St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Berala

Streams of living water will flow from within. ~John 7:38

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Holy Mass: Monday to Friday 6.45am, Saturday 8.00am | Holy Hour: Saturday 8.30am-9.30am Lord's Day Mass: Saturday 5.00pm Vigil - LiveStreamed, Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am Reconciliation: Saturday 8.30am - 9.30am. Or contact the parish office for any other time.

For Baptisms, Weddings, Bible Study and Catholic Enquiry, please contact Fr Thomas or the parish office on 9644 7787.

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

14 FEBRUARY 2021

Have you been Jesus to someone?

Thirty years ago, at a shack of a building in Kerala India, a young man and his wife came to see me. I was just about to light a fire in the cooking place in the smaller of the two rooms which was the designated kitchen in the shed. The bigger room which had a table and a couple of benches was the parish centre and my dining room. There I was about to establish a parish. I got degrees in theology and philosophy, not in other disciplines. Everyone including that young man was new to me. Lack of familiarity did not stop him from making an unusual request. He said, "Father, I am suffering from alcohol addiction which is ruining my family. Please free me from my alcoholism!" I never considered myself competent enough to treat alcoholism. I made that clear to him, "I am only a priest", I said. My declaration of incompetence did not deter him from his plea for help. He told me something totally unexpected, "Father, I am confident that you can cure me. Will you please do it for me?" Those words reminded me of what the leper told Jesus, 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' (Mark 1:40). I thought to myself, 'I am here to do Jesus' job.' I took the challenge. As a result, not just that young man, but seventeen others also were able to wiggle out of the bond of alcoholism, and make a new start in their lives.

According to the Gospel (Mark 1:40-45), the man, who was outcast because of his skin disease, had faith in Jesus. 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me'. When this was matched with the willingness of Jesus to minister to him, his life was made whole. This new found dignity of life became good news to many others thereafter. In effect the touch of Jesus that cured the leper, transformed the world around him.

You may recollect events where someone in their distress came to you for help. Though you do not consider yourself as a miracle worker, because of their trust in you, you could help them in their misery. It could have been a case of depression or unhappy marriage, or mental illness, or loneliness or a case of someone let down by a close friend. In any case your 'one on one' approach and willingness to help brought joy to that person. Since then you may have noticed that even the world around that person is also transformed. In that case you have been Jesus to a seeker. When is the last time you have been Jesus to someone?

MASS INTENTIONS

Sick: Sr Tomsy, Graham Turner, Sr Salve Stuart, Theo Bergstedt, Tony Michael, Doreen Stanmore, Ann Bechiom, Grazyna Lukasiewicz, Edna Rahmat, Gayle Le, Clarisse Naumanen, John Rodrigues, Joseph Anthony Gabrielle, Zekia Al-Asady, Raymond Kassis

Recently Deceased: Eulogio Orrego Sanchez, Assunta Concetta Liberatore, Norm Hutchinson

Deceased: Dulcie Cullen, Nellie Lim, Francis Wong, Mary Gabrielle, Noel Felix Gabrielle Anniversary: Wadieh Bichay, Estefania Sarmiento, Eugenia Gianan, Benita Reyes, Harley Simms, Suzannette Monica v Seno Perez

Deceased Members and Friends of: O'Dwyer & Erwin Families, Ross & Mitchell Families, Amores, Florendo & Domingo Families

Other Intentions: For all those affected by the Corona Virus. The intention of the Holy Father.

Ash Wednesday

The Masses for Ash Wednesday will be on 17 February at **6.45 AM & 7.30PM**.

Blessing and distribution of ash will be done at both Masses.

SUPPORT US

Scan the QR Code to make a donation. Thank you for your generosity!





ANTIPHONS & READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 30:3-4

Second Reading 1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

> First Reading Lv 13:1-2. 44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 31:1-2. 5. 11. R. v.7

R I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted. O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. R

But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. R

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just! O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. R

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 77:29-30

Gospel: Mk 1:12-15

They are and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

Next Week's Readings:

1st Reading: **Gen 9:8-15**

Are you struggling financially?

2nd Reading: 1 Pt 3:18-22

If you or you know anyone needing financial assistance during this time may contact Fr Thomas. He may be able to help you. Send a confidential email to pp@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au.

