ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 20th June 2021, Year B/1



Sano di Pietro, The Birth and Naming of Saint John the Baptist 1450-60

ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL Sunday Masses: Live Stream Mrs. Patricia Reilly - Principal Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm Sunday: 8:30am **School Office Times** 10:00am 8:30am - 4:00pm - Monday to Friday Weekday Masses: Address Monday-Friday 8:00am 94 Joseph Street Saturday 8:30am Kingswood, NSW 2747 Telephone: 4726 4200; Fax: 4731 1432 Sacrament of Reconciliation: after 8:30am Mass Saturday www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am - 2:00pm and Friday: 9.00am - 1:00pm

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| LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS | | | | |
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| Entrance Antiphon: | | The Lord is the strength of His people, a saving refuge for the one He has anointed. Save Your people, Lord, and bless Your heritage, and govern them for ever. | | |
| First Reading: | | Job: 38:1, 8-11 | | |
| Responsorial Psalm: | | Give thanks to the Lord, His love is everlasting. | | |
| Second Reading: | | 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 | | |
| Gospel: M | | Mark 4:35-41 | | |
| VIGIL SATU | RDAY 6:00pn | ı | Najah Andary (Dec. Ann.) | |
| SUNDAY | 8:30an | | Dionel Rabaya (Dec. Ann.) | |
| | 10:00a | n | For the Parish | |
| Monday | 8:00an | St Aloysius | Intentions of the Donor | |
| Tuesday | 8:00an | Sts John Fisher & Thomas M | ore Dec. Mems. of the Woodward & Hewitt Families | |
| Wednesday | 8.00an | 12 th Week Ordinary Time | Michael & Maria Paulinski & Frank & Anjela Barglik (Dec. Anns.) | |
| Thursday | 8.00an | BIRTH OF ST JOHN THE BA | PTIST Gai Schoemaker (Successful Op.) | |
| Friday | 8.00an | 12th Week Ordinary Time | Jessica (Successful Cancer Op.) | |
| Saturday | 8.30an | Mass of the Virgin Mary | Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings | |

LIVE STREAM OF WEEKEND MASS AT 6PM

My Jesus, The 6pm Vigil on Saturday evening will continue to I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. be livestreamed every Weekend and will be I love You above all things, available online through to Sunday. and I long for You in my soul. Please visit our website: Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, http://stjosephskingswood.org/ or type in your come at least spiritually into my heart browser: bit.ly/stJoe as though You have already come. I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You. DECEASED ANNIVERSARY: Najah Andary, Dionel Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. Rabaya, Dec. Members of the Woodward & Hewitt Families, Michael & Maria Paulinski, Frank & Anjela POPE FRANCIS' JUNE INTENTIONS Barglik The Beauty of Marriage Let us pray for young people who are preparing for **CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2021** marriage with the support of a Christian community: Confirmation: Sunday 7th November may they grow in love, with generosity, faithful and Registration & 1st Session: 1st August patience.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Zig Barglik, Joseph Brady, Joy Cavanagh, Brian Colbert, Kevin Collins, Margaret Colville, Valerie Davis, Katalin Domotor, Marie Donaldson, Frances Gunn, Nora Hehir, Andrew Isbitski, Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Margaretha Sultana, Barbara Thompson, Kelly Tonna, Kathryn Tuckwell.

SICK LIST: Due to privacy laws, if you have anyone for the sick list, please contact the Parish Office to fill in a form and update it at the end of each month to keep the names on the sick list.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

SECOND COLLECTION:

Envelopes: \$695 Loose: \$204.50 Tap & Go: \$240

Total Donations for Chalice & Paten: \$1646.95

TAP AND GO DONATION FACILITY

Tap once to donate \$10; tap twice to donate \$20 etc. up to \$150. All contributions go to the 2^{nd} Collection.

PARISH MOVIE

Our next Movie will be Sunday 4th July at 2pm.

PARISH CELL GROUP

Every $1^{st} \& 3^{rd}$ Monday of the month in the Parish Centre at 7pm. Please ring Jim on 0478 027 210 with any questions.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study every Wednesday at 9.15am. All are most welcome.

YOUTH GROUP

Every Wednesday during the school term from 3pm to 5pm. Young People from Year 6 to 18 years old are most welcome.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Next meeting for the Young Adults Group, from 18 to 35 years old, is Friday 25th June at 6.45pm. For any information type bit.ly/YASJK into your browser.

PARISH LUNCH

2nd Wednesday of the month. Our next lunch is this Wednesday 14th July at 12noon at the Colonial Hotel at Werrington. If anyone needs a lift please get in touch with the Parish Office. All are most welcome.

CHARISTMATIC HEALING MASS

2pm Sunday 20th June at St Nicholas of Myra. Fr Hugh Thomas CSSR is the Celebrant. To Register text Chris on 0427 327 471 with your name and mobile number.

PETER'S PENCE APPEAL

Next weekend, 26th/27th June we have our Peter's Pence Appeal. This collection provides funds to enable Pope Francis to assist the most disadvantaged in emergency situations, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Please be generous.

BISHOP'S GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL

We have collected \$2609.25 so far. Our quota is \$4834. Thank you to those who have given so generously.

A NEW CHURCH FOR ST JOSEPH'S

In this, the Year of St Joseph, our Patron Saint, and having celebrated the 50th Anniversary of our Parish, let's communicate and consider the advantages of having a new Church here at St Joseph's and how we can make it possible.

