



## St Peter Chanel & St Joseph Berala

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

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Adoration & Novena: Saturday 9.00am

Lord's Day Mass Berala: Saturday 5.00pm (Vigil), Sunday 8.00am & Sunday 10.00am

Reconciliation at Berala: Saturday 9.00am - 10.00am. Or contact the parish office for any other time.

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

### 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C

31 MARCH 2019

#### First Reading

Jos 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

#### Second Reading

2 Cor 5:17-21

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

#### Gospel

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening." The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

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## PARISH DIARY THIS WEEK

Mon 1/4	6.45am	Mass
Tue 2/4	6.45am 7.00pm	Mass Bible Study
Wed 3/4	6.45am 9.15am	Mass Mass
Thu 4/4	6.45am 9.15am 7.30pm	Mass Mass Parish Choir Practice at 8 Wallace St Sefton. (For more info please ring Maureen 9644 5818 or 0407 268 180)
Fri 5/4	6.45am 9.15am 7.00pm	Mass Mass Stations of the Cross
Sat 6/4	8.00am 8.30am 9.00am  5.00pm 6.30pm	Mass Rosary Novena, Adoration, Confession Vigil Mass Stations of the Cross Malayalam
Sun 7/4	8.00am 10.00am 11.00am	Mass Mass First Holy Communion Class (Jubilee Hall)



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

FROM ST PETER CHANEL  
at Meler Family  
71 Brixton Road, Berala

*Please join them any evening 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  
at the Dukich Home

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

### 7 APRIL 2019

### 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass	VIGIL	8AM	10AM
ACOLYTE	Dom PANGILINAN	William ANDREWS	Roland JAVIER
MUSIC & SINGING	Maureen HYNES & PARISH CHOIR		Alannah KASSIS
LECTOR/S	John Donnellan Mai NGUYEN	Ken HARTMAN Joe MOSES	Amanda GAHAN Suzie MRVUNAC
COMMENTATOR	Christine KENSEY	Maris MARSH	Mai VU
SP. MINISTER	Warren RYAN		Hoa NGUYEN
CHURCH SHOP	Charlie SCULLY	Jenny MICHAEL	Margaret THAM
GREETERS	Kate PARISH, Roshan & Sharon SEBASTIAN	Loutoa OLIE	Rhia & Merv VICTORINO
HOSPITALITY			Eveline LUI

**Hospital Visitation Sat:** Christine Parish & Mert  
Bolonia

**Altar & Sacristy:** Group 2 Bolonia Family &  
Gwen Bergstedt

**Hospital Communion Sun:** Charlie Scully & Kay Scully

**Cleaners SPC:** Alosina & Uliana Taua'a and David  
Faasootau

**Children's liturgy:** Anna FACER

### Saturday 8AM

### 6 APRIL

LECTOR FOR MASS

Christine KENSEY

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sick:** Karen Abdallah, Hasna Lahoud,  
Julie Esber, Kathleen Gabrielle, Tony  
Draybi

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Joseph Lo, Fr  
Graham Kings, Cheryl Thompson,

**Anniversary:** Josip Živković, Kata  
Živković, Vid Živković, Nadia Soliman,  
Angelo Attard (13/3), Elena Latorre, Ivo  
Matasic, Joseph Portelli

**Deceased:** Nellie Lim, Pat Kavanagh, Fr  
Graham Kings, Fr Eugene Denis SJ, Van  
Nguyen, Sylvia Portelli

**Deceased Members and Friends of:**  
Ross & Mitchell Families, O'Dwyer &  
Erwin Families

**Bereavement Support Reflections Mornings.** 3rd Wednesday of Every Month  
10.00am – 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve and their companions.  
Understanding and managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereave-  
ment. Morning tea provided. For more info: Bereavement Support: (02) 9646  
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## A FATHER WHO LOVED HIS FAMILY



An interview with Farid Ahmed, a survivor of Christchurch shooting massacre, revealed something amazing. Wheelchair bound Farid lost his wife and dozens of his friends in the Mosque shooting where he was praying with them. He managed to slip out and hide himself from the gunman while his wife and many friends did not. He came back to the Mosque when the shooting ended to witness a place of prayer littered with dead bodies and shells of bullets. Later when Farid was asked to comment on his horrible experience he said something which shook the hearts of many. He said, “I want to meet him (the murderer) with a hug, even if he hates me.” In a world where we hear so much about Islamic terrorism and vengeful acts, Farid’s words subverted the expectation of a lot of people. For the people who measured Muslims with the acts of terrorism, Farid’s story compels to think of a new paradigm.