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Your financial contribution to the Planned Giving of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the end of the financial year you will receive a receipt for your contributions. 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
$\hfill \square$ Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.	Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions. (An authority form will be sent)

REFLECTIONS ON MARK 1:40-45

Historical Context – Leprosy To be a leper in 1st Century Palestine was to be utterly rejected Verse 41 of this week's reading from society. They were not permitted to engage in religious practice as they were permanently regarded as being ritually unclean and, indeed, unable to become clean as long as their disease lasted. The book of Leviticus, quoted in today's first reading, contains two whole chapters of rules regarding lepers. Lepers were forced to live outside of any village for fear of contamination and even had to call out a warning of 'Unclean! Unclean!' if anyone came near them. They were forced to beg for food and money because no-one would hire them. They were literally on the very edge of society.

Gospel Focus – What's in a word?

begins, 'Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand.' This translation is from the Jerusalem Bible but if we were to consider other translations of the Bible we would find other phrases used such as: moved with pity; filled with pity; moved with compassion; filled with compassion; or even, filled with anger. By comparison, 'Feeling sorry for him' seems a weak translation. Jesus' reaction is a fully human one of indignation at what this man is forced to endure. It is a gut-wrenching response from the very core of Jesus' humanity.

Living the Gospel – Who is your leper?

There is a story of Francis of Assisi in which he encountered a horribly disfigured leper. Initially, Francis was repulsed by the man but remembered that this man too was a child of God and made in the image and likeness of God. Overcoming his fears, Francis ran forward and embraced the man. Rather than seeing the disease, Francis saw the person. We can ask the question, Who is your leper? Who is the person in your life that you need to embrace rather than reject? Who would benefit from you viewing them with different eyes? Soft eyes! Eyes of compassion! .

God's word is an inexhaustible spring of life

by Saint Ephraem (AD 306 – 373)

Lord, who can comprehend even one of your words? We lose more of it than we grasp, like those who drink from a living spring. For God's word offers different facets according to the capacity of the listener, and the Lord has portrayed his message in many colours, so that whoever gazes upon it can see in it what suits him. Within it he has buried manifold treasures, so that each of us might grow rich in seeking them out.

The word of God is a tree of life that offers us blessed fruit from each of its branches. It is like that rock which was struck open in the wilderness, from which all were offered spiritual drink. As the Apostle says: They ate spiritual food and they drank spiritual drink.

And so whenever anyone discovers some part of the treasure, he should not think that he has exhausted God's word. Instead he should feel that this is all that he was able to find of the wealth contained in it. Nor should he say that the word is weak and sterile or look down on it simply because this portion was all that he happened to find. But precisely because he could not capture it all he should give thanks for its riches.

Be glad then that you are overwhelmed, and do not be saddened because he has overcome you. A thirsty man is happy when he is drinking, and he is not depressed because he cannot exhaust the spring. So let this spring quench your thirst, and not your thirst the spring. For if you can satisfy your thirst without exhausting the spring, then when you thirst again you can drink from it once more; but if when your thirst is sated the spring is also dried up, then your victory would turn to harm.

Be thankful then for what you have received, and do not be saddened at all that such an abundance still remains. What you have received and attained is your present share, while what is left will be your heritage. For what you could not take at one time because of your weakness, you will be able to grasp at another if you only persevere. So do not foolishly try to drain in one draught what cannot be consumed all at once, and do not cease out of faintheartedness from what you will be able to absorb as time goes on.

Church Shop

The Church Shop is open on Saturdays before and after the 5.00pm Vigil mass and on Sundays after the 8.00am & before the 10.00am masses.

Drop by our Church shop and grab a gift for that special someone. The shop is filled with a range of religious items perfect as presents for those celebrating the Sacraments of Holy Communion, Baptism, Reconciliation and Confirmation.



PARISH NOTICES

Covid-19 Restrictions Eased

As per the easing of restrictions on Friday, 12 February, two hundred people can attend each Mass at SPC following the **one person per 2m² rule**. Now that the 2m² rule has been reinstated, Archbishop Anthony has lifted **the dispensation** from our Sunday Mass obligation. The Catholic faithful are once again obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation when this is reasonably



possible. Those who are of great age, have health conditions or are otherwise anxious about the risks of COVID-19 are free to remain at home and find another way of keeping the Sabbath holy.

The Church will be left open during the day for personal prayer. You are welcome to come and pay a visit to the Blessed Sacrament during daytime.

