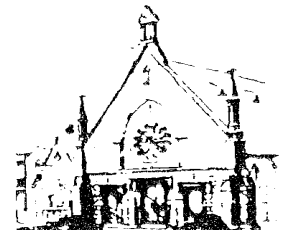


ST. BEDE'S AND ST. JAMES'



The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist –Year B Sunday 24th June 2018

St James' Church,

2 Woolley Street, Glebe

Weekday Masses

Wednesday & Friday: 9am

Sat: 8.30am

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 9.30am

(Tongan Choir: 4th Sunday)

Children's Liturgy

1st Sunday of the month (St. James)

Confession (Reconciliation)

Saturday at 4pm (St. James)

Baptisms

2nd Sunday of the month at
12.15pm. Bookings required.

St Bede's Church

43 Pymont Street, Pymont

Sunday Mass Times

8am and 11am

Baptisms

3rd Sunday of the month at
12.00 noon. Bookings required.

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

When Elizabeth gave birth to a son, the whole village was quite certain that the child would be called Zechariah after his father. But Elizabeth resisted and Zechariah had no hesitation in writing, 'His name is John' – *is* John.

Present tense.

This caused great consternation in the village. This could only mean that more shocking breaks with tradition were to come. And in the last verse of today's Gospel, we learn that this now young man is not preparing for priestly service at the Temple!

He is out in the wilderness! He has adopted the lifestyle of the most marginal, living outside settled existence where tradition suffocates.

Pope Francis constantly urges us to be challenged by those existing on the margins. This encompasses not only those who are suffering exclusion, injustice or who are simply without the necessities of life. He is also concerned with those on the peripheries of world power. Perhaps this is best symbolised in the choosing of a Cardinal from Tonga which has only 15,000 Catholics!

We could pause for a moment to pray that we are sufficiently open to receive God's messengers, who may erupt from the margins, from 'the wilderness' of the peripheries, even from Argentina!



WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

MATTHEW AARON VO,
son of Kevin Vo and Kristelle Del Mundo.

Baptised at St Bede's Pymont.



NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES.....

2018 HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL

The Holy Father's Appeal is on this weekend. The appeal highlights the global charitable causes of Pope Francis and is aimed at alleviating the suffering of those affected by natural disasters, wars, the refugee crisis and poverty, to name a few. It's an opportunity for us to get involved in an important initiative of the Catholic Church on a local level, and we ask you to give what you can. To give, please use the appeal envelopes provided or phone the Fundraising Office on during office hours on 1800 753 959. Thank you.

WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT 2018

We are delighted to invite you to our Women's Day Retreat 2018, a day for young women to discover more about the Consecrated Life. This day retreat will be an opportunity for young women (Single - 18 to 35) to meet and have conversations with consecrated women from various communities. You will also have time for silent prayer, confession and adoration during a Holy Hour. For more information contact us at: vocations@sydneycatholic.org or 02 9307 8424

Date: Saturday 14 July 2018, **Time:** 9am - 3:30pm **Location:** St Benedict's Broadway Hall, 104 Broadway, Chippendale NSW
RSVP by Wed 11 July 2018 ~ Organised by the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia and the Sydney Vocation Centre

LESSONS FROM THE LONG PADDOCK WORKSHOP

Lessons from the Long Paddock offers perspectives from outback and rural NSW on faith and spiritual life. Fr Richard Leonard SJ, Sr Michele Connolly RSJ and Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE reflect on stories from people in the Diocese and explore the lived experiences of faith in the bush. Thursday 9th August 2018 9.30am - 12.30 at the Ron Dyer Centre Our Lady of the Way Parish, St Mary's North Sydney - Admission Free

For enquiries ring Kate Englebrecht on 0420 309 689 or visit <http://www.wf.catholic.org.au> for more information

POSITION AVAILABLE: PARISH BOOKKEEPER (CASUAL) Our Lady of the Rosary, Fairfield

Bookkeeper required for 8 - 10 hours per week at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield. The initial contract is for 3 - 6 months (with potential to extend contract for proven candidate). Specific days and hours of work are negotiable. Parking is available on site.

To be the successful candidate some experience with MYOB is essential. Good communication skills are a must and experience in a Parish environment will be highly advantageous.

Fairfield is a vibrant and friendly Parish and this is an exciting opportunity to join one of the largest Parishes in the Sydney Archdiocese! We expect this role to fill quickly so we recommend that applications are submitted promptly.

Please contact Priscilla at priscilla@olrfairfield.org.au for a full position description.

