

# PARISHES OF ST PETER CHANEL BERALA & ST JOSEPH THE WORKER AUBURN SOUTH

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## Feed the Multitude

*From your Pastor*

One of the memories of my primary school days is the Feeding Program of the Government school I attended. Nearly half of the school sat down for meals which were served by senior students. It was a government initiative which is continued till today in some schools. Schools have their own kitchen and staff to prepare the food. Then the students sat on the verandas to eat. The tucker was free. The village primary school I attended had thatched roof with palm leaves. Class rooms were separated with screens rather than walls. Anything more than that was not affordable. Yet there was free food for all those who asked for. That was the priority set by the government. Unless the kids are fed well they will not be able to focus in the class. The tiled roof and brick buildings can wait; but not the proper nutrition for the poor kids. The simple food of boiled wheat and lentil worked miracles. Now Kerala is one hundred per cent literate and mostly skilled. So much so that Kerala is now depending on immigration from other states for unskilled labour.

Jesus fed the multitude that came to listen to him. From the meagre five barley loaves and two fish, Jesus miraculously fed thousands. Barley was poor man's food. None of these limitations was binding on the compassion of Jesus. The disciples needed a great deal of faith and trust in Jesus to ask the people to sit down in expectation to be fed, while they could see no more than five loaves of bread. Yet their faith made the disciples to do what they did.

Jesus the teacher was not only providing good ideas and useful instructions, but personally caring for those who were listening to him. His physical feeding was a pointer to the spiritual feeding he will be providing especially through Eucharist. His holistic approach to us included spiritual nourishment. In a world obsessed with physical nourishment, spiritual nourishment is easily forgotten. Therefore Jesus specifically instituted a sacrament of spiritual nourishment, the Eucharist. This miracle of multiplication of bread to feed the multitude of listeners on the hill side of Tabga is seen as a pointer towards his later institution of the Sacrament. In the coming weeks we will be reflecting more on the sacrament of Eucharist and its relevance to our life. Today we dwell on what the holistic approach of Jesus mean to us in our time.

We know that Church is more than just Sunday Mass. That is the reason why we have a Pastoral Council to plan and execute various pastoral programs and events in the parish. We have a few teenagers getting together as a Social Justice Group. We have another group of youth establishing a Youth Choir. We have a group volunteers as Extraordinary Ministers of Communion visiting the sick. These groups in themselves may look insignificant like the barley loaves. But together as they offer themselves, they are attending to the parish community of various faith aspects. Therefore together they will be working miracles; Not because of their techniques or expertise, but because Jesus is working through our ministry groups. We as a parish community shall constantly ask ourselves what would Jesus do in the issues and problems we are facing and show trust in him to undertake new ministries for the community. Church as the body of Christ needs to be nourished constantly. We as disciples of Jesus are to cater to the needs of the faithful. And God will be working miracles through our humble attempts.

**Holy Mass at Berala:** Monday-Friday: 6.45AM; Tuesday 7PM Novena, & Mass; Wednesday—Friday 9.15 AM Saturday 8 AM  
Lord's Day: Saturday 5 PM (Vigil), Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM; **Reconciliation at Berala:** Saturday 9.30 AM

**Holy Mass at Auburn South:** Tuesday: 9AM Mass; Lord's Day, Sunday 9 AM, **Reconciliation** Sunday 8.30 AM

Baptisms, Weddings, and Anointing of the Sick by Appointment



## *Feast This Week!*

### *Tuesday, 31 July, 31 Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest. Memorial*

Born at Loyola (Spain) in 1491. Died on this day at Rome in 1556. A Spanish nobleman trained in diplomacy and the use of arms, wounded in battle against the French. The experience of conversion while convalescing led him to write the Spiritual Exercises. Then founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and became its first superior general. Remembered for his loyalty to the Church and its renewal, his ministry to the marginal, his concern for education, and his dedication "to the greater glory of God," the motto of the Jesuits.

### *Wednesday, 1 August, Saint Alphonsus Mary de Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church. Memorial*

Born at Naples (Italy) in 1696. Died at Nocera on this day in 1787. A lawyer before ordination. After founding the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists), he was for thirteen years bishop of Sant' Agata dei Goti, but resigned due to ill health. He coped with much internal conflict within the congregation and external opposition. Remembered as a popular preacher and devotional writer and as an influential master of moral theology.

### *Saturday, 4 August — Saint John Mary Vianney, Priest. Memorial*

Born near Lyons (France) in 1786. Died at Ars on this day in 1859. Overcame various obstacles, including little education and lack of means, to be ordained a priest. Served in a remote parish as the Curé of Ars, where his sanctity attracted thousands of visitors. Remembered for his preaching and confessional counsel and is honoured as a model for parish clergy.

