



St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Berala

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

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

23 MAY 2021

Pentecost 2021

The anguish of people in India, where corona virus is like a spree killer, is the headline in the media now. Many concerned people ask me about the well-being of my people back in the midst of this pandemic. By the grace of God most of my people are doing okay, though the spread of virus all around them is causing a lot of anxiety. It is very comforting for my people and me that so many are able to understand the anguish of them and relate to them. Understanding what others want to communicate and relating to them is the essence of language. When you understand the hopes and disappointments, joys and sorrows, of others, it is a great communication which can bring about a good experience which pride and arrogance cannot do.



There is a story in the Book of Genesis about people who wanted to challenge God and build a tower that could reach heaven. Because it was an act of arrogance and pride God punished them. The plan for the Tower became a total failure. The people of Babel lacked the qualities of love, selflessness and trust in God, they could not communicate with each other. They were like people of different languages not understanding each other. Pentecost is the reversal of the Babel event. Now the disciples of Jesus, having received the Holy Spirit are able to communicate with people in their diversity. What was scattered then, is gathered together now by the Holy Spirit. This new gathering of believers was the beginning of the Church. That means, Pentecost is the birthday of the Church.

COVID19 has been a shattering experience in all aspects of life including the Church gatherings. We tried to keep up the spirit of Christian fellowship through YouTube Masses and similar activities. But none of the technical media is a substitute for the actual Eucharistic gathering. Because they cannot provide the Sacrament of Holy Communion with the risen Lord. Now that times are favourable, we shall celebrate our Communion gatherings, making ourselves true members of the Body of Christ, the Church.

It is not just the pandemic that is challenging our gatherings for Holy Communion with Jesus. The rat race for money making, sports and recreation-centred life style, the culture of death like euthanasia and abortion do not help you to celebrate your Communion with the Body of Christ. Any Christian disciples feel intimidated to practice their faith. But be bold enough to celebrate the Holy Communion, participating in the sacraments of Reconciliation and other Sacraments. Let not the world around rule your life. Let us not give in to any anxiety about life. Neither shall we behave like people who are unable to communicate with God and with one another. Let us celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. As people who understand each other, let us communicate with God and people in the name of Christ.

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PARISH DIARY THIS WEEK

Mon 24/5	OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS 6.45am Mass 10.30am Mass SPC Primary School
Tue 25/5	6.45am Mass
Wed 26/5	6.45am Mass 7.00pm FHC Class
Thu 27/5	6.45am Mass 10.00am BARM—Rosary Making
Fri 28/5	6.45am Mass
Sat 29/5	8.00am Mass 8.30am Rosary Adoration, Confession 5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 30/5	8.00am Mass 10.00am Mass



*"Family that pray together
 stay together"*
PILGRIM STATUE

FROM ST PETER CHANEL
 at Nazareth Family
 2 Dawn Crescent, Berala
*Please join them any evening from 8 May
 2021 at 7.30pm for the Rosary.*
 To host the Pilgrim Statue and Rosary
 prayer please contact Mona
 on 9709 8701 or 0417 282 603.

 From Legion of Mary, Berala
 Moore Home

 To host the Rosary Statue Legion of
 Mary, Berala call
 Phil Lopez on 9646 1756.

30 MAY

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Mass	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	Charlie SCULLY	William ANDREWS	Roland JAVIER
MUSIC & SINGING	PARISH CHOIR		
LECTOR/S	Renee SALAR	Joe MOSES	Roshan SEBASTIAN
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Cleaners SPC : Marian
 Rosary Group

Altar & Sacristy: Group 2 Gwen
 Bergstedt

Saturday 8AM

29 MAY

LECTOR FOR MASS

Jann ROCKLIFF

MASS INTENTIONS

Sick: Graham Turner, Theo
 Bergstedt, Tony Michael, Doreen
 Stanmore, Clarita Naumanen,
 Anthony, Fabian & Mereen Browne,
 Caroline Lillian Stevens, Mercy
 Deganos

Recently Deceased: Lydia Amores-
 Villanueva, Crescente Andino,
 Conching Eamiguel, Francesca
 Bruzzese, Seamus Mulligan, Josefina
 Martin Shibata

Deceased: Gerard de Souza, William
 Clifford, Albert Wheeler

Anniversary: Florence Rodrigues, MV

Jaison, Norah Lally, Paddy Lally,
 Basilisa Alinson, Melchor dela Cruz,
 Zenaida dela Cruz

Birthday Thanksgiving: Melchor dela
 Cruz Jr, Ryan dela Cruz, Alisha
 Munarriz, Marcott Almeda

Deceased Members & Friends of:
 Orlovic & Lisica Family

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



A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. Alternatively, call (02) 9390 5810 | email safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance.