The Parish Council will distribute a Survey at the end of the month. Please feel free to give us your thoughts and opinions. St Joseph pray for us.

CLERGY SUPPORT FOUNDATION DONATIONS

It is not too late to make a tax-deductible donation to the clergy support foundation of the diocese of Parramatta, which supports retired priests. Please make donations at <u>https://parracatholic.org/csf</u> via credit card or transfer directly to BSB 067950 Account No 00001691 Name CSF No 1 with names as reference and send email to <u>csf@parracatholic.org</u> with your details for receipt to be sent. Thank you.

PRIVATE PRAYER AND MASS BOOKINGS

Following the 2 sq. metres per person, 150 people are allowed in our Church. Priest and Essential Workers excluded.

Private Prayer – QR Code is preferable for signing in. Sign-in sheets are also provided prior to entry.

Weekend Masses – Bookings are required. To register please ring the Parish by calling 4721 4080 during Office hours or ring 0423 725 148 outside Office hours.

You will need to provide your name and contact details when registering. Your presence will be confirmed as you arrive at the Church. Walk-ins are permitted, subject to available vacancies up to the 150 capacity, in which case we ask you to sign in using the QR Code if possible.

Weekday Masses - There is no registration for weekday Masses.

Please use the QR Code and show the Usher that you have been CHECKED IN or sign in on sheets provided at the entrance of the Church.

When attending Mass, please keep these rules:

- There will be no procession of gifts or collection plates.
- The sign of peace will be given without contact.
- Holy communion may be received on the hand. If receiving on the tongue you must approach the Priest after everyone has received by hand.

Hand Sanitisers are available in the Church. all hard surfaces are sanitised regularly.

For details visit http://stjosephskingswood.org/

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE

Jesus' Paschal Prayer for Us

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

We have recalled several times in this series of catechesis that prayer is one of the most evident features of the life of Jesus: Jesus prayed, and He prayed a lot. In the course of His mission, Jesus immersed Himself in it, because the dialogue with the father was the incandescent core of all His existence.

The Gospels testify how Jesus' prayer became even more intense and dense at the hour of his passion and death. These culminating events of His life constitute the central core of Christian preaching: those last hours lived by Jesus in Jerusalem are the heart of the Gospel not only because the Evangelists reserve proportionally greater space to this narrative, but also because the event of His death and resurrection - like a flash of lightning - sheds light on the rest of Jesus' life. He was not a philanthropist who took care of human suffering and illness: He was and is much more. In Him there is not only goodness: there is something more, there is salvation, and not an episodic salvation - the type that might save me from an illness or a moment of despair - but total salvation, messianic salvation, that gives hope in the definitive victory of life over death.

In the days of His last Passover, we therefore find Jesus fully immersed in prayer. He prays dramatically in the garden of Gethsemane, as we heard, assailed by mortal anguish. And yet Jesus, precisely in that moment, addresses God as "*Abba*", father (cf. *Mk* 14:36). This word, in Aramaic, which was Jesus' language, expresses intimacy, it expresses trust. Just as He feels the darkness gather around Him, Jesus breaks through it with that little word: *Abba*, father.

Jesus also prays on the cross, obscurely shrouded in the silence of God. And yet once again the word "Father" emerges from His lips. It is the most ardent prayer, because on the cross Jesus is the absolute intercessor: He prays for others, He prays for everyone, even for those who have condemned Him, even though no-one apart from a poor delinquent takes His side. Everyone was against Him or indifferent, only that criminal recognised the power. "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do" (*Lk* 23:34). In the midst of the drama, in the excruciating pain of soul and body, Jesus prays with the words of the psalms; with the poor of the world, especially those forgotten by all, He pronounces the tragic words of Psalm 22: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (v. 2). He felt abandonment, and He prayed. The cross is the fulfilment of the gift of the Father, who offers love, that is, our salvation is fulfilled. And also, once, He calls Him "My God", "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit": that is, everything, everything is prayer, in the three hours of the Cross.

Jesus therefore prays in the decisive hours of His passion and death. The prayer of Jesus is intense, the prayer of Jesus is unique, and is also becomes the model for our prayer. Jesus prayed for everyone: He even prayed for me, for each one of you. Every one of you can say: "Jesus, on the cross, prayed for me". He prayed. Jesus can say to every one of us: "I prayed for you at the Last Supper, and on the wood of the Cross". Even in the most painful of our sufferings, we are never alone. The prayer of Jesus is with us. "And now, Father, here, we who are listening to this, does Jesus pray for us?" Yes, He continues to pray so that His word may help us keep going forward. But pray, and remember that He prays for us.

And this seems to me the most beautiful thing to remember. This is the final catechesis of this cycle on prayer: remember the grace that we do not only pray, but that, so to speak, we have been "prayed for", we have already been received in Jesus' dialogue with the Father, in communion with the Holy Spirit. Jesus prays for me: each one of us can take this to heart. We must not forget. Even in the worst moments. We are already welcomed into Jesus' dialogue with the Father in the communion of the Holy Spirit. We were willed by Christ Jesus, and even in the hour of His passion, death and resurrection, everything was offered for us. And so, with prayer and with life, there remains only to have courage and hope, and with this courage and hope, to feel the prayer of Jesus strongly and to keep on going: so that our life may be one of giving glory to God in the knowledge that He prays for me to the Father, that Jesus prays for me.