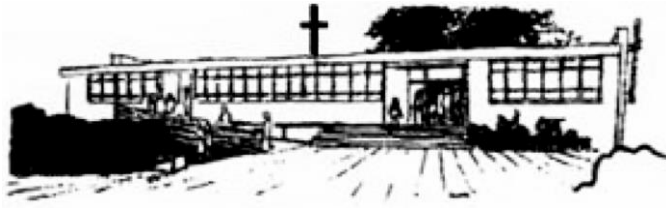


# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30<sup>th</sup> January 2022, Year C/2



PAOLO, Giovanni di, Presentation of Christ in the Temple, ca. 1435

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

#### Address

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Entrance Antiphon:** Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations,  
to give thanks to Your holy name, and make it our glory to praise You.

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

**Responsorial Psalm:** I will sing of Your salvation.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 - 13:3

**Gospel:** Luke 4:21-30

### VIGIL SATURDAY

	<b>6:00pm</b>		<b>Colin O'Flynn (Deceased)</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>8:30am</b>		<b>Frank &amp; Anjela Barglik (Dec. Ann.)</b>
	<b>10:00am</b>		<b>For the Parish</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>St John Bosco</b>	<b>Colin O'Flynn (Deceased)</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Holy Souls in Purgatory</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</b>	<b>Rudi Isbitzki (Recently Deceased)</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Colin O'Flynn (Deceased)</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>St Catherine de Ricci</b>	<b>For God's Precious Infants</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>St Agatha</b>	<b>Dec. Mems. of St Vincent de Paul</b>

### SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

On 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Catholics from Parramatta Diocese were dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligation by virtue of a Decree from Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv.

From 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021 this Decree has now been revoked and the Sunday obligation is now imposed, given that public health orders no longer require adherence to density limits in Church buildings.

### BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Office.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2021

**Reconciliation:** Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April

**Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> Session:** 27<sup>th</sup> February

**First Communion:** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June

**Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> Session:** 24<sup>th</sup> April

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

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

All sessions follow 10.00am Mass

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Rudi Isbitzki

### DECEASED & DECEASED ANNIVERSARY:

Colin O'Flynn, Deceased Members of St Vincent de Paul Society

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** 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, Kelly Tonna, David Wakeling, Mary Woodward, Piotr Zawadzki.

**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.

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

### POPE FRANCIS' JANUARY INTENTIONS

#### True Human Fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognised, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

**SECOND COLLECTION:**    **Envelopes: \$1395**  
   **Loose:     \$138.50**  
   **Tap & Go: \$180**

### TAP AND GO DONATION FACILITY

We have a "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.

### 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:

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection and Parish Donations

BSB:                                067 950  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00000396  
ACCOUNT NAME: KINGSWOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH  
REFERENCE: (Initial & surname/Envelope number)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> 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)

### PARKING NOTICE

We ask that people attending 8.30am Mass would exit via Joseph Street.  
Please leave Parking near the Church for the Disabled.

### VOLUNTEER SRES

If you have an hour to spare each week and want to share the Word of God, please consider being a SRE. Scripture classes are on:  
Wednesday at Jordan Springs,  
Thursdays at Cambridge Park, Cambridge Gardens and Werrington County and  
Fridays at Kingswood Public and Cambridge Park High.  
Ring the Parish Office for information.

### ST JOSEPH'S NEW PRINCIPAL

We welcome Jennifer Crowley to St Joseph's as our new Principal. Jennifer is a passionate educator and is an expert in literacy, early years learning and contemporary learning practices.

Jennifer welcome to our Parish and our School. May you be truly blessed by the Lord in your time with us.

### CARITAS APPEAL FOR TONGA

Tonga is reeling from a violent underwater volcano eruption which triggered tsunamis. They need your prayer and support urgently. Give now to help with emergency response. To make a donation visit [www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific](http://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific) or ring 1800 024 413

### SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

All Parish Volunteers are required to do the three Safeguarding Training Modules either online or face-to-face. Three Tuesdays from 14<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> 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.

### BE PART OF A LISTENING CHURCH

Pope Francis has asked all Catholics to participate in the Synod of Bishops by responding to his call for a "Listening Church." You are invited to share your thoughts on our global Church. Find out more at [bit.ly/synod2023](http://bit.ly/synod2023). See leaflet at back of Church.

