

The Silent Book

Sr Bernadette Wallis has written a book, it will be launched in Sydney on Ephpheta Sunday at our luncheon.

What is the book's name and why did you write it?

The book is called *THE SILENT BOOK – A Deaf Family and the Disappearing Australian-Irish Sign Language*. My parents, Kathleen and Don Wallis from rural Victoria, were profoundly Deaf people who attended Waratah with the Dominican Sisters and St Gabriel's Castle Hill with the Christian Brothers in the 1920's. They used the Australian-Irish Sign Language in their family, a language that is fast disappearing. I realised this treasured language needed to be acknowledged and where possible recorded.



What is the book about?

The book is in three parts: Part 1 is about Don and Kathleen's early life as children at home and their education. Part 2 of the book tells the story of their adult life. Part 3 of the book is about my journey to discover my Deaf heritage while I investigated the origins of Australian-Irish Sign Language.

Did your book a long time to write? Was it hard to write?

I started writing the book in 2013, but I did not know how it would grow and develop! First of all I made a map with various ideas going all directions on a big page. I always knew I would start with the story of my Mum and Dad meeting at the Murray River. From there it was so interesting – writing became a passion. Sometimes I would do it at home, sometimes I would go to a cafe and sit in the corner with my laptop and write. Sometimes I went to a quiet place in the bush and sat in my car - with the laptop! I remember a few times I was typing away at the airport with people all around me – and nearly missing my flight.

I talked with lots of people including family members and gleaned their insights. They often had good stories and memories from their parents and experience in the Deaf community. I also talked with other people – they were historians, writers, ex-teachers, archivists, Australian-Irish signers, family members of Deaf people - and many Deaf people themselves. Having access to the internet was wonderful.



My travel overseas in 2002 was also an inspiration for me as I visited many Deaf centres. When writing a book - it is not only about writing - it is getting photos and graphics, and permissions and then ensuring it gets published! I am so grateful to so many people who have assisted me in getting the book published. Hopefully I can enjoy the launches that will take place in various places, including through the Ephpheta Centre on Ephpheta Sunday on 7th August 2016.



Please see page 5 and insert for more information about the Book Launch on Ephpheta Sunday.

A Message from Liz & Dave...

Liz's report

Hi,

My goodness, I cannot believe how fast this year is flying! Hope that everyone had a peaceful Easter.



I recently found myself reading a great article by an American Catholic priest, Fr James Martin SJ called "How even the busiest people can find time to pray" Fr Martins reminds us our relationship with God is like any of our relationships in our life – all of our important relationships need our time, even if we are busy. Fr Martin gives us some help:

1. Take it easy. Start with say 10 minutes in the morning and at night. God will enjoy that time!
2. Be flexible. There is no right or wrong way to pray. Maybe it is reading the daily Mass readings or doing some breathing exercises and remembering that we are with God. Maybe it means stopping into a church and saying a prayer. There are as many different ways of praying as there are people.
3. Try "the examination of conscience" made popular by St Ignatius Loyola. Basically it is a review of the day. Here are the 5 steps:
 - Presence – remind yourself you are in the presence of God
 - Give thanks – think about the things you are thankful for, over the last 24 hours. Maybe a job well done or someone was kind to you. Think of these and thank God
 - Review – think about the day from start to finish, trying to notice where God was. When did you experience God? What was your response?
 - Sorrow (sadness) – Recall moments when you didn't respond to God's invitation. Ask God of forgiveness or think about having reconciliation with a priest.
 - Grace – ask for God's grace for the next day.
4. Find God in all things –maybe life is really busy – you have a new baby or a new job or there is a crisis– try to find God in your daily life. Maybe you can find God in a person's smile, in a flower that catches your eye. Be grateful. Ask God to meet you along the way (www.cruxnow.com/faith).

Take care, until next time,
Liz

Dave's report



It's now May! I cannot believe how fast things go here at the Ephpheta Centre. We have Deaf Youth Sydney activities. We have Deaf Men and Deaf Women outings. We also have combined Deaf Men and Women's outings. We have extra Mass services for the Deaf. We have craft days for Deaf women.

