

Parish of St John's Wood/The Gap

# WELCOME

### RECONCILATION

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
Please complete the form
in the newsletter.



# PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WOOD/THE GAP

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# SUNDAY 16th April 2017 - Sunday of the Resurrection

## The Promise Fulfilled

Many years before God had promised to save the human race from The Fall, the promise was being fulfilled at the resurrection of Jesus. What happened in the first place was that Satan employed the image of a serpent to deceive the human race with lies and that opened us up for sin to enter into our spiritual world. God destroyed neither Satan nor the human beings but their sin could not be ignored without punishment. God disciplined Satan by pushing them back to correctional space where God's love was absent. God restored the human image which was created after the image of God and that was being distorted by sin by sending God's only Son, Jesus, to the world to do the renewal mission.

Our father knew that God would rescue us from The Fall but they had no idea of what and how and when and patiently waited and waited for the extraordinary event to happen. Some artists tried to depict the rescue mission by painting the image of a woman who stood on the serpent's head to signify that the serpent had been crushed and they were powerless to harm her. Satan had defaced the human race in the first place and now it is their turn, their very own head was being crushed by the woman. The woman somehow was represented the human race who took the leading role of repayment for the harm Satan had imposed on us. She would be unable to do it without God's grace. Indeed, through her saying 'yes' to the messenger God entered the world. She praised God for doing the magnificent work through her when she says:

The mighty God has done great thing for me holy is his name.

Jesus, God only Son, who was incarnated to be one of us to save us through his own sweats and blood from his open heart. He carried the cross and be nailed on it and died on it, between two criminals and three days after God the Father gave his life back with the announcement of the final victory. Mary said 'yes' to the messenger and Jesus entered the world. Jesus said 'yes' to God and became a man like us in all things but sin and that Jesus declared war against Satan and Satan knew that their days were numbered and be locked up forever. The resurrection of Jesus has fulfilled what God had promised long ago to save the human race. On the cross one of the thieves pleaded to Jesus:

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

The promised made on the cross has been fulfilled because it is impossible for God to lie. Jesus entered the world to fight against the father of lie, Satan and won the final battle. Satan had lost the final battle. They could tempt Jesus no more but could continue to temp his followers. When we fall into temptations we cause others to suffer.

The dead of Jesus satisfied his opponents. His resurrection energized his disciples and His Ascension gives hope for those who follow his way.

Happy Easter

**Vudinh Tuong** 

### Next Week's Readings: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Ordinary Time

First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4

> Gospel John 20:1-9

Prayers for the Sick Eamonn O'Dwyer John Perks (Nellie's husband) Paul Sharpe

Recently Deceased Howard Crawley Ursula Macpherson Mary Kelly (Kev Kelly's mother) Anniversaries Joe Sharpe Mary Lee Jerome Paiva Elizabeth Paiva Alpho Paiva Aloy Paiva Margaret Lucey Eileen Cahill Brian Slack Peter Mara Peter Moynihan

Please note: we cannot add a name to the sick list or recently deceased list unless advised by a family member direct.

# 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> April 2017 at Chris & Ron Jackson's house, Ashgrove



### Rosary

If you would like to pray the Rosary in your home please contact

> Bruce Bonney Phone: 3300 2959

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

### Responsorial Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: John 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.



## PARISH EASTER FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

PRIZE IS A HAMPER VALUED AT \$150.00 DONATED BY CCI PERSONAL INSURANCE TICKETS \$2 EACH OR 3 FOR \$5

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE PARISH OFFICE OR AT EACH CHURCH

THE RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN AT THE NEXT POT LUCK DINNER ON 30 APRIL 2017

Five Minutes with the Word Easter 2017 books and the Little White Books have now arrived. Available at the parish office or at each church for \$5.

## Pot Luck Dinner

The next Pot Luck Dinner is coming up on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April after 5pm Mass at SPC.

Please bring a meal to share.

Tea, coffee and cordial will be provided.



80 years ago the foundation stone at Mater Dei Church was placed and blessed by the Most Reverend Archbishop Duhig D.D. on 18<sup>th</sup> April 1937.

The Pastoral Council will discuss the way to celebrate the 80th Anniversary.

# menCONNECt

What is happening? Come to the dinner at 6pm on Friday 21 April in the parish hall (SPC) to hear Michael Forbes talk about "meaning and mission". Michael will cover topics like, "what's my life about?" "how do I lead a good life?" and "what am I being called to do and be at this stage of my life?". Michael, a former parishioner, has done some very exciting and interesting things in his life some of which he will share with us. Currently, among other things, he is a senior lecturer in mathematics at UQ and likes running marathons.

