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Widow's might

Melbourne Cup news this year is all about Michelle Payne, the first female jockey to win and her autistic brother Steve who was the strapper of the winning horse. We all love this news, because the underdog is a weakness for us Aussies. Yet, perhaps what was worrying the organisers more was that Jessica Mauboy did not show up to perform. Because performance and show offs are what makes up the Melbourne Cup. Jesus always told his disciples it is not the show offs that are fundamental to life, but the total commitment that is more readily seen in the underdog of society. The narrative about the widow's penny against the show off of the Pharisee (Mark12:38-44) is one of them.

Jesus observed some leaders showing off through what they wear and how they present themselves. They were without substance. Then he observed a poor widow offering a small amount to the treasury box. Jesus said, "the poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on." (Mk12:44). It was the expression of total commitment to God that Jesus was praising. After all, giving brings greater joy than getting, accumulating, or showing off wealth.

The Book of Kings also speaks of a similar case. Elijah, the great prophet made a request of a poor woman who said, "I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die." (1King17:12-13). This plight of the widow did not deter the prophet to seek help from elsewhere; he kept up his appeal to the poor widow. The widow obliged and realised that 'the jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied'. (1King17:16) Her faith and trust in the Word of God was rewarded.

That means even a person dependent on charity must give to charity, because giving is an essential part of human dignity.

We can never under estimate the power of the penny contributed by the poor. There are lots of examples in history where the penny of the poor worked better miracles than the pomp of the show offs or the might of the rich. In our own history we can identify tangible examples of God's blessing over committed discipleship of Catholics and the power of poor man's charity. The story of Blessed Mary MacKillop and her sisters is one of them. The kind of prosperity Australian Catholics enjoy is relatively new. It was in the late 1960s or so when the plight of the Irish Catholics of Australia started to get better. The years before that, the Josephite nuns did all the work in schools for virtually no payment. The small fee they collected was divided among a few lay teachers they had to employ. The nuns were graced with the occasional donation from parishioners of clothing material, vegetables, fruit and milk. Things were like this, not because no one wanted to pay them, but because the parents and the parish could not afford to pay them. It was a time when people were struggling to build even a fibro house for themselves. In such situations of dire want there was something which was plenty – a good will to share what little they had. The small pennies they collected did not build much of a school building. They were happy to use sheds and the church as class rooms.

In the prosperity we enjoy these days, there is greater attraction to show offs than to real commitment to fundamental Christian virtues like siding with the less fortunate. We seem to dread total dedication to Christian values. This is affecting our relationship with God and God's children. This is also affecting our much needed fellowship. There is more talk about achievements these days than sacrifices. We are in need of a new evangelisation.

You are invited

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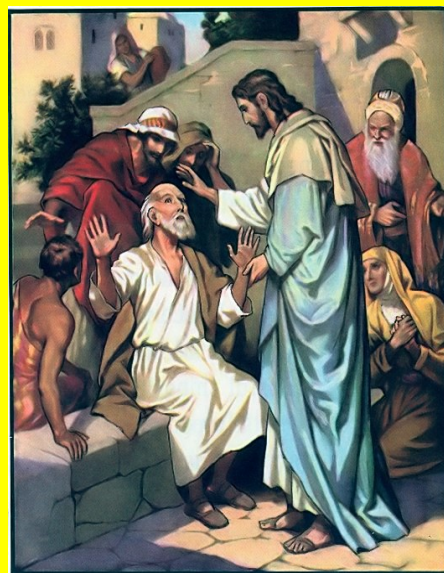
Mass and Anointing of the Sick

Saturday, 21 November 2015

10:00 am start

St Peter Chanel Church

Following the Mass, everyone is invited to stay for a light lunch in the Parish Hall.



The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is our Church's sacrament for the sick and the aging. This sacrament is for any form of physical, mental or spiritual illnesses and can be received over the course of an illness.

NEED TRANSPORT? Please contact ALAN Tham on 9649.8397 or PHIL Lopez on 9646.1756.

Charitable Works Fund Appeal

This weekend and next weekend there will be collection for CWF. We need to raise \$5100 this term. So please contribute generously. Please use the special CWF envelopes to make your contribution.



Christmas Lunch 2015

The Parish has decided to continue with The Christmas Day Lunch that has been held since 2013. All who want to enjoy this 'Special Day' with others are invited and welcome. As in the past your generous donations of "food /drink/money will be requested at a date closer to Christmas Day. Any parishioner interested in the organizing of the lunch are welcome to a meeting on Thursday 12 November in Madden Room at 7 PM. For further details contact Evelyne Safadi on 0416140378.