As we continue in the Holy year of Mercy, Pope Francis said "Let us not forget that God forgives and God forgives always," and "Let us never tire of asking for forgiveness." This is compassion.

Another important note, April 29th is the memorial of St. Catherine of Siena. Catherine belonged to the Dominican Order. She is a saint and a doctor of the Church, and a patroness of Italy and of Europe. I visited The Chapel of Saint Catherine, Basilica of San Domenico in Siena as part of the World Day of the Youth 2011. It was an amazing experience for myself and for the Australian Deaf Youth I was leading.

Don't forget to come to our Deaf Mass on every Friday, from 10.30am, even before Deaf Café on the second Friday each month. You are more than welcome to come along and have a cup of tea and chat with the staff afterwards.

It is important for us to step back and appreciate what we have. We get so much information overload from social media – Facebook, tweeting, texting, emailing and so on. It is very important we take a break from our fast paced life styles and slow down every now and then.

We will be having a community retreat shortly. Stay tuned for extra information. Please check emails and our website for details.

Stay well for the upcoming winter. It has been a long warm season! Once again, your support for the Deaf community is gratefully appreciated.

Be open,
David

Fr Michael's Reflections...

Works of Mercy – Part 2

In the last newsletter, I wrote about the 7 “Corporal Works of Mercy” are works which involve the body, like “clothing the naked”. There are also 7 “Spiritual Works of Mercy”, which care for the soul. These are:

- Teach people who do not know.
- Support & reassure people who are doubting.
- Correct sinners.
- Be patient when people do wrong.
- Always forgive.
- Comfort people who are suffering.
- Pray for the living and the dead.

All of the Spiritual Works of Mercy must be done in love - i.e. we should always do to others, as we would like them to do to us. Being patient, forgiving, and praying are things we can always be trying to do. However, the other spiritual works of mercy can require great care and caution. If someone is talking about killing

themselves, we should encourage them to get professional help. We can do this in a gentle loving way. There may be someone more skilled in counselling we should contact for help. Or, if someone does not understand something or has done something which we think is wrong, it is usually best to wait for a good time and place to gently talk with them. A few, simple words in private can do more good than a great speech in public that makes the other person feel embarrassed and angry. In all our work with other people, we must always try to be gentle and loving.

Mother Mary, at the wedding at Cana, you taught the servants to trust Jesus, and “do whatever He tells you”. Help us to trust God, and do the merciful works Jesus has taught us. Amen.

Fr Michael



Meet the Deaf Religious - Sr Patricia Hughes (United States of America)

Sr Patricia Hughes, SSJ – The First American Deaf Nun

Bridget Hughes was born, in 1857, near Philadelphia. She grew up hearing until age 7 when she was sick and became deaf. Her parents sent her to Philadelphia School for the Deaf. From an early age she wanted to devote her life to God.

At school, a priest noticed that there was no religious classes for the deaf which he started with Bridget's help. This was a first! Bridget still wanted to be a nun and one of the priests told Bridget to pray to St Joseph. She prayed a special prayer to St Joseph to help her become a nun.

After this, a bishop in Philadelphia heard about her and found an order for her to join. This was the Order of St Joseph! When she became a nun at the age of 23 she was given the name of Sr Patricia and taught deaf children religious education. Soon the classes were not just for deaf children but also deaf adults. All this was led by Sr Patricia.

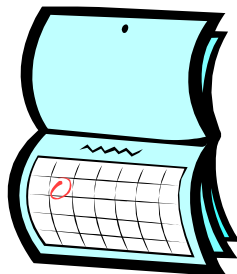
She also influenced the Bishop to set up a Catholic school for the deaf in Philadelphia. Sr Patricia was 43 years old when she died of pneumonia in 1910. She left a legacy of inspiration- she saw the vision of the future of what was possible and made it happen to improve the lives of deaf people.



Source: Fr Michael Depcik's interview with Sr. Kathleen Schipani <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPI1jiMAXwk>

Save the Dates

Some very important things to book in to your diary now so you don't miss out! See below for more information...



