THE ROSARY RECORD

BLESSED PETER TO ROT – MARTYR OF THE CHURCH OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA. FEAST DAY JULY 7

Peter To Rot was born on 5 March 1912 on the island of New Britain. The evangelisation of the area had been **entrusted to MSC in 1882**. To Rot was the third of six children whose parents had converted to Catholicism in 1898.

In 1930 the **parish priest of Rakunai** asked his father if he would allow To Rot to start his **studies for the priesthood**. His father said that the time was not right for that but it would be appropriate if his son **studied to become a catechist**. In 1930 To Rot began his studies at Saint Paul's College conducted by the MSC in Taliligap. On completion in 1933, he was commissioned as a catechist for his **parish of Rakunai** where he excelled.

On 11 November 1936 he married Paula la Varpit and the couple went on to have three children; one died as an infant and another died soon after the Second World War. His final child was born after To Rot's murder.

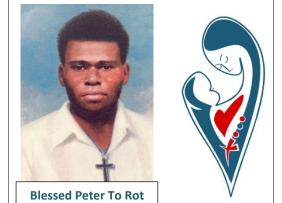
In March 1942 the Japanese invasion of Rabaul saw all the foreign missionaries interned in Vunapope MSC Mission HQ, set up as a concentration camp. The parish priest left To Rot in charge of his parish. Towards late 1943 the Japanese authorities forbade Christian religious services. Despite the fear of those around him, To Rot continued to hold them in secret in a "bush church" outside the village. At that time the Japanese were encouraging polygamy to break down Christianity. An attempt by a native to take a second wife was prevented by To Rot and the father of the woman intended for kidnapping. Infuriated, the man who worked for the Japanese Police, reported To Rot. Another couple reported him for holding Catholic ceremonies. The police arrested him after finding religious objects in a house search.

Confined to a small and windowless prison cell he was sentenced to two months imprisonment in **the Vunaiara concentration camp**. On one occasion his wife and two children came to visit him, and **she begged him to give up being a catechist so he would remain safe**. To Rot refused to relinquish his responsibilities to the people. On the day of his death he said to his mother: "the police told me that, this evening, a Japanese doctor will come to give me some medicine. Surprising, since I'm not sick. I suspect this is a trick". He told his wife to bring his cross and good clothes so he could go to God dressed in proper attire.

On July 7 1945, a few weeks before the end of the war, he was given a lethal injection and something poisonous to drink. As the poison was slow to take effect, they made him lie down while the doctor covered his mouth. Upon his death a policeman went to Rakunai and said: "Your catechist is dead". Ongoing to retrieve his body, his uncle found his corpse with cotton stuffed in his ears and nose. The back of his neck was swollen and bore wounds, and a clear needle mark was present on his right arm. To Rot's remains were buried in Rakunai.

Pope John Paul II beatified To Rot on 17 January 1995 while on his visit to Papua New Guinea (The Pope continued his journey to Sydney to Beatify Mary MacKillop). His daughter and other family members were present. **Strong rumours are around that when Pope Francis visits PNG later in the year, he will Canonise Peter To Rot – great news for PNG and the many MSC, OLSH and De La Salle religious who have served in the nation.** Peter Hearn MSC

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH JULY 14 2024 | FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | YEAR B



THIS WEEK



SATURDAY 13 JULY – ST HENRY 5:00pm - 5.30pm Reconciliation 5:30pm MASS - NOTE: NEW TIME DURING WINTERTIME

SUNDAY 14 JULY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea 3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass 5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 15 JULY – ST BONAVENTURE

9:00am Mass 6:00pm Adoration

WEDNESDAY 17 JULY 9:00am Mass

THURSDAY 18 JULY – ST CAMILLUS DE LELLIS

5:00pm Holy Hour/Adoration 6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 19 JULY 9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 20 JULY – ST APOLLINARIUS 5:00pm – 5.30pm Reconciliation 5:30pm MASS - NOTE: NEW TIME DURING WINTERTIME

SUNDAY 21 JULY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea 3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass 5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Mass

We acknowledge the traditional owners the Gadigal Clans of the Eora Nation, who cared for this land for thousands of years and their descendants who have maintained these Spiritual connections and traditions.