ANTIPHONS & READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Wis 1:7

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R**

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **R**

Second Reading

1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

SEQUENCE ON THE LAST PAGE

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 28:19. 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Communion Antiphon

Acts 2:4,11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

Next Week's Readings:

1st Reading: **Dt 4:32-34. 39-40**

2nd Reading: **Rom 8:14-17**

Gospel: **Mt 28:16-20**

Planned Giving Request Form

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 please contact the Parish Office on 9644 7787 or email info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au to obtain the Parish Census Form & Direct Debit Form (for those who are opting to donate automatically by credit card) so that your details can be added in our system.

REFLECTIONS ON JOHN 20:19-23

Historical Context – Pentecost

The word Pentecost comes from the Greek for fiftieth day. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of Easter and comes as a Sabbath day after seven weeks of seven days. In Jewish tradition the 50th day after the Passover was celebrated as a blessing of the harvest and rather than the unleavened bread of Passover it was celebrated by leavening the bread. It was for this reason that the disciples were gathered together when they experienced the Holy Spirit empowering them. In Christian tradition, Pentecost is celebrated as the arrival of the Spirit, promised by Jesus, that animated the disciples to spread the gospel of Jesus and gather believers to form what would eventually become the Church.

Have you thought? The Spirit

We can sometimes regard Pentecost as the day the Holy Spirit came into the world. However, the Spirit had long been active in the world before this event. In fact, even the second verse of Genesis Chapter 1 tells us that the Spirit hovered over the waters. The Old Testament is filled with references in which 'The Spirit of God came upon (him) with power' and the Spirit was evident at Jesus' baptism and throughout the gospels. Jesus is frequently described as being 'filled with the Spirit'. So, from the very beginning of creation the Spirit has moved in the world and continues to enliven it today.

Living the Gospel – Come, Holy Spirit

'Come, Holy Spirit', or its Latin, *Veni Sancte Spiritus*, has become the basis of countless prayers and hymns over many hundreds of years. To this day, it remains a powerful invocation that can be used in prayer or meditation. Three simple words convey a wealth of meaning. The invitation for the Spirit to 'Come' indicates recognition of the need for the Spirit's intervention and openness to accept the guidance that the Spirit brings. It is a powerful, simple prayer that can be used at the outset of any significant undertaking or whenever you find yourself in need of inspiration.

The sending of the Holy Spirit

by St Irenaeus

When the Lord told his disciples to go and teach all nations and baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, he conferred on them the power of giving men new life in God.

He had promised through the prophets that in these last days he would pour out his Spirit on his servants and handmaids, and that they would prophesy. So when the Son of God became the Son of Man, the Spirit also descended upon him, becoming accustomed in this way to dwelling with the human race, to living in men and to inhabiting God's creation. The Spirit accomplished the Father's will in men who had grown old in sin, and gave them new life in Christ.

Luke says that the Spirit came down on the disciples at Pentecost, after the Lord's ascension, with power to open the gates of life to all nations and to make known to them the new covenant. So it was that men of every language joined in singing one song of praise to God, and scattered tribes, restored to unity by the Spirit, were offered to the Father as the first-fruits of all the nations.

This was why the Lord had promised to send the Advocate: he was to prepare us as an offering to God. Like dry flour, which cannot become one lump of dough, one loaf of bread, without moisture, we who are many could not become one in Christ Jesus without the water that comes down from heaven. And like parched ground, which yields no harvest unless it receives moisture, we who were once like a waterless tree could never have lived and borne fruit without this abundant rainfall from above. Through the baptism that liberates us from change and decay we have become one in body; through the Spirit we have become one in soul.

The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and strength, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of God came down upon the Lord, and the Lord in turn gave this Spirit to his Church, sending the Advocate from heaven into all the world into which, according to his own words, the devil too had been cast down like lightning.

If we are not to be scorched and made unfruitful, we need the dew of God. Since we have our accuser, we need an advocate as well. And so the Lord in his pity for man, who had fallen into the hands of brigands, having himself bound up his wounds and left for his care two coins bearing the royal image, entrusted him to the Holy Spirit. Now, through the Spirit, the image and inscription of the Father and the Son have been given to us, and it is our duty to use the coin committed to our charge and make it yield a rich profit for the Lord.

