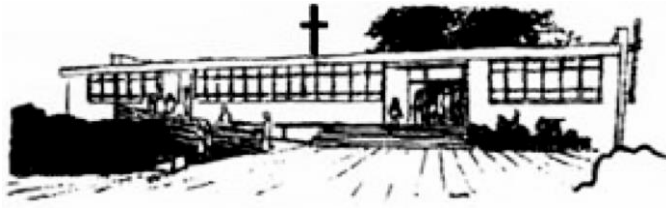


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23rd October 2022, Year C/2



DURER, Albrecht, Virgin Mary in Prayer, 1519

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: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
Turn to the Lord and His strength; constantly seek His face.

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Bede Muller (Deceased Ann.)
SUNDAY	8:30am		Benita Azores (Deceased's Birthday)
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	30 th Week in Ordinary Time	Bronislaw, Stanislaw & Witold Blazek (Deceased Anniversary)
Tuesday	8:00am	30 th Week in Ordinary Time	Dec. Mem. of Woodward & Hewitt Families
Wednesday	8.00am	30 th Week in Ordinary Time	Carlos Jocson (Deceased Ann.)
Thursday	8.00am	30 th Week in Ordinary Time	Ethan Bobins (Success in HSC Exams)
Friday	8.00am	ST SIMON & ST JUDE	Ethan Bobins (Success in HSC Exams)
Saturday	8.30am	Mass of the Virgin Mary	Domingo & Antonia Santiago (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:

Caroline Vizcarra, Rafaela Santiago

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

Bede Muller, Benita Azores, Bronislaw, Stanislaw & Witold Blazek, Deceased Mem. of the Woodward & Hewitt Families, Carlos Jocson, Domingo & Antonia Santiago

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: \$1042**
 Loose: \$358.85
 Tap & Go: \$130
 Smart Facility: \$345
 Donations: \$100

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.

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.

PARISH LUNCH

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12 noon. Our next Lunch will be on Wednesday 9th November at St. Marys Band Club. All are most welcome.

POPE FRANCIS' CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA & UKRAINE TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

O Mary, Mother of God and our mother, in this time of trial we turn to you. You never cease to guide us to Jesus, the prince of peace. Amid evil and war, you remind us that God never abandons us, but continues to look upon us with love, ever ready to forgive us and raise us up to new life. He has given you to us and made your Immaculate Heart a refuge for the church and for all humanity.

O Loving Mother, hear our prayer: help us out of the depravity of war, inspire reconciliation, restore God's peace to the world, eliminate hatred, and teach us forgiveness. Queen of the Rosary, make us realise our need to pray and to love. Queen of Peace, obtain peace for our world from your Son, the Prince of Peace.

At this hour, we stand with you beneath the cross, entrusting to you the people of Ukraine and Russia. Mother of God and our mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the church and all humanity, especially the people of Russia and Ukraine. Accept this act that we carry out with confidence and love.

Grant that war may end and peace spread throughout the world. We trust that, through your Immaculate heart, peace will dawn once more. To you we consecrate the future of the whole human family, the needs and expectations of every people, the anxieties and hopes of the world. Through your intercession, may God's mercy be poured out on the earth and the gentle rhythm of peace return to mark our days. Amen.

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.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On Sunday 30th October 11:00am at St Patrick's Cathedral. Couples and their families are invited to a light lunch after the Mass. Please register by phone on 8838 3460 or at marriage@parracatholic.org

COLUMBAN CALENDARS

On sale after weekend Masses at \$10 each.

WESTERN DEANERY YOUNG ADULTS

Next meeting is Friday 28th October at 7pm. All over 18 and under 35 are most welcome.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE

Catechesis On Discernment – 19th October 2022

The Path of Discernment.

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In the catecheses of these weeks we are focusing on the prerequisites for good discernment. In life we have to make decisions, always, and to make decisions we must follow a journey, a path of discernment. Every important activity has its “instructions” to follow, which must be known in order for them to produce the necessary effects. Today we will look at another indispensable ingredient for discernment: *one's own life story*. Knowing one's own life story is, let's say, an essential ingredient for discernment.

