



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.



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

19 November 2023

From the Pastor

Dear brothers and sisters,

What are the effects of Baptism?

Baptism takes away original sin, all personal sins and all punishment due to sin. It makes the baptised person a participant in the divine life of the Trinity through sanctifying grace, the grace of justification which incorporates one into Christ and into his Church. It gives one a share in the priesthood of Christ and provides the basis for communion with all Christians. It bestows the theological virtues and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. A baptised person belongs forever to Christ. He is marked with the indelible seal of Christ (character).

14 December Lights of Christmas Pilgrimage

On the evening of 14 December our parish is booking a **free bus** to take us to the opening ceremony of the Lights of Christmas at St Mary's Cathedral forecourt. It is a wonderful evening for all ages, and especially all the family. To reserve your seats please book with the parish secretary as soon as possible, as seats are limited, so first come, first served.

Advent Spiritual Preparation

We will soon need to start preparing for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. We are proposing a novel kind of Advent group. From Tuesday 5 December, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration from 7:15am to 8:45am Tuesday to Friday. Our group will be our parishioners, and our book for meditation will be the baby Jesus himself. Come Lord Jesus!

Draft Mission Statement

We are identifying what our goals are, and so plan accordingly to achieve these goals. If you would like to contribute an idea, please contact the parish secretary. The current draft is as follows:

Our mission

The mission we have received from Jesus Christ as the parish of St Peter Chanel and St Joseph, Berala, is that given by Jesus to His Apostles:

1. to preach the Good News of Salvation with love;
2. to invite all people into unity with God through His Holy Church;
3. and, to serve them with love and mercy by attending to their spiritual and corporal needs.

Our plan

In response to this call of Jesus, we seek to fulfil our mission, in communion with our Archbishop and the whole Church, by preparing and giving ourselves in the following three ways:

1. **Leitourgia (Worship)**

Worshipping God, meditating his Word and receiving his grace in the Sacraments of the Church, so that they bear fruit in the daily lives of Christians as members of a priestly people, living through love to the praise of God's glory. (Rom 12:1; Eph 1:5-6)

2. **Kerygma-Martyria (Evangelisation and formation)**

- Proclaiming the love of God revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and encouraging the discipleship of all who put their trust in Him as Lord, Saviour and Friend
- Shaping Christian disciples who willingly sit at the feet of Jesus in order that they might grow in faith and understanding and be formed humanly, spiritually, intellectually and pastorally.
- Motivating, serving and inspiring people committed to cooperating with the Holy Spirit, and drawing upon their charisms, to share the Gospel and to build up the Kingdom of God.

3. **Diakonia (Service)**

Fostering genuine spiritual communion and service within our communities of faith, marked by the virtue of charity: "By this everyone shall know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35).

Yours in Our Lord,

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Brendon Nazareth (Chair), Joe Moses, Sylvia Jukic, Nader Badra

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 Family Educator - Jenny Michael

St Joseph the Worker, Auburn South
 T. (02) 9646 1434

Acting Principal - Susie Mravunac
 Family Educator - Natasha Ellis

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

 A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to 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 20/11	No Mass.
Tue 21/11	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial) 6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Wed 22/11	St Cecilia (Memorial) 6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Thu 23/11	6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession 7.00pm RCIA
Fri 24/11	St Andrew Dung-Lac, and Companions, Martyrs (Memorial) 6.45am Mass 7.15am-7.45am Confession
Sat 25/11	8.00am Mass 8.30am Rosary, Confession 5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 26/11	8.00am Mass 10.00am Mass

26 NOVEMBER 2023**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

Mass	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	Bob KENSEY	Charlie SCULLY	Roland JAVIER
MUSIC & SINGING	N/A	Cyril EDWARDS Liva & Solomone FUNAKI & Lavinia FIFITA	Alannah KASSIS
POWERPOINT	Need Volunteer	Liva or Lavinia	SPC & SJW PRIMARY FAMILY MASS
LECTOR/S	Renee SALAR	Rosalind EVANS	
	Christine KENSEY	William ANDREWS	
CHURCH SHOP	Charlie SCULLY	Catherine MCGINN	Alan THAM

Cleaners SPC: Marian Rosary Group**Altar & Sacristy:** Group 4 Anna Manganaro, Veronica Zaitseff**Saturday 8AM****25 NOVEMBER**