First Reconciliation

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, 49 children from our Parish will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. May God, our forgiving father, be with them as they begin their journey to His forgiveness. Please remember them in your prayers.

Fee Concession for Students

From the beginning of 2016 the Catholic Education Fund will provide fee reductions to families experiencing financial hardship, as well as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and refugee students in all grades, K-12. No Catholic Child should be denied a Catholic Education due to genuine financial hardship. Therefore if any parishioner is finding it hard to provide catholic school education to their child due to financial difficulty is welcome to meet with me.



Volunteers Thanksgiving Gathering

Invitations are being sent out to volunteers of the parish for a Thanksgiving gathering. If you or any one you know hasn't received the invitation, please inform the parish office. Our records on this matter need not be always accurate.

Social Justice Group

Social Justice group of the parish is about to take off with a new project, Monthly Dinner. At the last meeting with Kim Doyle on 21 October, many ideas and areas of need were identified for us to work on. To prepare a plan accordingly another meeting will be held at 7.30 PM on Wednesday 18 November in Jubilee Hall. There already a number of people volunteered to be part of this mission of the parish. But the idea is to include all interested parishioners. Therefore if you are interested or curious about Social Justice initiatives of the parish, come along to the next meeting.

Fr Graham Kings

The health of Fr Graham Kings has been deteriorating and he has been admitted to the Royal Northshore Hospital. Please keep him in your prayers.

Friday 27 November at 8 PM

Candle Light Mass

On the last Friday of this month, 27 November there will be a candle light Mass for all souls. At the Mass, all names of November Mass intentions will be read and prayed for. If you wish, you will be able to light a candle for your dear departed souls during the Mass. The candles sold for this occasion are electronic candles and it will cost \$2 each. Since it is a candle light Mass, it will commence at 8.00 PM at St Peter Chanel Church Berala.



Kids Camp 2016!

We are proud to present our parish's very first kids camp - God is love: celebrating it with friendship, faith and fun! To be held over 3 amazing days over the summer holidays, this will be a day camp (no sleepover required!) on the grounds of St Peter Chanel for all our 7-12 year olds. Filled with fun activity and teaching based on our Catholic faith, it is an event not to be missed! Cost is \$15 per child (with concessions for siblings - \$25 for 2 children and \$30 for 3 children). Please register your interest now as places are limited! Please contact Rhia Victorino on 0420 966 463.

Mass Intentions

General: Leonard Ng Leong Seng to be strong for his mother, Rodriguez Family for spiritual and temporal graces.

Deceased: Felix Berto, Consuelo Donald, Ibar Dolaza, Salvatore Capra, Concetta Rizzo, Simone Baspanti, Concetta Gurgone, Fr Nicolo Capra, Raspant Taresa, Nicolo Capra, Sigismundo Capra, Filiceila Greca, Ridolfo Maria, Ridolfo Mariano, Nicola Rizzo, Alphonso & Mary Scanlan, Feliks Majchrzak, Jan Kula, John Moore, Margaret Moore, Richard Marsh, Teresa Marsh, Colleen Kenny, Fatima, Mamerto Sr, Gloria, Astrid Bolonia, Felix Berto, Consuelo Donald, Ledeha Ibar Dolaza, Leckranee Bundhoo, Raoul Deonarain, Robert Cook, Ellen Fong, Chan Ah Nean, Pang Moh Liane, Ng Buck Lok, Alfredo Javier, Maria Javier, Anita carpio, Fernando Javier, Zenaida Manalaysay, Godofredo Manalaysay, norma Javier, Arturo Carpio, Cipriano Flores, Avelino Flores, Perpetua Vasquez, orenzo Vasquez, Edna Flores, Miguela De Castro, Gener Carpio, Olive Ng, Calvin Ng, Vincent Boyd, Kirby Ng Beng Sim, Ng Siap Bee, Josephine Bates, Molly Ng, Ted Duffy, Edward & Edna Duffy, Nell & Jack Sargent, Melchor Dela Cruz, Zenaida Dela Cruz, Jose Rene Jarque, Angelo Munariz, Tose & T.Y. Nesuwan, Tung Kwai, George Yip, Raymond Yip, Carmen Saguid, Zenaida Payumo, Miguel Saguid, Victoria Saguid, Edilberto Paculan, Avelino Nazareth, Teddy Carvalho, Adrienne D'Souza, Pascal D'Souza, Joseph Noronha, Santina Baudeille, Colin Baudille, Rosa Manganaro, Maria Yanni, Aphrodite Yanni, Clem Hill, Mary Hickey, Anne Twomey, Michael hickey, Michael Smith, Peter Hung, Anna Vinh, Anna Ly, Anna Ngu, Anna Thanh, Peter Ty, Giuse Fam, Giuse Dung, Marria Nghi, Peter Do, Dominic Linh, Giuse The, Gerard & Cynthia de Souza, Valerie & Jerry de Souza, Ulrick & Ethnie Lourensz, Eric & Kathleen Lourensz, Harry & Lila Scharenguivel, Eric & Lorna Scharenguivel, James & Mildred de Souza, Harold & Audrey La Brooy, Doris Koch, Kingsley & Olga Joseph, Winston & Hyacinth Weerappah, Ray Youssef, Anna Youssef, Sofia Christoforidis