FEASTS & MEMORIALS OF THE WEEK

Monday, 24 May - Our Lady Help of Christians (Solemnity)



The feast day to Mary Help of Christians has been celebrated in Australia since 1844 but the history to this day dates back to the start of the 1800's. Napoleon Bonaparte had jailed Pius VI who died in jail. When Pope Pius VII was elected he too was jailed by Bonaparte, who kept him prisoner at Fontainebleau. The Holy Father vowed to God that if he were restored to the Roman See, he would institute a special feast in honour of Mary. The military eventually forced Bonaparte to release the Pope and on 24 May 1814, Pius VII returned in triumph to Rome.

Twelve months later the Pope decreed that the feast of Mary Help of Christians be kept on 24 May. The infant church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. No priests were sent to the colony in its early days and Mass was not allowed except for one brief year until 1820. It was largely the Rosary in those early days that kept the faith alive. Catholic Australia remained faithful to Mary and was the first nation to choose her under the title Help of Christians, as principal Patroness.

St Mary's Cathedral was dedicated in her honour by the Irish pioneer priest, Fr John Therry, who arrived in Sydney in 1820 and assumed responsibility for the planning and initial construction of the Cathedral. When Australia became the first country to have Mary Help of Christians as Patroness, it became the first country to have a mother-cathedral under the same title.

The statue of Mary, Help of Christians, stands in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart in the Cathedral. The Church has traditionally focussed on two aspects of Our Lady's help on this feast day. Firstly, upon the role of Our Lady's intercession in the fight against sin in the life of a believer. Secondly, Our Lady is one who assists Christians as a community, through her intercession, in fighting against anti-Christian forces. In the Opening Prayer for Our Lady Help of Christians, the Church prays that through Our Lady's intercession God will "grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens", so that "under her protection Australia may be granted harmony, justice and peace".

Mass of the Feast at 6.45am & 10.30am (SPC Primary School)

Wednesday, 26 May - St Philip Neri, priest (Memorial)



St Philip Neri was born in Florence in 1515. His mother died when he was young and he was educated at a Dominican convent. In 1533 he went to Rome and lived as a hermit for two years, then spent a further three years studying theology and philosophy. He gave up his studies and sold his books and encouraged his friends to join him in working for the sick and visiting the churches of Rome. St Philip was ordained a priest in 1551 and he spent many long hours hearing people's confessions. He founded the Congregation of the Oratory, which gave its name to the musical form 'Oratorio', which developed from their services. St Philip was known as a happy man, who enjoyed playing the occasional practical joke, but was also regarded as a living saint by those who knew him.

Mass of the Feast at 6.45am.



CWF Collection continues this weekend

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) is a centralised fund that supports the charitable and pastoral activities of the Archdiocese of Sydney. It is your charity, the charity of the Sydney Catholic community and your local parish. The CWF funds the following ministries: CatholicCare, Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD), Ephpheta Centre, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, The Seminaries, Chaplaincies.

**Parish Quota
\$6650**

Donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible. Your generous donation no matter how great or small will make a difference in someone's life.

PARISH NOTICES

Sacrament of Confirmation

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The parish would like to invite all children in Year 6 and above to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Please note to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, you must have received the below sacraments prior to 2021.



- The sacrament of Baptism.
- The sacrament of Reconciliation
- The sacrament of First Holy Communion

Kindly note the sacrament of **Confirmation** will be celebrated this year at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday the 8th of August at 3.30pm as part of the Central Deanery group.

The **Confirmation Preparation Program** for children and their families will commence on 23rd June at 7pm in the church. There will be five classes that students must attend with a parent or adult. Further, students and their family are required to attend the **Commitment Mass on Saturday, 26th June, at 5pm at St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Parish.**

Please note active participation is essential if you wish to have your child receive this sacrament. These classes will be in person and there will be some online tasks assigned as a part of the preparation program. Take the time to complete your registration **online (visit: <https://www.stpeter-stjoseph.org.au/confirmation/>)** before the set due date **31 May 2021** and read the enclosed documents carefully and add them in your calendars.

Please feel free to contact me via phone or email. We look forward in sharing this journey with you and your family. God bless!
~Sophia Brewty, Sacramental Coordinator

CatholicCare Partnership with the Parish

I have always been looking greater and enhanced out reach for people in need of various assistance, like housing, domestic issues, mental problems, and such. I am pleased that now CatholicCare has a new initiative to partnership with Parishes in Sydney. So far Liverpool and Fairfield parishes have successfully established the pilot programs. I invited CatholicCare representatives to speak about the program to the first meeting of the Pastoral Council this year. Since then I have had a few more meetings with them. We are working on employing a trained person once a week in the parish. The goal of this program is seven fold.



