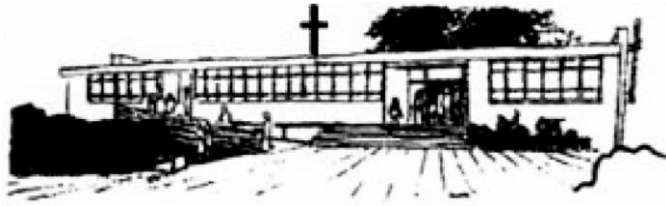


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9th October 2022, Year C/2



ANGELICO, Fra, Virgin Mary Annunciate, 1431-33

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: If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
But with You is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Thresiamma Kurian (Rec. Dec.)
SUNDAY	8:30am		Verna Small (Rec. Dec.)
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	28th Week in Ordinary Time	Marie Donaldson (Rec. Dec.)
Tuesday	8:00am	St John XXIII	Beato Justiniano Toledo (Dec. Ann.)
Wednesday	8.00am	28th Week in Ordinary Time	Ethan Bobins (Success in HSC Exams)
Thursday	8.00am	28th Week in Ordinary Time	Ethan Bobins (Success in HSC Exams)
Friday	8.00am	28th Week in Ordinary Time	Mary Spiteri (Deceased Anniversary)
Saturday	8.30am	St Teresa of Avila	Felino Emelia Perez Toledo (Dec. Ann.)

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to one of the Priests or contact the Parish Office.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Available for an hour before 8.00am Masses during the week and before 8.30am Masses on the weekends.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2022

Confirmation: Sunday 6th November

Sessions: Sundays at 11.30am

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Thresiamma Kurian, Verna Small, Marie Donaldson

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

Mary Spiteri, Beato Justiniano Granadino Toledo, Felino Emelia Perez Toledo.

OCTOBER ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

During the month of October, we will have Rosary and Benediction every morning to Pray for Peace. Monday to Friday after 8.30am Mass Saturday and Sunday at 8.00am

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Michael & Marianne Callaghan, Margaret Colville, Frances Gunn, Andrew Isbitski, Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, Gina Koloc, John McCahon, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Barbara Thompson, Charley Tonna, Kelly Tonna, David Wakeling, Paul & Mary Woodward.

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

POPE FRANCIS' OCTOBER INTENTIONS

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel. May the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$612
 Loose: \$489
 Tap & Go: \$160
 Smart Facility: \$90
 Donations: \$

TAP & GO & SMART DONATION FACILITIES

All contributions go to the 2nd Collection.

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NOVEMBER MASSES

One Mass each day in November will be offered for our Deceased. When you fill out your November Mass Envelope place it in the basket at the back of the Church and fill in the Remembrance Book with the names of your friends and relatives. Names of deceased can be added through November and will be included in the Mass of the following day until the end of November.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Council is asking for Volunteers to assist with the planning for the Fete to be held next year. Please add your name and contact details on the form at the back of the Church.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Wednesday at 9.15am in the Parish Hall. All are most welcome.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

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

LADIES' MORNING TEA

1st Tuesday of the month at 10.30am in the Parish Hall. Next date is 1st November. All ladies of the Parish are most welcome.

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 slake 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.

YOUR LEGACY OF FAITH, HOPE & CHARITY

We invite you – after providing for your loved ones, to consider leaving a gift in your Will to our Parish, or a ministry in our Diocese. For more information go to yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/giftsinwills

SCHOENSTATT'S FOUNDATION DAY

Sunday 16th October at 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa.

11am Thanksgiving Mass

12.30pm Lunch – Please bring a plate to share

3pm Founding Hour Devotion & Benediction

Celebrating:

25 years Jubilee of Sr. M Rebecca Sampang ISSM and
20 years Ordination of Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP.

SCHOOLS OPEN DAY

Wednesday 19th October 2022

Montgrove – 10am to 11.30am

Register at discover.montgrove.nsw.edu.au

Wollemi – 11.30am to 12.45pm

Register at discover.wollemi.nsw.edu.au

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE

Catechesis On Discernment – 5th October 2022

Elements of discernment. Self-knowledge.

