

# 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 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016 - Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## Voiceless

The human history has shown that from the very earliest of time it had always been that the poor of every society had no voice simply because prominent figures of such society suppressed their voice. They lived in poor conditions, poor health, poor education and poor social hierarchy. Wealth and voice go together. People with more money had a louder voice and people listened to them and that made them feel like they were powerful. Without the power of money the poor were voiceless and were regarded as the lowest group in a society. Some leading figures even went as far as to believe that the poor were existed to serve them, doing all the dirty and hard work and that was their place. Vulnerable members of a society were slaves, house servants, widows and orphans and they all are voiceless. The poor were a bit better than slaves because a slave could be a slave for life while the poor could change their social status when they accumulated enough wealth or power. Our present situation in the worldwide is facing the influx of refugees and the endemic of sexual exploitation of children.

Refugees are the misplaced people, for their different political point of view and ideological differences and religious belief, their lives are unsafe to live where they are and they would hope to run to somewhere for life protection where they would feel to have more security, better future and more freedom to practice their faith. Living in fear of being persecuted in their home country exists in their mind long before they actually are being recognized as a refugee by the international community. Refugees live in hope that somebody would voice for their life protection and rights.

Children are innocent and they can't defend themselves when they are being exploited by pervert characters and people whom they know and love. Sadly these characters betray their trust and love and destroy their lives. We recall the remark Jesus made when Judas used the sign of love to betray his Master- *Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss? Luke 22,48.* There was absolute deadly silent.

Worldwide social injustice comes about when community leaders have neither fear of God nor respect for life. They take justice into their own hands like the dishonest judge mentioned in today's Gospel. When justice is in the hands of leaders whose spirituality was baseless and level of morality was nil, then justice for others would entirely depend on the moods of a dishonest judge. People who know how to make the dishonest judges happy would receive a lenient sentence in their favour while voiceless people would become their victims and would see no mercy. The Gospel's message is for the poor and they welcome it with great joy because the Gospel's message calls justice for all. God's love and mercy is for all and also God's justice. There is no discrimination in God's justice. The Gospel's message made the poor feel that God is on their side and God's powerful message of love will ease their daily burden and they live in hope. The powerful refused to welcome the Gospel's message because it requires to live a life of love and honest and that contradicted to their lifestyle. They enjoy the power to judge and loved to be served and their voice to be heard. Anything that restricts these privileges would not be welcomed.

Vudinh Tuong

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

*First Reading*  
*Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19*

*Second Reading*  
*2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18*

*Gospel*  
*Luke 18:9-14*

**Prayers for the Sick**

Dominic Smith  
Kevina Atkinson  
Anthony Maher

**Recently Deceased**

Mick Harvey  
Margaret Webber  
Michael Ratnayake

**Anniversaries**

Brian Begg  
Malcolm Horton  
Jessie 'Lyla' Melville  
Denis Daly

**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 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Brian & Bernadette Bennetts' house, 14 View Parade, Ashgrove



**Rosary**

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

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

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

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

This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!

**Gospel Reading: Luke 18:1-18**

God will see those who cry to him vindicated.



**Change to Upcoming Mass Times  
Saturday 22 October 2016**

Due to Music in the Moonlight being held at Mater Dei school on Saturday 22 October 2016, 5:30pm mass will be celebrated at St Peter Chanel Church instead of Mater Dei Church.

**5:30pm mass on Saturday 22 October 2016 at SPC Church**

*"The quality of mercy is  
not strain'd, It droppeth  
as the gentle rain from  
heaven Upon the place  
beneath: it is twice blest;  
It blesseth him that gives  
and him that takes:"*

— William Shakespeare, *The Merchant*

**Christmas is coming.....**

Christmas cards are now available from the Parish office. Packs of 8 (\$3 budget cards) and 16 (\$18 boxed set) . Also available holy prayer cards - packs of 10 (\$3).

Contact the Parish office on 3300 6099. Card will also be available from each Church mid November.