LECTOR FOR MASS

Joy SKERRITT

*"Family that pray together stay together"***Pilgrim Statue**

This week at

Ryan & Langi Families

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

**Mass Intentions**

Sick: Graham Turner, Aurora Flores, Giovanni Simeone, Marilyn Tangonan, Tony Rodrigues, Jane Aquino, Josephine Laing, Ana Lisica, Rob McDonnell, Marco Titus Sastre, Sigsy Tan, Blue Tan, Richard Langford, Patricia Browne, Chloe Scharenguivel, Renato Datinguino, Remely Datinguino, Anthony Lisica, Wong S Peng, Pauline Lean, Victor Rodrigues, Ben Rodrigues, Dot Boyd

Recently Deceased: Joanne Hayes**Deceased:** Giuseppe Leonardi**Thanksgiving:** Seno Family**Other Intentions:** Holy souls in purgatory.

Antiphons & Readings

Entrance Antiphon (Jeremiah 29:11,12,14)

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

First Reading (Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31)

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1)

Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6)

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

Gospel Acclamation (John 15:4. 5)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 25:14-15. 19-21 - Shorter Form)

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir", he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

Communion Antiphon (Psalm 72:28)

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Next week's Readings:

1st Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12. 15-17

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26. 28

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Feasts & Memorials of the Week



Tuesday, 21 November - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

This memorial originally marked the dedication of a sixth century church of the Virgin Mary near the Temple of Jerusalem. The East took it up as a celebration of Mary's presentation to God in the Temple at the age of three, a non-biblical story from the apocryphal gospel of James. Established in the West late in the Middle Ages, the feast was universally observed by the sixteenth century. It celebrates Mary in her grace-filled life, wholly given over to the Holy Spirit from the time of her conception. **Mass of the Feast at 6.45am.**

Wednesday, 22 November - St Cecilia (Memorial)

Though a late fourth century church in Rome was named after her, nothing is known of her life or death. Popular legends were written about her in the late fifth century, and in the sixteenth century she was named the patron of music. Remembered in tradition as a virgin, martyred for the faith. Her name is included in Eucharistic Prayer I (The Roman Canon). **Mass of the Feast at 6.45am.**



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Home wanted for rent for a family for the 2024 school year. Preferences: 3-4 bedroom home with backyard; in the vicinity of Regents Park/Berala/Lidcombe (or within a 15 minute drive); away from main road/ traffic noise.

Please contact Phil and Camille 0402 201 251.

News

Sacraments 2024

Registrations for sacraments 2024 will go live from Tuesday, 21 November.

Please use the QR Code or link under the respective sacrament for further information and registration.



Reconciliation

<https://stpeter-stjoseph.org.au/reconciliation/>



First Holy Communion

<https://stpeter-stjoseph.org.au/holy-communion/>



Confirmation

<https://stpeter-stjoseph.org.au/confirmation/>

If for any reason you do not have access to the above options or are having difficulty with the above process, please do not hesitate to contact our office via email. God bless!

Sophia Brewty | Sacramental Coordinator | Email: sacraments@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au



All men are invited to a
Men's Wellbeing Night
Wednesday, 22 November, 6:30pm
Trinity Catholic College Hall (Regents Park)

The month of November is dedicated to men's health and wellbeing. You are invited to a casual BBQ and to hear a talk on the challenges men face in society today. Your presence will make this a great night and we look forward to seeing you. All men are welcome!

RSVP



JOIN US FOR A SERVICE OF
Nine Lessons and Carols
6:30PM
6TH DECEMBER 2023

ST PETER CHANEL
CATHOLIC CHURCH,
62 KINGSLAND RD, BERALA

O come, O come, Emmanuel.



News from your parish school

ST. PETER CHANEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
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We are one of the first schools to join Jamie Oliver's Fresh for Kids Program through Sydney Markets, which encourages healthy eating habits. Recently Kindergarten and Year 1 students showcased their culinary talents by making a delicious bruschetta.



NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH SCHOOL

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Auburn



Remembrance Day

St Joseph the Worker remembered those before us in a moving liturgy to commemorate Remembrance Day. Students prayed and participated with respect.

Lest We Forget.

STJW THE BEST KEPT SECRET

Just for Laughs

“Wife: “It’s our wedding anniversary in a week, darling. How do you think we should celebrate?”
Husband: “With a minute of silence.”