

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

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5 March 2017
1st Sunday of Lent
Year A



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR FEBRUARY

Prayer for Life

Heavenly Father, through the intercession of Our Lady, instil in us an ever greater respect for every human life.

Guide health care professionals, policy makers and scientists so that progress contributes to the well-being of humanity and justice and equality for all.

We pray that our whole community will always seek to uphold the dignity of every human person regardless of age, sickness or disability.

We pray that we will be witnesses to the Gospel of life and transform the world with love.

Amen.

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

1st Reading Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden. Now the serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death." ' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

2nd Reading Rom 5:12-19

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine

OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Priest
Fr. Pius Kodakkathanath VC
Parish Deacon
Charles English
Parish Secretary
Josephine Thomas
School Principal
Karen Wilson
(9749-1055)

WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm
Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm
Filipino – 4th Sun: 12:00pm
Polish – 1st Sun: 3:30pm
Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun: 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am
Wed: 8:30am & 7:00pm
Sat: 9:15am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: After 7:00pm Mass
Sat: After 9:15am Mass

DEVOTIONS

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction

Fri & Sat morning after Mass & Sat afternoon at 2.30pm
First Friday: 7:00pm to 10:00pm
Morning Prayer & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon to Fri: 8:00am

Sat: 8:30am

Next Healing Mass

1st April 17, 2:00 to 4:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon to Fri after Mass

Sat before Mass and at 2.00pm

BAPTISMS

3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday
10:30am or 2:15pm
Baptism Formation Meeting
1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

HOUSE BLESSINGS & VISITS

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

ALL QUERIES

Parish Office 9749 4300

ROSTERS

Money Counters – 12 Mar 17

Andy & Cecille Fernando / Kitty Stuttard
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Readers – 11/12 Mar 17

6:00pm	Sharon D'Silva
8:30am	Kevin McLoughlin
10:30am	Maria Naufahu
5:00pm	Jeslin Shaji

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 11/12 Mar 17

6:00pm	Josie T. / B. Farrugia / J. Poppen / E. Mills
8:30am	S. Gomez R. Johnson / L. Jones / VOL
10:30am	S. Colla / F. Caruana / N. Costa / V. Firman
5:00pm	S. Joseph / A&M Etienne / VOLUNTEER

Music Ministry – 11/12 Mar 17

6:00pm	Footsteps
8:30am	Shirley & Group
10:30am	Youth Band
5:00pm	KNK

PARISH NEWS

IMPORTANT LENTEN INFORMATION

- Project Compassion goes until 15th April 2017. Envelopes and Boxes are available in the church and hall. Your donations are greatly appreciated.
- Stations of the Cross each Friday at 7:00pm followed by Mass.
- The Divine Mercy Novena will start after the Good Friday service.
- Lenten Regulations from the Vicar General have been placed on the noticeboards.

ROSTERS for PIETY STORE and COMMUNION TO THE SICK for March, April and May 2017 are now available for collection from the Hall.

ROSTERS FOR LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS for March, April and May can be collected from the Hall. The roster for Passion Sunday and Easter Ceremonies will be issued at a later date.

grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its verdict of acquittal. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous. The word of the Lord.

Gospel
Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

Gospel
Mt 4:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: *Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.*' The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God' he said 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: *He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.*' Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: *You must not put the Lord your God to the test.*' Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these' he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: *You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.*' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him. The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Next Week's
Readings

Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9

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PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$4250.00
ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:	\$3401.25
LOOSE MONEY:	\$1477.45
PRIESTS:	\$1219.85
CHAPLAINCY:	\$ 212.45

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE PARISH

Every Friday in Lent	7:00pm Stations of the Cross followed by Mass, starting 3 rd March.
13 Mar 2017	Bible studies commence. Held every 2 nd and 4 th Monday, 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the Community Centre
21 March	11:00am Anointing/Healing Mass for the Sick followed by a light luncheon.
25/26 March	Blessing for Pregnant Mothers and their babies all weekend Masses.
6 April	7:30pm Rite II of Reconciliation at St. Peter's Parish.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE SCHOOL

27 Mar 17	2018 Prep Enrolment Information Session, 7:00pm in School
31 Mar 17	Last Day Term 1. School finishes 1:00pm
18 Apr 17	Term 2 commences 8:45am

ST. PETER APOSTLE SCHOOL – 2018 PREP ENROLMENTS

An Information Session will be held at St. Peter Apostle School at 7:00pm on Monday, 27th March 2017 for parents interested in enrolling their children at St. Peter Apostle School in 2018. It would be appreciated if children do not attend this meeting due to limited space. During the meeting, parents will have the opportunity to make an appointment for their Enrolment Interview in Term 2.

SUGGESTION BOX

Parishioners are requested to please provide a contact name and number for any suggestions placed in the Suggestion Box. This enables the parish to provide a response to the query/suggestion placed in the box.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The usual Meeting of the Hoppers Crossing Conference will be held next Tuesday 7th March at 7:30pm at St. Peter's Community Centre. New Volunteers most welcome.

BIBLE STUDY

We are pleased to announce that Bible Study classes will again commence at St. Peter Apostle Mission Parish. They will be held every second and fourth Monday with the first session on Monday 13th March, 2017 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the Community Centre. We will be starting with the Gospel of St. Luke and moving to The Acts. The class will be conducted by Royden D'Souza who is currently forming to be a Permanent Deacon. All are welcome. Bring your Bibles and come to experience an interactive study of the Bible. Queries call Royden on 0426 071 375.

CHILDREN SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM –SUNDAY SCHOOL

Classes have begun and are held on Sundays from 9:15am to 10:25am. Enquiries to Bernice on 9749-2812.

NAMES FOR SICK LIST

Names are kept on our sick list for a month. If you would like to keep the person on the sick list, please re-submit names at the start of each month. Thank you.

THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR MARCH

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

In 2015, Pope Francis said that "every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act."

Cocoa is a key ingredient of chocolate. Much of the chocolate sold in Australia is made using cocoa beans picked by children, many of whom have been enslaved, or forced to work in exploitative conditions. To buy slavery-free

Easter chocolate look for any of these three certification symbols on the wrappers: FAIRTRADE, Rainforest Alliance and UTZ.



RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Merlin Gilhooly, Arturo Belardi, Corteza Diaz, Fr. Paul Maher PE and all who died recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for the Austin Gracias, Oscar Rego, Rosario Natanauan, Fr Joe Briffa, Theresa Spiteri and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Leo Linehan, Angela O'Brien, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Peter McGlade, Molly Wilson, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Diane Cameron, Sean Donaldson, Kristian Romois, Vera Fernandez, Vic Pagunsan, Edith Street, Georgette Maalouf, Carmen Mifsud, Bob Meehan, Dominic D'Lima, Cynthia Middleton, Milton Roberts, Elizabeth Slee, Malcolm Harlow, Loretta Fernando, Leo Mellawa and all who are ill in our Parish.