OLR PARISH KENSINGTON

SICK

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MASS TIMES

Sat 5:30pm (Vigil), Sun 9:30am, 6pm Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK 9:00am Mass First Friday

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00-5.30pm Sunday 5.30-6.00pm Thursday 5:00pm-6pm

ROSARY

First Saturday of each month

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING Amos 7: 12-15

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1: 3-14

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 6: 7-13

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

Wong Chung Hua, Rinda Wijaja Suparto, Fr Terry Bowman, Eleonora Mezzatesta, Anna Vigliante, John Stuart Park, Kim Michelle Pastor, Nyauw Kim Tjin, Cendrati Kurniawan *(mother of Henny Wong)*, Shona Kaiwai, Grace Provino, Hima, Margaret McShane, Evelyn Marquez, Maria & Ivan Zic, Grace Veronica, Amina Chahrouk, Salvatore Messina, Elisabetta Nesci, Umberto Vaccarella, A.L., Xavier Stratton, Rose Alessio, Joanna & family, Gavin Robertson, Chris *(Cindy's husband),* Manuel Mouco, Eva *(Nicole's mum),* Paul Galea, Lynne Chaundhuri

PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Margaret Stocker, Terrence Hertford, Brian Beaver, Rose Kelter, Sebastiano Gentile, Robert Preece, Gai Tyne, Gina Vizacos, John Dorahy, Frank Mifsud, William Van Burke, Brenda Longworth, Christine Moyle, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Olga Nasser, Sayde Harb, Maria Pockaj, Jill Rees, Gwen Smith, Lucienne Radzyminski, Nicole Chiaradia

BELOVED DECEASED

Ho Chi Ying, Tini Sunjoto, Sr Joan Tierney olsh, Tom Manning

ANNIVERSARIES

Philip Newton, Doris White, Lyn King, Robert Rowley, Patricia Ann Caba, Neil Arundel, Fr Aubrey Collins msc, Mary Lanti (sister of Dennis Fenech), Salusalusiva Tofilau (Fiona's mother), Tamsir Widjaja (Sherly's father), Carlo Pengue, Alfredo Pengue, Jack Papallo

ROSTERS

13/14 JULY	SAT 5.30PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	Sal Barone	Gunawan Gunawan
	Jacqueline Liao	Toni McGuinness	Marieann Duncan
Readers	Cathy Shiner	Rob McGuinness	Geraldine Marcellino
E. Ministers	Jan Nicholas	Thomas Chia	Michael Reyes
		Ana Corpus	
KidsChurch	Patrick & Eka		
Counters	Joanna Jahja, Inge Sutanto		
Comm to Sick	Josue Castro		
20/24 1111		SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
20/21 JULY	SAT 5.30PM	30N 9.30AN	
Acolyte	John Ryan	Gus Alimhamzah	Handojo Widjaja
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PETER'S PENCE: HELPING THE POPE TO HELP OTHERS

Let us help the Pope to help others. This weekend churches around the world will be collecting offerings for Peter's pence, the traditional collection to support the charity of the Bishop of Rome towards those most in need and his service to the Churches of the world through the Roman Curia.

Thanks to contributions such as this, we have been able to:

- make the main pontifical liturgies available for universal participation, also allowing people with communicative and hearing disabilities to follow them live via web with Vatican News via a channel dedicated exclusively for sign language translation.
- to grant anyone from any part of the world the possibility to assist at the Pope's morning Masses from the Casa Santa Marta, and the liturgical celebrations of Holy Week, via live streaming through Vatican Media.

Peter's Pence release its annual disclosure report for the financial year 2023: Compared to 2022, donations increased by nearly five million euros.

In 2023 the income of the Peter's Pence Fund, intended to meet the needs of the universal Church and to support numerous initiatives in favour of those most in need, amounted to 52 million euros (48.4 million from offerings received and 3.6 million from financial income realized from the remuneration of assets), while the expenditures totalled 109.4 million euros.

Funding 236 projects in 76 countries

Of the 103 million disbursed by the Peter's Pence Fund in 2023, 90 million euros were used to support the activities carried out by the Holy See in service of the Pope's apostolic mission and 13 million to support projects of direct assistance to those most in need: families, dioceses, parishes and religious institutes in need; migrants and refugees; populations affected by war and famine; communities affected by the adverse consequences of climate change; those in need of humanitarian assistance.

