

# PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WOOD / THE GAP



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**WELCOME**

## RECONCILIATION

Mater Dei

Saturday 5.00-5.20

St. Peter Chanel

Sunday 4.30-4.45

## BAPTISMS

Mater Dei

3rd Sunday

St Peter Chanel

4th Sunday

Baptism preparation  
details available on  
our website under  
Parish Activities

## PARISH SCHOOLS

Mater Dei  
Primary School

Phone: 3514 4100

St Peter Chanel  
Primary School

Phone: 3300 1202

## PARISH COUNCIL

Kylie Gaul  
(Chairperson)

kylie.brian@bigpond.com

New Parishioners  
**WELCOME**



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*SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016 - Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## Giving Thanks

Other religions may have some forms of thanksgiving to their gods on special occasions but we Catholics, through the Lord's Prayer, say thank to God every-day of our life. Jesus taught us to give thanks to the Lord of heaven and of earth and Jesus himself publicly gave thanks to God the Father before making miracles. We thank God for creating the universe for us, for calling us into beings and for taking care of us and for saving us from eternal dead. Everything that we have is God's gift freely given to us, whether they are material goods such as air and water; food and friendships or spiritual gifts and talents and knowledge. Amongst the countless gifts we receive daily the most important of all is the gift of faith in Jesus. God gives us these gifts for us to cultivate, to enjoy life and to share the blessed life with others. On the cross Jesus gave himself to God till His last breath. We, the disciples of Jesus learnt from Jesus, should be a gift for others. We give thanks to God both as an individual and as a community of the faithful our prayers take many forms and it involves the whole person. In prayers the Church encourages us to lift up our soul and heart to God.

The Liturgy of the Church gives clear instruction how to worship in public for all believers. The Rosary, Stations of the Cross, hymns, prayers, Benediction and Exposition are different ways of expressing our thanks to God. The Eucharist is an act of repeating what Jesus did on the Last Supper. It is an act of supreme love Jesus gave thanks to God on behalf of the human race. Every time we take part in the Eucharistic celebration we join with Jesus to give thanks to God and we give thanks to Jesus saving us. The Gloria is a song of praise and worship and gives thanks to God. At the offering of bread and wine, fruits of the earth and with human labour, we give thanks for the gifts that God has given us in the first place and we take a small portion of it to make an offering to God for the gifts.

We lift up our minds and hearts to God as a form of the gifts and in return we receive God's loving care and spiritual food for our souls in the consuming of the Body and Blood of Christ. The give and receive exchange of gift happens daily that strengthens and becomes a bond of unity between God and the faithful. This bond is nurtured by God's love and grace. Giving thanks to God is for our own benefits. It adds nothing to God's greatness because God doesn't need our praise but it is good for us because giving thanks to God is a gift itself. Giving thank unites us with God and also cleansed our impurities and we are renewed in the fullest of Christ.

Giving thanks is a form of sacrifice. Jesus sacrificed himself on the cross to the Father. Through the Eucharist we sacrifice to God and to one another.

Vudinh Tuong

**Next Week's Readings:  
29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

*First Reading*  
*Exodus 17:8-13*

*Second Reading*  
*2 Timothy 3:14-4:2*

*Gospel*  
*Luke 18:1-18*

**Prayers for the Sick**

Dominic Smith  
Kevina Atkinson  
Anthony Maher

**Recently Deceased**

John Shaw  
Mick Harvey

**Anniversaries**

Rosario Merenda  
Caterina Merenda  
Fay Marega  
Vanda Lupi  
Trisha Macuga  
Brian Begg  
Malcolm Horton

**Please let us know about  
the sick**

Every so often we learn of people confined to their home for quite a while or even transferred to permanent care in a hospice or nursing home.

We would like to bring the sacraments to them so please let the Parish Office know if family members are so confined.

Please contact the parish office: 3300 6099 or Vi Hall: Mob: 0409 894 904

**Rosary**

Rosary will be held at 7:30pm on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Angela Faria's house, 26 Jubilee Terrace, Ashgrove



**Rosary**

If you would like to pray the Rosary in your home please contact **Bruce Bonney**  
Phone: 3300 2959

**First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17**

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm:**

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

**Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13**

If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

**Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19**

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.



**Baptism Program**

A new program to prepare primary age children for the sacrament of Baptism and for receipt into the Catholic Church will be conducted during fourth term.

If you or anyone you know is interested in this program please contact the parish office on 3300 6099.

An introductory meeting will be held in the parish office on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 4:00pm.



**The Mater Dei Meeting Room and Church**

If you hire the Mater Dei Meeting Room or the Church on a regular basis, please contact the Parish Office 07 3300 6099 as we are making bookings for 2017 and need to know who has it when and who has keys to it.

Thank you.

**Pot Luck Dinner**

**Last One for the Year**

The last Pot Luck Dinner for the year is on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October after 5:00pm Mass at SPC.

Please bring a meal to share. Tea, coffee and cordial will be provided.



POTLUCK DINNER

**Parish Pastoral Council News**

The last Parish Pastoral Council meeting was held on Wednesday 5 October 2016. Congratulations to Kylie Gaul who now has the role of Chair Person of the Parish Pastoral Council and Jenny Ray as Secretary.

The following matters were discussed:

- Volunteers BBQ / Christmas celebrations;
- Christmas festival;
- Parish Council nominations and new chairperson.