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

Let us continue to explore the theme of discernment. Last time we considered prayer, understood as familiarity and confidence with God, as its indispensable element. Prayer as familiarity and confidence with God; prayer of the sons of the Father; prayer with an open heart. Today I would like, in an almost complementary way, to emphasize that good discernment also requires *self-knowledge*. And this is not easy! Indeed, it involves our human faculties: memory, intellect, will, affections. Often, we do not know how to discern because we do not know ourselves well enough, and so we do not know what we really want. You have heard many times: "But that person, why doesn't he sort out his life? He has never known what he wants...". There are people who... And then, yes, his life goes like that, because not even he knows what he wants. Without arriving at that extreme, it happens to us too that we do not know clearly what we want, we do not know ourselves well.

Underlying spiritual doubts and vocational crises, there is not infrequently an insufficient dialogue between religious life and our human, cognitive and affective dimension. A writer on spirituality noted how many difficulties on the theme of discernment are indicative of problems of another kind, which must be recognized and explored. This author writes: "I have come to the conviction that the greatest obstacle to true discernment (and to real growth in prayer) is not the intangible nature of God, but the fact that we do not know ourselves sufficiently, and do not even want to know ourselves as we really are. Almost all of us hide behind a mask, not only in front of others, but also when we look in the mirror" (TH. GREEN, *Weeds Among the Wheat*, 1992). We all have the temptation to wear a mask, even in front of ourselves.

Forgetfulness of God's presence in our life goes hand in hand with ignorance of ourselves – ignorance of our personality traits and our deepest desires.

Knowing oneself is laborious: it implies patient soul-searching. It requires the capacity to stop, to acquire awareness of our way of acting, of the feelings that dwell within us, of the recurrent thoughts that condition us, and often unconsciously. It also requires that we distinguish between emotions and spiritual faculties. "I feel" is not the same as "I am convinced"; "I feel like" is not the same as "I want". Thus, we come to recognize that the view we have of ourselves and of reality is at times somewhat distorted. To realize this is a grace! Indeed, very often it can happen that erroneous

convictions about reality, based on past experiences, strongly influence us, limiting our freedom to strive for what really matters in our lives.

Living in the age of information technology, we know how important it is to know the password in order to get into the programmes where the most personal and valuable information is stored. But spiritual life, too, has its "passwords": there are words that touch the heart because they refer to what we are most sensitive too. The devil, knows these passwords well, and its important that we know them too, so as not to find ourselves where we do not want to be. Temptation does not necessarily suggest bad things, but often haphazard things, presented with excessive importance. In this way it hypnotizes us with the attraction that these things stir in us, things that are beautiful but illusory, that cannot deliver what they promise, and therefore leave us in the end with a sense of emptiness and sadness; a sign that we have embarked on a path that was not right, that has disoriented us. They can be, for example, degrees, careers, relationships, all things that are in themselves praiseworthy, but towards which, if we are not free, we risk harbouring unreal expectations, such as confirmation of our worth. There, one can see the intentionality of each one of us. From this misunderstanding often comes the greatest suffering, because none of those things can be the guarantee of our dignity.

It is important to know ourselves and the passwords of our heart, what we are most sensitive to, in order to protect ourselves from those who present themselves with persuasive words to manipulate us, but also to recognize what is truly important for us, distinguishing it from current fads or superficial slogans. Be careful about that: am I free, or do I let myself be swayed by the feelings of the moment, or the provocations of the moment?

An aid in this is a general examination of conscience of the day: what happened in my heart in this day? "Lots of things happened...". What traces did they leave in my heart? Carrying out an examination of conscience, that is, the good habit of calmly rereading what happens in our day, learning to note in our evaluations and choices what we give most importance to, what we are looking for and why, and what we eventually find. Above all, learning to recognize what satiates the heart. For only the Lord can give us confirmation of what we are worth. He tells us this every day from the cross: he died for us, to show us how precious we are in his eyes. There is no obstacle or failure that can prevent his tender embrace.

Prayer and self-knowledge enable us to grow in freedom. This is to grow in freedom! They are basic elements of Christian existence, precious elements for finding one's place in life. Thank you.