Cost is \$10.00, please RSVP Mike on 0459 992 228 before 18<sup>th</sup> April for catering purposes.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mater Dei Church Monday 7pm-8pm Friday 6pm-10pm (During Lent Station of the Cross start at 7:30pm on Fridays)

### BEOUEST 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.



### **NEW PARISHIONER CONTACT FORM**

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Family Name:	i
Other Names:	i
Date of Birth:	!
Marital Status:	
Spouse Name:	i
Spouse's DOB:	!
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Tick to commence Parish | Planned Giving

Please place this completed form in the collection plate or email your details to the Parish Office at: thegap@bne.catholic.net.au or contact the Parish Office on 3300 6099.

**Quilt Raffle**The lovely ladies of Happy Patches have kindly offered to raffle off this beautiful quilt with all proceeds going to Claire's Cottage. Tickets are on sale now from the parish office - 3 for \$5 or 7 for \$10 which will be drawn on Mother's Day.



There is also a second quilt as second prize which was made by the children who attend the Saturday children sewing classes.

# Share the Dignity

No woman should suffer the indignity of choosing between eating or buying sanitary items.

Throughout the month of April we are collecting sanitary items for women at risk and homeless women in Australia. Boxes are located at the back of each church. Please contribute to this worthy cause.

## **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23 Devotions at Our Lady of Dolours, Mitchelton**

Mass at 10:00am with Devotions concluding at 12 Noon (Two Priests will be hearing Confessions.) Enquiries: Fr Terry Moynihan—ph. 3855 3246

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth."

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God.

Accessed on 3 April 2017 from http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts)

### Autumn Fair

The Gap Uniting Church's annual Autumn Fair is coming up on Saturday April 22nd from 10:00am to 3:00pm at the Church (1050 Waterworks Rd). Come along and help to celebrate 50 years of Fun at the Fair! For more information

contact The Gap UC Office on 3300 2712.



### ONE MILLION **ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES**

The 2017 **One** Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies is

scheduled for 5, 6 and 7 May. Persons participating in this multinational pro-life prayer event will pray at least one Rosary for an end to abortion.

For details go to: www.saintmichaelthearchangelorgani zation.org/

A VOCATION VIEW:

Easter Sunday - A

You have been aiven new life in Christ.

Forsake earthly materialism, in order to live life to the full.



### **GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION**

The collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the church in the Hold Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associates with the life of Jesus. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land this Good Friday. Please also pray that peace and harmony will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the 'Prince of Peace'.

Thinking of
Erris Robinson
for 64 years
wedding
anniversary with
his late wife Betty



Extra Mass on
Monday
17th April
at St Peter
Chanel Church
9:00am

### 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

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 17/04		9:00am	
Tuesday 18/04	9:00am		
Wednesday 19/04		9:00am	
Thursday 20/04		9:00am	
Friday 21/04	9:00am		
Saturday 22/04	5:30pm mass		
Sunday 23/04	9:30am	8:00am 5:00pm mass	Divine Mercy



# Happy Easter



The Easter's celebrations has touched the hearts of those who went to services at our Churches and that was the results of kind minds and hearts that contribute to the Holy Season. I am grateful for many who had contributed to the preparation prior to and on the actual celebrations of the Holy Week. I thank families that have generously opened their homes for the Lenten Programmes to take place and thank all the participants who prepared not just the outwards but their inner hearts to welcome the risen Christ. The beautiful liturgy and the artistic banners and flower arrangement made the entire Church look so inviting and that captured the spirit of our celebration. The music, the Station and the play on Good Friday had moved our hearts towards God and his suffering to save us.

The Church was cleaned and gardens were tidied - thanks for the cleaning committee and Peter Maher and their helpers. Thanks for all special ministers, musicians, readers, sacristans Jan Anderson and Tricia Wogan, parish pastoral council, all those in the office, Wayne and Neil for all that you do around the Parish and those who took part in the RCIA program and the Baptismal team who had worked hard for the celebration.

Vudinh Tuong



Mater Dei Dance offers affordance after school lessons in an air conditioned environment for girls and boys in Prep to Grade 6.

Lessons are \$11 to \$12 per session.

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- \* Girls Hip Hop
- \* Boys Hip Hop

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- \* Ballet

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