## **Parish Diary This Week!**

|           | <b>St Peter Chanel</b>   | <b>St Joseph the Worker</b>          |
|-----------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Monday    | 6.45 AM Mass; Priests' Day off   | Priests Day Off                      |
| Tuesday   | 6.45 AM Mass, 7.00 PM Novena & Mass  | 9AM Mass                             |
| Wednesday | 6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass, secretary available<br>Finance committee                       | Secretary available at Berala Office |
| Thursday  | 6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM Mass, secretary available<br>Pastoral Council                        | Secretary available at Berala Office |
| Friday    | 6.45 AM Mass, 9.15 AM  |                                      |
| Saturday  | 8.00 AM Mass, 9.30 AM Confession,<br>YOUTH for CHRIST in the hall<br>5.00 PM Vigil Mass, . |                                      |
| Sunday    | 8.00 AM Mass. 10 AM Mass,  | 8.30 AM Confession, 9.00 AM Mass     |

### **Catholic Inquiry!**

The first meeting of the Catholic Inquiry Program of the parish will be held at 7.30 PM on Wednesday, 1 August, in the Presbytery. Anyone interested in joining the program is to contact Fr Thomas.

### **New Roster!**

New roster for the Minister of Liturgy is available today in the foyer of the church for the concerned ministers to pick up. Thank you for your ministry

### **Youth Choir**

St Peter Chanel Church Berala is starting a Youth Choir. Elizabeth Tauaa will be the Choir Leader. High School and years five and six students of primary school are welcome to enrol to join the choir. You may send an email to [spcberala@bigpond.com](mailto:spcberala@bigpond.com) to enrol your name. Already there are some volunteers and they will be starting to practice soon.

The choir is also looking for a musician to accompany the choir. Musician can be of any age. Volunteers are welcome to speak with Fr Thomas.



## Other Notices!

### What a difference a friend makes

Compeer is a community based friendship program that matches volunteers in friendships with people who are socially isolated due to mental illness. Volunteers spend four hours each month meeting socially with their Compeer friend.

### Interested in volunteering?

Compeer is always looking for volunteers to match in friendships. Compeer provides a flexible volunteer opportunity which you can do outside of your regular commitments. It gives you the chance become part of a welcoming community of like-minded people, and make a difference to someone's life. If you are friendly, empathetic, and can spare four hours each month for at least one year, email us at [compeer@vinnies.org.au](mailto:compeer@vinnies.org.au) We'd love to tell you more about the program.

### Entertainment books

To raise funds for Compeer, we are now selling the 2012 | 2013 Entertainment™ Book.

Entertainment™ Books are packed with **discount offers for restaurants, cafes, hotels, and attractions**. Offers are valid until 1 June 2013.

Sydney entertainment books are \$65 each. Each book sold contributes **\$13 towards Compeer**.

Order before August 10 and you will receive free postage. To find out more or to place an order go to <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/212958s>

## New Priests Ordained

On Saturday, 4 August (Feast of St John Vianney – Patron of Parish Priests) eight men will be ordained priests. Michael Lanzon, Ioane Epeli Qimaqima, Samuel Lynch and Paul Pham Nguyen of Sydney Archdiocese and four deacons from Neocatechumenate way seminary will be ordained by Cardinal George Pell in St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney. The ceremony will commence at 10 AM on Saturday, 4 August. All parishioners also are invited to the ordination ceremony. It is a long time since the Cathedral had as many as eight ordinations in one year.

## A Retreat Day for carers!

Do you, or does someone you know, provide care for an elderly, disabled or chronically ill family member or friend? If so, you are invited to attend ... A Retreat Day for Carers

The Life, Marriage and Family Centre of the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites all men and women, who provide support and care to a person who is elderly or with a disability, mental illness, chronic condition or terminal illness, to a guided Retreat Day on . The day will be led by Bishop Terry Brady, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney and Sister Antonine of the Missionaries of Charity.



The day will be held in the grounds of the Mount Schoenstatt Shrine & Retreat Centre (230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa). begin at 10:00am and conclude at 4:00pm The day will include two talks and time for personal reflection, together with confession and spiritual guidance if desired. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided. The day will conclude with Mass.

Enquiries can be directed to Bernard Toutounji on 9390 5290 or email [lmfevents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:lmfevents@sydneycatholic.org). The cost of the day, including meals, is \$10.