Applications close on 27 June 2018 and must include a cover letter explaining why you consider being able to meet the criteria for this position. Applications can be submitted via email to: priscilla@olrfairfield.org.au

HAVE YOU LOST PRESCRIPTION GLASSES???

We are starting to get a collection of prescription glasses that people have left in the church after mass. Please see the priest before or after mass, who can help you be reunited. Any glasses still in the sacristy by June 30 will be donated to charity.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR

The planned giving envelopes for the new financial year are at the back of the church. Please collect your envelopes before 1st July 2018. Please note that unless requested, due to the cost of postage, we will not be posting any envelopes not collected.

DID YOU KNOW, THERE ARE 3 OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR PLANNED GIVING.

You can donate by:

Planned Giving Envelopes

A box of envelopes are given to you at the start of each financial year where you place your donation into a dated envelope.

Credit Card payments

Payments are taken from your credit card. This is deduction which is processed monthly.

Direct Deposit payments

We provide you with our bank details and you set up with your bank the amount you wish to donate and the frequency of the donation.

ALL donations are **100% tax deductible** and a tax receipt is issued at the end of each financial year. If you would like to make regular planned giving donations or wish to change how you make your current donation, please contact Brooke at the parish office on 9660 1407 or email info@stjames-stbede.org.au

TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS FOR THIS FINANCIAL YEAR

If you would like to make a tax deductible donation for the current financial year to St Bede's or St James, please do so prior to Monday 25th June 2018. Payments can be made via the Planned Giving Envelopes, Credit Card or direct deposit.

Please contact Brooke at the office for credit card payments or direct deposit details.

PARISHIONER CONTACT DETAILS

If you have changed your address, phone number or any other contact details, please let Brooke at the Parish Office know so we can update our records. Contact Brooke on 9660 1407 or info@stjames-stbede.org.au

ST. PETER'S SURRY HILLS CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Join us at some special events! Beginning on the 30th of June with a Sung Mass where Haydn's Missa Sancti Nicolai will be presented by St Peter's Choir and soloists with a guest orchestra. This will be followed by a parish dinner the same evening.

On the 1st of July at 3pm there will be a concert in partnership with Artes Christi with St Peter's choir and guests and friends, soloists and orchestra in thanksgiving featuring Charpentier's famous "Te Deum" and musical offerings in honour of St Peter."
June 30th: Sung Mass (featuring Missa Sancti Nicolai by Haydn with Orchestra) 4pm
June 30th: Centenary Parish Dinner 6.30pm

July 1st: 3pm Centenary Concert featuring Charpentier's Te Deum and selected Petrine works. St Peter's Choir and Soloists with Artes Christi and orchestra.

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=387811&> All events at St Peter's Parish Church, 235 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills 2010.

Readers for next Sunday, 1st July 2018

	St. James' 5pm	St. Bede's 8am	St. James' 9:30am	St. Bede's 11am
First Reader	Michael & Sue McAlister	Anne Higgins	Anne Connolly	Peter Kelaher
Second Reader	Michael & Sue McAlister	Juliet Roberts	Rocco Ranieri	Kate O'Brien

Please pray for the sick:

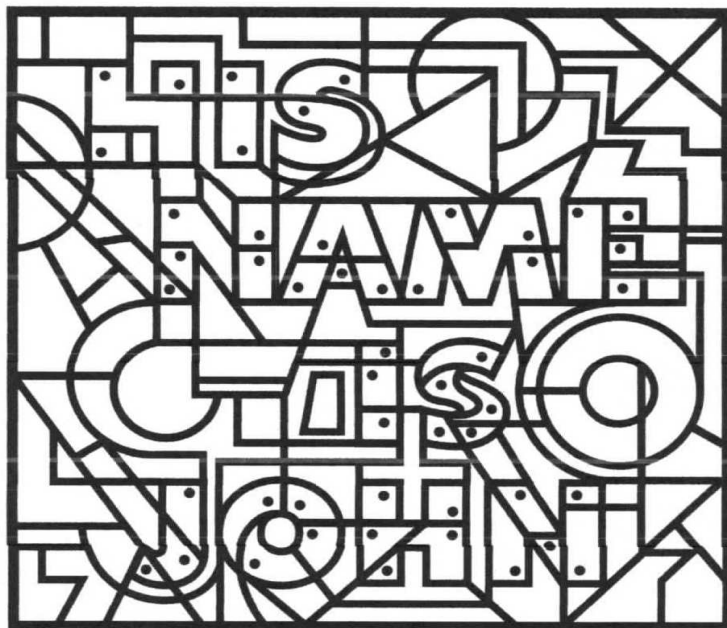
Dr Ron Morstyn, Karen Ingui, Guido Gianni, Peter Spillane, Fr Dom Murphy, Mia Hoad, Audrey Tate, Elizabeth Fletcher, Neave Mackey, Patricia O'Leary, Gillian Ellis, John & June Ebert, Debbie Julius, Fran Campisi, Irene Malin, Fr. Michael Walsh, Bp Geoffrey Robinson, Kate Mara, Leslee Hoad-Mara, Lee Tillam, Kay White, family members, parishioners, friends.

