Group 5 M Heys; C Mabon; M Wood
<b>SPC CLEANERS:</b> Rey Quinoy, YFC & Friends	<b>COUNTERS:</b> Group 1 John Le Mottee; John Shanley
<b>SJW CLEANERS:</b> Maronite Group	<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b> None on Parish Day
<b>HOSPITALITY SPC:</b> Multicultural Food Fiesta	<b>FLOWERS:</b> Liturgy Team



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

**PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel** at the Pangilinan home,

30 Lewis St, Regents Park. 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.

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

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 (Not this week) **Lord's Day Mass:** None this week

**Reconciliation at Berala:** Saturday 9.00AM - 10.00AM.