

# 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

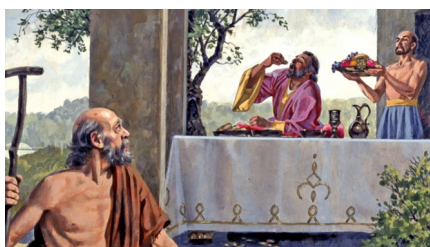
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(Chairperson)

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**New Parishioners  
WELCOME**



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*SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> September 2016 - Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## True Colours

Relationships and generosity and love we have for one another last much longer than a human life. These human interactions can deceive us well if we think who cares and that most things were done behind the scene could be known to no one. Human interactions may not stay long in our minds and hearts but they remain, sometimes a life time, in the minds and hearts of others. Things may be long gone for some but most of us well remembered the good things people had done for them. Certainly victims of unjust dealing and mistreatment and exploitations would not easily be forgotten. I don't have a statistic to show but I believe human interactions play a significant time in the form of conversation of any gathering. We hear people replay what had happened to them. Some stories told and people praised others for their heroic deeds and good heart; others were not so nice and both the speakers and listeners would feel ashamed to hear about what had happened to their friends. Interpersonal relationships last longer than a human life because when evil things are done even decades ago, the pain and wounds remained in the hearts of the victims. They have not healed and are easy to bleed again. When an occasion arises they continue to pour out the hardship they had gone through and the unjust and mistreatment they endured.

Some people believe that the only way to escape justice is not committing it. It is another deception because the rule of love requires showing love whenever we can; ignoring it is a sin. Jesus teaches us that it is a sin for not doing what they should and that is the sin of the rich man in today's Gospel. Both the rich and the poor man lived on the same suburb, at the same street and probably received the same government protection but one had a life self indulgent and one had a life of nothing, not even enough to eat. Lazarus was homeless; the rich man lived in a palace. Lazarus went to sleep with a half empty stomach; the rich man was over fed. Lazarus had never had a party; the rich man had plenty of parties. Finally both men died and ended up in front of God's throne. Human relationships and generosity and love had revealed its true colours. Lazarus was being welcomed by Abraham, not the rich. Lazarus was fed with rich food in contrast to the rich whose name was not mentioned. God blessed Lazarus while the rich man was in agony for ignoring his neighbours. The rich man ignored the poor; had no compassion for the needy and showed compassion for no one. Human interactions can deceive us and it will be revealed at the final judgement. Our loving God would look throughout all loving kindness actions we had done for others and rewards us accordingly. Those who were rich in love and lived a life of charity with compassion and love would be welcomed by those they had helped them on earth; those who lived a life of self centred and self indulgence would have no friends in God's kingdom. Don't let self indulgences deceive you.

Vudinh Tuong

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

*First Reading*  
*Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4*

*Second Reading*  
*2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14*

*Gospel*  
*Luke 17:5-9*

**Prayers for the Sick**

Dominic Smith  
Eamonn O'Dwyer  
(Brother of Ann Eldridge)

**Recently Deceased**

Lucy Micale  
Michael Ratnayake  
Beryl Ley

**Anniversaries**

Frank Williams  
John McPhee  
Eric Evans  
Susan Fanning  
William Sewell  
John Bouman  
Patrick O'Brien  
Helen Ross

**First Reading: Amos 6:1, 4-7**

You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Praise the Lord, my soul!

**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16**

Obeys the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

**Gospel Reading: Luke 16:19-31**

During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.



**Do you attend SPC 5pm mass  
each Sunday?**

We urgently need Coordinators for 5pm mass. If you wish to join the roster for the Ministries of Coordinator please phone or email – Rosemarie Brady (3300 5249) [rosemarie@jdbrady.com](mailto:rosemarie@jdbrady.com)



**BREAK OPEN  
THE WORD**

2017 Break Open The Word has arrived at the parish office. If you would like a copy for \$25 please contact Caryn 3300 6099.

