

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17<sup>th</sup> October 2021, Year B/1



Pope John Paul II

### Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm  
Sunday: 8:30am  
10:00am

### Weekday Masses:

Monday–Friday 8:00am  
Saturday 8:30am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday after 8:30am Mass

### St. Joseph's Primary School

Mrs. Patricia Reilly – Principal

### School Office Times

8:30am - 4:00pm - Monday to Friday

### Address

94 Joseph Street  
Kingswood, NSW 2747

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

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Entrance Antiphon:** To You I call; for You will surely heed me, O God; turn Your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of Your eye; in the shadow of Your wings protect me.

**First Reading:** Isaiah 53:10-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, let Your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You,

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 4:14-16

**Gospel:** Mark 10:35-45

### VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		John Burnitt (Deceased Ann.)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:30am		Colin O'Flynn (Recently Dec.)
	10:00am		For the Parish
<b>Monday</b>	8:00am	ST LUKE	Ophelia (For Successful Operation)
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00am	29 <sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time	Colin O'Flynn (Recently Dec.)
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.00am	29 <sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time	Ophelia (For Healing)
<b>Thursday</b>	8.00am	29 <sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time	Ophelia (For Healing)
<b>Friday</b>	8.00am	St John Paul II	Krystyna Barszczewska (Dec. Ann.)
<b>Saturday</b>	8.30am	Mass of the Virgin Mary	Ophelia (For Healing)

### LIVE STREAM OF MASSES

All Masses are being livestreamed at present, while we experience lockdown.

Please visit us at: <http://stjosephskingswood.org/>

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Colin O'Flynn, Noel Rice

### DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

John Burnitt, Krystyna Barszczewska

### NOVEMBER MASSES

We are now taking names for November Masses, celebrated for our deceased loved ones. You can email us the names and forward your donations online or drop your envelope to the Office. The names will be written in the Book of Remembrance.

### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart

as though You have already come.

I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2021

**Confirmation:** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November

**Sessions:** Sundays at 11.30am via Zoom

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

**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.

**POPE FRANCIS' OCTOBER INTENTION**

**Missionary Disciples**

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

**SECOND COLLECTION:**    **Envelopes: \$730**  
   **Loose:     \$15**  
   **Tap & Go: \$20**  
   **Donations: \$150**

**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<sup>nd</sup> Collection.

**PARISH DONATIONS**

For online donations using your credit/debit card please visit the payment link on our parish website <https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/StJosephsCatholicChurchKingswood>

Electronic bank deposit (EFT) details below:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection and Parish Donations**

BSB:                                067 950  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00000396  
ACCOUNT NAME: KINGSWOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH  
REFERENCE: (Initial & surname/Envelope number)

**1<sup>st</sup> Collection (To Support the Priests of the Diocese)**

BSB:                                067 950  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00004265  
ACCOUNT NAME: PARRAMATTA DIOCESAN CLERGY  
REFERENCE:     6019 St Joseph's (Your name)

**ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY ENROLMENTS 2022**

Please contact the School Office on 4726 4200 for information on enrolments for next year.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

New dates for Zoom Sessions:

Module 1 – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am or 2pm  
Module 2 – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am or 2pm  
Module 3 – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 9.30am or 2pm  
Email Maria at [maria.kervin@parracatholic.org](mailto:maria.kervin@parracatholic.org) with any questions or for information.

**OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH**

Next week Catholic Mission will invite you to support vulnerable mothers like Churai, and their babies, who would have nowhere to go without the love and kindness of Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok. Visit [catholicmission.org.au/thailand](http://catholicmission.org.au/thailand) for more information.

**A NEW CHURCH FOR ST JOSEPH'S**

In this, the Year of St Joseph, our Patron Saint, and having celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> 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.

Please feel free to give your thoughts and opinions on the Survey, which is available on the Parish website. St Joseph pray for us.

**PLENARY COUNCIL RESOURCE WEBSITE**

A new website provides resources for Parishioners in Parramatta Diocese to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring the future of our Church. Visit [parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/](http://parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/) for information.

**PARISH CHURCHES TO REOPEN**

**Bishop Vincent has announced that our Church will reopen to the entire community when we reach 80% vaccination rate for the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments. It is anticipated that this will be on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021 but will be limited by the 4 sqm rule so we can only have 80 people in our church. Please listen to Father's announcement during the weekend livestream to confirm this.**

**QR Code check-in and Masks are mandatory. Kindly show your check-in confirmation to the usher on arrival.** Sanitiser is available for use on entry & please maintain social distancing.

The QR Code check-in will also apply to those entering the Office, Hall or Parish Centre and any Volunteers working in the Parish.

If you do not have a phone, please contact the Usher or the Parish Office to enter your details electronically. You can also apply for a QR Card from Services NSW. If you require any assistance, please contact the Parish Office.

