

PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WOOD / THE GAP



Parish of St John's Wood/The Gap

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

Please complete the form
in the newsletter.

YES

NO

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SUNDAY 1st October 2017 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Obedience / Rebellion

It is true that in normal circumstances our appearances reveal our inner feelings but when one has the intention of hiding something that person can suppress his/her inner feelings and our reading of their appearances can be wrong. We sometime act as if everything was normal and calm but deep inside our feelings are swelling uncontrollable. The parable the father requested his two sons working in his vineyard; one said yes to please the father but did nothing; the other had upset his father by his refusal. He went away and thought deep about it and went. Both the sons were able to hide their inner lives. We have the impression that the son who answered 'yes' is the obedient son and the son who responded with a blunt 'no' is the disobedient one. The end of the parable has surprised us all. The father was pleased with the one who carried his request in action and unhappy with the lip service one.

We have the 'Yes Son' and the 'No Son' and we are unsure how close and intimate the relationships between the sons and their father. The 'Yes Son' called his father 'Sir'. Is it the social status society has given him out of respect and honour or the son is putting him to a position of a worker who addressed his boss or it is the sign of the icy relationships between the father and the 'Yes Son'.

The parable shows the two extreme types of personality between the 'Yes Son' and the 'No Son'. The 'Yes Son' promises a false hope and the 'No Son' gives a sham disappointment. The 'Yes Son' seems to live in an artificial life style where everything is on display and on the surface without worrying about the consequences. His relationship to his father was unreal. The 'No Son' has a reflective life through re-examination of his relationships to others and that changes his life.

People who follow the current fashions are very busy people because their lives are consumed by technology and have time for nothing else. They are rich in knowledge of modern world but poor in spirit; their spiritual life is weak and hollow because of their lack of life reflection; their inner lives are constantly hungry. People who regularly examine their lives gain wisdom from it. They enrich their inner lives and learn through discernment and keep track of their spiritual journey.

When applied a reflective life style to the Christian faith it is a form of prayer. Through it we are able to see the beauty of the invisible world that our physical eyes can't capture. Our physical can capture what is conceivable and the reflection helps to go deeper and see the true meanings of life. The parable seems to be centred on the choices of actions through self reflection and examination. Good actions are not for our own enjoyment and satisfactions but they are revealing God's love for the world and for the benefits of God's children.

Vudinh Tuong

**Next Week's Readings:
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

First Reading
Isaiah 5:1-7

Second Reading
Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel
Matthew 21:33-43

Prayers for the Sick

John Perks (Nellie's husband)
Marion Bowden
Stefan Golebiowski
Mary-Lou Hay
Carolyn Webster
Catherine Murphy
Andrew Dudgeon

Recently Deceased

Vi Pardella

Anniversaries

Eric Evans
Susan Fanning
William Sewell
Vanda Lupi
Patrick Corby
Mike Coleman
Patricia Macuga
Rod Kelly
Helen Ross
Fay Merega

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: 0477 894 904

Rosary

Rosary will be held at 7:30pm on Monday 2nd October 2017 at Gordon Simpson's house, The Gap
Call Val Bonney for details
0417 631 246



Rosary

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

Bruce Bonney
Phone: 3300 2959

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

Responsorial Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:28-32

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.



Parish Freezer Meals

Thank you if you have provided meals for the parish freezer.

If you are able to make large family meals ready to freeze (casseroles, lasagne, spaghetti mince sauces etc.) your assistance would be appreciated. Containers are available at the rear of the Church and can be delivered to the Parish Office.

If you find yourself in need of one of these meals or know someone who could use them, please use them. That is what they are there for.

Contact Petrea Mansul for Mater Dei (pmansul@aapt.net.au) or the Parish Office for SPC (thegap@bne.catholic.net.au).

Thanks.



**2018 Columban
Art Calendar**

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Parish Office.

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purchase from
Mater Dei Church



Save The Children Devonshire Morning Tea

The Gap Branch of Save The Children is holding a Devonshire Morning Tea at St Peter Chanel Church Hall on Wednesday 11th October commencing at 10.30am. Our very special Guest Speaker will be Jenny Woodward, the ABC Weather Presenter. There will be craft, jams and cake stalls. Cost is \$20.00. Bookings can be made by ringing Julie at 38447523 before 3rd October.

ADORATION GROUP

Meets on the 1st Friday
of each month

(6th October) 2pm to
3pm at SPC Church.

ALL WELCOME

A VOCATION VIEW:

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time-A

A VOCATION VIEW:

We cannot act overly proud just because we have responded to God's call. Responding is our duty and source of happiness; serving God with perseverance and happiness fulfils us.