Our life is the most precious “book” that is given to us, a book that unfortunately many do not read, or rather they do so too late, before dying. And yet, precisely in that book that one finds what one pointlessly seeks elsewhere. Saint Augustine, a great seeker of the truth, had understood this just by rereading his life, noting in it the silent and discreet, but incisive, steps of the presence of the Lord. At the end of this journey, he noted with wonder: “You were within, and I without, and there I did seek you; I, unlovely, rushed heedlessly among the things of beauty you made. You were with me, but I was not with you” (*Confessions* X, 27.38). “Return within yourself. In the inner man dwells truth” (On True Religion, XXXIX, 72). This is an invitation I would extend to all of you, and even to myself: “Return within yourself. Read your life. Read yourself inwardly, the path you have taken. With serenity.

Many times, we too have had Augustine's experience, of finding ourselves imprisoned by thoughts that lead us away from ourselves, stereotypical messages that harm us: for example, “I am worthless”; “everything goes wrong for me”; “I will never achieve anything worthwhile” – these get you down, and this becomes your life. Reading one's own history also means recognizing the presence of these “toxic” elements, but then broadening our narrative, learning to notice other things, making it richer, more respectful of complexity, succeeding also in grasping the discreet ways in which God acts in our life. I once knew a person who people said deserved the Nobel Prize in negativity: everything was bad, everything, and he always tried to put himself down. He was a bitter person, and yet he had many qualities. And then he found another person who, every time he complained about something, used to say: “But now say something good about yourself”. And bit by bit this helped him move forward, to read his own life, both the bad things and the good things. We must read our life, and by doing so we see things that are not good and also the good things that God sows in us.

Discernment does not dwell on the punctual action, but rather the context. What I am feeling now, where does it come from? Where does it lead me, what I am thinking now? When have I encountered it before? Is it something new that comes to mind only now, or have I found it other times? Why is it more insistent than others? What is life trying to tell me?

Recounting the events of our life enables us to grasp important nuances and details, which can reveal themselves to be valuable aids, hitherto concealed. For example, a reading, a service, an encounter, at first sight considered to be of little importance, over time transmit inner peace; they transmit the joy of living. Stopping and acknowledging is essential for discernment; it is a task of gathering those precious and hidden pearls that the Lord has scattered in our soil.

Goodness is modest and hides itself: it is silent, it requires slow and continuous excavation. Because God likes to go unseen, with discretion, he does not impose; he is like the air we breathe - we do not see it but it allows us to live, and we realize this only when it is missing.

Getting used to rereading one's own life educates the outlook and enables us to note the small miracles that God works for us every day. When we realize this, we notice other possible directions that strengthen our inner peace and creativity. It frees us from toxic stereotypes. It has been said that the man who does not know his own past is condemned to repeat it. The person who walks in circles never goes forward; it is not progress, it is like the dog who chases his own tail; he always repeats things.

We might ask ourselves: have I ever recounted my life to anyone? It is one of the most beautiful and intimate forms of communication. It allows us to discover unknown things, small and simple but, as the Gospel says, it is precisely from the little things that the great things are born.

The lives of the saints also constitute a precious aid in recognizing the style of God in one's own life: they permit us to become familiar with his way of acting. Some of the saints' behaviour challenges us, shows us new meanings and opportunities.

Discernment is the narrative reading of the good moments and the dark moments, the consolations and desolations we experience in the course of our lives. In discernment, it is the heart that speaks to us about God, and we must learn to understand its language. Let us ask, at the end of the day, for example: what happened today in my heart? Some think that carrying out this examination of conscience is to calculate the balance of sins – and we commit many – but it is also about asking oneself, “What happened within me, did I experience joy? What brought me joy? Was I sad? What brought me sadness? And in this way, we learn to *discern* what happens within us.