29th May - Integrated Mass

5th June - Community Presentation

22nd July - Deaf Men's Day Out

23rd July - Deaf Women's Day Out

7th August - Ephpheta Sunday

18th September - Year of Mercy Pilgrimage

1st-2nd October - SAVE THE DATES! Community Retreat

3rd July, 25th September & 6th November - Bible Study groups

Integrated Mass - 29th May

We will have Integrated Mass at Fr Michael's parish - St. Patrick's in Summer Hill! All welcome to join the hearing parish at this Integrated Mass! We will have morning tea afterwards in the Hall next door.

When: Sunday 29th May, please be seated before 10am.

Where: St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 5 Drynan St, Summer Hill.



Community Presentation - 5th June

Sr Mary Leahy is the Port Chaplain to sailors and people who work on ships. She supports workers who work on ships from overseas and are often isolated and lonely. They often have very little money and are homesick. Sr Mary will tell us about her very interesting work. This Community Presentation will start after Mass, at 1pm. If you are not coming to Mass but want to come to the Community Presentation, you are very welcome, you are also welcome to join the community for lunch as well.

When: Sunday 5th June, 1pm (after Mass and lunch).

Where: Ephpheta Centre, 4 Turner St, Punchbowl.

RSVP: To David 0408 669 672 (sms only) or email david@ephpheta.org.au



Deaf Men's Day Out - 22nd July

We will have an Auslan interpreted tour of Hyde Park and learn about interesting history and things about Hyde Park.

Where: Meet at the War Memorial, Hyde Park South, Elizabeth St, Sydney.

When: Friday 22nd July - Meet at 10am for 10.30am start.

Cost: Free. Buy your own lunch afterwards.

RSVP: to David, SMS 0408 669 672 or email david@ephpheta.org.au



Deaf Women's Day Out - 23rd July

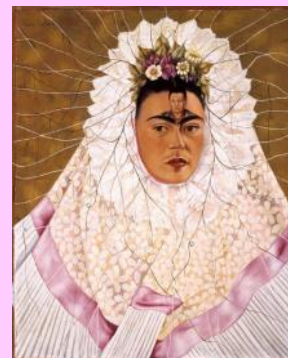
The Frida Kahlo exhibition is coming to Australia!! Frida is a world famous artist from Mexico who paints about her life stories and Danni will give the Auslan Tour. (This will be voice interpreted too.) Meet at the Art Gallery of NSW for this great tour on womanhood! Afterwards, we will have lunch together in the Art Gallery Café.

When: Saturday 23rd July. Meet at 10am for 10.30am start till 12pm.

Where: Art Gallery of NSW, Art Gallery Rd, Sydney NSW

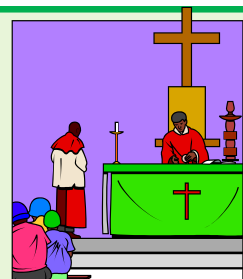
Cost: Free. Buy your own lunch or cuppa at the Café or BYO lunch welcome.

RSVP: Danni 0410 567 621 (SMS only) or email danni@ephpheta.org.au



Ephpheta Sunday - 7th August

We are going to celebrate our Irish Catholic Heritage on Ephpheta Sunday this year with an extra special event! We will celebrate Ephpheta Sunday in our own chapel, then make our way to Dooleys Catholic Club, Lidcombe for a hot roast buffet, desserts and tea and coffee.



When: Sunday 7th August, **Mass:** starts 10am at Ephpheta Centre, 4 Turner St, Punchbowl (followed by tea and coffee at the Ephpheta centre after Mass)

Lunch: starts 12pm, Dooleys Catholic Club (Lidcombe), 24-28 John St, Lidcombe.

Cost: \$10 per person, \$20 per family with children under age 16. Please pay when you arrive for lunch. The Bar will be open for you to buy your own drinks.

Must RSVP by 22nd July: Please contact Danni to confirm you are coming. Email: danni@ephpheta.org.au Mobile: 0410 567 621 (SMS) or Fax: (02) 9709 5638

Please see form (insert) for more information & to send in your RSVP slip.

Year Of Mercy Pilgrimage - 18th September

This year the Pope has declared it will be a year of Mercy, that means there are many wonderful opportunities for us as Catholics. One of which is to Enter the Holy Doors of selected cathedrals and churches around the world.

