



St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Berala

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

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Weekday Mass: Tuesday-Friday 6.45am Saturday 8.00am

Weekday Confession: Tuesday-Friday 7.15am-7.45am

Weekend Mass: Saturday 5.00pm Vigil - LiveStreamed, Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am

Weekend Holy Hour & Reconciliation: Saturday 8.30am - 9.30am

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



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

17 September 2023

From the Pastor

Dear brothers and sisters,

Why can't we say both creeds in church? (Malia, 6C)

We can, Malia - just not at the same time! The longer creed, the Nicene creed, is an affirmation of what we believe, and Christians have always believed, formulated 1600 years ago. The Apostles' Creed is even older. In saying them, after having heard the Word of God, we affirm we believe all the fundamental things God has revealed to us about who he is and who we are, and before the liturgy of the Eucharist, that we are in communion with the universal Church across all time and space as we prepare to receive this one and same God who has been speaking to us.

Roofwork begins

The long-awaited work on our new roof will begin on Monday 18 September. The first week will be spent putting up the scaffolding. This will be followed by three weeks of stripping off the old roof. Daily morning mass and confessions will continue in the church, but other masses (with the exception of funerals) may have to take place in the hall (to be confirmed). Please be aware that this will be a very noisy process - but that the church, as always, will remain open for personal prayer. Please be attentive to obey all the signs and directions we need to give you, as they are there to protect you.

You Are Not Alone Retreat Day

"*You are not alone*" is a retreat day for couples who are struggling or have been unable to have children due to infertility, miscarriage or stillbirth. The day will be held on the 7th of October 2023 at the Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, Mulgoa and will include meals, talks, prayer, reflection, and sharing. The Emmanuel Community will facilitate the retreat with the support of the Life Marriage and Family Team. Due to the sensitive nature of this experience, spaces will be limited. Couples should RSVP by the 2nd of October at <http://www.trybooking.com/CKWXP>

Yours in Our Lord,

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Mass Intentions

Sick: Graham Turner, Aurora Flores, Giovanni Simeone, Marilyn Tagonan, Tony Rodrigues, Jane Aquino, Josephine Laing, Ana Lisica, Rob McDonell, Marco Titus Sastre, Sigsy Tan, Blue Tan, Richard Langford, Patricia Browne, Chloe Scharenguivel, Ben Lim

Recently Deceased: Rona Thorpe, Ben Lim

Deceased: Alice Lou, Giuseppe Leonardi, Eddie Leonardi

Anniversary: Rusbel Ruiz, Mark Chiu

Other Intentions: Holy souls in purgatory.

Caritas Australia's Emergency Appeals – Morocco / Libya

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the devastating earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died and others have been injured. Communities need shelter, food, water and medical assistance.

Please support Caritas Australia's emergency appeals. Donate at www.caritas.org.au



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A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual 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. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at 02 9390 5810 or you may also want to speak wot your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

Parish Diary This Week

Mon 18/9	No Mass.
Tue 19/9	6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Wed 20/9	Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Chong Ha-sang (Memorial) 6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Thu 21/9	St Matthew (Feast) 6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession 7.00pm RCIA
Fri 22/9	6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Sat 23/9	St Pius of Pietrelcina (Memorial) 8.00am Mass 8.30am Rosary, Confession 5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 24/9	8.00am Mass 10.00am Mass

24 SEPTEMBER 2023**25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	Robert MCGINN	Roland JAVIER
MUSIC & SINGING	N/A	Cyril EDWARDS Liva FUNAKI & Lavinia FIFITA	Alannah KASSIS
POWERPOINT	Need Volunteer	Liva or Lavinia	Kassis Family
LECTOR/S	Christine KENSEY	William ANDREWS	Roshan SEBASTIAN
	Renee SALAR	Michael CHOW	Sharon SEBASTIAN
CHURCH SHOP	Charlie SCULLY	Catherine MCGINN	Alan THAM

Cleaners SPC: Maria Perica, Teresa Escobar, Kata Jurcic

Altar & Sacristy: Group 3 Korina Kinda, Antoinette Boudaher

Saturday 8AM**23 SEPTEMBER**

LECTOR FOR MASS

Joy SKERRITT

1 OCTOBER 2023**26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	Charlie Scully	Dom PANGILINAN
MUSIC & SINGING	PARISH CHOIR	Damian LAWRENCE	SALT ENLIGHT
POWERPOINT	Parish Choir	Need Volunteer	Brewty Family
LECTOR/S	Mai NGUYEN	Michael CHOW	Phirum DUCH
	Joy SKERRITT	Maris MARSH	Katrina YIP
CHURCH SHOP	Joseph LAHOUD	Jenny MICHAEL	Margaret THAM

Cleaners SPC: Uisa Family

Altar & Sacristy: Group 4 Anna Manganaro, Veronica Zaitseff

Saturday 8AM**30 SEPTEMBER**

LECTOR FOR MASS

Rosalind EVANS



"Family that pray together stay together"

Pilgrim Statue

This week at

Amarille & Langi Families

To host the Pilgrim Statue and Rosary prayer please contact Mona on 9709 8701 / 0417 282 603 or Phil Lopez on 9646 1756.

