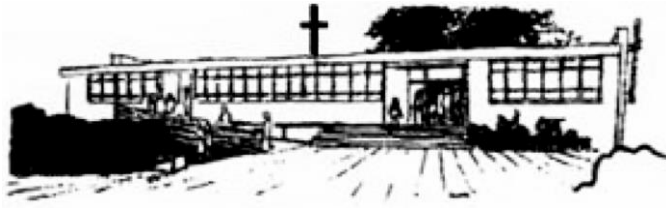


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

24th October 2021, Year B/1



DURER, Albrecht, Virgin Mary in Prayer, 1519

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

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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: Let the heart that seeks the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and His strength; constantly seek His face.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Colin O'Flynn (Recently Dec.)

SUNDAY 8:30am

Domingo & Antonia Santiago (D.A)

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am 30th Week Ordinary Time

Carlos Jocson (Dec. Ann.)

Tuesday 8:00am 30th Week Ordinary Time

Colin O'Flynn (Recently Dec.)

Wednesday 8.00am 30th Week Ordinary Time

Ophelia (For Healing)

Thursday 8.00am ST SIMON & ST JUDE

Colin O'Flynn (Recently Dec.)

Friday 8.00am 30th Week Ordinary Time

Ophelia (For Healing)

Saturday 8.30am Mass of the Virgin Mary

Raymond Kelly (Dec. Ann.)

LIVESTREAM OF MASSES

Only the weekend Masses will be livestreamed. For the link please visit: <http://stjosephskingswood.org/>

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Colin O'Flynn, John Walczak

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Carlos Jocson, Domingo & Antonia Santiago, Raymond Kelly

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 7th November at 12 Noon by Bishop Vincent at Wollemi College in the COLA.
Sessions: Sundays at 11.30am at Church.

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, Mary Woodward.

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

WELCOME BACK IN THE CHURCH

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: \$280**
 Loose: \$5
 Tap & Go: \$10
 Donations: \$

TAP AND GO DONATION FACILITY

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

2nd Collection and Parish Donations

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

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

New dates for Zoom Sessions:

Module 1 – Tuesday 9th November at 9.30am or 2pm
Module 2 – Tuesday 16th November at 9.30am or 2pm
Module 3 – Tuesday 23rd November at 9.30am or 2pm
Email Maria at maria.kervin@parracatholic.org with any questions or for information.

OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH

Please give generously to the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok to help them continue their life-giving program at the Mothers and Babies Home, which supports vulnerable mothers and babies. Please go to catholicmission.org.au/thailand or text 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436.

INSTALLATION OF ACOLYTES

Next Saturday, 30th October at 6pm Mass two of our Seminarians, Tom Green and David Sebastian, will be installed as Acolytes by Bishop Vincent here at St Joseph's.

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.

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

PLENARY COUNCIL RESOURCE WEBSITE

To stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring the future of our Church visit parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ for information.

ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY ENROLMENTS 2022

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

PARISH CHURCHES TO REOPEN

The Church is now open for the celebration of Mass and for the Sacraments as we have reached 80% vaccination rate in New South Wales. The 4sq- metre rule applies, so we can admit 80 people into the Church.

QR Code check-in is mandatory for all who enter the Church or sit outside. Please confirm your check-in with one of the ushers.

The QR 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 will be taken for weekend Masses. 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 only valid until Mass starts, at which time others who arrive early and have not registered will be entitled to your place in the Church. Outside seating will also be available.

There is no Congregational Singing and Masks are Compulsory. Sanitiser is available for use on entry.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE

Galatians 12: Freedom is Realised in Love

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In these days we are talking about the freedom of faith, listening to the Letter to the Galatians. But I was reminded of what Jesus was saying about the spontaneity and freedom of children, when this child had the freedom to approach and move as if he were at home... And Jesus tells us: "You too, if you do not behave like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven". The courage to approach the Lord, to be open to the Lord, not to be afraid of the Lord. Children do not have an automatic translator from the heart to life: the heart takes the lead.