- Break down barriers in understanding, accessing and navigating community support services
- Provide advocacy for people most in need.
- Increase community knowledge of support services.
- Reduce social isolation, meaningfully connect individuals, and help them become active participants within the broader community.
- Build the Parish's capacity to respond to those in need.
- Connect the parish to the wider community.
- Evangelisation through serving the community.

The parish will be soliciting grants and fundraising to finance this initiative.

This parish program will be taken to Pastoral Council and Finance Committee again for their advice. I hope that this Parish Program can be commenced in July this year.
~Fr Thomas



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.

We invite you...

Called & Chosen

Fellowship, prayer, and learning for the whole family

When: 2 June 2021, 6PM – 8PM

Where: St. Peter Chanel & St. Joseph Parish,
Berala

RSVP: sacraments@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au
(by 28 May)

We hope your whole family can join us for this event. The evening will consist of dinner (6PM), talk for adults and kids ministry (6:30-7:15), and Eucharistic Adoration.



OTHER NOTICES

CatholicCare outreach to the lonely and isolated

If you are struggling and need help or support, or you are worried about someone else, please call CCareline on 13 18 19.

Alive in the Spirit: Being The Community Christ Calls Us to Be

This innovative conference, from 8 to 10 July 2021 will feature over 30 on-demand workshops with prominent national and international guest speakers, exploring areas such as best practice for RCIA, planning for mission and renewal and supporting pastoral care. For more information, visit: www.aliveinthepirit.com.au

Love & Truth Marriage Weekend

A wonderful Marriage Enrichment opportunity is coming up on the weekend of 26/27 June at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre Varrowville! For more info: contact Bernadette on 0423102066 or at emmanuelysydevents@gmail.com Please register by 12th June 2021 by heading to www.trybooking.com/BQDLQ

The 2021 Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation course, Of Life and Love

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 info, please contact - The Life, Marriage and Family team on (02) 9307 8480 or e-mail steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org.

SVDP Berala Conference



Christmas is all about community and the Members of the St Vincent de Paul Conference in Berala saw this in abundance over Christmas 2020. After the isolation of COVID-19, the Conference saw a need for helping people to connect. For this reason they organised a Christmas toy drive. With a fantastic range of donations from St Peter Chanel Catholic Primary school and the generosity of the St Peter Chanel and St Joseph Parish, the Conference invited clients to visit and choose Christmas presents for their family. The plan was to give clients the ability to choose gifts based on the interests of their children rather than having gifts chosen for them but the day turned out to be so much more. As people visited, the sense of community grew and families began to make connections with each other. The Conference is looking forward to expanding this initiative across other Conferences in the Liberty Plains Regional Council to further build our community.

Amanda Gahan, Co-President



"There will be two of you for the work, our Lord and you, and with Him you can do all things."

~ St Vincent de Paul

COME, FOLLOW ME



*Discipleship Retreat Days with
the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia*

**Sunday
13th June**

*St Mary's
Cathedral, Sydney*

**Saturday
26th June**

*Regina Coeli,
Beverly Hills*

**Saturday
17th July**

*Our Lady of the
Rosary, Fairfield*

*All welcome!
\$10 per person
Light lunch included.*

Registration essential at
www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/

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SEQUENCE

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which en-
dure;
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow;

Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength re-
new;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die;
Give us life with thee on high;
Give us joys that never end.

FILL THE VAN DAY

A ST VINCENT DE PAUL FUNDRAISER



The Berala Conference of St Vincent De Paul spend time servicing the community through home visits, Night Patrol and other events. We'd love your help to help those in need.

On **Sunday 6th June** from **7:30am - 11am** we will have the Patrol van parked in the church carpark on Kingsland Rd, Berala. We are hoping to collect donations and fill the van. The van goes out to feed the homeless every night of the week but can only run on the generosity of people like you.

Donations of items can be made to the van on Sunday 6th June or to St Peter Chanel Catholic Primary on any weekday.

The following items are needed:

- items for snack packs (such as small chips, poppers, noodles etc)
- blankets and sleeping bags
- non-perishable food items (such as jam, pasta, rice, tea, coffee, oil, ghee)
- scarves, beanies, gloves
- nappies
- toiletries (such as toothpaste, razors, toilet paper)

Donations of money can also be made on the day and are **tax deductible**.
For further information please contact amanda.gahanesydney.catholic.edu.au