Deceased members and friends of : Ross & Mitchell Family, Joseph & Gloria, Orlovic & Lisica families, Rush & Hopkins families, Ng Family, Barrett Family, Mitchell Family, Rosa Family, Mamo Family, Jarszewski Family, O'Halloran & Millard Families, Medved Family, Sostaric Family, Portelli Family, Attard Family, Mujic Family, Buterin & Baraba Families, Sokolowsky Family, Hekrachawicz Family, Andrewna Family, Mackiw Family, Wennek Family, Romaniuk Family, Fedoeowicz Family, Markowicz Family, Lysowel Family, Hoydac Family, Panasiuk Family, Nystrum Family, Adamowsky Family, Haninec Family, Georgiadis Family, Harris Family, Shumsky Family, Goot Family, Bolko Family, Kozel Family, Kittu Family

Other Notices

Win a trip to WYD in Poland 2016! Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Sydney (CCD) is holding a competition for current Year 9 & 10 public secondary students to win free pilgrimages to World Youth Day 2016 in Poland via Prague. To enter, handwrite in 300-500 words (or submit artwork with a reflection) on why you would like to go to WYD, then have your entry endorsed by a Priest (preferably your Parish Priest) and call CCD on 02 9307 8330 or email: office@ccdsydney.catholic.edu.au

Celebrate International Day of People with Disability! The Archdiocese Justice and Peace Office and L'Arche Sydney invite you to a special morning tea to celebrate and honour people living with disability and all of those who love, care about and advocate with them. There will be guest speakers, music, as well as time to share our own stories. Morning tea provided. 01 Dec 10:30am-12:00pm Level 5 Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney. RSVP 24 November E: kimberley.doyle@sydneycatholic.org Ph: 02 9307 8461

St Felix Parish and School Fete will be held on Saturday 21st November 2015 at 550 Chapel Road, Bankstown. Gates open at 9am. Something for everybody. Lots of amusement rides for the children, White Elephant, Crafts and Plants. Great prizes to be won on the Chocolate Wheel. Big variety of lovely food available. Great Prizes on the Monster Raffle. Come along and join the fun day.

Part-time Parish secretary required: Applications are invited for the position of a Part-Time Parish Secretary at St Anthony's Parish Marsfield. The position will be fourteen hours per week (Tuesday/ Thursday/ Friday). The successful applicant will be a person who upholds the ethos of the Catholic Church and has an intermediate working knowledge of Microsoft Office – Word, Publisher, Excel and Outlook. For further details, please contact the Parish Office on 9888 5222. Please email your application and resume to: office@saintanthonys.org.au. Applications close on Wednesday, 16 November 2015.

Parish Diary This Week!

	St Peter Chanel	St Joseph the Worker
Monday	6.45 AM Mass	
Tuesday	6.45 AM Mass 5.30 PM RCIA 7.00 PM First Reconciliation	9.00 AM Mass 7.45 PM Legion of Mary (SJW Hall)
Wednesday	6.45 AM Mass 9.15 AM Mass	7.00 PM First Reconciliation
Thursday	6.45 AM Mass 9.15 AM Mass 7.00 PM Christmas Lunch Meeting	9.00 -10.00 AM Playgroup in 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

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

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

Spiritual Retreats: Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo T/F: (02) 4236 0533 E: cottageretreats@bigpond.com
Carmelites Varroville E: retreats@carmelite.com;

Vincentian Retreat Centre Somersby E: clary.antaog@gmail.com

Sara's place: For pregnancy support or grieving after abortion visit www.sarasplace.org.au Ph: 96998190

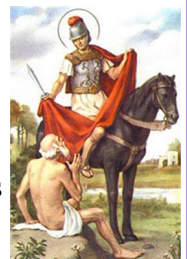
Feasts of the Week.

