



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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

8 October 2023

From the Pastor

Dear brothers and sisters,

What is the Catholic view of the referendum?

The official view of the Catholic Bishops on both 5 May and 26 September can be summarised as follows:

1. The bishops endorsed the Statement from the Heart in 2021.
2. It's important that our Indigenous be recognised in the constitution.
3. The Voice is not our only option - it's one of a number of options which might help.
4. The bishops have not recommended voting yes or no, but that "people may, in good faith, have differing concerns and perspectives." where "there are some who strongly support the Voice and others who have concerns including whether the Voice would benefit those most in need or could stifle good governance."

Four other general guiding principles might be helpful to keep in mind:

- a. Do good, avoid evil.
- b. Authentic love says yes sometimes, and says no other times.
- c. Arguments based on insults are not arguments, and can be dismissed out of hand.
- d. Acting based just on how we feel or might feel is not love. Neither is acting based on our feelings acting from the heart. To act from the heart is to use our whole heart, that is our intelligence, our will, our memory, and the law of God written there, as well as our feelings. To vote lovingly is to make a choice where we take into account (1) reasoned arguments, (2) the law of God, (3) the particular situation, as well as (4) our feelings, and vote in a way which is (5) good, for all Australians.

In short: the moral imperative for the referendum is to feel totally free and not pressured, to inform ourselves well about the proposal and its possible consequences, and to vote for what we think is good for Australia, taking into account God's law, reasoned argument, the particular circumstances, as well as our feelings.

Yours in Our Lord,

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Mass Intentions

Sick: Graham Turner, Aurora Flores, Giovanni Simeone, Marilyn Tandongan, Tony Rodrigues, Jane Aquino, Josephine Laing, Ana Lisica, Rob McDonnell, Marco Titus Sastre, Sigsy Tan, Blue Tan, Richard Langford, Patricia Browne, Chloe Scharenquivel

Deceased: Giuseppe Leonardi, Eddie Leonardi

Special Intention: Al Chong

Other Intentions: Holy souls in purgatory.

Recently Deceased: Rona Thorpe

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Parish Diary This Week

Mon 9/10	No Mass.
Tue 10/10	6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Wed 11/10	6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Thu 12/10	6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession 7.00pm RCIA
Fri 13/10	6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Sat 14/10	8.00am Mass 8.30am Rosary, Confession 5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 15/10	8.00am Mass 10.00am Mass

15 OCTOBER 2023**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	Christine KENSEY	Jenny MICHAEL	Trevor BREWTY
MUSIC & SINGING	PARISH CHOIR	Damian LAWRENCE	TONGAN CHOIR
POWERPOINT	Need Volunteer	Need Volunteer	Tongan Choir
LECTOR/S	Sharon SEBASTIAN	Maris MARSH	Soana SEKOPE
	Roshan SEBASTIAN	Robert MCGINN	Katrina YIP
CHURCH SHOP	Joseph LAHOUD	Winnie CHIU	Margaret THAM

Cleaners SPC: Marian Rosary Group

Altar & Sacristy: Francis Lenette; Chantal Collet

Saturday 8AM**14 OCTOBER**

LECTOR FOR MASS

Joy SKERRITT

22 OCTOBER 2023**29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	Robert MCGINN	William ANDREWS
MUSIC & SINGING	N/A	Cyril EDWARDS Liva FUNAKI & Lavinia FIFITA	Alannah KASSIS
POWERPOINT	Need Volunteer	Liva or Lavinia	Kassis Family
LECTOR/S	Renee SALAR	Michael CHOW	Katrina YIP
	Christine KENSEY	Maria SIMEONE	Phirum DUCH
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**21 OCTOBER**

LECTOR FOR MASS

Rosalind EVANS



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.

"Family that pray together stay together"

**Pilgrim Statue**

This week at

Mayo & Hazboun 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 Esther 4:17)

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

First Reading (Isaiah 5:1-7)

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R. Is 5:7) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Second Reading (Philippians 4:6-9)

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have

been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation (See John 15:15)

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 21:33-43)

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third.

Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

Communion Antiphon (Lam 3:25)

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Next week's Readings:

1st Reading: **Isaiah 25:6-10**

2nd Reading: **Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20**

Gospel: **Matthew 22:1-14**

Christmas Lunch Donation & Volunteers

On Christmas Day, 25 December, there will be a Luncheon at the Jubilee Hall, from 11.30AM-2.30PM, for all those who would like to participate. To book yourself for the lunch please contact the Parish Office on 9644 7787 or email info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au.

You can help with the Luncheon either by donating food, drinks or cash. Should you wish to donate or volunteer to help, kindly complete the form at the back of the church.

We are also looking for entertainers to perform on the day. If you would like to be part of the entertainment, please contact Evelene Safadi on 0416 140 378. For any enquiries, contact the Parish Office on 9644 7787 or Arthur Doumit on 0417 270 923.

**ST. JOACHIM'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
LIDCOMBE**

Invites you to join in a

Marian FESTIVAL


OCTOBER 13, 2023
6TH & FINAL APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA,
THE MIRACLE OF THE SUN

- 6:30pm Welcoming Ceremony of Our Lady
- 6:40pm Inspirational Talk for Parents & Children
- 7:10pm Holy Rosary
- 7:30pm Holy Mass followed by the Investiture
of the Brown Scapular
- 8:15pm Rosary Procession
- 8:40pm Fellowship in the Hall

OCTOBER 14, 2023
MARIAN – EUCHARISTIC FAMILY DAY

- 2:00pm Gathering in the Hall
(Viewing of Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles
by Bl. Carlo Acutis)
- 2:15pm Opening Prayer
- 2:30pm Family Games
- 3:00pm Inspirational Talk for Parents & Children
- 4:00pm Afternoon Tea
- 4:20pm Living Helium Balloon Rosary
- 5:00pm Holy Mass (Parish Vigil Mass)
- 6:00pm Eucharistic Procession

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT PARISH OFFICE



2023 PUBLIC ROSARY

JOIN US FOR A NATION-WIDE ROSARY CHAIN!

WHERE: Coleman Park
(Next to canteen),
Georges Ave,
Lidcome

WHEN: Saturday 14 October
at 3:30pm


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7 Churches Pilgrimage

The Emmanuel Community invites parishioners and families to the 7 Churches Pilgrimage on 14 October 2023.

Join pilgrims as they walk to significant church sites in Sydney and reflect on the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Starting at 9:00am at Mary MacKillop Place North Sydney and finishing at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Randwick.

Please scan QR code to register or for more information.



SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE
& FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION

Jesus Light of the World Community

Prayer Gatherings: Rosary, Praise & Worship, Talk, Fellowship

Speakers: Saturday 21 October – Ron Maldigri | Saturday 28 October – Marina George

All commencing at 2:30pm | St Joseph's Parish Hall, Walz Street, Rockdale. Enquiries: Helen (0433 455 114), Ida (0424 267 500)

Virtuous Man: Men's Silent Retreat



REGISTER HERE

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/>