Pharisees and the Scribes of Jesus’ time measured others by the observance of the letter of the Law. They could not understand how a man of God could allow tax collectors and sinners to keep company with him (*Cf Luke 15:1-2*). In this context Jesus told a story about a man and his two sons (*Ref. Luke 15:11-32*), which is familiarly known as the story of the Prodigal Son. In fact it is the story of a Loving Father. This father’s behaviour was so unconventional that it confronts the Pharisaic concept of God. It subverted the measuring yard of those who listened to this story.

When his younger son returns home after squandering his share of the patrimony, alienating himself from the society and his religion, and making himself disgustingly unclean by being with pigs, his father ran to the boy, clasped him, and kissed him tenderly. In a patristic culture of Jesus time, it was considered below the dignity of a father to do. A father who allowed total freedom to his son, even letting him do all the wrongs he wanted to, still loves him, and welcomes him back when he came to his senses and decided to return home. It was beyond anyone’s expectation for this father to re-establish this prodigal son in the family. But he did it with full honour.

A hard working, Law abiding, self-righteous elder son questioned his father. He could not understand the love and mercy of his father. Like many of us ‘good Christians’, the elder brother had already disowned as a prodigal beyond redemption. He is looking for justice like most of us. Even when the father tells him “*My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours*” (*Luke 15:31*) he is still angry. It is like us Christians who have all the inheritance of the Church, like Sacraments, spiritual nourishment, Word of God, Eucharistic Communion with Lord, refuse to forgive others. If our Father in heaven is so loving that he came to the service of humanity, including the prodigal sons and daughters, how much more we should be prepared to forgive others and be at their service. Let the Lenten discipline help us to be like our Father in Heaven.

### REFLECTIONS ON LUKE 15:1-3, 11-32

#### **Historical Context – Customs and culture.**

The parable of the lost son is a fascinating study of Jewish culture and purity laws. The son could not have distanced himself more from Jewish custom. Firstly, he demanded his inheritance, effectively treating his father as dead. Secondly, he travels to a pagan land and then in despair finds himself feeding pigs – animals whose meat was forbidden to Jews. He knows that his actions have alienated him from his family and culture and yet when he returns, his father gives him a fine robe and a ring to wear – signs of a father claiming a son as his own.

#### **Have you thought? The Prodigal**

Because the only context in which most people ever hear the word prodigal is in relation to this parable, there is a common misunderstanding of the word. Because the parable is also referred to as the parable of the lost son, many people think prodigal means lost. However, to be prodigal means to be wastefully extravagant. When the son took his father’s money he adopted a prodigal lifestyle. However, the irony of the story that is often lost is that the father too was prodigal in the extravagant welcome he gave. The father’s extravagance echoes God’s extravagant and abundant grace and love.

#### **From the perspective of ... The Older Brother**

We might have a little sympathy for the position of the older brother who has stuck by his father and done all that was required of him. All of a sudden his wayward brother returns and his father pulls out all the stops to welcome him home. The older brother is like the Pharisees and scribes who criticised Jesus for dining with sinners. They were sticklers for the rules and had no sense of compassion if it involved moving outside the requirements of Law. Like the older brother, they could not comprehend a God who could be extravagant in expressing his love.



This week we welcome into the Catholic faith

**Indiana Bree Prohm**

May she always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout her life.

## From a homily on Leviticus by Origen

born c. 185, probably Alexandria, Egypt—died c. 254, Tyre, Phoenicia [now Lebanon]), the most important theologian and biblical scholar of the early Greek church.

Once a year the high priest, leaving the people outside, entered that place where no one except the high priest might enter. In it was the mercy-seat, and above the mercy-seat the cherubim, as well as the ark of the covenant and the altar of incense.

Let me turn to my true high priest, the Lord Jesus Christ. In our human nature he spent the whole year in the company of the people, the year that he spoke of when he said: *He sent me to bring good news to the poor, to announce the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of forgiveness.* Notice how once in that year, on the day of atonement, he enters into the holy of holies. Having fulfilled God's plan, he passes through the heavens and enters into the presence of the Father to make him turn in mercy to the human race and to pray for all who believe in him.

John the apostle, knowing of the atonement that Christ makes to the Father for all men, says this: *Little children, I say these things so that you may not sin. But if we have sinned we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the just one. He is the atonement for our sins in his blood, through faith.* We have then a day of atonement that remains until the world comes to an end.