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funding them for a total amount of 13 million euros. The Fund contributed 5.4 million euros to 68 projects in Africa, €2.4 million to 100 projects in Europe; €2.3 million to 34 projects in the Americas; €2.8 million to 33 projects in Asia; and €0.1 million to 1 project in Oceania.

The report notes that, with reference to the projects carried out in Europe, half a million euros were used to fund scholarships for priests, seminarians, and religious from Africa, Latin America, and Asia to study at pontifical universities; while just under a million more was donated to war-torn Ukraine to sponsor various pastoral and social initiatives.

An increase in donations

In fact, in 2023 donations increased by nearly five million euros, amounting to €48.4 million compared to the €43.5 million in donations received in 2022. Expenditures in support of the Pope's apostolic mission amounted to 370.4 million euros, of which 90 million euros came from the Peter's Pence Fund. The funds were disbursed among 68 dicasteries, entities, and organisms of the Holy See.

Our OLR collection is this weekend.

HOLY HOURS

Join us for Adoration **Monday 15th July 6pm-7pm** (call in for a few minutes or stay the whole hour) And Thursdays before 6:00pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

First Friday Masses with anointing of the Sick at 9am. PHMSC

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION

Please join us at OLR Church on the first Saturday of each month for the "5 first Saturdays Devotion" associated with Our Lady of Fatima. 5.00pm Rosary with confessions available | 5.30pm Mass. https://www.fatima.org.au/five-firstsaturdays/

URGENT HELP REQUIRED 🙂

We are still looking for some generous volunteers to help set-up, serve and clean up the Morning Tea after the 9.30am Mass on a once a month basis. Please see Roy in the lobby or call 0400 467 809.

RCIA & RCIC

OLR Parish is taking enrolments for anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and becoming a Catholic. Please contact Sarina for more information on <u>olrkensoevangelise@gmail.com</u>

DONATIONS/PAYMENTS

For those wishing to donate electronically, or make payments for sacramental programs etc, please use our BPOINT facility at: www.bpoint.com.au/pay/kensingtonparish

GIVING RECEIPTS

Receipts covering Planned Giving, CWF and Project Compassion are available for collection in the church foyer.

PARISH COLLECTIONS 6/7 JULY

\$927
\$665
\$632
\$170



AN ANONYMOUS MEN'S DREAM GROUP

There is a belief that when asleep, our unconscious uses our inability to control our thoughts to speak to us in dreams. John A. Sanford in his "Dreams: God's Forgotten Language" and Morton Kelsey in his "Dreams: A Way to Listen to God" present the idea that when we reflect on our dreams, we enter a portal to discovering our hidden selves, with its strengths and weaknesses. The revelation occurs, not when we have a dream but when we reflect and unpack the dream. A group is being formed for men to meet anonymously to analyse their dreams. The DREAM group meets the first Wednesday of each month in a parish room at 7:30pm. If interested, phone Br Rory, De La Salle, Kensington: 0487 204 016 to indicate your interest. The size of the group is restricted to six men. Br Rory has completed studies in Jungian Theory in Chicago.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at 9390 5810 Or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

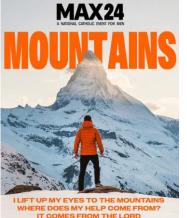
HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL

The annual **Holy Father's Appeal** is on this weekend. The appeal highlights the global charitable causes spearheaded by Pope Francis and is aimed at alleviating the suffering of those affected by natural disasters, wars, refugee crises, and poverty. It is an opportunity for us to get involved in an important initiative of the Catholic Church on a local level, and we humbly ask you to give what you can. <u>4 WAYS TO GIVE:</u> 1. Scan to donate:



- 2. Online: www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-holy-fathers-appeal
- 3. Phone: 1800 753 959
- 4. Through our parish collection





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REGISTRATIONS CLOSES FRIDAY, 19 JULY FOR PARISH RENEWAL CONFERENCE 2024

Join hundreds of Sydney Catholics for an inspiring and practical day to strengthen you for mission. Don't miss out. Registration closes soon. When: Saturday, 3 August 2024, 8:45am – 5:00pm at Liverpool Catholic Club. Cost: \$90 plus booking fees. **Register** at <u>gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events</u> by Friday 19 July.