

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



We acknowledge the Walumatalagal people — the first custodians of this place

**21 JULY 2019**

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C**

**WANT TO FIX THE CHURCH?**

## Calendar

### July

**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

**2** **Monthly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** HNM 7.00-9.00 am

We know that there are many things about the Church which need reforming and healing. We all have different views as to what shape these reforms should take and who should do something about them. The up-coming Plenary Council provides one opportunity for us all to have a voice and to contribute to the conversations that may lead to a new flowering of the Church's life and mission.

Given the exposure that the Church's wounds have received in recent times, some people have simply walked away. Some have walked away whilst firing salvos at the Church and its leaders. Some have called for various re-structuring while others have simply ventilated their anger with a kind of righteous petulance. No reform or healing is likely to emerge as a result of such outbursts. Looking at the Church primarily as an institution in need of reform really fails to understand the real nature of the Church. Certainly we can have some robust discussions about the changes we'd like to see, but these discussions can never be our starting point.

Before anything else, we are a community of faith, disciples of Jesus, bound together through our baptism and nourished by prayer and the Sacraments. Gathered at the table of the Eucharist we are our truest selves. In this moment we are full of thankfulness and at the same time we lay ourselves open to continuing conversion, to a daily process of being born again as Jesus expressed it.

In this light, the reform of the Church can begin when I look in the mirror of my soul and take daily steps to grow in the faith and love to which my baptism calls me.

As each of us renews each day our commitment to live the gospel more faithfully, the Church itself changes and grows. When enough of us live this commitment together, then the changes we long for in the Church may find a way to come into being. Simply being cranky that others are not fixing things up is a far cry from the heart that prayerfully listens for what the Spirit seems to be saying to the Church. It's pretty easy to see which approach is more likely to be fruitful.

So if you want to do something to fix the Church, you could do well to start with the part of the Church that's in your own hands. Who knows where this could lead?

Father Kevin

### **The Dempsey Medal      An Honour from the Archbishop of Sydney CONGRATULATIONS TO ELIZABETH SPENCER**

The Dempsey Medal is awarded annually by the Archbishop of Sydney to members of the Catholic clergy and laity. This Honour is named in recognition of a lay Catholic pioneer from Sydney's early European settlement. James Dempsey was transported to Sydney in 1802 for his involvement in the Vinegar Hill rebellion in Co. Wexford.

The home of this Carmelite tertiary was used to preserve the Blessed Sacrament and became a gathering place for Catholics with recitations of the Rosary each weekday and Vespers on Sundays during the period when the colony was without priests for almost a decade from 1810.

Dempsey was an Irish stonemason who oversaw the building of the first bridge across the Tank Stream, the military barracks, the Rum Hospital, and the original St Mary's Cathedral.

The Dempsey Medal seeks to encourage and to recognise outstanding contributions and service by members of the Sydney Archdiocesan community to the local Catholic Church or the wider society. Although the Dempsey Medal is awarded for outstanding service or witness to parish, diocese or community, it is primarily intended to recognise those who have made an outstanding contribution in the context of their local parish.

*We warmly congratulate Elizabeth Spencer who has been awarded this medal which will be presented to her by Archbishop Anthony at St Mary's Cathedral next Sunday 28 July at the 10.30 am Mass.*

We thank Elizabeth and honour her for her long years of quiet service across many areas of the life of the parish. We congratulate her on her reception of this very significant award.

## What's on?

### HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR PARISH?

See if anyone in your pew knows the name of this parishioner. Her name next week. Last week's photo: Melanie Rankin



### 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.

### SCRIPTURE PRAYER GROUP

For six Tuesday evenings starting on Tuesday 30 July the Scripture Prayer Group will meet for the *WINTER SERIES Lectio Divina Heartbeat Program*. Place: Chapter Hall Time: 6.45 for 7pm. All welcome.

### CHILD SAFETY—OUR SPECIAL PRIORITY



### MARIST FAMILY 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

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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.benedictxvcentre.org.au

### SAFEGUARDING : KEEPING OUR COMMUNITIES SAFE

We understand how difficult it can be for people who have experienced abuse to make a complaint. We have developed a Listening to You card, which is available in all our parishes to provide guidance for those wishing to make a complaint. We want to support you in this process and we can provide access to counselling and support services if needed.

For assistance please contact :

safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org

### PRAISE & WORSHIP, DIVINE MERCY AND HEALING MASS

FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT ST JOSEPH CHURCH CAMPERDOWN

There will be Praise & Worship, Divine Mercy and Healing Mass—First Thursday of every month at St Joseph Church, 2 Missenden Rd. Camperdown from 7-8.45pm.

### FR ROB GALEA COMING HOME CONCERT

The "Coming Home" concert tour features Fr Rob Galea and his band performing songs from Fr. Rob's latest album, his eight music production, "Coming Home".

The tour will be Catholic music as you have not heard before in a new contemporary style for Fr Rob and his band. A quality and uplifting presentation of Christian

music with outstanding lighting, visual and sound production. Fr Rob's music brings a positive message in a modern style appealing to all ages and will include a selection of his much loved songs from previous albums during a two hour show which will have you singing along from the start to finish.