## VIETNAM DISCOVERY TOUR 102012

**15 days in Vietnam, Thailand and Campuchia with Fr. Thomas, 01/10/2012 – 15/10/2012**

We will spend 03 days in **Saigon** paradise shopping and a boat cruise dinner, 02 days in **Mekong Delta** enjoying rickshaws and horse carts rides, visiting typical Cai Rang floating market, visiting the Cham minority village and the Coconut religion headquarters, the popular tropical orchard tasting different tropical fruits, crocodiles fishing and visiting snake farm and fish farms. 03 days in **Bangkok** shopping, visiting the James Bond's favorite Saduak floating market, the world's renowned Safari world, the once in a life time Snake show and the unique Crocodiles stunt shows and Elephant soccer shows. 03 days in **Pataya** visiting Coral reef by speed boats and enjoying the world famous Tiffani shows and 03 days in **Campuchia** visiting the number one world wonder Angkor Wat, the Tonle Sap, the world's largest lake in Indochina where live poor people in the so called floating village, the world's largest Jade Buddha statue and enjoying the typical Campuchian Apsara folk show while enjoying the buffet dinner with so much variety food you could only watch but not consume all. All this for:

Package cost of : **AUD\$3500.00**

**Including** : Multiple entries visa to Viet Nam & entry visa to Campuchia . Airfare All ground transports, Twin share accommodation., All meals, & all entries to venues... **Not including** Tips & personal expenses

Further informations and registration of interest to : Xuan MAI ( Vince ) on **0403241703** or [xlmai@hotmail.com](mailto:xlmai@hotmail.com)

## PROCLAIM YOUTH RALLY,

**10th August - Open to all Youth and Young Adults!**

Want to come to together with 100's of other young people and be ignited in the Catholic faith? Then come to Proclaim Youth Rally, you'll experience great music by the Harvest Band, multimedia, drama, be inspired by Fr Chris Ryan mgl as the Guest speaker, Hip Hop dance by Darrio Phillips & crew, prayer and reflection plus much more. The night will begin at 7.30pm and finish at 9.00pm at The Concourse in Chatswood and..... It's FREE! Even though it's free, you still have to register, and, by registering you can win some GREAT prizes

Want more info? email [therese.mgl@gmail.com](mailto:therese.mgl@gmail.com) or register at [www.proclaimconference.com.au/youthrally](http://www.proclaimconference.com.au/youthrally) for this free event! YouTube - Proclaim Youth Rally.

**MASS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN** - On Sunday 9 September at 10:30am, His Eminence Cardinal Pell will celebrate the Annual Mass for Pregnant Women at St Mary's Cathedral. All women who are expecting a baby and all those who would like to show support for pregnant women are welcome. A morning tea will follow in the Cathedral Chapter Hall. Enquiries and registration can be directed to [LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org) or **9390 5283**.

## RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Single women (18-35 yrs) are invited to a retreat offered by The Archdiocese of Sydney which aims to assist them enter into a deeper relationship with Christ and grow to a fuller understanding of the unique purpose of their lives. The retreat will be held from 24-26 August at Mulgoa. There will be catechesis on prayer, spiritual direction, scripture, life with Christ and the vocations to marriage and religious life. Speakers include Bishop Peter Comensoli, Sr Mary Rachel OP, Fr Greg Morgan (Retreat Chaplain), Sr Hilda Scott OSB, Dr Robert Tilley, Sr Moira Debono and Karen Doyle. There is also an opportunity for private spiritual guidance. More details visit [www.vocationcentre.org.au/importantdates](http://www.vocationcentre.org.au/importantdates) or contact Elizabeth Arblaster on 9390 5937 or [elizabeth.arblaster@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:elizabeth.arblaster@sydneycatholic.org).

## Positions Vacant for 2013—Family Educators

Applications are invited for the position of Family Educator based in Catholic primary school in Fairfield. [www.ceosyd.catholic.edu.au](http://www.ceosyd.catholic.edu.au). Click on Employment, Positions Vacant, CEO Sydney, Family Educator Role to request an information pack. Applications close Friday, 3 August 2012. For further information contact [meredith.lemos@ceosyd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:meredith.lemos@ceosyd.catholic.edu.au)

## Planned Giving

Your contribution to the Planned Giving Program of the Parish is your appreciation for the Parish. At the end of the Financial Year you will receive a Receipt for your contributions which will enable you to claim Tax deduction. To join the Planned Giving Program fill this form, tear this part off and place it in the Sunday Collection plate

Your Name:.....Parish:  Berala /  Auburn South

Telephone No ..... Or Email ID .....

# Multicultural Celebration

Sunday 26 August is the 98th World Day of Migrants & Refugees.

Pope Benedict XVI in his message this year said: "Indeed, today we feel the urgent need to give a fresh impetus and new approach to the work of evangelisation in a world which the breaking down of frontiers and the new process of globalisation are bringing individuals and peoples even closer. This is both because of the development of means of social communication and because of the frequency and ease with which individuals and groups can move about today."

**This year St Peter Chanel Parish Berala is celebrating a Multicultural Day on SUNDAY 26 AUGUST.**

After a special Mass at 10 AM, there will be a gathering in the Jubilee Hall.

All parishioners and guests of the parishioners are welcome to come in their cultural or national costume.

