

# HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH HUNTERS HILL ST PETER CHANEL WOOLWICH



We acknowledge the Walumatagal people – the first custodians of this place

14 JULY 2019

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

IN WINTER

## Calendar

### July

- 13 Marist Laity**  
9am Chapter Hall
  - 16 Baptism Prep Session**  
Chapter Hall 7.30pm
  - 18 Anointing Mass**  
Chapter Hall 11.30am
  - 21 Fourviere Day Mass HNM**  
2.00pm (See p.2)
  - 23 First Communion Parent Reflection Evening** Parish Hall 7.00pm
  - 24 Liturgy Group Meeting** Parish House 7.30pm
  - 25 Pastoral Council Exec Meeting** Parish House 7.00pm
  - 25 Grief Group Meeting** Parish House 7.30pm
  - 29 Week 1 First Communion Prep Groups**
  - 31 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** Chapter Hall 7.30pm
- ### August
- 1 Finance Committee Meeting** Parish House 6.30pm

In winter the earth seems to slow down and even though the days are shorter the nights are much longer and slower! It's good sleeping weather and perhaps hard getting-out-of-bed weather! The dark mornings seem to be saying "Don't get up yet, no hurry!" The bare branches of many trees leave skeletons waiting to spring into life again when the time comes.

The cold air in your face as you leave home to greet the day can both invigorate and distress, depending on which side of the bed saw you off this morning! These winter movements and these stillnesses in nature have much to teach us.

In winter there are warm soups, firesides, snow-fields to ski, football to enjoy, and for those more fortunate, warm homes to return to each evening.

In winter, many people sleep rough, just as they do through the other three seasons. In winter, people sleeping rough have fewer ways to keep warm than the rest of us.

In winter, job losses, cuts to welfare payments or social services seem to bite that bit more deeply as power bills, food bills, accommodation costs, all mean the sort of belt-tightening that leaves people simply surviving rather than living. These winter social realities too have much to teach us if we are listening.

In our own personal and spiritual lives we know times of winter. Important relationships struggle for air, for "quality time", and sometimes for resolution. Our connection with the sacred, with the deeper things, with God, will also have its time of wintry absence and uncertainty.

There's a lot to like about winter and there's a lot about winter which brings discomfort, doubt, struggle. It's a time both of hope and of wondering whether our hopes will ever be realised.

The land lies fallow in winter, not much grows and nature simply waits. In the winters of our heart story, we too need to wait as the time for regeneration will come in its own time. In the waiting can be the great grace that comes when we engage with suffering, incompleteness, failure and sin, and prepare the soil in which new grace can grow.

We live in a world which is impatient with the winter of the soul. Too often we choose the tactics of denial and distraction. We attempt to turn back the clock to previous spring-times. We try to doll up ageing bodies as if they were still in the bloom of youth. We create the illusion that spring is the only season worth living and so we try to fabricate a world of plastic "springs", and the powerful, life-sustaining lessons of winter never get to offer us their wisdom and proper nourishment. Our world then starts to look like a sad product of our false economy, rather than the loving mother who sustains all that lives.

May our winter time this year be a season of glad hope. May it be a season of courageous suffering when that is our lot. May the grace of God sustain us even as the fields of our soul lie fallow and show little signs of life during these wintry months. May the seeds of patience, trust, endurance and hope be planted once again deep within us and may these seeds then blossom into a bountiful springtime in God's good time.

Nature does indeed take its course whether we allow for it or not. Let's allow winter to have its day and engage again with trust in the rhythm of the God-given seasons that give our lives the shape and direction that God's Love has intended.

In the meantime, keep warm! Love keeps an eye on you in every season.

Father Kevin

*What's on?*

**HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR PARISH?**

See if anyone in your pew knows the name of this parish-ioner. Her name next week. Last week's photo: Richard Korkor



**SCRIPTURE PRAYER GROUP**

For four Tuesday evenings which started on Tuesday 25 June the Scripture Prayer Group are meeting for the Post Pentecost Lectio Divina. Heartbeat Program.

Place : Chapter Hall

Time : 6.45 for 7pm.