God's word tells us: *The high priest shall put incense on the fire in the sight of the Lord. The smoke of the incense shall cover the mercy-seat above the tokens of the covenant, so that he may not die. He shall take some of the blood of the bull-calf and sprinkle it with his finger over the mercy-seat toward the east.*

God taught the people of the old covenant how to celebrate the ritual offered to him in atonement for the sins of men. But you have come to Christ, the true high priest. Through his blood he has made God turn to you in mercy and has reconciled you with the Father. You must not think simply of ordinary blood but you must learn to recognise instead the blood of the Word. Listen to him as he tells you: *This is my blood, which will be shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.*

There is a deeper meaning in the fact that the high priest sprinkles the blood toward the east. Atonement comes to you from the east. From the east comes the one whose name is Dayspring, he who is mediator between God and men. You are invited then to look always to the east: it is there that the sun of righteousness rises for you, it is there that the light is always being born for you. You are never to walk in darkness; the great and final day is not to enfold you in darkness. Do not let the night and mist of ignorance steal upon you. So that you may always enjoy the light of knowledge, keep always in the daylight of faith, hold fast always to the light of love and peace.

## PARISH NEWS

### Initiation of Adults into Catholic Church at Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil liturgy is the most beautiful liturgy in the Roman Catholic Church. Although celebrated Holy Saturday (20 April) evening, it is the dramatic Easter vigil liturgy that marks the beginning of Easter. *We are awaiting our master's return with our lamps full and burning, so that he will find us awake and seat us at his table (cf. Luke 12:35ff).* All Catholics should try to attend this beautiful service. There are four parts to Easter Vigil.

1. Service of Light: Fire and Paschal Candle are blessed and Exultet is sung. Everyone in the congregation will be able to join in the celebration with their own lighted candles.
2. Liturgy of the Word: There will be five readings from the Old Testament with special Responsorial Psalms sung in between.
3. Liturgy of Baptism: After the solemn blessing of water, David, Kim, and Joe will be initiated into the Catholic Church.
4. Liturgy of the Eucharist: The Roman Canon will be used for the Liturgy.

After the Vigil service, we as a parish shall give a reception supper for the newest members of our faith family: David, Kim and Joe. You are welcome to bring some finger food and slices for the supper in the Hall after the Easter Vigil Mass. It would help plan the catering if you could indicate to the parish office what you will be providing.

### Easter Confessions

On Fridays after Stations of the Cross Fr Thomas will be available to hear confessions. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on:

Friday 12 April from 6.00 PM – 6.45 PM and 7.35 PM – 8.30 PM  
Saturday, 13 April from 9.00 AM – 10.00 AM

## PARISH NEWS

### Dedication of the Church

The ceremony of the Dedication of our Church, on the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its blessing, will be done by Archbishop Anthony Fisher on Sunday 11 August. It is a special occasion to celebrate.

The dedication candles are ready. The reliquary for St Peter Chanel's relic is ready. Rhia is working on a souvenir book. Arthur is ready with the canopy for the procession with the relic. Karim, Charlie and Jenny are working on organising volunteer teams for hospitality, traffic management, and other chores. Maureen is training the Parish Choir to sing the newly written Parish Anthem and other songs. Still more volunteers are required to help with publicity, photography, mobile sound system, and such other things. Volunteers willing to help in any capacity are welcome to leave their contact details with the Parish Office.

This is also a year of rejuvenation for the parish as such. Theology of the Body program and the Bible Study Programs are part of it. Amanda Gahan and Susie Mravunac are coordinating Youth Group activities. In addition to the Chanel Schola for the primary school children, a Youth Choir is in formation with Cecilia Loloa and team. Our Parish will be fully alive when all parishioners have a special role to play in the life of it. Let us make that as our goal. It is fitting to have our parishioners dedicating their time, talent, and their treasure along with our celebration of the Dedication of the Church.



### Holy Week Liturgy Practice

There will be practice for the Holy Week Liturgy to be held on Wednesday, 10 April at 7.00pm - 8.00pm at the Church for all acolytes, rostered readers, Parish Choir and altar servers. We appreciate you taking the time to join us to prepare.

### Choir Practice for Holy Week

**Choir Practice for Holy Week begins today, Sunday 31 March from 4PM-6PM in the Church.** You are all very welcome to come along and get to know our Holy Week Music so that you can join in the Easter singing with joy and confidence. Other practices are on Sundays 7 & 14 April at 4PM. We need more singers and musicians to commit to Music Ministry in the Parish so that we can keep our singing uplifting and inspiring. **We practice every Thursday evening from 7.30pm and finish with short supper.** All are welcome! We would love you to join us and get to know some other parishioners at the same time. For more info please ring Maureen on 0407 268 180 or 9644 5818.