New Direction for Ash Wednesday



On 12 January, The Congregation for Divine Worship (Rome) has issued a directive concerning the Imposition of Ashes in this time of pandemic. Accordingly Ash Wednesday, 17 February 2021, Ash ceremony in our parish will be modified. Instead of the normal practice of daubing the ashes on the forehead, the minister with mask on, will sprinkle the ashes on the head of the faithful. That will ensure a contact free and COVID safe practice.

Fr Don Richardson, Liturgy Office Director of Sydney Archdiocese, has made the following comments.

- a. The act of putting on ashes symbolizes fragility and mortality, and the need to be redeemed by the mercy of God. Far from being a merely external act, it symbolizes that attitude of internal penance to which all the baptized are called during Lent.
- b. The placing of ashes on top of the head is the more ancient practice;
- c. It is the common method in many parts of the world;
- d. In time of Covid-19 it has the advantage of not requiring the priest to contact the skin of many people one after another, risking inadvertent infection;
- e. The fact that the ashes are not readily visible to others is of no concern, since they are principally intended as a sign for the person receiving them and not for others.



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday of Lent commencing 19 February, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7PM in church. After the prayers, about 7.30 PM I will also be available in the confessional for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Absolution from sins will be a good way of observing Lent. A proper Lenten observance with renewal of the Parish as the intention can work miracles.

First Reconciliation Group 1

The parish would like to invite all children in Year 4 whom have received their baptism and missed out on the sacrament of Reconciliation last year due to COVID-19. The sacrament of First Reconciliation will be celebrated this year at St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Parish on Wednesday 31 March 2021 at 7.00 pm.

Information Packs have now been sent out to the schools to hand out to potential candidates. If you were not able to secure a pack and would like to obtain one, please contact Sophia Brewty, Sacramental Coordinator on 9644 7787 on Tuesday or Friday or email her at sacraments@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au.

Zoom Bible Study

The Gospel of Mark Today Bible Study will be held from 20 April to 31 August 2021 (20 weeks). Zoom Lectures will be on Tuesdays at 7PM to 8PM. Please contact the Parish Office for Registration Forms.



Lenten Season 2021

Ash Wednesday

Lent will commence with Ash ceremony on Wednesday 17 February. See the notice about the modified ceremony of Ash during this pandemic season. Mass times for Ash Wednesday are 6.45 am 7.30 pm. This year, due to COVID restrictions,



School Masses are exclusive and no other people are allowed to them.

Lenten Prayer Groups

There will various Lenten groups. Already some friends groups have organised themselves to meet at one of the homes weekly to reflect and pray using the resource, 'COMFORT'. Any more groups of friends wanting to do the same are welcome to contact parish office to organise resources and any other assistance required.

Now we have an additional Lenten Program titled 'Go Make Disciples'. It is based on Sunday readings. Copies this program are available free of charge at the entrance of the Church. This program could be done in groups or as individuals. Fr Thomas will be leading a Bible reflection program on Tuesdays of the Lent. It will be based on the Scripture readings of the Lenten Sundays. Venue: St Peter Chanel Church; Time 7-8 PM. You are welcome to contact parish office to join this group

Stations of the Cross

The devotion of the Stations of the Cross will be on Fridays of Lent commencing at 7 PM. No booking required for this. You can register your name on arrival at the door of the church.

Project Compassion

Last year's 'Project Compassion' appeal was disrupted by COVID restrictions. But this year we hope to hold it. The necessary envelopes and boxes are available at the entrance of the church for you to collect.

Confessions/Reconciliation

Fr Thomas will be available to hear confession Tuesdays to Saturdays after the morning Mass till Holy Week.

Lenten Fast

Lent is a time of fasting, prayer and alms giving. Next week's Bulletin will have more instruction on Lenten Fast.

Church Doors Open

The Church will be open during Lent for personal prayer by anyone wishing to do so

Lenten Penance Explained

THE Church's Canon law reaffirms the obligation to do penance – to interrupt the usual comforts of life, to rediscover in prayer the saving love of God, and to practice charity and justice towards those in need. During Lent and on the Fridays of the year, we do penance, not only on our own account, but also in the name of the Church and of the world. We must take seriously our penitential obligations and be sure to carry them out. The Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference has not restricted our penance to fast and abstinence in all cases, it has left room for our own responsible choices. We should carefully select the form of penance that we consider most appropriate for our own circumstances and growth in the Christian life.