All Welcome.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**

Your 2019—2020 planned giving envelopes are ready to be picked up at the back of the church.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES—RECEIPTS**

These are ready to be picked up from the parish office.

**CHILD SAFETY—OUR SPECIAL PRIORITY**



**MARRIAGE MASS & RENEWAL OF VOWS AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL**

If you're celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2019 Why not celebrate with the blessing of Archbishop Anthony at St Mary's Cathedral? Families are welcome, and there will be morning tea with a presentation of certificates to follow Solemn Mass.

Date : Sunday 21 July

Mass begins at 10.30am

If you wish to receive a certificate or be catered for, please contact:

chris.dasilva@sydneycatholic.org with your names, the church/town where you were married, and the date on which you were married.

**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF TERZITO**

Come to the feast of Our Lady of Terzito, Our Lady Queen of Peace corner of Victoria Rd and Westminster Rd. Gladesville, on Sunday 28th July 2019, with Mass at 1.30pm followed by a procession in the street. Homily in English. Also Mass of the Apparition on Tuesday 23rd at 7.15pm followed by a Mission on Thursday 25th Friday 26th & Saturday 27th July commencing at 7.15pm all preached in Italian.

**TRIBUNAL OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Outreaching to all of those who have experienced a marriage breakdown and who may question the validity of their first marriage as understood by the Church.

Inquiries : 9307 8300 or email admin@sydneytribunal.org.au

**FOURVIERE DAY**

Please join us in celebrating Fourviere Day. This day marks the occasion, when in 1816 a group of newly-ordained priests committed themselves to the

foundation of the Marist community at the Fourviere Basilica near Lyons in France.

Gathered together this day will be Marist Lay members, Marist Brothers, Marist Sisters, Marist Missionary Sisters and Marist Fathers.

Sunday 21 July 2019

Mass at 2.00pm

Holy Name of Mary Church, Hunters Hill followed by afternoon tea in the Chapter Hall.

**ALL WELCOME**

**LISTEN WITH THE SOUL—SIX DAY RETREAT SEPTEMBER 16-23**

"When you listen with the soul you come into the rhythm of the universe." This quote from John O'Donohue sets the scene for a spiritual Journey.

Fr Kevin Dance and Sr Jill Dance will lead participants into an experience of inner prayer. An opportunity for deep silence, healing and reconciliation.

Single Ensuite room \$650

Shared facilities \$550

Where : St Clement's Retreat Centre Galong

Bookings— email: info@stclement.com.au

**THE BENEDICT XVI RETREAT CENTRE**

Now offers a series of fun, innovative facilitated activity programs to complement and enrich any group retreat. Whether you are looking for adventure, team building opportunities for reflection or simply to have fun with your group, our specially trained facilitators can tailor a program to meet your needs and budget. Activities include flying fox, archery, bushwalking, leadership challenge, communications challenge, camp craft, environmental programs and more. Contact Reception on

02 4572 2899/email: bxvi@sydneycatholic.org to find out more or visit:

www.benedictxvicentre.org.au

**NICHOLAS AND JESSICA**

Congratulations and every blessing to Nicholas Fearnley and Jessica Wille who will be married at Holy Name of Mary Church this Sunday.

Nicholas and Jessica, along with Heather and other friends, form the core of our music team on Sunday evening and they have served the parish so very faithfully for these past years.

We pray for them as they commit themselves to a lifetime of faithful and faith-filled loving. May their wedding day be an occasion of great joy for them both.

**JOURNEYING TO A BETTER MARRIAGE**

St Luke's Revesby would like to invite you to a special event. We work on our health, careers, our cars, even our homes but how often do we work on our marriage ?

Chris Da Silva from the Archdiocese of Sydney will be sharing an inspiring talk called : Journeying to a Better Marriage.

Tickets are only \$20 per person or \$15 for seniors,, with dinner included.

The event will be held on 20/7/19 at 6.15pm St Luke's School Hall 1 Beaconsfield St. Revesby NSW 2212

www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=519266&

**THE GOOD SAMARITAN**



## Well Done...CONGRATS AND THANKS ZONE

### HOW ABOUT YOU FILL IN THIS BIT!

Here's a suggestion for you:

Look around the parish and perhaps look around the Church this weekend and notice the people you know who contribute to the life of the community here, our own Good Samaritans. You might like to jot their names down here.