**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**

**Friends and Partners with East Timor**

Next meeting – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7.30 pm, Mater Dei Meeting Room. All welcome. Atabae has a new Parish Priest - Fr Gregory Minz, SVD, from India. He came to Timor 2 years ago and has been assisting in the Parish for the last year. Our volunteer Veronica is seen here with Fr Greg (middle) and Fr Sipri, the former PP. Fr Greg is fluent in English and Tetun and we are confident that he and Veronica will work well together for the benefit of the community.





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

### **Consilium Gathering**

Vocation Brisbane is hosting a Consilium Gathering for young men discerning the call to priesthood to gather for Mass and dinner before hearing the vocation story of a priest from the Archdiocese on **Thursday 20th October at Canali House (47 Clyde Rd, Herston) starting at 6:30pm - 9pm.** If you are interested please contact Adam Burnson on 07 3324 3352 or email [burnsa@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:burnsa@bne.catholic.net.au)



## Claire's COTTAGE

Witches, Vampires, Ghosts & more!

This will be a Party to die for!

**Date:** Saturday 29th October

**Time:** 6:30pm to 10:00pm **Cost:** \$20  
Including finger food, cold drinks, tea & coffee and a DJ to keep us entertained!

Lucky door prize drawn on the night...  
if you're game enough to put your hand  
in the bag!!

So wear your best costume and come with all  
your spooky music requests!

**RSVP: 22nd October 2016**

## Spooktacular Halloween Party!

Location

St. Peter Chanel Parish Hall,  
41 Chaprowe Road  
The Gap QLD 4061  
p: Claire 0413 270 167



## Open Doors Program

A UNIQUE WEEKEND PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY

MUSIC IN  
THE MOONLIGHT™  
party under the stars



**22 October 2016**

**5:00pm—11:00pm** John Robertson Oval, Mater Dei Primary School, Ashgrove  
Orchard Road entry

**Live music & entertainment, drinks & food**

**Tickets \$60 or save with our Early Bird tickets \$50 ending soon**

**Email [mim@materdeipandf.org.au](mailto:mim@materdeipandf.org.au) or [www.musicinthemoonlight.com.au](http://www.musicinthemoonlight.com.au)**



## 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.



## Birthday's for October

**Brian Bennetts**



## 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

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

## Mater Dei School News

Another wonderful week at Mater Dei celebrating all that makes our school one of the 'cream of the crop' schools in Brisbane. We began the week by celebrating and giving thanks to three staff members for their service to Catholic Education: Mrs Julie Towler (30years), Mrs Renae Collier (20 years) and Mr Mark Robinson (20 years) within the Archdiocese of Brisbane. We were entertained by staff members who paid tribute to the enormous efforts of all three teachers. Congratulations is extended to each of them for their contribution to educating our young children over the years.



On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, Mater Dei Primary School, hosted our first Interschool Mathematics Competition. We invited St Finbarr's, Ashgrove, St Joseph's, Bardon, St Peter Chanel, The Gap and Holy Family, Indooroopilly. The students were presented with a day of maths challenges competing for the highest prize of maths wizards in the Northern Cluster of the Archdiocese. Congratulations to 1<sup>st</sup> place winners: 'Mater Dei Squared', 2<sup>nd</sup> place: St Finbarr's: 'The Accurate Angles and 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Mater Dei's: 'The Denominator's'. Special thanks to all schools for their participation and particularly Mrs Collier for organising the day. A great day was had by all in attendance.



Way to go Mater Dei Maths Wizards!



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### TUESDAY MORNING PLAYGROUP

Please come and enjoy a cup of coffee and cake with other parents from The Gap Community.

It's an informal gathering to chat and meet other parents while our children play and get messy with craft.

**When:** Tuesday mornings at 9am (after school drop off).

**Where:** St John's Wood/The Gap Parish Hall.

**What to bring:** A gold coin donation (in order to keep the coffee pot full and the kids entertained).

Check out their Facebook page

Tuesday Playgroup @ St Johns Wood Parish Hall



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