### CHANGES FOR PLACES OF WORSHIP

**The NSW Government has announced that from Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December the square meter rule no longer applies for Places of Worship. There is no longer a need to Register for Mass.**

**QR Code check-in is mandatory for all who enter the Church. Please confirm your check-in with the usher.**

**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 to enter your details electronically. You can apply for a QR Card from Services NSW. If you require any assistance, please contact the Parish Office.**

**Singing is permitted for everyone in attendance.**

**Wearing of Masks in the Church and in all Indoor Settings is Mandatory from Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Hand Sanitiser is available for use on entry.**

## CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

## POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE

## Catechesis: 9. St Joseph, a Man who Dreams

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

Today I would like to focus on the figure of St Joseph as a *man who dreams*. In the Bible, as in the cultures of ancient peoples, dreams were considered a means by which God revealed himself. The dream symbolises the spiritual life of each of us, that inner space that each of us is called to cultivate and guard, where God manifests himself and often speaks to us. But we must also say that within each of us there is not only the voice of God: there are many other voices. For example, the voices of our fears, the voices of past experiences, the voices of hopes; and there is also the voice of the evil one who wants to deceive and confuse us. It is therefore important to be able to recognise the voice of God in the midst of other voices. Joseph demonstrates that he knows how to cultivate the necessary silence and, above all, how to make the right decisions before the Word that the Lord addresses to him inwardly. The Gospel tells us of four dreams of Joseph.

In the first dream (cf. *Mt* 1:18-25), the angel helps Joseph to resolve the drama that assails him when he learns of Mary's pregnancy: "Do not fear to take Mary for your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." (vv. 20-21). His response was immediate: "When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him" (v. 24). Life often puts us in situations that we do not understand and that seem to have no solution. Very often it is prayer that gives us the intuition of the way out. Dear brothers and sisters, the Lord never allows a problem to arise without also giving us the help we need to deal with it. He does not cast us alone into the fire. When the Lord shows us a problem he always gives us the intuition, the help, his presence, to get out of it, to resolve it.

The second revealing dream of Joseph comes when the life of the child Jesus is in danger. The message is clear: "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there till I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him" (*Mt* 2:13). Joseph obeyed without hesitation: "He rose and took the child and his mother by night, and departed to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod" (vv. 14-15). We all experience dangers that threaten our existence or the existence of those we love. In these situations, praying means listening to the voice that can give us the same courage as Joseph, to face difficulties.

In Egypt, Joseph waited for a sign from God that he could return home, and this is the content of the third

dream. The angel reveals to him that those who wanted to kill the Child are dead and orders him to leave with Mary and Jesus and return to his homeland (cf. *Mt* 2:19-20). Joseph "rose and took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel" (v. 21). But on the return journey, "when he heard that Archelaus reigned over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there" (v. 22). Here then is the fourth revelation: "Being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and dwelt in a city called Nazareth" (vv. 22-23). Fear is also part of life and it too needs our prayer. God does not promise us that we will never have fear, but that, with His help, it will not be the criterion for our decisions. Joseph experiences fear, but God also guides him through it. The power of prayer brings light into situations of darkness.

I am thinking at this moment of so many people who are crushed by the weight of life and can no longer hope or pray. May St Joseph help them to open themselves to dialogue with God to find light, strength, and peace.

And I am thinking, too, of parents in the face of their children's problems: Children with many illnesses, children who are sick, even with permanent maladies. — how much pain is there! — parents who see different sexual orientations in their children; how to deal with this and accompany their children and not hide in an attitude of condemnation. Parents who see their children leaving because of an illness, and also children who get into mischief and end up in a car accident. Parents who see their children not progressing in school. So many parental problems. Let's think about it: how to help them. And to these parents I say: don't be scared. Yes, there is pain. But think of the Lord, think about how Joseph solved the problems and ask Joseph to help you. Never condemn a child.

Let us ask the Lord to give this courage to all fathers and mothers, as he gave it to Joseph. And to pray that the Lord will help us in these moments.

Prayer is never an abstract or purely internal gesture. It is only when we combine prayer with love, the love for children or the love for our neighbour, that we are able to understand the Lord's messages. Joseph prayed, worked, and loved and because of this he always received what he needed to face life's trials. Let us entrust ourselves to him and to his intercession.

**St Joseph, you are the man who dreams, teach us to recover the spiritual life as the inner place where God manifests Himself and saves us. Remove from us the thought that praying is useless; help each one of us to correspond to what the Lord shows us. May our reasoning be illuminated by the light of the Spirit, our hearts encouraged by His strength and our fears saved by His mercy. Amen.**