Please pray for the deceased:

Ken Owens, Norman Staples, Anthony Creighton, Noreen Hayes, Barbara Murphy, Monica Bernadette McNally Turner, McNally family members, Allan White, Georgia Hoad, Hazel O'Connor, Sam Tinman, Maria Lo, Sean & Pat Flanagan, Frank & Melina Galluzo, O'Connor family members & all the faithful departed Parishioners.

If you would like to add names to the "pray for the sick" or "pray for the deceased" lists, please contact the office. Please note that any names added for an anniversary to the pray for the deceased will remain for 4 weeks.

Colour the shapes that contain dots to find out what Zechariah wrote on the tablet.



The Nativity of St John the Baptist

as told in the Gospel of Luke, begins with the Angel Gabriel appearing to John's father in the temple. Gabriel told Zachariah that his elderly wife Elizabeth was to have a son named John. When Zachariah left the temple he was unable to

speak, for Gabriel had told Zachariah that he would be left mute until his son was born. After Elizabeth gave birth there was disagreement among the family's relatives over the naming of the baby. When they approached Zachariah he wrote, "His name is John". From that moment, Zachariah was able to speak again and he praised God and made a prophesy about John, saying: "You will be called the prophet of the Most High".

Wordsearch

Try to find these words:



- angel
- children
- Elizabeth
- incense
- John
- old
- parents
- pray
- priest
- servant
- son
- Zechariah

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

A man was sent from God, whose name was John.

He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

COLLECT

O God, who raised up Saint John the Baptist to make ready a nation fit for Christ the Lord, give your people, we pray, the grace of spiritual joys and direct the hearts of all the faithful into the way of salvation and peace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-6

Islands, listen to me, pay attention, remotest peoples. The Lord called me before I was born, from my mother's womb he pronounced my name. He made my mouth a sharp sword, and hid me in the shadow of his hand. He made me into a sharpened arrow, and concealed me in his quiver. He said to me, 'You are my servant Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; while I was thinking, 'I have toiled in vain, I have exhausted myself for nothing'; and all the while my cause was with the Lord, my reward with my God. I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I praise you for I am wonderfully made.

SECOND READING

Acts 13:22-26

Paul said: 'God made David the king of our ancestors, of whom he approved in these words, "I have elected David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart, who will carry out my whole purpose." To keep his promise, God has raised up for Israel one of David's descendants, Jesus, as Saviour, whose coming was heralded by John when he proclaimed a baptism of repentance for the whole people of Israel. Before John ended his career he said, "I am not the one you imagine me to be; that one is coming after me and I am not fit to undo his sandal."

'My brothers, sons of Abraham's race, and all you who fear God, this message of salvation is meant for you.'

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 1:57-66. 80

The time came for Elizabeth to have her child, and she gave birth to a son; and when her neighbours and relations heard that the Lord had shown her so great a kindness, they shared her joy. Now on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother spoke up. 'No,' she said 'he is to be called John.' They said to her, 'But no one in your family has that name', and made signs to his father to find out what he wanted him called. The father asked for a writing tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And they were all astonished. At that instant his power of speech returned and he spoke and praised God. All their neighbours were filled with awe and the whole affair was talked about throughout the hill country of Judaea. All those who heard of it treasured it in their hearts. 'What will this child turn out to be?' they wondered. And indeed the hand of the Lord was with him. The child grew up and his spirit matured. And he lived out in the wilderness until the day he appeared openly to Israel.

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NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven & earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We place these offerings on your altar, O Lord, to celebrate with fitting honour the nativity of him who both foretold the coming of the world's Saviour and pointed him out when he came.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having feasted at the banquet of the heavenly Lamb, we pray, O Lord, that, finding joy in the nativity of Saint John the Baptist, your Church may know as the author of her rebirth the Christ whose coming John foretold. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.