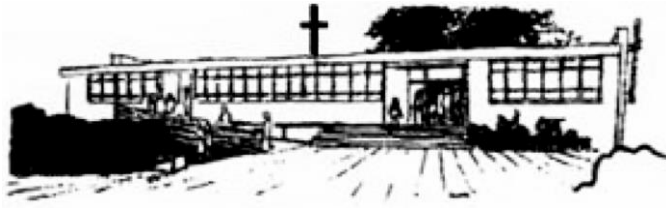


# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17<sup>th</sup> July 2022, Year C/2



Georg Friedrich Stettner (attr) Christus im Hause der Martha

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

Ms. Jennifer Crowley - Principal

#### School Office Times

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

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Entrance Antiphon:** See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul.  
I will sacrifice to You with willing heart,  
and praise Your name, O Lord, for it is good.

**First Reading:** Genesis 18:1-10

**Responsorial Psalm:** The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

**Second Reading:** Colossians 1:24-28

**Gospel:** Luke 10:38-42

### VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:30am		<b>For the Souls in Purgatory</b>
	10:00am		<b>For the Parish</b>
<b>Monday</b>	8:00am	<b>16<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>For the Woodbury Family</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00am	<b>16<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Benjamin &amp; Vivienne Almeida (DA)</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.00am	<b>16<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	8.00am	<b>16<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Leo &amp; Rosemarie Ortaleza (D.A.)</b>
<b>Friday</b>	8.00am	<b>ST MARY MAGDALENE</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	8.30am	<b>Mass of the Virgin Mary</b>	

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

### BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Office.

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2022

**Confirmation:** Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November

**Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> Session:** 31<sup>st</sup> July

Sessions will be after 10am Mass (11.30am)

Children from Year 6 up who have been Baptised and have received their First Communion may participate.

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

#### DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

**Benjamin & Vivienne Almeida,  
Leo & Rosemarie Ortaleza**

### POPE FRANCIS' JULY INTENTIONS

#### The Elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Michael & Marianne Callaghan, Joy Cavanagh, Kevin Collins, Margaret Colville, Katalin Domotor, Marie Donaldson, Frances Gunn, Nora Hehir, Andrew Isbitski, Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Margaretha Sultana, Barbara Thompson, Charley Tonna, Kelly Tonna, David Wakeling, Paul & Mary Woodward.

**SICK LIST:** If you have anyone for the sick list, (Due to privacy laws) 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

**SECOND COLLECTION:**    **Envelopes: \$999**  
                                  **Loose:     \$310.50**  
                                  **Tap & Go: \$180**  
                                  **Smart Facility: \$210**

**TAP AND GO DONATION FACILITY**

At the "Tap and Go" device at the back of the Church, tap once to donate \$10; tap twice to donate \$20 etc. up to \$150. All contributions go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection.

**SMART DONATION FACILITY**

At our smart donation device, you can make any specific donation listed on the app or any other amount using your credit/debit card. All donations go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection.

**QR CODE FOR DONATIONS ON PARISH WEBSITE**



**BIBLE STUDY**

No Bible study this week due to Diocesan commitments.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month from 1.30 to 3.30pm. Ring Delfin on 0478 784 885 for details.

**WESTERN DEANERY YOUNG ADULTS**

Meeting at 6.30pm on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July at St Joseph's, Kingswood. All young people over 18 up to 35 are most welcome.

**MEN'S BARBEQUE**

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July after the 6pm Mass. All over 18 are most welcome. Please bring a salad or a dessert to share. Any questions ring Andrew on 0420 581 427.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

It is mandatory for all Volunteers in Religious Organisations to participate in this training. Please see the leaflet at the back of the Church for details on how to do the training online. Ring the Office for face-to-face modules at other Parishes.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE**

The Parish Finance Committee is seeking assistance to explore grant application opportunities for the Parish.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR PEACE**

Forgive us for war, O Lord.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners! Lord Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, who died in a mother's arms in a bunker in Kharkiv, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, a 20-year-old sent to the frontlines, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, who still behold armed hands in the shadow of your Cross, have mercy on us!  
Forgive us, O Lord. Forgive us, if we are not satisfied with the nails with which we crucified Your hands, as we continue to slate our thirst with the blood of those mauled by weapons.  
Forgive us, if these hands which You created to tend have been transformed into instruments of death.  
Forgive us, O Lord, if we continue to kill our brother; Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of our fields to kill Abel. Forgive us, if we continue to justify our cruelty with our labours, if we legitimize the brutality of our actions with our pain.  
Forgive us for war, O Lord. Forgive us for war, O Lord. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, we implore You! Hold fast the hand of Cain! Illumine our consciences; May our will not be done; Abandon us not to our own actions! Stop us, O Lord, stop us!  
And when you have held back the hand of Cain, care also for him. He is our brother. O Lord, put a halt to the violence! Stop us, O Lord! Amen.