Antiphons & Readings

Entrance Antiphon (Cf Sirach 36:18)

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

First Reading (Sirach 27:30 – 28:7)

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.'

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8)

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

Second Reading (Romans 14:7-9)

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Gospel Acclamation (John 13:34)

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 18:21-35)

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me", he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said. "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

Communion Antiphon (Cf Psalm 35:8)

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

Vigil Mass Readings :

Gen 15:1-6. 18 | Rom 6.3-4. 8-11 | Mt 16:24-27

Next week's Readings:

1st Reading: **Is 55:6-9**

2nd Reading: **Phil 1:20-24. 27**

Gospel: **Mt 20:1-16**

Feasts & Memorials of the Week

Wednesday, 20 September - Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Paul Chông Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs (Memorial)

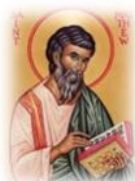


Andrew Kim Taegon was the first Korean presbyter and Paul Chong Hasang a catechist and lay apostle. After more than two centuries of lay leadership, the Church in Korea was subject to fierce persecutions between 1839 and 1867.

This commemorates 103 of the numerous Korean martyrs, representatives from all walks of life: men and women, married and unmarried, the elderly, teenagers and children, missionary bishops and presbyters. Remembered for their fearless witness in the face of torture and death. **Mass of Feast at 6.45am.**

Thursday, 21 September - St Matthew (Feast)

Matthew, also known as Levi, was a Jew who collected taxes for the Romans at Capernaum in



Galilee. Here Jesus met him and called him to be an apostle (Luke 5:27-28). Venerated as the author of the gospel which highlights Jesus' role as Messiah and underlines the presence of the kingdom of God in the Church. **Mass of Feast at 6.45am.**

Saturday, 23 September - St Pius of Pietrelcina (Memorial)

Born on 25 May 1887 in Pietrelcina (Italy). Died on this day in 1968 at San Giovanni Rotondo (Italy). Raised in a deeply religious rural home, Francesco Forgione became Padre Pio when he was ordained in the Capuchin order in 1910. A mystic who received the marks of the stigmata in 1918, a renowned holy man, and a charity worker who founded a hospital (the House for the Relief of Suffering). His ascetic life of pain led to special compassion for the suffering. Remembered as an extraordinary confessor and spiritual director. **Mass of Feast at 6.45am**



News

Life, Marriage and Family Sunday

All families are invited to come to 10:30 Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday the 22 October, with an opportunity for renewal of marital promises and a special blessing for families. Join us after Mass at the Cathedral Hall to witness and celebrate couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries. Registrations are essential to receive a certificate. RSVP by no later than 6 October at <http://www.trybooking.com/CJTNF>

Virtuous Man: Men's Silent Retreat

The Sydney Vocations Centre is holding organising a **Silent Retreat for Men from 20-22 October 2023 at St Mary's Towers, Douglas Park**. The retreat will allow participants to come away and grow in love for our Lord and kindle their desire to give Him glory by their way of living.

For more information and to register, please visit <https://vocationcentre.org.au/events/mens-silent-retreat-2023/>



News from your parish school

ST. PETER CHANEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Last week we had the privilege of venerating a first class relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta. Classes made a visit to the church and learned more about the life of this modern day saint before taking a special moment of prayer with the relic. St. Teresa of Calcutta, pray for us!



NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH SCHOOL



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Auburn



Last Saturday St Joseph the Worker held an Open Day in the afternoon. It was a wonderful showcase of our school community. We had many of our staff, parents and students in attendance to demonstrate how we make a difference to those who came along.

We enjoyed an afternoon in the sun with a delicious barbecue and refreshments.

We are enrolling now! Enquire with our school office for a free tour of our grounds.



STJW THE BEST KEPT SECRET

This week we welcome into the Catholic faith

Winona Huang & Evie Meler

May they always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout their lives.



Congratulations to the newlywed

Thomas Tran & Nicole Kong

May the One who brought you together bless your marriage, enrich your lives and deepen your love throughout the years.

CHURCH SHOP

The Church Shop is stocked with new items! Check out some great items perfect for gifting!

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!



Just for Laughs

Q: Where do giraffes go to school? A: Highschool