Days of Penance

- 1. Abstinence from meat, and fasting, are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to fast. All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain.
- 2. On all other Fridays of the year including the Fridays of Lent, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:
 - (a) prayer for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary.
 - (b) self-denial for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country.
 - (c) helping others for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday (February 17) to the Mass of the Lord's Supper (April 1) exclusive. On Good Friday and, if possible, also on Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, the Easter fast is observed.

Paschal Precept

Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday, February 17 and Trinity Sunday, May 30, 2021 unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

CATECHIST NEWS



The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.' ~ Matthew 9:37

SRE training dates for catechists

1.1 - The Role of the SRE Catechist in the Church and the Public School and SRE Safeguarding

Monday 15 Feb Moorebank Monday 15 Feb 9.45am-1pm WEBINAR via Zoom

Friday 19 Feb 9.45am-1pm WEBINAR via Zoom

Saturday 20 Feb Miranda

Tuesday 23 Feb Randwick

Monday 1 Mar Ryde

Saturday 13 Mar 9.45am-1pm WEBINAR via Zoom

Monday 19 April Lidcombe Tuesday 20 April City

1.2 - Using the Authorised Curriculum

Wednesday 17 Feb Brighton (Ash Wed)

Monday 22 Feb Moorebank

Monday 22 Feb City

Saturday 27 Feb Miranda

Tuesday 2 Mar Randwick

Monday 8 Mar Ryde

Saturday 20 Mar 9.45am-1pm WEBINAR via Zoom

Monday 26 April Lidcombe

Tuesday 27 April City

Please call Brenda on 0402 051 365 if you have any questions or to arrange future training options.

Rosanna provides Smartboard lessons during COVID

Why did I become a catechist?

I would see the advertisement for Catechists in the Parish Bulletin for over a year. At first I thought you needed to have a teaching degree to be a Catechist but the Holy Spirit was with me. I thought, "I'll give it a try and if I'm not very good at it, I will give it away after a week". But I'm still a Catechist after 12 years.



I did Unit 1 training at Marrickville Church with the CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine). And then, I started as a helper at Berala Public School. After a few months, I became a scripture teacher for kindy children. Later on, the CCD gave special lessons on SmartBoard for anyone wanting to learn. I did the course three times because I really wanted to understand how to

Lots of people do not like SmartBoard but I could see the potential. I thought it was very good. And I was right. The children loved it. When they saw the colourful pictures, the message was simple and they could understand it clearly. They also loved the music, the stories from the Bible, and the games.

2020 was a difficult year for Catechists

I'm glad I took the time to learn SmartBoard because 2020 was the most difficult year for Catechists. I had to isolate at home because of COVID but I could still prepare lessons using SmartBoard. This really helped the Catechist team. I had to make three lessons every week. Then I prepared a full term of lessons for our teachers.

It will be good when everyone can return to the classroom. I miss the little ones and I look forward to the day when I can go back. But until then, I will continue to prepare SmartBoard lessons and help out this way.

We need to teach the children in our public schools how to pray, and even how to make the sign of the cross. So we invite you to join our team and bring God's love to the children. We can do this through the power of the Holy Spirit!

Rosanna Pattison, Catechist

Berala Needs Catechists

Berala parish invites you to join our Catechist team as a teacher or a helper for Special Religious Education (SRE). We need Catechists for Berala Public School, Auburn West and Regents Park Public. If you can help out, please call Brenda on 0402 051 365. Thank you!

OTHER NOTICES

Lent 2021 with Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy

Be inspired, Be refreshed, Be renewed! Come on a 40 day journey with me and I know this will be a powerful and prayerful Lenten journey together. Receive a short inspiring video each day during Lent. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: https://BruceDownes.org/Lent | Call 1300 734 880 for more info

Into A Strange Land - A Country Called Forgiveness

In this 5 days retreat during Lent, we will be walking the arduous and sometimes lonely journey from unforgiveness to forgiveness: the journey that has the possibility of leading to joy and peace of soul that remains elusive, until we are able to let go and forgive. St Antonia osb will guide you throughout the retreat. Retreat begins: 21 Feb 2021 for 5 weeks during Lent. Registration fee: \$200. To register visit https://www.jamberooabbey.org.au/retreats/onlineretreats/forgiveness-retreat/