The Sydney show will be at Southern Cross Catholic Vocational College in Burwood, July 28. Tickets can be purchased: [www.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.eventbrite.com.au)

### BEREAVED PARENTS GROUP

Every first Monday of the Month at the Banksia Room, Dooleys Catholic Club 11 Church St. Lidcombe

10-12noon

A space for your grief and a chance to connect with other bereaved parents. Morning tea is provided

Facilitated by the Bereavement Care Team

Please contact Patricia 0438 263 036 or Sigrid on 0412 811 206

### ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Being an altar server is a great way for our young people to be involved in the celebration of our Masses. Parents, we encourage you to encourage your children to put their hands up for this important ministry.

Our contact is Yvonne Young:

0410 588 063 Email: [yyhnom@gmail.com](mailto:yyhnom@gmail.com)

### MARTHA AND MARY



Christ in the House of Martha and Mary, 1654, Johannes (Jan) Vermeer  
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## Well Done...CONGRATS AND THANKS ZONE

Congratulations and a very warm welcome to **Kohen Noah, Florence Shelton, Kiara Cunningham, Flynn Campbell, & Theodore Seck** all of whom will be baptized into our Christian community this weekend.



### DAILY MASS ATTENDERS

Each weekday morning at 9.00 am we celebrate the Eucharist together. A gathering of prayerful, committed parishioners gather to pray for the whole community. Their prayers are very much part of the engine-room of the whole parish.

We thank them for the quiet inspiration that they provide for the community and the world beyond.

## POINT TO PONDER

### In Praise of Decay

So much is deadly in the shiny new,  
Persistent plastic choking out our life,  
The landfill of each ego's empty stuff,  
Where poison and possessions still accrue.  
So praise him in the old and mouldering:  
In pale-gold leaf-fall losing shape and edge,  
In mottled compost rustling and rich,  
From which the stuff of life is still unfolding.

Change and decay is what our plastic needs  
To break the bleak persistence of our waste.  
Pray that we learn the lost arts of our past,  
The arts of letting go and sowing seeds,  
The secrets of the lowly and the least  
Might save us from the dreadful things that last.

*Malcolm Guite Parable and Paradox*

### Villa Maria Primary School

Principal: Mr. Kevin Turner  
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### Marist Sisters' College

Principal: Dr Anne Ireland  
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### St Josephs' College

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

## 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, Brian and Annette Sidgreaves, Elizabeth Spencer**



**I WAS SICK AND YOU VISITED ME**

### FLOOD VICTIMS IN NEPAL, INDIA & BANGLADESH

Receiving passing coverage on some news bulletins this week has been the story of monsoonal floods which are wreaking havoc across Nepal and parts of Bangladesh and India,

We pray for all those whose lives are disrupted by these floods and for a swift return to normal life.

We pray for ourselves that we live consciously engaged with the world beyond our own neighbourhood.

## Coming Soon

### FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM

## This Week... Scripture Zone

### First Reading:

#### **Genesis 18:1-10**

Abraham and his wife Sarah offer hospitality to three strange visitors who come to them at the Oak of Mamre. In response to their generosity, the strange visitors promise that Sarah will bear a son next year when they visit once again.

### Response

The just will live in the presence of the Lord..

Alleluia !

### Second Reading

#### **Colossians 1:24-28**

In this reading, Paul outlines the purpose of his ministry; to bring the message of God's mystery to the Gentiles. And the mystery is in their midst; it is our hope of glory because now, we are in

Christ.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.  
Alleluia !

### Gospel Reading **Luke 10:38-42**

On our journey to Jerusalem, Jesus stops at the home of his disciples, the sisters Martha and Mary. The place of these sisters in the Gospel tradition is an honoured one for their encounter with Jesus teaches us about the hospitality of God in our midst, and that there is room for all at the feet of the Master.

*First Reading : Genesis 118:20-32*

*Second Reading : Colossians 2:12-14*

*Gospel Reading : Luke 11:1-13*



# A PARISH OF THE MARIST FATHERS

**PARISH OFFICE:**

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**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  
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**Priests Assisting:**

Fathers Aliko Langi SM, Ph: 0408 896 839  
John Worthington SM, Paul Pearce SM,  
Paul Pidcock SM

**Parish Secretary:** Sylvia Gutierrez

**New or Returning  
Parishioners...**

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

**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 Pfafflin & Kathleen Lee:  
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**BAPTISM:**

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

**BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENINGS:**

Tuesdays: 20 August, 17 September, 15 October, 12 November, 10 December, 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:**

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**Villa Play Group:** Tues 9:30-11:30am Parish Hall. Mercedes Simola 0414 625 384  
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**St Vincent De Paul:** Paul Ladd 0468 355 753

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**Inter-Church Council:**

Richard Korkor Ph: 0410 431 022

**St Peter Chanel Management Team:****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.