### SPC Solomon Islands Team

As some of you may already have heard at the SPC Family Mass, our school has been chosen to be a part of a very special mission to the Solomon Islands. This mission will take three of our staff to St Vincent's Primary School in Burn's Creek. For 8 days in the July break, Miss Mravunac, Miss Mucha and Miss Gahan, along with teachers from Our Lady of the Assumption at North Strathfield, will travel to the Solomon Islands to train the parents in early literacy and numeracy teaching strategies.

For \$5	For \$10	For \$20	For \$50
Stationery Packs	Teacher Supplies	Guided Readers	Maths Kit
			

The school is held in makeshift sheds or under trees and has little, if anything, in the way of resources. We would like to take teaching resources to help us train the parent volunteers and help them and for this, we need the help of our Parish.

There are two ways in which you can help. Firstly through your prayers and secondly by assisting in the purchase of some resources that

will be used to train the parent/ teachers and to be used by the students in lessons.

If you able to help please contribute to the bucket collection at either Mass on Sunday or drop donations off at the school or presbytery. Many thanks in advance for your generosity! For more information or if you have any queries please contact Amanda Gahan by email to [amanda.gahan@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:amanda.gahan@syd.catholic.edu.au) or phone 9644 9083.

*~The Solomon Islands Team*



Michaela is a 21-year-old trainee at Purple House, a dialysis center in the Central Desert for people suffering from kidney disease. The Aboriginal-controlled service gives patients the opportunity to stay connected with their culture. They do this through traditional healing practices and income-generating activities, such as making bush balms and soaps. With the support of Caritas partners, Michaela is helping to build a social enterprise, a connection to culture and a new outlook for the chronically ill.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home.**

**Lives change when we all give 100%.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

### OTHER NOTICES

#### EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

**Ron Huntley from Divine Renovation Ministry Team** will visit Australia next month for his book launch: *Unlocking Your Parish: Making Disciples, Raising Up Leaders with Alpha* | **Sunday, 7 April** | St Charles Borromeo Parish Hall, 2A Charles St, Ryde | 7-9pm | \$15. For bookings and more info: <https://australia.alpha.org/events/2018/5/2/divine-renovation>.

#### Men's Lenten Retreat Day – Notre Dame Broadway

On **Saturday, April 13** from 9am to 4:00pm. The day will include Mass, time for reflection and reconciliation, lunch and afternoon tea, and inspiring talks from three speakers. The retreat will take place at The University of Notre Dame Australia on Broadway campus. Event is free, registration essential: [Sydney.chaplaincy@nd.edu.au](mailto:Sydney.chaplaincy@nd.edu.au) or (02) 8204 4189 or [Trybooking.com/475522](http://Trybooking.com/475522).

**2019 ANZAC Eve Mass of Remembrance.** Sydneysiders are invited to join Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, active and retired members of the Defence Forces for Mass, prayer and reflection on the Eve of ANZAC Day. There will be a Wreath laying ceremony with the Governor of NSW, and

the Australian army band Sydney will join the Cathedral choir, to provide a beautiful musical accompaniment to the Mass. **24th April 2019** | 5.30pm | St Mary's Cathedral

**One Million Rosaries For Unborn Babies.** The One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies multinational pro-life prayer event is scheduled for **3, 4 and 5 May** this year. For details <http://www.saintmichaeltheangelorganization.org/>

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**Could you help a child in care?** We urgently need compassionate people to provide short-term foster care. To learn more, come to our information night. **Tuesday 2 April 2019**, 5:30pm-8pm | Marist 180 36 First Avenue Blacktown NSW 2148

**Walk the Lenten Journey on your Mobile Phone.** In his message for Lent 2019, Pope Francis emphasised that we should "not allow this season of grace to pass in vain." The App includes the daily Gospel, a suggested Lent act, and a multimedia feature to pray and reflect upon. Available as an App on Apple and Android devices, and online at [www.sydneycatholic.org/xt3lent](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/xt3lent)

### ANTIPHONS & READINGS

#### Entrance Antiphon Cf Is 66:10-11

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

#### Responsorial Psalm:

**(R) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

**1.** I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R.)**

**2.** Glorify the Lord with me.

Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. **(R.)**

**3.** Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This poor man called; the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. **(R.)**

#### Gospel Acclamation Lk 15:18

**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

I will rise and go to my Father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

#### Communion Antiphon Lk 15:32

You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

#### Next Week's Readings

Is 43:16-21 | Phil 3:8-14 | Jn 8:1-11

**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 fill this form, tear this part off and place it in the Sunday Collection plate.

Your Name:.....

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Yes, please organise a set of envelopes.  Yes, please organise automatic credit card deductions. (An authority form will be sent)