The Apostle Paul gradually introduces us to the great novelty of faith. It is truly a great novelty, because it does not merely renew a few aspects of life, but rather it leads us into "new life" that we have received with Baptism. The greatest gift, that of being children of God, has been poured out upon us. Reborn in Christ, we have passed from a religiosity made up of precepts to a living faith, which has its centre in communion with God and with our brothers and sisters, that is, in love. We have passed from the slavery of fear and sin to the freedom of God's children. Here, again, is the word *freedom* ...

We will try to understand better what the heart of this freedom is for the Apostle, what the core of this is. Paul affirms that it is anything but an "opportunity for the flesh" (*Gal 5:13*): freedom, therefore, is not a libertine way of living, according to the flesh or following the instincts, individual desires or one's own selfish impulses; no, on the contrary, the freedom of Jesus leads us to be, the Apostle writes, "servants of one another" (*ibid.*). But is this slavery? Yes, freedom in Christ has an element of slavery, a dimension that leads us to service, to living for others. True freedom is fully expressed in love. Yet again, we find ourselves faced with the paradox of the Gospel: we are freed by serving, not in doing whatever we want. We find ourselves fully to the extent to which we have the courage to give ourselves; we possess life if we lose it (cf. *Mk 8:35*). This is pure Gospel. But how can this paradox be explained? The Apostle's answer is as simple as it is demanding: "through love" (*Gal 5:13*). There is no freedom without love. The selfish freedom of doing what I want is not freedom, because it turns in on itself, it is not fruitful. Through love: it is Christ's love that has freed us and it is love that also frees us from the slavery of the self; therefore, freedom increases with love. The love we see in Christ, charity – this is the love that is truly free and freeing. It is the love that shines out in gratuitous service, modelled on that of Jesus, who washes the feet of his disciples and says: "I

have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you" (*Jn 13:15*). Serving one another.

Freedom without a goal and without points of reference would be an empty freedom, which leaves an emptiness within. We realise that we have used badly the treasure of our freedom, the beauty of being able to choose true goodness for ourselves and for others. True freedom is complete, genuine, and inserts us into real everyday life.

In the first letter to the Corinthians, the Apostle says "All things are lawful but not all things are helpful or build up!". He then adds: "Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbour" (*1 Cor 10:23-24*). This is the rule for unmasking any type of selfish freedom. To those who are tempted to reduce freedom only to their own tastes, Paul puts before them the need for love. Freedom guided by love is the only one that sets others and ourselves free, that knows how to listen without imposing, that knows how to love without coercing, that builds and does not destroy, that does not exploit others for its own convenience and does good without seeking its own benefit. If freedom is not in the service of good, it runs the risk of being barren and not bearing fruit. On the other hand, freedom inspired by love leads towards the poor, recognising the face of Christ in their faces. Paul, writing to the Galatians, emphasises that the other Apostles recommended him to remember the poor when evangelising (cf. *Gal 2:10*). It is interesting, what the apostles said when after the ideological battle between Paul and the apostles, they agreed: "Go ahead, go ahead and do not forget the poor", that is, may your freedom as a preacher be a freedom in the service of others, not for yourself, to do as you please.

We know that one of the most widespread modern conceptions of freedom is this: "my freedom ends where yours begins". But here the relationship is missing! It is an individualistic vision. On the other hand, those who have received the gift of freedom brought about by Jesus cannot think that freedom consists in keeping away from others, as if they were a nuisance; the human being cannot be regarded as cooped up alone, but always part of a community. The social dimension is fundamental for Christians, and it enables them to look to the common good and not to private interest.

In this historic moment, we need to rediscover the communitarian, not individualistic, dimension of freedom: the pandemic has taught us that we need each other, but it is not enough to know this; we need to choose it in a tangible way, to decide on that path, every day. Let us say and believe that others are not an obstacle to my freedom, but rather they are the possibility to fully realise it. Because our freedom is born from God's love and grows in charity. Thank you.