Then offer a prayer of thanks for each of them:

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....
- 5.....
- 6.....

You might even let them know of your appreciation!

## POINT TO PONDER A WINTER PRAYER

Let us huddle together this morning,  
our community a place of warmth in our lives  
as we share the flame of hope and connection.  
Let us allow the frost of isolation and bitterness to melt  
away  
as we open ourselves to a sense of peace and spirit.  
We extend our thoughts to all those who are cold this  
morning,  
lacking shelter or love to keep them warm.  
Let us wrap our prayers around them and each other like  
scarves,  
and wish each other safe journeys through the storm.  
May we be insulated from fear as the earth is insulated by  
the snow,  
And, like bulbs, may we continue to grow and open inside,  
despite the cold,  
Ready for the spring, to stretch and grow towards justice.  
Amen *Anon*

## Pray for... PRAYER ZONE

Please pray for all those who are sick or in special need in our community:

**Marie Ferris, Janet Muscat, Judy Craig, Andrew & Lina Gullotta, Suzanne Traill, Frank Lloyd, Winifred Wall John Burton & Madge Mullen**



**I WAS SICK AND YOU VISITED ME**

### FAMILIES ON HOLIDAYS TOGETHER

Let's remember a prayer for families spending school holidays together. We pray that this time be spent refreshing relationships, healing what needs healing, discovering what is yet to be learnt and growing in thankfulness for the gift that family affords them.

May their faith too find a home among them and be refreshed as they spend some slower, more reflective time together.

God bless them all!

## Coming Soon

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM

## This Week... Scripture Zone

### First Reading:

#### Deuteronomy 30:10-14

In this next to last address to the Israelites, Moses reminds them that the Law given to them by God is very close to them—in their mouths and written in their hearts.

### Response

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Alleluia !

### Second Reading

#### Colossians 1:15-20

This Sunday, we begin reading from Paul's letter to the Christian Church at Colossae, located in Asia Minor (modern day Turkey). Today's reading—a hymn to the Cosmic Christ—describes Christ's role in creation and reconciliation.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;  
You have the words of everlasting life.  
Alleluia !

### Gospel Reading

#### Luke 10:25-37

In response to a question about the greatest of commandments, Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan. A parable about what we must do, not about what law we must read.

### Villa Maria Primary School

Principal: Mr. Kevin Turner  
Phone: 98796100  
[www.vmhuntershill.catholic.edu.au](http://www.vmhuntershill.catholic.edu.au)

### Marist Sisters' College

Principal: Dr Anne Ireland  
Ph: 9816 2041  
[www.mscw.nsw.edu.au](http://www.mscw.nsw.edu.au)

### St Josephs' College

Principal: Dr Christopher Hayes  
Mark Street, Hunters Hill, NSW  
2110 T +61 2 9816 0802  
[www.joeys.org](http://www.joeys.org)

First Reading : Genesis 18:1-10  
Second Reading : Colossians 1:24-28  
Gospel Reading : Luke 10:38-42



# A PARISH OF THE MARIST FATHERS

**PARISH OFFICE:**

3A Mary Street.

Hours: 9.00am – 5.00pm, Mon-Fri

**PHONE:** 9817 5325.

**FAX:** 9817 4615.

**EMAIL:** [villamar@bigpond.net.au](mailto:villamar@bigpond.net.au)

**Web:** [www.hnom.com.au](http://www.hnom.com.au)

**Facebook:** Holy Name of Mary Parish

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES****Holy Name of Mary:**

Sat.6.00pm

Sun.8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm.

**St. Peter Chanel:** Sunday – 9.00am.

**WEEKDAY EUCHARIST****Holy Name of Mary:**

Monday to Friday –9.00am.

Saturday – 8.00am.

**St Peter Chanel:** Wednesday 12.15pm

**RECONCILIATION:**

Holy Name of Mary: Saturday

5.15pm-5.45pm or by request.