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

We are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love! Come and join us on April 16-18, 2021 at a Marriage Encounter Weekend in a Covid safe environment at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW – a stunning & tranquil oasis on the edge of Sydney. Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au

The 2021 Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Course, Of Life and Love

Will be held on the following dates: Saturday 27 February commencing at 10 am and then Thursday evenings 4, 11, 18 March 2021 | Saturday 14 August commencing at 10 am and then Thursday evenings 19, 26 August & 02 September 2021. To Book Online - https:// www.trybooking.com/BMTLF. For further information, please contact - The Life, Marriage and Family team by email tp steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org. or phone 02 9307 8480.

Home Care Services for Seniors

CatholicCare's Home Care Services for seniors can support you or a loved one to live at home independently with comfort and confidence and to remain connected to your parish community. Home Care Team 13 18 19 | connect@catholiccare.org.

CatholicCare outreach to the lonely and isolated

CatholicCare, through its CCareline 13 18 19 number and the Parish Volunteer Program is working together as the 'hands and feet of Christ in the community'. If you are struggling and need help or support, or you are worried about someone else, please call CCareline on 13 18 19.

Gala for Life

A fun and glamorous evening including live music and presentations from pro-life MP's to fundraise for Diamond Women. Tickets include a 3-course meal and a donation to Diamond. 27 February 2021 from 6:30 – 11:00 pm | Cabra-Vale Diggers: 1 Bartley St, Canley Vale | Tickets: www.galaforlife.com.au | \$90 Concession; \$120 Adult



Maximus Men's Breakfast - St Joseph & the Masculine Genius



Our first men's breakfast this year will celebrate the Year of St Joseph as a model of the Masculine Genius. Join us for a fantastic morning of prayer, formation, fellowship and food!

- 13 March from 8:00 am 12:00 pm
- Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard Umbers
- Presentation by Steven Buhagiar

Early bird registrations available via the Life, Marriage and Family and Maximus Facebook pages. Registration link will be in next week's bulletin.

PROJECT COMPASSION Each week during this Lenten season, Caritas Australia is holding Virtual Immersion opportunities for parishes via Zoom video conferencing. These digital engagements will allow participants to focus on prayer and reflection, Catholic Social Teaching and

an interview and Q&A with Caritas International Program staff. Sessions will run Tuesdays and Thursdays for one hour across Australia. You can register for a Virtual Immersion by going to lent.caritas.org.au.

21 FEBRUARY	21 FEBRUARY 1st SUNDAY OF LENT						
Mass	VIGIL		8AM	10AM			
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY		Roland JAVIER	Charlie SCULLY			
LECTOR/S	Lawrence LOPEZ		William ANDREWS	Latisha ILBOUDO			
	Christine KENSEY		Daniel BOLAND	Amanda DOWDELL			
CHURCH SHOP	Anita YIP		Winnie CHIU	Margaret THAM			
Cleaners SPC: Roland & Aida Javier			Altar & Sacristy: Group 6 Korina Kinda, Antoinette Boudaher				

Saturday 8AM	20 FEBRUARY		
LECTOR FOR MASS	Jann ROCKLIFF		

Lent Retreat Day

27 FEBRUARY

WITH THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF ST CECILIA

For all Catholic women

TIME: 10 A.M - 4 P.M. COST: \$50

QUESTIONS: Contact the Sisters at sydneyeop-tn.org

REGISTRATION: https://www.trybooking.cam/BOMAH

Spaces are limited, so register soon!

St. Peter Chanel Parish, Berala



This retreat day will help you spiritually enter into this holy season. In addition to talks and discussion, the day will include time for silence and prayer during a Holy Hour. An opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Morning tea and lunch are provided. We hope you will join us for this day reflecting on the glorious unfolding of God's ways.



Project Compassion Sunday

14th February

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Be More". Through your generosity and by aspiring to be more, you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by phoning 1800 024 413 or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.







PLAY 6 ROUP

FOR CHILDREN UNDER 5 YRS
THURSDAY 9AM-11AM

Free Playgroup held in the school hall!

Please sign in at the school office at 2 New Street.

Coffee & Tea provided for carers



Come Join our Playgroup!

Fun Activities for Infants and Preschool Children

art & craft
story time
painting | dress ups
dance | music
games

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