Fr Michael invites all of us to participate in a pilgrimage that he will lead to our own Cathedral in Sydney - St Mary's Cathedral on College St opposite Hyde Park.

When: Sunday 18th September 2016

10am: Meet at Metro St James café (Behind the Elizabeth St exit at St James train station) OR

11.30am: Meet at the steps of the Cathedral to enter the Holy Doors.

11.30–12.30pm: Fr Michael will lead the Stations of the Cross tour and prayer inside the Cathedral

1.10pm: Mass starts in the Crypt.

2pm: We will go out to buy your own lunch. (Or bring your own if you want.)



Where: St Mary's Cathedral, St Marys Rd (corner of College St & Prince Albert Rd) Sydney

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - As this pilgrimage will happen when it's usually lunchtime we suggest that you have a big morning tea before we begin. There is a lovely café in Hyde Park near the St James train station, Elizabeth Street exit. Then it's a short walk to the cathedral.

Bible Study Groups



Fr Michael will be leading a bible study group after Mass. As a group we will watch a captioned DVD about how to understand the bible called "A quick overview of the Bible" and then we will have a short discussion afterwards. This will be a wonderful opportunity, we look forward to seeing you all there. The session will run for 45 mins.

Dates:

3rd July

25th September

6th November

After Punchbowl Mass in the chapel.
If you have any questions please contact
Fr Michael
frmichael@ephpheta.org.au

“Hands” - Archbishop Fisher’s Homily

from the Chrism Mass (blessing of oils) Holy Thursday 2016



Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP is greeted by Bishop Terry Brady at the Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on 24th March.

Catholicism is a very hands-on religion. We express our faith with hands together in prayer and with hands open in service.

We put our hands to work in making a more just and compassionate world.

And all our sacraments involve hands: pouring water, anointing with oil, absolving and blessing



with the sign of the cross, holding hands as we make vows and exchange rings, calling down the Holy Spirit at baptism, confirmation and ordination with hands laid upon head and heart, calling that same Spirit down upon the elements in the epiclesis (when the priest calls down the Holy Spirit on the bread and wine so that they may become the Body and Blood of Christ), holding the Eucharistic species at the consecration and again at their reception. Catholic hands are holy hands because they are for directing all creation to God; priestly hands are anointed with Chrism (special oil) so they will bless and sacramentalise creation as if the hand of God were once more held out to touch us.

I have come to appreciate the importance of hands much more in the last few months as a result of my sickness. As most of you know, on the night of Christmas, having already been sick a few days, I found my right arm becoming more and more powerless and within 24 hours I was paralysed entirely from the neck down.

My hands, being the first part of me to be affected by the Guillain-Barre Syndrome, are expected to be the last part of me to fully recover, to regain their strength and agility. Very quickly I learnt how important hands are for the simplest things. For hygiene, showering, eating. For scratching ourselves and blowing our nose and so much else that we take for granted when we are healthy.



Google the phrase “Hand of God” and you get photos of hand-shaped astronomical phenomena, of Maradona’s infamous goal against England in the quarter finals of the 1986 World Cup, and Michelangelo’s painting called “Creation of Adam”. The last of these is possibly the most famous painting of all time... it has a bearded God and a youthful man.

Instead of the images of God shaping the man out of clay or giving him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to bring life into him that previous painters had used to represent the moment of the birth of humanity, Michelangelo chose to focus on the hands of God and man.



As God stretches out his hand the man responds as if in a mirror image, declaring with the Book of Genesis that man and woman are made in God’s image. Only a sliver of daylight separates God’s hand from Adam’s, showing both how close God is to us and yet transcendent (above all things).

Hands of course have great significance: friends shake hands, lovers hold hands, parents touch and tickle and wash children with their hands, we write, paint, play sport, make music, do manual labour, operate, nurse, drive, and so much else with our hands.



Even now after three months of care and rehabilitation it is a great struggle for me to do the simplest things with my hands. As a priest and bishop, I miss the use of my hands even more because they are so important to our ministry as priests.

At times I have wished that I had lost the function of my legs for much longer and had my hands back much sooner, but these things are in the hands of God and there is a providence there we know, and I have great confidence that God will bring great fruit from this time of powerlessness and vulnerability for me.