**PARISH TEAM:****Parish Priest:**

Father Kevin Bates SM

Ph: 0425 333 129

[kev@kevinbates.com](mailto:kev@kevinbates.com)

**Priests Assisting:**

Fathers Aiki Langi SM, Ph: 0408 896 839

John Worthington SM, Paul Pearce SM,

Paul Pidcock SM

**Parish Secretary:** Sylvia Gutierrez

**Associate Secretary:** Maggie Mullane

**Sacramental Coordinator:** Rosalia Foley

[fft@hnom.com.au](mailto:fft@hnom.com.au) 0409 608 979

**Parish Safeguarding Support Officers:**

Caitlin Pfaffin & Kathleen Lee:

[hnompsso@gmail.com](mailto:hnompsso@gmail.com)

**BAPTISM:**

By arrangement. Parents please contact the presbytery to book & arrange to attend the Baptism Prep Program

**BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENINGS:**

Tuesdays: 16 July, 20 August, 17 September, 15 October, Chapter Hall @ 7.30pm

**MARRIAGE:**

At least six months notice must be given. The parish clergy will officiate primarily for parishioners. Others will generally need to arrange their own Priest or Deacon.

**PARISH PASTORAL GROUPS AND CONTACTS****Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson:**

Marita Winters

[bmwinters6@gmail.com](mailto:bmwinters6@gmail.com)

**Parish Pastoral Council Secretary:**

Carmen Pelling

[cdpellin@gmail.com](mailto:cdpellin@gmail.com)

**Parish Finance Committee:**

Michael Lindsay 0423 020 002

**Family Faith Educator:** Marea De Angelis

Ph: 0419 448 201

**RCIA:** Janet Greene 9879 6515

**Counselling:** Deborah Khoury 0409 719

443

**Villa Play Group:** Tues 9:30-11:30am Par-

ish Hall. Mercedes Simola 0414 625 384

[www.hnom.com.au/children](http://www.hnom.com.au/children)

**St Vincent De Paul:** Paul Ladd 0468 355 753

**Meditation Group:** Gabrielle Woodcock, 9817 0097

**Young Adults Group:** Nicholas Fearnley 0401 722 839

**Aged Ministry :**

Margaret Gambley 9807 2160

**Grief Support Group:**

Cecilia Brungs 0412 284 028

**Social Justice Group:**

Marnie Butler: Ph:0413 004 702

**Marist Laity Group:** Cathy Gallo 9817 2959,

Josiane Espinosa 9807 9199

**Liturgy Group:**

Moya Preece Ph: 0418 406 513

**Eucharistic Ministry Coordinators:**

**HNM:** Maggie Mullane: 0411 475 469

**SPC:** Maria Goode: 0423 706 830

**Altar Servers Coordinator:**

Yvonne Young 0410 588 063 Email:

[yyhnom@gmail.com](mailto:yyhnom@gmail.com)

**Readers HNM:** Barry Buffier 9817 8805

**SPC:** Mark Volpato 9816 4431

**Children's Liturgy:**

**HNM:** Olivia Edwards: 0409 541 177

Email: [oedwards121@gmail.com](mailto:oedwards121@gmail.com)

**SPC:** Tee Davies 0407 827 957

**Altar Society:** Jane Keneally 0419221185.

Annette Hills 0401 252 064

**Cleaners:**

**HNM:** Mike Burfitt 9879 4197

**SPC:****Men's Group:**

Clinton McDonald: 0419 646 311

Gerardo D'Angelo Ph: 0418 294 063

**Inter-Church Council:**

Richard Korkor Ph: 0410 431 022

**St Peter Chanel Management Team:**

**New or Returning Parishioners...**

*Please come along to the Parish Office for a warm welcome and to pick up a Parish Information Kit .*

**OUR PARISH PRAYER**

Loving God,

you are the home for our hearts' deepest longings.

We find our way as families and as individuals only in you, through our brother Jesus, encouraged by the breath of your Spirit.

We thank you for all the blessings we enjoy in our parish family.

May we continue to share our gifts of life and love with glad and generous hearts.

May our world be somehow more alive because we have passed this way.

May Mary our parish patron continue to inspire us as we give new birth to your Word in our turn.

We make our prayer in Jesus' Name. Amen.