

# St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

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## 24 September 2017 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



### DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR SEPTEMBER

#### For All Fathers

Dear Lord, we thank You for our earthly fathers, those to whom you have entrusted the responsibility to provide loving protection of their families and guidance of their children.

We thank You, also, for our Priests and Bishops, whose spiritual fatherhood is vital to the faith of Your people.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We ask your blessing on all fathers embracing their vocation. May your Holy Spirit inspire them with justice and mercy, wisdom and strength, fidelity and self-giving love.

We remember all fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory.

Amen

#### Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Is 55:6-9

#### ***A reading from the prophet Isaiah.***

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord

#### Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is near to all who call him.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Phil 1:20-24, 27

#### ***A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians.***

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake. Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

#### 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* – 4<sup>th</sup> Sun: 12:00pm  
*Polish* – 1<sup>st</sup> Sun: 3:30pm  
*Spanish* – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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***

7<sup>th</sup> Oct 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

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

10:30am or 2:15pm

Baptism Formation Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> 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

Gospel  
Acclamation  
Acts 16:14

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. **Alleluia!**

Gospel  
Mt 20:1-16

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion  
Antiphon  
Ps 118 :4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Next Week's  
Readings

**Ezek 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11;**  
**Mt 21:28-32**

Feasts of the  
Week

**St. Vincent de Paul**  
**Sts Michael, Gabriel,**  
**Raphael**  
**St. Jerome**

**Wed, 27 Sep**

**Fri, 29 Sep**

**Sat, 30 Sep**

## ROSTERS

### Money Counters 1 Oct 17

John Allen / Jules & Neeta Pereira

### Readers – 30 Sep/1 Oct 17

6:00pm	Davy Fernandes
8:30am	Buxton Thomas
10:30am	Venus Iuta
5:00pm	Jeslin Shaji

### Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 30 Sep/1 Oct 17

6:00pm	H. Durski / Praful A. / S. Martis / E. Mills
8:30am	J Thomas / K Fernandes / C Coelho / D Hankins
10:30am	S. Sipilliano / N&R Golaw / N. Costa
5:00pm	J&D Etienne / S. Joseph / Volunteer

### Music Ministry 30 Sep/1 Oct 17

6:00pm	Footsteps
8:30am	Shirley & Group
10:30am	Samoan Choir
5:00pm	FiLOz

## PARISH NEWS

### FR. PIUS

A collection for Fr. Pius will be taken up during all masses this weekend. For those who are not here and would still like to contribute, please place your contribution in an envelope marked "Fr. Pius" on any of the weekends prior to 7/8 October and drop it into the collection bag. **There will be a farewell Mass for Fr. Pius on 8 Oct at 10:30am.** We ask parishioners to kindly bring a plate of food to share after Mass when we will present Fr. Pius with our gift of gratitude.

Please note that Fr. Pius is away until 29 September. There will be Communion Service on weekday mornings. Fr Manoj will celebrate the 7:00pm Mass on Wednesday and Fr. Peter Carrucan is celebrating all Masses this weekend.

### FR. VINCENT JOHN CMI

We warmly welcome into our St Peter's community Fr Vincent John who will be our parish priest from the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017 onwards. Fr Vincent is currently parish priest at St Agnes Parish in Highett.

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## MULTICULTURAL MASS PLANNING MEETING

The final planning meeting for the Multicultural Mass will be held on Saturday, 23 September 2017 at 10:15am in the meeting room off the church hall. All are welcome to attend.

## ROSARY DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

To commemorate the Feast of Our Lady of The Rosary, during the month of October, the Rosary will be recited daily in the Church at the following times:

Monday to Friday at 6:30pm

Saturday - prior to the 9:15am Mass

Sunday - after the 8.30am Mass

**ALL WELCOME**

## MARCH FOR THE BABIES

On October 10, 2008, the Victorian Parliament passed the Abortion Law Reform Act, one of the most extreme abortion laws in the world. This law eliminated all legal protection for Victorian children until the moment of birth. On Saturday October 7 at 1:00pm, defenders of the unborn will march from Treasury Gardens to Parliament House to express our solidarity with the unborn and their mothers.

## EXCITING NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL

On Monday 18th Sep St. Peter's students participated in the Wakakirri Award Ceremony at Hamer Hall. They competed in a heat against 7 other schools at the start of September. After the heat performance they won the Best Adapted Story, then got invited to perform at the Awards night. Following Monday night's performance, they won the best adapted story in Victoria. The performance now goes on to be judged against the winners of other States in Australia and they have a chance to become National champions. Wakakirri is a competition where children are asked to present a story through drama and dance. This story is told in a seven minute presentation with a backing track and in full costume and makeup.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE SCHOOL

9 Oct	No School – CURRICULUM DAY
10 Oct	Term 4 commences 8:45am

## BIBLE STUDY

Bible study continues **Monday, 25 September at 7:00pm** in the Community Centre. We are at Luke Ch. 18 v37. All are welcome. Enquiries to Royden on 0426 071 375.

**ROSTERS FOR PIETY STORE ROSTERS, COMMUNION TO THE SICK, LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** for September, October and November are now available for collection in the Hall.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR PARISH

Sundays	6:15 – 8:15pm HSI School of Discipleship in Community Centre.
18 – 29 Sep	Fr. Pius will be away.
6 Oct	7:00pm to 10:00pm First Friday Mass & Adoration
7 Oct	2:00 – 4:30pm Adoration & Healing Mass
8 Oct	10:30am Farewell Mass for Fr. Pius. Please bring a plate of food to share after Mass.
11 Oct	Fr. Pius leaves and Fr. Vincent John arrives

Come and see the new Catholic Musical **MAGDALENE – A WANTON SAINT** Oct 4 to-7 at 7:00pm daily and Matinee Saturday 1:00pm at Renaissance Theatre, 826 High St, Kew in the Kew High School. Ph. 8692 0360 or [www.trybooking.com/QZMG](http://www.trybooking.com/QZMG). *An Inspiring Musical about the Grace of God and the transformation of Mary Magdalene from a fallen woman to one of the Church's greatest saints.*

<b>PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:</b>	<b>\$4236.00</b>
<b>ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:</b>	<b>\$3235.40</b>
<b>LOOSE MONEY:</b>	<b>\$1244.35</b>
<b>PRIESTS:</b>	<b>\$1262.40</b>
<b>CHAPLAINCY:</b>	<b>\$</b>

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for Patricio Lee Capinig, John Robert Lopez, Rita Canale and John Tanti and all who passed away recently.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** We pray for Elena Tasso, John Henry and Thomas Ryan and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** We pray for Shirley & Leo Linehan, Angela O'Brien, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Peter McGlade, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Diane Cameron, Edith Street, Georgette Maalouf, Carmen Mifsud, Bob Meehan, Sean Donaldson, Barbara Grogan, Sr. Eileen Brown, Eugenie Rinaldi, Keith Gill, Imelda Rundell, Brian Jones, Ari Casanova, Carmen Sherri, Melissa Caroline, Carmen Agius, Josie Tabone, Jess Grech and all who are ill in our Parish.