Powerlessness comes in many forms. Certainly sickness and physical impairment are common forms of vulnerability, but there are many others which impact the daily lives of so many. There is loneliness and isolation, oppression, addiction, being subjected to abuse or violence, mental illness, obsession with money and material goods. Even our own sinfulness and iniquity are

reminders of our powerlessness.

In contrast to our powerlessness, the hand of God signifies an immense power which He continues to stretch out to creation.

Time and again in Jesus' public ministry He demonstrated this power when He touched others: He stretched out His hand to touch and heal a leper, a blind man, a deaf man, many others who were sick, and even a dead girl and a dead boy. He stretched out his hands to bless the children and to save drowning Peter. With His hands He washed His disciples' feet and held the elements of the first Eucharist at the Last Supper. By His outstretched hands He will be raised on the cross for our salvation



May we acknowledge our own weakness, our powerlessness, our vulnerability in order to rely ever more upon the hands of God, and particularly in this Year of Mercy we pray that the hand of God will be experienced by His people through their priests forgiving their sins and healing their souls.

This is an edited version of the homily (published in the Catholic Weekly) given by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP at the Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on 24 March 2016.

Archbishop Fisher returns to work

The Archbishop of Sydney, Anthony Fisher OP, has returned to work, after four months of rehabilitation due to having contracted the debilitating Guillain-Barré Syndrome at Christmas, reports *The Catholic Weekly*.

Speaking to *The Catholic Weekly* at Mt Wilga Rehabilitation Hospital in Hornsby, the Archbishop said: "My people have not let me forget them for a moment, because they have been so generous and close to me," referring to the "torrent" of prayers, cards, social media messages and other well-wishes that have come his way.

"Grace in answer to prayers" is how he explains his relative sense of peace throughout the ordeal, one which began with the rapid and terrifying onset of paralysis from the neck down.

He said it was most likely that he would work half a day each day of the week, with the other half days devoted to his ongoing rehabilitation program, which has gone remarkably well in doctors' eyes.

We ask our Deaf Community to continue to pray for Archbishop Anthony.



Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP relaxes outside his hospital room

Source: *The Catholic Weekly* - <http://cathnews.com/archives/cath-news-archive/25032-archbishop-fisher-to-return-to-work-next-month>

Out and About in the Deaf Community

DYS at Bubble Soccer

Chrisso and I went up to Charmhaven past Wyong for a game of bubble soccer with a small group of deaf young people from Central coast and Newcastle on Friday, the 22nd of April. We went in huge inflatable balls. It was hot and sweaty. We had 3 minutes of playing each time. We all thought 3 minutes per game would be short and easy! But NO! It was exhausting! We had so much fun.

We will have more youth activities planned for Central Coast deaf youth. Please check the Deaf Youth Sydney website & Facebook page.

By David Parker



Madame Tussauds

On the 1st of March we had an absolutely amazing Women's Day Out at Madame Tussauds in Darling Harbour! We started the day with a cuppa and delicious cake. Then we spent the day touring the museum that was filled with life-sized wax sculptures of famous people and historical icons. Some of the sculptures looked so REAL! It was so wonderful to see everyone having a very enjoyable time and taking many photos with their favourite celebrities. We finished the day with a lovely lunch and chat at a local bar restaurant. It was an incredible day! ☺

By Chrisso Kassab



Deaf Social group For adults!

Let's meet for a catch up! Drinks. Nibbles. Plenty of Chats. Laughter. New Friends. Old Friends. Share news!

Ephpheta Centre, 4 Turner St Punchbowl NSW 2196



- ✓ When: Saturday 28 May 2016
- ✓ Time: 1pm to 4pm.
- ✓ Bring your family!
- ✓ We will provide nibbles, tea, coffee and cold drinks

Contact Di Ulrich-Smith or David Parker anytime!

Diane 0414 917 857 or email diane@ephpheta.org.au

David 0408 669 672 or email david@ephpheta.org.au





Noticeboard



Deaf Cafe

for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people!

Deaf Café is for anybody, no need to book, just turn up. We will have the coffee hot and the cake and biscuits waiting!

You can meet & chat with new people or catch up with old friends over a cuppa.

