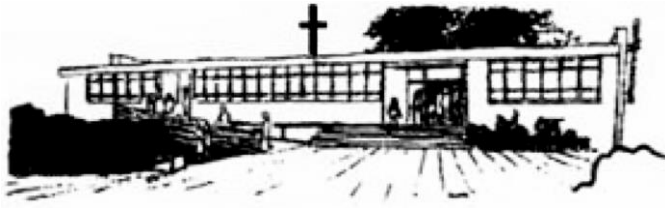


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

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JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

21st November 2021, Year B/1



Christ Pantokrator, Righteous Judge & Lover of Mankind,
Cathedral of Cefalu, Sicily

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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Telephone: 4726 4200; **Fax:** 4731 1432

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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To Him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is king; He is robed in majesty

Second Reading: Apocalypse 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33-37

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		All Souls
SUNDAY	8:30am		All Souls
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	St Cecilia	All Souls
Tuesday	8:00am	34th Week Ordinary Time	All Souls
Wednesday	8.00am	St Ignatius Delgado, St Vincent Liem & Companions	All Souls
Thursday	8.00am	34th Week Ordinary Time	All Souls
Friday	8.00am	34th 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 <http://stjosephskingswood.org/>. The recording will remain through to Sunday.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Godfrey Perera

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.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$810**
 Loose: \$200.30
 Tap & Go: \$370
 Donations: \$50

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 (Your name)

VOLUNTEER POSITION AVAILABLE

There is a position available for **Parish Special Religious Education (SRE) Coordinator**. This involves meetings (2 every 3 months) and organising paperwork. A lot of work can be done from home or the Parish SRE Office, as most is done by email.

Antoinette Mifsud is stepping down from her role and is willing to train and assist the person who takes over the role. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office and leave your details.

Thank you to Antoinette for her years of dedication in this role.

CLEANING THE LORD'S HOUSE

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

CAMPION COLLEGE SUMMER PROGRAM

11th – 14th or 18th – 21st January 2022. Great program for those 16 to 20 years. Free to attend, but spaces are limited. Ring 9896 9303 or study@campion.edu.au

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 a new church. We will restart the survey, next week, the first Sunday of Advent until Christmas. St Joseph pray for us.

BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Next weekend we have the Bishop's Christmas Appeal. No mother or child should be homeless and without support at Christmas. CatholicCare's Houses to Homes provides hope for vulnerable women and children facing abuse and hardship. Your kind donation today will help change the lives of homeless young women, who like Mary, seek a safe haven to raise their newborn child. Please give generously via the appeal envelopes by placing them in the box at the back of the church or contribute online at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

All Parish Volunteers are required to do the Safeguarding Training either online or face to face. Three Tuesdays from 14th to 28th June at 7pm in 2022 are booked for face-to-face training. Ring the Parish Office with your enquiries and/or to book for these sessions.

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. Voluntary registrations for Weekend Masses will be taken but walk-ins are also welcome. The first 150 will be admitted into the Church, but to be assured of a place in the Church please be on time.

Masks are Compulsory. Sanitiser is available for use on entry.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH
CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE

St Joseph and his Environment

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

On 8 December 1870, Blessed Pius IX proclaimed Saint Joseph Patron of the Universal Church. One hundred and fifty years on from that event, we are living a special year dedicated to Saint Joseph, and in the Apostolic Letter *Patris corde*, I gathered together some reflections on him. Never like before, today, in this time marked by a global crisis made up of several components, can he offer us support, consolation and guidance. Therefore, I have decided to dedicate a cycle of catecheses to him, which I hope may further help us to let ourselves be enlightened by his example and by his witness. For a few weeks we will talk about Joseph.

