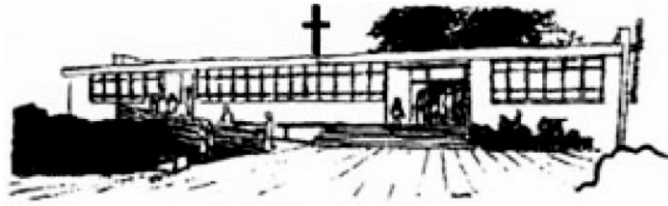


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

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EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16th July 2023, Year A/1



ANGELICO, Fra, Virgen de la Granada, 1426

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: As for me, in justice I shall behold Your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of Your glory.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

Responsorial Psalm: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

† Giuseppe Suraci

SUNDAY 8:30am

† Mavis Murphy

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am Bl Ceslaus of Poland

† John Jacques

Tuesday 8:00am 15th Week Ordinary Time

Gai Schoemaker (Return to Christ)

Wednesday 8.00am 15th Week Ordinary Time

† Geraldine Frances Finn

Thursday 8.00am 15th Week Ordinary Time

† Rosemarie Ortaleza

Friday 8.00am 15th Week Ordinary Time

† Leo Ortaleza

Saturday 8.30am ST MARY MAGDALENE

† Colin Grose

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There is an opportunity to spend time with the Lord for an hour before the 8am Masses during the week and before the 8.30am Masses at the weekend.

CONFESSIONS

Available every Saturday after 8.30am Mass.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2023

Confirmation: Sunday 12th November

Registration & 1st Session: 30th July

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Giuseppe Suraci, John Jacques, Geraldine Frances Finn, Brian Yardly

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Mavis Murphy, Rosemarie & Leo Ortaleza, Colin Grose, Gerardo Gaudiosi

POPE FRANCIS' JULY INTENTIONS

For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Father Andrew, Sr Louisa, Jonathon Ansell, Tony Bogdanovic, Marianne Callaghan, Margaret Colville, Frances Gunn, Andrew & Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Krystona McWhinnie, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Danny Patos, Shayla, Benjamin Santiago, Barry Smith, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Peter Stofmeel, Cynthia Sulvita, Charley Tonna, Kelly Tonna, David Wakeling, Paul & Mary Woodward.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$655**
 Loose: \$544.95
 Tap & Go: \$230
 Smart Facility: \$170
 Donations: \$35

TAP & GO & SMART DONATION FACILITIES

All contributions go to the 2nd Collection.

First Collection contributions go to the Diocese to support our Priests.

Second Collection contributions go directly to the Parish to support day to day operation of the Parish.

BIBLE STUDY

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

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will recommence on Wednesday 19th July. Please spread the word to all young people from Year 6 up to eighteen years old.

PARISH LUNCH

Our next Lunch will be at 12 noon Wednesday 9th August at St. Mary's Band Club. All are most welcome. If you need a lift please ring the Office.

PARISH FETE

Will be held on 6th August. If you can contribute your assistance in any way, please ring the Office.

We are receiving Quality Books, CD's/DVD's and Homewares during Office Hours or ring the Office to make arrangements for another time.

Plants can be dropped off from Saturday 29th July.
Cakes can be left in the Parish Hall on Saturday 5th after morning Mass or before evening Mass, or on Sunday morning.

Requirements: If anyone has a Marquee (3x3 or 3x6) or a Bain-marie we could borrow on Saturday 5th August for the fete on Sunday 6th, we would be grateful. Please ring the Parish Office.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

At 2pm this Sunday 16th July at Our Lady of The Rosary Church, St Marys. Celebrant is Fr Brian Steele MGL

STELLA MARIS, APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

We collected \$393.55. Thank you for your generosity.

WELCOME TO FATHER JACEK

We welcome Fr Jacek Buda OP to our St Joseph's Community. May the Lord bless you abundantly as you minister in our Parish.

MEN'S NIGHT

Saturday 22nd July after 6pm Mass. All men over 18 are most welcome to attend a great social evening together. RSVP Andrew 0420 581 427.

REFLECTION DAY FOR MEN

Becoming Who I Am: Saturday 5th August 9am- 4pm
See Flyer on Noticeboard for Details.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION

Course for Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to the Sick and Ministers at the Altar. On Mondays, from 4th September to 6th November at Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. Go to officeforworship.org.au or see Parish Office for an application form.