Tea & coffee available all day! Gold coin donation. Bring your own lunch or you can buy your lunch for \$3.

The next dates are:

**10th June, 8th July &
12th August 2016**

(always on the 2nd Friday of the month)

Time: **10am to 2pm**

At: the Ephpheta Centre, 4 Turner St, Punchbowl.



See you there! ☺



Central Coast Deaf Cuppa

for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people! For everybody, just turn up! There are a few coffee shops around the food court at Erina Fair shopping mall. Bring your money if you want to buy morning tea. CC Deaf Cuppa is a great place to meet & chat with new people or catch up with old friends over a cuppa. Meet at middle of food court. Always on the LAST Friday of every SECOND month. The next date is:

24th June & 26th August 2016

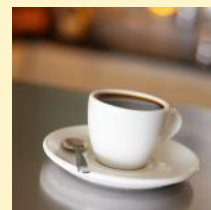
Meet at middle of food court of Erina Fair shopping mall.

Time: starts **10.30am til 2.00pm**

Contact: **Donovan** SMS: **0408 697 773**

Email: **donovan@ephpheta.org.au**

See you there! ☺



Rock Climbing!



Who? Young deaf, hard of hearing people between 12 and 17 years old

Where? Sydney Indoor Climbing Gym — Villawood
Unit 5/850 Woodville Road
Villawood NSW 2163
Meet outside the rock climbing gym

Time? 5:30pm — 9pm

When? Friday, 20 May 2016

Cost? \$10 for climbing and harness hire
Please bring extra money for dinner.



A safety waiver is required to be filled out and signed before you participate in this event. ✂ :

Next dates: 17th June, 15th July & 19th August

More information can be found at the Deaf Youth Sydney website:

<http://www.deafyouthsydney.org.au/>

Contact:

David Parker SMS: 0408 669 672

Email: david@ephpheta.org.au

SAVE THE DATES! - Community Retreat - 1st to 2nd October

Then Jesus said, "Let's go off by ourselves to a quiet place and rest awhile." He said this because there were so many people coming and going that Jesus and his apostles didn't even have time to eat.

Everyone needs a break from the world to rest awhile.....

Please save the date for the Ephpheta Community retreat, which will be held on the weekend of the 1st and 2nd of October.

More details will be in the next newsletter and updates will be in our Mass bulletin, on our website and on Facebook.



CRAFT CORNER

The Deaf Craft Group is always open to any interested ladies, meets **every Wednesday** (except when there's something on) from **10am until 2pm** at the Ephpheta Centre. Bring your crafts to work on. Lunch is provided for \$3. More information? Contact the Ephpheta Centre!

Craft High Tea

The Craft Ladies had a very successful High Tea and Markets, with over 60 people attending! There were so many cakes and sweets, tea and coffee served in pretty teacups and crockery. Profits will be donated to support 2 different causes – deaf aboriginal children and deaf children in the Philippines. The Craft Ladies would like to thank Sue Lansley and Janice Day and their wonderful team who helped organise this fantastic event!



History Corner

By Brian Johnston

Freda Heenan

Freda Heenan was a much beloved friend to many ex-students of Waratah Deaf School. Deaf herself, she was a Matron at the school during the 1890s and worked in the School's sewing room for many years afterwards. Freda Cecelia Heenan was born at Onehunga south of Auckland, New Zealand in 1870. Freda had nine sisters and one brother, Charles William (who died infancy in 1876).

Freda was the 18th student enrolled at Waratah Deaf and Dumb Institution (later Rosary Convent School for Deaf) in Newcastle NSW. She came to Waratah from NZ at 15 years old in 1887. At the end of her schooling she stayed on to work at the school. She was given charge of the little boys and came to be loved as a second mother to many of them. She would dress the boys smartly, so that their boots shone and their clothing was as fresh as new. She was always mending the rips and holes that their play caused. What a happy place Waratah must have been during the 1890s!

She must have returned to New Zealand for a stay of few years before coming back to Waratah in the early 1900s. Her father and mother died in 1905 and 1909 respectively. About 1916 Freda suffered a stroke and from then, until her death she was confined to a wheelchair. Her hands, however, were unaffected and she gave her life of service through them. She continued with the mending and also did the finest and best work on the priests' vestments.

