## ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

14th November 2021, Year B/1



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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

#### **Address**

94 Joseph Street

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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:** The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon Me, and I will answer you,

and I will lead back your captives from every place.

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-13

**Responsorial Psalm:** Keep me safe, O God; You are my hope.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10::11`-14, 18

**Gospel:** Mark 13:24-32

**VIGIL SATURDAY** 

6:00pm All Souls

SUNDAY 8:30am All Souls

10:00am For the Parish

Monday 8:00am ST ALBERT THE GREAT All Souls

Tuesday 8:00am 33rd Week Ordinary Time All Souls

Wednesday 8.00am St Elizabeth of Hungary All Souls

Thursday 8.00am 33rd Week Ordinary Time All Souls

Friday 8.00am 33rd Week Ordinary Time 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 <a href="http://stjosephskingswood.org/">http://stjosephskingswood.org/</a>. The recording will remain through Sunday.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Deacon Owen Rogers,

Domingo Furcciniti

#### **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.

#### 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.

## PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Congratulations to our young people who were Confirmed last Sunday:

Manuel Credo Marco Credo
Filipo Devine Keira Esteban
Eleanor Garcia Andrew Gilbert
James Gilbert Justin De Guzman

Charli Hofmeier Clarisse Lim

Josephine Muema Augustine Phua Rui

Paolo Pinaroc Jovie Viernes Anna White Joseph Wiggins Lucas Wright Breanna Zahra

Rebecca Zahra

Please keep them in your prayers.

SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$636

Loose: \$164.20 Tap & Go: \$180 Donations: \$75

#### 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 <a href="https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/StJosephsCat">https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/StJosephsCat</a> holicChurchKingswood

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)

#### **CLEANING THE LORD'S HOUSE**

We are desperately short of people to clean the Church. If you can contribute an hour of your time on a Friday or Saturday morning it would be most appreciated. Please ring Clare on 0432 668 724.

Thank you to all who have faithfully cleaned the Church for many years, especially Anne Woodward, who is retiring this year. God bless you Anne.

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

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

#### PETER'S PENCE APPEAL

This weekend we have our 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. Please be generous.

#### SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Three Tuesdays from 14<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm in 2022 are booked for face-to-face training. Any questions go to maria.kervin@parracatholic.org

#### 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 <u>parracatholic.org/withyou</u> contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering.

#### PARISH CHURCHES ARE OPEN

We can now admit 150 people in the Church applying the 2sq metre rule.

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 150 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 15: Let Us Not Grow Weary

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

We have reached the end of the catechesis on the *Letter to the Galatians*. The Word of God is an inexhaustible font. And in this letter, the Apostle has spoken to us as an evangeliser, as a theologian and as a pastor.

The apostle Paul's most original intuitions help us discover the shocking newness contained in the revelation of Jesus Christ. He was a true theologian who contemplated the mystery of Christ and transmitted it with his creative intelligence. And he was also capable of exercising his pastoral mission towards a lost and confused community. He did this with different methods: from time to time he used irony, firmness, gentleness... He revealed his own authority as an apostle, but at the same time he did not hide the weaknesses of his character. The strength of the Spirit had truly entered his heart: his meeting with the Risen Christ conquered and transformed his entire life, and he spent it entirely at the service of the Gospel.

Paul never conceived of Christianity in peaceful terms — on the contrary. With such passion he defended the freedom Christ brought that it stills moves us today, especially if we think of the suffering and loneliness he must have endured. He was convinced that he had received a call to which he alone could respond; and he wanted to explain to the Galatians that they too were called to that freedom which liberated them from every form of slavery because it made them heirs of the ancient promise and, in Christ, children of God. And aware of the risks that this concept of freedom brought, he never minimised the consequences. He was aware of the risks that Christian freedom brought. He repeated to the believers that freedom is in no way equal to debauchery, nor does it lead to presumptuous self-sufficiency. Paul based freedom on the service of charity. This entire vision was set within the panorama of a life according to the Holy Spirit that brings to fulfillment the Law given by God to Israel and prevents falling back into the slavery of sin. One definition of Christians found in the Scripture says that we Christians are not the type of people who go backward, who turn back. This is a beautiful definition. And the temptation is to turn back to be more secure. And in this case, to turn back to the Law, disregarding the new life of the Spirit. This is what Paul teaches us: the fulfillment of the true Law is found in this life of the Spirit given to us by Jesus. And this life of the Spirit can only be lived in freedom. Christian freedom. This is one of the most beautiful things, most beautiful.

At the end of this catechetical journey, it seems to me that a twofold attitude could rise within us. On the one hand, the Apostle's teaching generates enthusiasm in us; we feel drawn to follow immediately the way of freedom, to "walk according to the Spirit". Walking according to the Spirit always makes us free. On the other hand, we are aware of our limitations because we are daily in touch with how difficult it is to be docile to the Spirit, to surrender to his beneficial action. Then tiredness can set it that dampens enthusiasm. We feel discouraged, weak, sometimes marginalised with respect to a worldly life-style. Saint Augustine, referring to the Gospel episode of the storm on the lake, suggests how to react in this situation. "The faith of Christ in your heart is like Christ in the boat. You hear insults, you wear yourself out, you are upset, and Christ sleeps. Wake Christ up, rouse your faith! Believe what has been said to you, and there will be tremendous calm in your heart" (Sermon 63). We must rouse Christ in our hearts and only then will we be able to contemplate things with his eyes for He sees beyond the storm. Through that serene gaze, we can see a panorama that is not even conceivable on our own.

In this challenging journey, the Apostle reminds us that we cannot let ourselves tire when it comes to doing good. "Let us not grow weary in well-doing" (Gal 6:9). We must trust that the Spirit always comes to assist us in our weakness and grants us the support we need. Let us, therefore, learn to invoke the Holy Spirit more often! What is the prayer to the Holy Spirit?" The prayer to the Holy Spirit is spontaneous: it needs to come from your heart. In difficult moments, you need to ask: "Holy Spirit, come". The key word is this: come. Come, because I find myself in difficulty. Come, because I am in the dark. Come, because I don't know what to do. Come, because I am about to fall. Come. This is the Holy Spirit's word - how to call upon the Spirit. Let us learn to invoke the Holy Spirit with simple words at various moments during the day. And we can carry with us the beautiful prayer the Church recites on Pentecost: "Come, come Holy Spirit, /And from your celestial home /Shed a ray of light divine! /Come Father of the poor! / Come, Source of all our store! /Come, within our bosoms shine! /You, of comforters the best; Come..." And so it continues, it is a very beautiful prayer. But only if you have the prayer - or if you cannot find it, the gist of the prayer is "Come", as the Madonna and the Apostles prayed during the days when Christ ascended into Heaven. They were alone in the Upper Room begging: Come, that the Spirit would come. It would be good for us to pray it often. Come, Holy Spirit. And with the presence of the Spirit, we will protect our freedom which makes us grow as Christians. This prayer will help us walk in the Spirit, in freedom and in joy because when the Holy Spirit comes true joy comes. May the Lord bless you.