There are more than ten people in the Bible who bear the name Joseph. The most important among them is the son of Jacob and Rachel who went from being a slave to becoming the second most important person in Egypt after the Pharaoh (cf. *Gen 37-50*). The name Joseph is Hebrew for “may God increase, may God give growth”. This very name reveals to us an essential aspect of Joseph of Nazareth’s personality. He is a man full of faith; he has faith in God’s providence. His every action, as recounted in the Gospel, is dictated by the certainty that God provides for the continuation of his plan of salvation. And in this, Joseph of Nazareth is very similar to Joseph of Egypt.

The first geographical reference to Joseph, Bethlehem and Nazareth, also assume an important role in our understanding of him.

In the Old Testament, the city of Bethlehem is called *Beth Lechem*, that is, “House of bread”, or also Ephrathah, after the tribe that settled there. In Arabic, however, the name means “House of meat”, probably because of the large number of flocks of sheep and goats in the area. It is not by chance that when Jesus was born, the shepherds were the first to witness the event (cf. *Lk 2:8-20*). In the light of the story of Jesus, these allusions to bread and meat refer to the mystery of the Eucharist: Jesus is the living bread descended from heaven (cf. *Jn 6:51*). He will say of himself: “He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life” (*Jn 6:54*). Bethlehem is mentioned several times in the Bible, as far back as the Book of Genesis. Bethlehem is also linked to the story of Ruth and Naomi, told in the short but wonderful Book of Ruth. Ruth bears a son named Obed, to whom in turn Jesse is born, the father of King David. And it was from the line of David that Joseph, the legal father of Jesus, descended.

In fact, the Son of God did not choose Jerusalem as the place of his incarnation, but Bethlehem and Nazareth, two outlying villages, far from the clamour of the news

and the powers of the time. Yet Jerusalem was the city loved by the Lord, the “holy city” (*Dn 3:28*), chosen by God as his dwelling (cf. *Zech 3:2; Ps 132:13*). Here, in fact, dwelt the teachers of the Law, the scribes and Pharisees, the chief priests and the elders of the people.

This is why the choice of Bethlehem and Nazareth tells us that the periphery and marginality are preferred by God. Jesus was not born in Jerusalem; he was born in a periphery and spent his life there until the age of thirty, working as a carpenter like Joseph. For Jesus, the peripheries and marginality were favoured. To fail to take this fact seriously is equivalent to not take seriously the Gospel and the work of God, who continues to manifest himself in the geographical and existential peripheries. The Lord always acts in secret in the peripheries, even in the peripheries of the soul, of feelings, perhaps feelings of which we are ashamed; but the Lord is there to help us move forward. Jesus goes in search of sinners; he goes into their homes, speaks with them, calls them to conversion. And he is also rebuked for this: “But look, this Master”, say the doctors of the law, “Look at this Master: he eats with sinners, he gets dirty”. He goes in search also of those who have done no evil but have suffered it: the sick, the hungry, the poor, the least. Jesus always goes out to the peripheries of our heart and our soul, to that slightly obscure part that we do not show, perhaps out of shame.

Today also, there is a centre and a periphery. And the Church knows that she is called to proclaim the good news from the periphery. Joseph, who is a carpenter from Nazareth and who trusts in God’s plan for his young fiancée and for himself, reminds the Church to keep her eyes on what the world deliberately ignores. Today Joseph teaches us this: “Do not look so much at the things that the world praises, look into the corners, look in the shadows, look at what the world does not want”. He is truly a master of the essential: he reminds us that what truly matters does not attract our attention, but requires patient discernment to be discovered and appreciated. Let us ask him to intercede for the whole Church to recover this insight, this ability to discern, this capacity to evaluate what is essential. Let us start again from Bethlehem and Nazareth.

May you find in Saint Joseph the witness and protector to look to. We can turn to him with this prayer, that comes from the heart:

Saint Joseph, you who have always trusted God, and have made your choices guided by his providence teach us not to count so much on our own plans but on his plan of love. You who come from the peripheries help us to convert our gaze and to prefer what the world discards and marginalises. Comfort those who feel alone and support those who work silently to defend life and human dignity. Amen.