**BISHOP VINCENT'S GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL**

We have collected \$2174.10. Our quota is \$3,314. The balance of \$1239.90 will be taken from Parish funds if we do not reach the quota. The Diocesan Appeal Box will remain at the back of the Church for anyone who would like to donate. Thank you to those who have given so generously.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT**

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July from 10am to 3pm at Mount Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Cost is \$80, which includes Morning Tea and Lunch. Contact Lisa at [lisabright@synodalconsulting.com](mailto:lisabright@synodalconsulting.com) or ring her on 0419 418 547 for information and bookings.

**FAITH IN MARRIAGE SEMINAR**

**"Living Marriage, Living Faith"**  
7.30pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August at Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown 2148. Guest speaker is Dr Robert Haddad, Teacher Apologist, Evangelist and Author.

## CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

## POPE FRANCIS' ANGELUS

10<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

The Gospel of last Sunday's Liturgy recounts the parable of the Good Samaritan (cf. *Lk* 10:25-37) – we all know it. In the backdrop is the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Jericho along which lies a man who had been beaten badly and robbed by brigands. A priest passing by sees him but does not stop; he keeps on going. A Levite, someone who performed services in the temple, does the same thing. "But a Samaritan", the Gospel says, "*as he journeyed*, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion" (v. 33). Let us not forget this word – "he had compassion on him". This is what God feels every time he sees we are having a problem, we have sinned, we are experiencing misery. The Evangelist makes it a point to specify that this Samaritan *was on a journey*. So, even though he had his own plans and was heading toward a distant destination, that Samaritan does not come up with an excuse but allows himself to get involved with what had happened along the road. Let us think about this: isn't the Lord teaching us to do just that? To look off into the distance, to our final destination, while paying close attention to the steps to take here and now in order to get there.

It is significant that the first Christians were called "*disciples of the Way*" (cf. *Acts* 9:2). In fact, the believer strongly resembles the Samaritan – like him, the believer is on a journey, is a wayfarer. The believer knows they have not "arrived", but wants to learn each day, following the Lord Jesus who said: "I am the *way*, and the truth, and the life" (*Jn* 14:6), "I am the *way*". The disciple of Christ walks along following Him and thus becomes a "*disciple of the Way*". He or she goes behind the Lord and is always on the way. Along the way, he or she meets people, heals the sick, visits villages and cities. This is what the Lord did, he was always on the move.

The "*disciple of the Way*", that is, we Christians, observes, therefore, that his or her way of thinking and of acting gradually changes, becoming more and more conformed to that of the Master. Walking in the footsteps of Christ, the disciple becomes a wayfarer and – like the Samaritan – learns to see and have compassion on him. First of all, *to see*: their eyes are open to reality, not egoistically closed in on the circle of their own thoughts. Instead, the priest and the Levite see the unfortunate man, but they pass by as if

they do not see him, they look the other way. The Gospel teaches us to see – it leads each of us to understand reality, overcoming preconceptions and dogmatism each day. So many believers take refuge behind dogmatisms to defend themselves from reality. Then, it teaches us to follow Jesus, because following Jesus teaches us *to have compassion* – to see and to have compassion – to become aware of others, especially those who suffer or are in need, and to intervene like the Samaritan.

Faced with this Gospel parable, it can happen that we might blame others or blame ourselves, pointing fingers towards others, comparing them to the priest or the Levite – "That person goes on, that one doesn't stop..." – or even to blame ourselves, counting our own failures to pay attention to our neighbours. But I would like to suggest another type of exercise to you all, not one that finds fault, no. Certainly, we must recognize when we have been indifferent and have justified ourselves. But let us not stop there. We must acknowledge this. But let us ask the Lord to help us overcome our selfish indifference and put ourselves on the Way. Let us ask him *to see* and *to have compassion*, this is a grace. This is the prayer that I suggest to you today. "Lord, that I might see and have compassion just like you see me and have compassion on me" – that we might have compassion on those whom we encounter along the way, above all on those who suffer and are in need, to draw near to them and do what we can do to give them a hand. Many times, when I am with some Christian who comes to speak about spiritual things, I ask if they give alms. "Yes", the person says to me.

"So, tell me, do you touch the hand of the person you gave the money to?"

"No, no, I throw it there."

"And do you look into the eyes of that person?"

"No, it doesn't cross my mind."

If you give alms without touching the reality, without looking into the eyes of the person in need, those alms are for you, not for that person. Think about this. Do I touch misery, even the misery that I am helping? Do I look into the eyes of the people who suffer, of the people that I help? I leave you with this thought – to see and to have compassion.

May the Virgin Mary accompany us on this journey of growth. May she, who "shows us the Way", that is Jesus, help us also to more and more become "*disciples of the Way*".

I wish all of you a good Sunday. Please, do not forget to pray for me.