GET #ACTIVE4VOCATIONS – CITY2SURF

On 13th August, join the Parramatta Catholic Foundation #Active4Vocations team. Walk, stroll, jog, or run with our Holy Spirit seminarians, deacons, priests, and community. To register or donate visit tinyurl.com/Active4Vocations Funds raised support our Diocese's seminarians.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding Mandatory Training.

Under the Children's Guardian Act 2019 and the NSW Child Safe Standards **all** volunteers in parish ministry are Mandatory Reporters and are required to have completed their Safeguarding Training.

If you would like to complete your 6 points online 'sign up' **now** at <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au>
Go to this same web site to find face to face sessions in the diocese.

Any questions please email Maria Kervin, Education Officer at maria.kervin@parracatholic.org

DIOCESAN SYNOD

Our Diocesan Synod is from 12th to 15th October 2023 at which clergy, consecrated and laity will gather to discuss important matters relating to the life and mission of the Church. The success of the Synod relies on your participation. Your submissions will be accepted at <https://parracatholic.org/synod2023/> until 31st July.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' ANGELUS

Sunday 9th July 2023

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

Today the Gospel contains a very beautiful prayer Jesus addresses to the Father, saying, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children" (Mt 11:25). But what things is Jesus talking about? And then, who are these little children to whom such things are revealed? Let us reflect on this: on the things for which Jesus thanks his Father and on the little children who know how to welcome them.

The things for which Jesus thanks his Father. Just before this, the Lord had recalled some of his works: "the blind receive their sight, lepers are cleansed, the poor have the good news preached to them" (Mt 11:5), and he revealed what this means, saying that these are the signs that God is at work in the world. The message, then, is clear – God reveals himself by liberating and healing the human person – let's not forget this, God reveals himself by liberating and healing the human person – and he does this with a gratuitous love, a love that saves. This is why Jesus thanks his father, because his greatness consists in his love and he never works outside of love. But this greatness in love is not understood by those who presume to be great and who fabricate a god in their own image – powerful, inflexible, vindictive. In other words, those who are presumptuous – full of themselves, proud, concerned only about their own interests – these are the presumptuous ones, convinced they do not need anyone, are not able to accept God as Father. In this regard, Jesus names the inhabitants of three rich cities of his times – Chorazin, Bethsaida, Capernaum – where he had accomplished many healings, but whose inhabitants remained indifferent to his preaching. For them, his miracles were only spectacular events, useful for making news and to increase gossip. Once passing interest in them was over, they archived them, maybe in order to occupy themselves in other novelties of the moment. They did not know how to welcome the great things of God.

The little children, instead, know how to welcome them, and Jesus thanks the Father for them: "I bless you," he says, because you have revealed the Kingdom of Heaven to little ones. Jesus praises him

for the simple people whose hearts are free from presumption and self-love. The little ones are those who, like children, feel their need and are not self-sufficient. They are open to God and allow themselves to be amazed at his works. They know how to read his signs, to marvel at the miracles of his love! I ask all of you, and even myself, do we know how to marvel at the things of God or do we take them for passing things?

Brothers and sisters, if we think about it, our lives are filled with miracles – they are filled with deeds of love, signs of God's goodness. Before these, however, even our hearts can remain indifferent and become habitual, curious but not capable of being amazed, of allowing themselves to be "impressed". A closed heart, an armed heart, that does not have the capacity of being amazed. To impress is a beautiful verb that brings to mind photographic film. This is the correct behaviour before God's works: to take a photo of his works in our minds so it is impressed on our hearts, to then be developed in our lives through many good deeds, so that this "photograph" of God who is love becomes ever brighter in us and through us.

And now, let us ask ourselves: In the deluge of news that overwhelms us, do I, as Jesus shows us today, know how to stop before the great things of God, those that God accomplishes? Do I allow myself to marvel like a child at the good that silently changes the world? Have I lost the capacity to be amazed? And do I thank the Father each day for his works? May Mary, who exulted in the Lord, make us able to be amazed by his love and to thank him with simplicity.

After the Angelus

Dear brothers and sisters, with sorrow, I learned again that blood has been poured out in the Holy Land. I hope that the Israeli and Palestinian leaders can resume direct dialogue to bring an end to the spiral of violence and open paths of reconciliation and peace.

Today is Sea Sunday, dedicated to those who work aboard ships, in the ports and in the maritime industry. I thank the mariners who protect the oceans from various forms of pollution – in addition to their work. I thank the chaplains and volunteers of the Apostolate of the Sea and I entrust all of them to the protection of Mary, Stella Maris (Star of the Sea).

Please, do not forget to pray for me.