**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 26<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at Chris & Ron Jackson's house, 87 Royal Parade, Ashgrove



**Rosary**

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

**Date Claimers**

**Christmas in our Parish 2016**

This year our parish Christmas light display will start on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Our Christmas festival will run for 5 nights commencing Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December and finishing Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December, with a Christmas hamper raffle being drawn on the last night.

Singers booked for the nights are as follows:

- Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December - **Parish Group Choir (both SPC & MD)**
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December – **Jubilee Singers**
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – **Peace 'n' Choir**
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – **Denise & Peter Parker**
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – **Ukulele Musicians**

Each night the BBQ will commence at 5:30pm (6:00pm on Sunday) with the concert to begin at 7:00pm.



Each evening will have children activities from 6:00pm-7:00pm together with a Christmas movie.

Mark these dates in your diary and come along for a fun night of great company and entertainment.

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

Pre-order your Christmas cards now 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.





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



**St Brigid's Red Hill**  
**Year of Mercy**  
**St Brigid's Church**  
**at Red Hill will**  
**open for pilgrimage, private**  
**prayer, meditation and**  
**reconciliation every Friday**  
**night from 5 to 7pm.**

**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)

**Can You Help??**

St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of a laptop computer in good working order. If you can help, please phone Noel on 0413 731 105.



**VOLUNTEERS WANTED**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Johns Wood/The Gap is looking for volunteers to join the existing group of workers. We meet twice a month and visits are shared out so that the workload is easily managed. If you can help please contact Noel on 0413 731 105.

*"Mercy takes us outside ourselves. It makes us one with the rest of the world."*

*Joan Chittister OSB, God's Tender Mercy*

**What's happening in the SPC Hall / Parish Office each week?**

DAY	DAY TIME	EVENING
Monday	Breast Feeding Association (1 <sup>st</sup> Monday morning of the month)	Choir practice (7pm-8pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of the month)
Tuesday	Playgroup (9am)	Karate 6:00pm-7:30pm
Wednesday	Morning tea in the Parish Office following morning Mass.	Parish Council meeting (7pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Wed of the month in Parish Office) Bible group (7:30pm-9pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed of the month in Parish Office)
Thursday	Happy Patchers (1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday mornings of the month)	Karate 6:00pm-7:30pm Happy Patchers (7:15pm-9pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs of the month in Parish Office) Everyyoung group (10am 4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs of the month)
Friday	Exercise Class 9:15am-10:15am (SPC Hall)	
Saturday	Exercise Class 8:00am-9:00am (SPC Hall) Children's sewing group (9:30 am-12noon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday morning of the month)	
Sunday		

**ADORATION**  
**GROUP**

Meets on the 1st Friday of each month (7<sup>th</sup> Oct) 2pm to 3pm at St Peter Chanel Church

**ALL WELCOME**

## 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		Saint Vincent de Paul
Wednesday		9:00am	
Thursday		9:00am	Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Friday	9:00am		Saint Jerome
Saturday	5:30pm		Saint Therese of the Child Jesus
Sunday	9:30am	8:00am 5:00pm	

## What's Happening at the back of the SPC Parish Hall?....

In compliance with safety standards and to provide more space for different groups using the Parish hall at SPC, the backyard behind the hall will be levelled with a sandstone block retaining wall and enclosed with a fence for safety. The existing shed will be relocated for Playgroups children's toys. Also there is a need to tidy up the hall to make it more presentable.

Here are a few photos of the progress.



## Birthdays for the remainder of September

Carmel Foster  
Merilyn Ferguson  
Christine Dabas\*



## 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-sixth Sunday of the Year - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Courage! Courage when you follow the Lord. Remember, people may not be convinced, even if one should rise from the dead - Live, in order to convince of resurrection and life.

Renovations,  
Decks, Fit Outs  
Build In Under



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