LIVING THE GOSPEL

Saying "Yes!"

In many ways, it is easy to say 'Yes' and not really mean it. Some people do it all the time in their lives. They say 'Yes' when they have no intention at all of following through on their commitment. It's easy to say 'Yes' and not mean it when it comes to faith as well. It's pretty easy to turn up at Church on a Sunday and be seen to be doing the 'right' thing. But if our faith doesn't change the way we live, then maybe we're really saying 'No' to God.

Volunteers are required to continue the presentation of Christian religious Instruction in local state schools. If you can help please contact the parish office on 33006099.



**Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament**
Mater Dei Church
Monday 7pm-8pm
Friday 6pm-10pm

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.



“Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves...”

PHILIPPIANS 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life.

(Accessed on 19 September 2017 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF
FATIMA**

October 13th this year marks the centenary of the last apparition of Our Lady at Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun. You are invited to make a pilgrimage to our Cathedral for a **CANDLELIT ROSARY PROCESSION** on the evening of Saturday, October 14th. The procession will commence with Mass at 6pm and will then move around the City, using the same route as the Corpus Christi Procession.

The volunteer organising committee relies on donations to meet the expenses of the procession. For more information contact 0412 802 122.



Verbum Dei

At various stages of Church history, religious groups have arisen to meet a need of that time. The rise of the teaching Religious Orders of nuns, Brothers and Priests, especially in the 19th and 20th centuries, is a good example. Verbum Dei is an example of a group, started only 60 or so years ago, and now in Brisbane, at Bardon, where the members take the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, but they are not a Religious Order as we would think. What is their Mission? What need are they meeting today in the 21st century? Find out next Wednesday, Oct. 4, 7.30pm, Daley Centre, Grovely – 67 Dawson Pde., Keperra.

**NEW PARISHIONER
CONTACT FORM**

Family Name: _____
 Other Names: _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Marital Status: _____
 Spouse Name: _____
 Spouse's DOB: _____
 Children & DOB's: _____

 Address: _____
 Home Phone: _____
 Mobile: _____
 Email: _____

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.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Date	Mater Dei	St Peter Chanel	Events
October 2017			
Sunday 01/10/2017		4:15pm initial meeting	Primary Age Children Baptism Program at Parish Office
Saturday 07/10/2017			MD Music in the Moonlight at Dorrington Park.
Sunday 08/10/2017			Primary Age Children Baptism Program first session at the Atrium (3:30pm)
Sunday 15/10/2017			Primary Age Children Baptism Program session 2 at the Atrium (3:30pm)
Sunday 15/10/2017		12:00 noon Baptism BBQ of children baptised this year.	
Sunday 22/10/2017	9:30am Mass MD 80 th Anniversary celebrations		

**Mass for the
Feast of
Our Lady of
the Rosary**

**Saturday
7th October 2017
9:00am at
St Peter Chanel
Church**



MASS TIMES	MATER DEI	ST PETER CHANEL	FEAST DAYS/NOTES
Monday 02/10			The Holy Guardian Angels NO REGIS MASS
Tuesday 03/10	9:00am		
Wednesday 04/10		9:00am	Saint Francis of Assisi
Thursday 05/10		9:00am Healing Mass	
Friday 06/10	9:00am Healing Mass		
Saturday 07/10	5:30pm mass	9:00am Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary	Our Lady of the Rosary
Sunday 08/10	9:30am Mass	8:00am Mass 5:00pm Mass	

**Date Claimers
Christmas in our Parish 2017**

This year will be an extra special Christmas festival in our parish as it is Father Tuong's final year with us. The Christmas light display will start on Sunday 26th November. Our Christmas festival will run for 5 nights commencing Sunday 17th December and finishing Thursday 21st December, with a Christmas hamper raffle being drawn on the last night. We propose to do something different this year and have 2 performances each night.

Performers booked for the nights are as follows:

- Sunday 17th December
- **Parish Group Choir (both SPC & MD) / Brothers James Singers**
- Monday 18th December
- **Samford Community Choir / Jubilee Singers**
- Tuesday 19th December
- **Steven Foley & Others / Going for a Song**
- Wednesday 20th December
- **Peace 'n' Choir / Brisbane Ukulele Musicians Society "NUMB BUMS"**
- Thursday 21st December
- **Denise & Peter Parker / Tatty Tenors**

Each night the BBQ will commence at 6:00pm with the first performance from 6:30pm to 7:00pm and the second performance from 7:10pm to 8:00pm.

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.



Birthday's for this

**week in
October
John Hull**



**Remembering Joe
Martins' birthday**

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

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