There is no registration for Weekday Masses. Registered Bookings for weekend Masses on 23/24 October will be taken from next week during office hours. The first 80 to register will be admitted into the Church, but to be assured of a place in the Church please be on time, as your booking is valid until Mass starts, at which time others who arrive early and have not registered will be entitled to your place in the Church. If the church is full, you can still attend mass outside as chairs will be provided, but please ensure you check-in using the QR code and maintain social distancing.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE

**Galatians 11: Christian Freedom, Universal Liberation**

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In our itinerary of catechesis on the *Letter to the Galatians*, we have been able to focus on what was for Saint Paul the core of freedom: the fact that, with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have been freed from the slavery of sin and of death. In other words, we are free because we have been freed, freed by grace – not by payment, freed by love, which becomes the supreme and new law of Christian life. Love: we are free because we were liberated freely. This, in fact, is the key point.

Saint Paul says that for those who follow Christ, it no longer matters if they are Jewish or pagan. The only thing that counts is “faith working through love” (*Gal 5:6*). To believe that we have been freed, and to believe in Jesus Christ who freed us: this is faith working through love. Paul’s detractors – those fundamentalists who had arrived there - attacked him over this novelty, claiming that he had taken this position out of pastoral opportunism, or to “please everyone”, minimizing the demands received from his narrower religious tradition. It is the same argument of the fundamentalists of today: history always repeats itself. As we can see, the criticism of every evangelical novelty is not only of our time, but has a long history behind it. Paul, however, does not remain silent. He responds with *parrhesia* – it is a Greek word that indicates courage, strength – and he says, “Am I now seeking the favour of men, or of God? Or am I trying to please men? If I were still pleasing men, I should not be a servant of Christ” (*Gal 1:10*). Already in his first Letter to the Thessalonians he had expressed himself in similar terms, saying that in his preaching he had never used “words of flattery ... or a cloak for greed; ... nor did we seek glory from men” (*1 Th 2:5-6*), which are the paths of “faking”; a faith that is not faith, it is worldliness.

Paul’s thinking shows an inspired depth. To welcome faith for him involves renouncing not the heart of cultures and traditions, but only that which may hinder the newness and purity of the Gospel. Because the freedom obtained through the death and resurrection of the Lord does not enter into conflict with cultures or with the traditions we have received, but rather introduces into them a new freedom, a liberating novelty, that of the Gospel. Indeed, the liberation obtained through baptism enables us to acquire the full dignity of children of God, so that, while we remain firmly anchored in our cultural roots, at the same time we open ourselves to the universalism of faith that enters into every culture, recognises the kernels of truth present, and develops them, bringing to fullness the good contained in them.

To accept that we have been liberated by Christ - his passion, his death, his resurrection - is to accept and bring fullness also to the different traditions of each people. The true fullness.

In the call to freedom we discover the true meaning of the inculturation of the Gospel. What is this true meaning? Being able to announce the Good News of Christ the Saviour respecting the good and the true that exist in cultures. There are many temptations to seek to impose one’s own model of life as though it were the most evolved and the most appealing. How many errors have been made in the history of evangelisation by seeking to impose a single cultural model! Uniformity as a rule of life is not Christian! Unity yes, uniformity no! At times, even violence was not spared in order to make a single point of view prevail. Think of wars. In this way, the Church has been deprived of the richness of many local expressions that the cultural traditions of entire peoples bring with them. But this is the exact opposite of Christian freedom!

Paul’s vision of freedom is entirely enlightened and rendered fruitful by the mystery of Christ, who in his incarnation - as the Second Vatican Council recalls - united himself in a certain way with every person (cf. Pastoral Constitution *Gaudium et spes*, 22). And this means there is not uniformity, instead there is variety, but variety united. Hence the duty to respect the cultural origin of every person, placing them in a space of freedom that is not restricted by any imposition dictated by a single predominant culture. This is the meaning of calling ourselves Catholics, of speaking of the Catholic Church. Catholic is an adjective that means universal. The universal, that is Catholic Church, means that the Church contains in herself, in her very nature, an openness to all peoples and cultures of all times, because Christ was born, died and rose again for everyone.

Besides, culture, it is by its very nature in continual transformation. We are called to proclaim the Gospel in this historical moment of great cultural change, where an ever more advanced technology seems to have the upper hand. If we were to speak of faith as we did in previous centuries, we would run the risk of no longer being understood by the new generations. The freedom of Christian faith does not indicate a static vision of life and culture, but rather a dynamic vision that is dynamic even in tradition. Tradition grows, but always with the same nature. Freedom asks each one of us to be constantly on the move, oriented towards its fullness. It is the condition of pilgrims; the state of wayfarers, in continual exodus: liberated from slavery so as to walk towards the fullness of freedom. And this is the great gift that Jesus Christ gave us. The Lord has liberated us from slavery and has set us on the path to walk in full freedom.