**Year of Mercy**  
Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament  
Mater Dei Church  
Monday 7pm-10pm  
Friday 9.30am-10pm



**Catholic  
Psychiatric  
Pastoral  
Care**

Invite you to a mass to  
celebrate Queensland Mental  
Health Week

**When:**  
Friday 14th October 2016 at  
1pm

**Where:**  
St Patrick's Church,  
Fortitude Valley

Light refreshments will  
follow mass.

**Bible Group**  
Meeting Wednesday  
evening 12<sup>th</sup> October at  
SPC Parish Office at  
7:30pm to 9:00pm.  
Anyone interested please  
contact Luisa  
Ph: 0422 919 887



## Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy

Further to last week, what is a safeguard officer?

In accordance with the Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy, each Parish is required to appoint at least one Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR). This person is an important resource for a Parish as they are responsible for:

- making sure that the parish is aware of the importance of safeguarding children and vulnerable adults;
- promoting safe practices including what is appropriate and inappropriate behaviour;
- being another 'to go' person apart from the Parish Priest; and
- assisting the Parish Priest in the administration of the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy.

Our parish safeguard officers are Caryn Lee (Parish Secretary) and Kylie Gaul. You can contact them on 3300 6099 or by email [thegap@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:thegap@bne.catholic.net.au).

### Solemnity of St Teresa of Avila and Canonization of Elizabeth of the Trinity

**When?** Sunday 16 October  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Where?** Carmelite Monastery,  
287 Wellington St. Ormiston

This year the Solemnity of St. Teresa falls on the day of the canonization of one of her Carmelite daughters, Elizabeth of the Trinity, who was born in France in 1880 and died at the age of 26 in the Carmel of Dijon.

Join us at our monastery for this double celebration in liturgy, music, prayer, learning, reflection and multimedia presentations.

### Vacancy School Crossing Supervisor

A casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at SPC (and at some other schools throughout the region). Please tell neighbours, friends and family of these positions and help us to help our students.

Casual School Crossing Supervisor positions are for up to 5 days per fortnight on a roster. Remuneration \$28.18 per hour.

Contact the Brisbane North Road Safety Office for more information.

Phone: 3863 9839 Email: [zillmere\\_road\\_safety@tmr.qld.gov.au](mailto:zillmere_road_safety@tmr.qld.gov.au)

## Children's Sewing Group

On Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October at SPC Hall from 9:30am - 12:00noon. (\$15 per session).

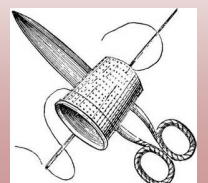
All girls aged 11 upwards and mothers wanting to learn sewing are welcome.

Morning tea is provided and you make something to take home each time.

### **Bookings essential**

Email [shalafi@aapt.net.au](mailto:shalafi@aapt.net.au) or call

Moria Flynn 3366 4536 for more information.



**BEQUEST OR WILLS**

All parishioners are asked to consider including our parish St John's Wood/ The Gap in your will.

One of the greatest contributions you can make to our parish is to ensure a legacy of faith for the young and to provide proper care for the old.



MASS TIMES	MATER DEI	ST PETER CHANEL	FEAST DAYS/NOTES
Monday			
Tuesday	9:00am		
Wednesday		9:00am	
Thursday		9:00am	
Friday	9:00am		
Saturday	5:30pm		Saint Teresa of Jesus
Sunday	9:30am	8:00am 5:00pm	

**Rosary throughout the month of October**



We would like to say thank you to the Carmelite Sisters of Lismore for their generous gift of rosary beads for the children in years 2-6 at our Parish schools



St Peter Chanel and Mater Dei. The time and love put into these beads so that each child could have their own set is a pure act of kindness. We know the children will appreciate them throughout the month of October when saying the rosary.

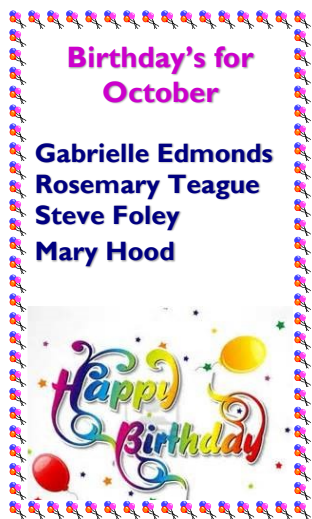


If your child has not yet received their pair or would like a pair, please see their teacher or contact the parish office on 3300 6255 or



**Birthday's for October**

- Gabrielle Edmonds
- Rosemary Teague
- Steve Foley
- Mary Hood



**Prayers for the sick:**

When there is a request to pray for a sick person their names will be in the Prayers of the Faithful for 2 weeks and in the Bulletin for 2 weeks. If you wish to continue after that, please contact the parish office.

Names of recently deceased will be on the prayer list for 2 weeks and in the bulletin for 2 weeks.

The Editor retains the right to edit any items that are submitted to the bulletin. The cut off for the Parish Bulletin is Wednesday 3pm. If you have any queries please contact the Parish Office on: 33006099

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**A VOCATION VIEW:**

**Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year - C**

A VOCATION VIEW: If faith can move mountains, it can remove hardness of heart. Faith does move mountains, so faith removes mountains also. May the Lord reveal His saving power in your life.

Renovations,  
Decks, Fit Outs  
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