9 November - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica The Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of the diocese of Rome, was dedicated to Christ the Saviour in the fourth century. The anniversary has been celebrated as a feast of the Latin Church on this date since the twelfth century. It honours the local Church of Rome as a link with earliest Christian tradition and as a sign of our communion in Christ.



10 November - St Leo the Great Died in Rome on this day in 461. Elected pope in 440. Tried to protect the city from the devastation of barbarian invasion. His surviving letters illustrate the leadership and guidance he exercised as bishop of Rome toward other Churches in the West. Remembered for the clarity of his thought on the two natures of Christ, affirmed at the Council of Chalcedon, for his eloquent sermons, and for the prayers he composed for the Roman liturgy.

11 November - St Martin of Tours Born in Pannonia (Hungary) about 316. Died in 397 and was buried on this day in Tours (France). A catechumen who was in conscience unable to continue with military service. Baptised at the age of eighteen, for a time became a hermit, and then worked to establish monasticism in the West. Bishop of Tours for twenty-five years. One of the first non-martyrs to be venerated as a saint. Widely remembered for his legendary generosity to the poor, for arguing against the persecution of heretics, and especially for his active evangelisation and pastoral care of rural areas.



12 November - St Josephat Born in Vladimir (Ukraine) in 1580. Died at Vitebsk (Belarus) on this day in 1623. A Basilian monk who became archbishop of Polotsk. Worked strenuously to uphold and spread the Union of Brest-Litovsk by which Churches of the province of Kiev, with their Byzantine liturgy and customs, had entered into communion with Rome. In a complex situation of national and religious antagonism, he was killed by violent opponents. Remembered for his energetic pastoral reform and courageous ecumenism.

Antiphons & Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever
who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord who sets prisoners free **R.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.

It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord who protects the stranger **R.**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,
near restful waters he leads me.

Today's Readings

1 Kg 17:10-16

Heb 9:24-28

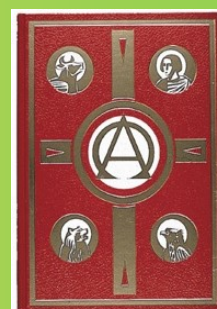
Mk 12:38-44

Next Sunday's Readings

Dan 12:1-3

Heb 10:11-14,18

Mk 13:24-32



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

15 NOVEMBER 2015		33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
MASS	VIGIL (SPC)	8AM (SJW)	10AM (SPC)
ACOLYTE	Joseph MARMAN	William ANDREWS	Mario CAPRA
ORGANIST	Youth	SJW	SAMOAN
CANTOR	Group	YOUTH CHOIR	CHOIR
LECTOR/S	Christine KENSEY	Karim KASSIS	Hoa NGUYEN
	Lawrence LOPEZ	Michael CHOW	Rhia VICTORINO
COMMENTOR	Joy SKERRITT	Ingrid SCHARENGUIVEL	Hilary NGUYEN
GIFTS	Graham TOBY Family		Robert JAKSIC Family
PIETY STALL	Adele MELER		Anna MANGANARO
SP. MINISTER	Kay SCULLY		Mai VU
SP. MINISTER	Joy SKERRITT		Anna MANGANARO
HOSPITAL: Ken Hartman & Jenny Michael		ALTAR: Group 4 A Yip; M Botham; A Tumapon	
SPC CLEANERS: Vietnamese Community		COUNTERS: Group 2 Christine Kensey; Julie Toby	
SJW CLEANERS: Maronite Group		CHILDREN'S LITURGY: K Pangilinan	
HOSPITALITY SPC: A Baldoria		SJW: Macaiah Vella	



"Family that pray together stay together"

PILGRIM STATUE from St Peter Chanel at the, Abadam home, 2/79 Vaughan St, Berala.

Please join 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 & Wednesday to 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 (During school term only) **Lord's Day Mass:** Sunday 8.00 AM

Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00AM - 10.00AM.

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:.....

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☐ Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.

YES/NO Tax deduction (*please circle*)

☐ Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions. (*An authority form will be sent for completion*)