Even in her old age, when her hands were twisted and crippled with arthritis, she kept going with her work until she died. Truly a remarkable woman. She came to be known as 'the little saint' because of the joy and peace her presence radiated.

Freda Cecelia Heenan died at Waratah in 1951 aged 81. She was buried in Sandgate cemetery on 21 November 1951.



Freda Heenan

Sources: Book 'Open Minds Open Hearts' - Stories of the Australian Catholic Deaf Community, 1999, book 'Pictorial Centenary Souvenir' - Companion to History of Catholic Deaf Education in Australia 1875-1975, 'The NZ Herald' newspaper of 4 December 1905, 'Freeman's Journal' newspaper of 6 February 1897, Ancestry.com website (Heenan family tree etc) and Sandgate cemetery

Mass Times

MAY

15th	Sunday	11.00am
	SEVEN HILLS	
22nd	Sunday	10.00am
	PUNCHBOWL (Not Revesby)	
29th	Sunday	10.00am
	Integrated Mass	
	<i>(for more information, see page 4)</i>	

JUNE

5th	Sunday	10.00am
	PUNCHBOWL & Community Presentation	
	<i>(for more information, see page 4)</i>	
12th	Sunday	10.30am
	MANLY	
19th	Sunday	11.00am
	SEVEN HILLS	
26th	Sunday	10.00am
	PUNCHBOWL (Not Revesby)	

JULY

3rd	Sunday	10.00am
	PUNCHBOWL	
10th	Sunday	9.30am
	NORTH GOSFORD	
17th	Sunday	11.00am
	SEVEN HILLS	
24th	Sunday	10.00am
	PUNCHBOWL (Not Revesby)	

AUGUST

7th	Ephpheta Sunday	10.00am
	PUNCHBOWL	
	<i>(for more information, see page 5)</i>	
14th	Sunday	10.30am
	MANLY	
21st	Sunday	11.00am
	SEVEN HILLS	
28th	Sunday	10.00am
	PUNCHBOWL (Not Revesby)	

(More Mass information in the next Newsletter)

Friday morning Mass in 2016

Where: Ephpheta Centre, 4 Turner St, Punchbowl

When: Every Friday

Time: 10.30am (NOT 9.30am)



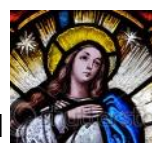
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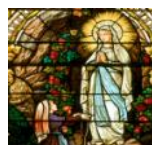
**Chapel of
St Francis de Sales**
4 Turner St
Punchbowl



**Our Lady of
the Rosary**
92 Glennie St
North Gosford
Integrated Mass



St Mary's
6 Raglan St
Manly
Integrated Mass



**Our Lady of
Lourdes**
7 Grantham Rd
Seven Hills

Campbelltown Mass Dates:

At: St John the Evangelist,
35 Cordeaux St, Campbelltown

When: 12th June, 10th July, 14th August

Time: 9am

Integrated Mass – 31 July? 31 July is the 5th Sunday of the month and we do not have a Mass booked in for this date. If you would like to have integrated Mass at your local church, please contact David (SMS 0408 669 672) or email: david@ephpheta.org.au before 31 May.

We pray...

For those who have died

3 March 2016 - Ron Seville (Anne Seville nee Hamilton's husband)

11 March 2016 - Stan Batson (Melbourne)

21 March 2016 - Norma Walker (sister-in-law of Murreall, Sue & Janet)

20 April 2016 - Jason Loader (aged 46, Dawn Loader nee Taylor's son & Ron Loader, St Gabriel student's son)

5 May 2016 - Margaret Trewin

For those who are sick

Margaret Crehan

Beryl Rudd

Helen Farmer

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EPHPHETA WEBSITE NEWS

Have you seen our website recently?

Our website is now being updated regularly so it
is always full of current information.

Please keep checking it!

If you have any ideas or feedback for our website
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Please send your news, stories,
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Ephpheta office to be considered for
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What does "Ephpheta" mean?

The name Ephpheta of our Centre came from the
bible - a story about Jesus meeting a deaf man,
he says "*Ephpheta*" which means "Be open".

We are always open to you all!