Parishioners are invited to bring some of their national or cultural food to share with others. Cultural items like dances and singing are also welcome. Please let one of the PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS or the Parish Office if you can offer entertainment at the Gathering. There are only 4 weeks to the celebration. Therefore we are eager to hear from you as soon as possible.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE YOUTH GROUP** will be making presentations and speeches on the theme of Refugees and Migrants.

**YOUTH CHOIR** and other parish singing groups and choirs also are invited to perform at the program.

## **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL FOR BERALA**

The first meeting of the new Pastoral Council for St Peter Chanel Berala was held at 7.30 PM on Thursday, 26 July in the Presbytery. At the meeting JENNY MICHAEL was elected as the Chairperson and CHARLIE SCULLY as the Deputy Chairperson. JACOB JOHN is the Secretary. Other members are ROLLAND JAVIER and JO FOX (Principal of St Peter Chanel Primary School). Andrew Tham has tendered his resignation from Pastoral Council after three terms of service.

Pastoral Council is the sounding board of the parish community for the Parish Priest. Therefore you are welcome to approach any one of the Council members to discuss pastoral initiatives and issues.

## **SPC SOCIAL JUSTICE YOUTH GROUP**

Twenty one members of SPC SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP met on Wednesday, 25 July and elected Ruby Lorenzi as president and Ashleigh Ross as the Vice-President. It was the result of two day long discernment process. After a number of them nominate themselves to be office bearers, they were asked to write down why they should be considered for position. Then they addressed the group. After listening to the candidates the members through a secret ballot elected their leaders. Through the year they will be organising various activities. The first of the activities is making multiple presentations at the Multicultural Celebration of the Parish on Sunday, 26 August

## Antiphons & Readings

### Entrance Antiphon:

God is in his holy place,  
God who unites those who dwell in his house;  
he himself gives might and strength to his people

### Communion Antiphon:

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and never forget all his benefits

### Responsorial Psalm:

**R.** The hand of the Lord feeds us;  
he answers all our needs.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,  
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.  
They shall speak of the glory of your reign  
and declare your might, O God. **(R.)**

The eyes of all creatures look to you  
and you give them their food in due time.  
You open wide your hand,  
grant the desires of all who live. **(R.)**

The Lord is just in all his ways  
and loving in all his deeds.  
He is close to all who call him,  
who call on him from their hearts. **(R.)**

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!  
Your words are spirit, Lord, A great prophet has  
appeared among us; and they are life: God has  
visited his people. you have the message of  
eternal life. Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Today's Readings

2King 4:42-44

Eph 4:1-6

Jn 6:1-15

### Next Sunday's Readings

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15

Eph 4:17,20-24

Jn 6:24-35



### Mass Pro Populo

In Australia, bishops and Parish Priests are bound to offer the Mass for the people entrusted to their pastoral care on each Sundays and holy days of obligation (Christmas and Assumption)

## Berala Rosters — God's House Keepers, Next Week

| 05 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST | 18 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME |          | GROUP 1    |
|-------------------------|--|----------|------------|
| MASS                    | VIGIL                                    | 8AM      | 10AM       |
| ACOLYTE                 | C. SCULLY                                | R.KENSEY | J. JOHN    |
| ORGANIST                | ORGAN                                    | ----     | SAMOAN     |
| CANTOR                  | L. FORBES                                | ----     | CHOIR      |
| LECTOR/S                | M. DEEHAN                                | C.KENSEY | R. JAKSIC  |
|                         | FAMILY                                   | D.GOOCH  | J. MICHAEL |
| COMMENTATOR             | P. DUFFY                                 | M.SMITH  | F.BOLONIA  |
| GIFTS                   | R.CHEEMA                                 | J TESTA  | CHILDREN'S |
|                         | FAMILY                                   | FAMILY   | LITURGY    |
| PIETY STALL             | M.LEWIS                                  | R.TESTA  | K CAROLL   |

ALTAR – **Group 1:** ALTAR – G Alkstramd; M Lewis;  
A Manganaro; N Mann

COUNTERS – A Ebert; J Le Mottee; J Shanley

**Church Cleaners:** SAMOAN Youth Group

### PILGRIM STATUE

of Our Lady this week will be at Ross Family home, 24 Kent St, Regents Park, Please join them any evening at 7:30 pm for the Rosary.



## HOLY SOULS

**Please pray for the peaceful repose of** Bede Rowe, Nellie Stephenson Gerard Pinto, Sorcha Breslin, Vincenzo Coluci, Salvatore Cavaleri, Noel Thomas Le Motte, Gert & Jack Herrmann, Mary Small, Charles Kensey, Adrienne D'Souza, Carmen Portelli, Charlie Portelli, Bert Portelli, Anthony Portelli, Michael Wong, Donnellan, Strahan, Elek, Blazevic, Michael, Bains, Ross & Mitchell families Philip & Maria Cimprich. **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time -** **May Their Souls Rest in Peace**