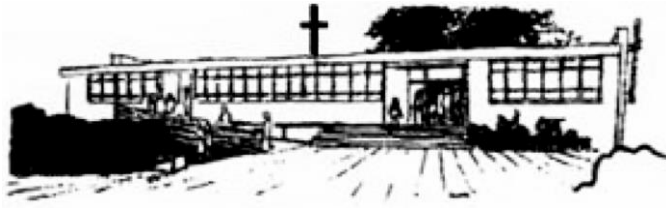


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7th November 2021, Year B/1



St Martin of Tours and St Nicholas of Bari, 1450

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm Livestreamed

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 my prayer come into Your presence.
Incline Your ear to my cry for help, O Lord

First Reading: Kings 17:10-16

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading: Hebrews 9::24-28

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

SUNDAY 8:30am

10:00am

For the Parish

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| Monday | 8:00am | Anniversary of Deceased Brothers & Sisters | All Souls |
| Tuesday | 8:00am | Dedication of St John Lateran Basilica | All Souls |
| Wednesday | 8.00am | St Leo the Great | All Souls |
| Thursday | 8.00am | St Martin of Tours | All Souls |
| Friday | 8.00am | St Josaphat | All Souls |
| Saturday | 8.30am | Mass of the Virgin Mary | All Souls |

LIVESTREAM OF MASS

Saturday Vigil 6PM Mass will be the only Mass livestreamed at <http://stjosephskingswood.org/>. The recording will remain through Sunday.

RECENTLY DECEASED: John Walczak,
Deacon Owen Rogers

NOVEMBER MASSES

During November, one Mass per day, as announced will be celebrated for our deceased loved ones whose names are recorded in the Remembrance Book or on the Envelopes. You can email us the names and forward your donations online. The names will be written in the Book of Remembrance.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE BEING CONFIRMED THIS WEEKEND

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.

POPE FRANCIS' NOVEMBER INTENTION

People Who Suffer from Depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Zig Barglik, 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

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$860**
 Loose: \$220.90
 Tap & Go: \$190
 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)

1st 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)

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.

INSTALLATION OF ACOLYTES

Last Saturday at 6pm Mass two of our Seminarians, Tom Green and David Sebastian, were installed as Acolytes by Bishop Vincent. Please keep them and the rest of our Seminarians in your prayers.

PETER'S PENCE APPEAL

Next weekend, 13th/14th November, there will be a collection for Peter's Pence, which we were unable to do in June because of the pandemic. This money goes to Pope Francis' charitable works of mercy.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

At 2pm on Sunday 21st November at St Nicholas of Myra at Penrith. Celebrant is Fr Tony Alex MGL.

A NEW CHURCH FOR ST JOSEPH'S

In this, the Year of St Joseph, our Parish Saint, and having celebrated the 50th Anniversary of our Parish let's consider the advantages of having a new church. We plan to restart the survey in December when majority of the restrictions will be lifted. 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.

YOUNG PEOPLE WE ARE WITH YOU

The Diocese has launched a new website in response to the mental health crisis impacting our young people. The website parracatholic.org/withyou contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering.

PARISH CHURCHES OPEN

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. 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 14: Walking According to the Spirit

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In the passage from the Letter to the Galatians, Saint Paul exhorts Christians to *walk according to the Holy Spirit* (cf. 5:16, 25). In effect, to believe in Jesus means to follow him, to go behind him along his way, just as the first disciples did. And at the same time, it means avoiding the opposite way, that of egoism, of seeking one's own interests, which the Apostle calls the "desire of the flesh" (v. 16). The Spirit is the guide for this journey along the way of Christ, a stupendous but difficult journey that begins in Baptism and lasts our entire lives. We can think of it as a long excursion on the mountain heights: it is breath-taking, the destination is attractive, but it requires a lot of effort and tenaciousness.

This image can be helpful to understand the merit of the Apostle's words "to walk according to the Spirit", "allow ourselves to be guided" by Him. They are expressions indicating an action, that prevents us from halting at the first difficulties, but elicit confidence in the "strength that comes from on high" (*Shepherd of Hermas*, 43, 21). This way, the Christian acquires a positive vision of life. This does not mean that the evil present in the world disappears, or that the negative impulses of our egoism and pride diminish. Rather, it means that belief in God is always stronger than our resistance and greater than our sins. And this is important: to believe that God is greater, always. Greater than our resistances, greater than our sins.

As he exhorts the Galatians to follow this path, the Apostle places himself on their level. He says: let us walk along the same line and let us allow the Holy Spirit to guide us. It is an exhortation, a way of exhorting. Saint Even though he knows that Christ lives in him (cf. 2:20), he is also convinced that he has not yet reached the goal, the top of the mountain (cf. *Phil.* 3:12). The Apostle does not place himself above his community. He does not say: "I am the leader; you are those others; I have come from high up on the mountain and you are on the way". He does not say this, but places himself in the midst of the journey everyone is on in order to provide a concrete example of how much it is necessary to obey God, corresponding better and better to the Spirit's guidance. And how beautiful it is when we find pastors who journey with their people, who do not get tired – "No, I am more important, I am a pastor. You...", "I am a priest", "I am a bishop", with their noses in the air. No: pastors who journey with the people. This is very beautiful. It does the soul good.

This "walking according to the Spirit" is not only an individual task: it also concerns the community as a

whole. In fact, it is exciting, but demanding, to build up the community according to the way indicated by the Apostle. The "desires of the flesh", "the temptations", we can say, that all of us have – that is, our jealousies, prejudices, hypocrisies and resentments continue to make themselves felt – and having recourse to a rigid set of precepts can be an easy temptation. But doing this means straying from the path of freedom, and instead of climbing to the top, it means returning down below. Journeying along the way of the Spirit requires giving space to grace and charity. To make space for God's grace. Not being afraid. After having made his voice heard in a severe way, Paul invites the Galatians to bear each other's difficulties, and if someone should make a mistake, to use gentleness (cf. 5:22). Let us listen to his words: "Brethren, if someone is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Look to yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ" (6:1-2). Quite different than gossiping, right? To gossip about our neighbour. No, this is not according to the Spirit. What is according to the Spirit is being gentle with a brother or sister when correcting him or her and keeping watch over ourselves so as not to fall into those sins, that is, humility.

In effect, when we are tempted to judge others badly, as often happens, we must rather reflect on our own weakness. How easy it is to criticise others! But there are people who seem to have a degree in gossip. Each and every day they criticise others. Take a look at yourself! It is good to ask ourselves what drives us to correct a brother or a sister. The Holy Spirit invites us to be in solidarity, to bear other's burdens. How many burdens there are in a person's life: illness, lack of work, loneliness, pain...! And how many other trials that require the proximity and love of our brothers and sisters! The words of Saint Augustine can also help us: "Therefore, brothers and sisters, whenever someone is caught in some fault, correct him in this way, gently. And if you raise your voice, love within. If you encourage, if you present yourself as a father, if you reprove, if you are severe, love" (*Discourse* 163/B 3). Love always. The supreme rule regarding fraternal correction is love: to want the good of our brothers and sisters. It takes a lot of time to also tolerate others' problems, others' defects in the silence of prayer, so as to find the right way to help them to correct themselves. And this is not easy. The easiest path is to gossip. Talking behind someone else's back as if I am perfect. And this should not be done.

Let us walk with joy and patience along this path, allowing ourselves to be guided by the Holy Spirit. Thank you.