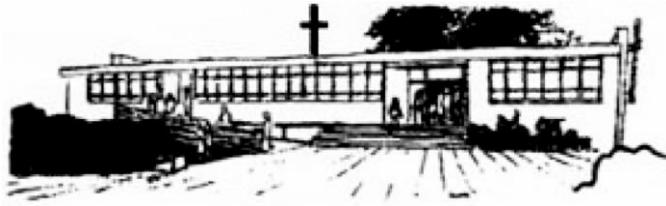


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

Parish Priest

Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP

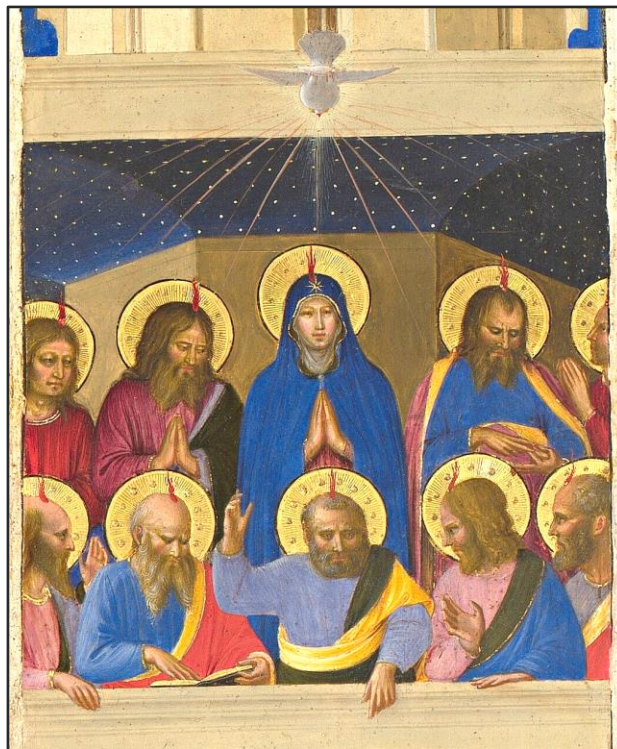
Assistant Priest

Fr. Piotr Kruk OP

EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148

PENTECOST SUNDAY

28th May 2023, Year A/1



ANGELICO, Fra, from Ascension, Last Judgement, Pentecost
(Corsini Triptych), 1447-48

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

94 Joseph Street
Kingswood, NSW 2747

Telephone: 4726 4200; Fax: 4731 1432

www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am - 2:00pm and Friday: 9.00am - 1:00pm

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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world
and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading: **Vigil:** Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8, 16-20 or Ezekiel 37:1-4 or Joel 3:1-5
Day: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Lord send out Your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: **Vigil:** Romans 8:22-27 **Day:** Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

Gospel: **Vigil:** John 7:37-39 **Day:** John 20:19-23

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm † Zbigniew Blazek

SUNDAY 8:30am † Pablo C Mallari

10:00am For the Parish

Monday 8:00am **Mary, Mother of the Church** **Priscilla (For Healing)**

Tuesday 8:00am **8th Week Ordinary Time** **McIlvenna & Dobranski Families**

Wednesday 8.00am **VISITATION OF
BL VIRGIN MARY** **Holy Souls & Sinners**

Thursday 8.00am **St Justin** † **Souls of Priests & Nuns in Purgatory**

Friday 8.00am **Bl Sadoc & Companions** **For God's Precious Infants**

Saturday 8.30am **St Charles Lwanga
& Companions** † **Dec. Mems of St Vincent de Paul**

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to the Priests or the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

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.

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

During the month of May there will be Rosary, Litany of Our Lady and Benediction after all the weekday Masses.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2023

First Communion: 11th June

Sessions: Sundays after 10am Mass

Confirmation: Sunday 12th November

Registration & 1st Session: 30th July

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Giuseppi Suraci, Rex Fernandez, Stewart Wright, Peter Pourus, Ernest Carballo, Michel Chaghoury

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Zbigniew Blazek, Pablo C Mallari, Souls of Priests & Nuns in Purgatory, Deceased Members of St Vincent de Paul Society

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Father Andrew, Sr Louisa, Jonathon Ansell, Marianne Callaghan, Margaret Colville, Frances Gunn, Andrew & Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Krystona McWhinnie, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Shayla, Benjamin Santiago, Barry Smith, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Cynthia Sulvita, 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.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS' MAY INTENTIONS

For Church Movements and Groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$599**
 Loose: \$429.90
 Tap & Go: \$230
 Smart Facility: \$265

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

Young People from Year 6 to under 18 years old are most welcome every Wednesday during the School Term from 3-5pm.

PARISH MOVIE

Join us to watch, Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe on Sunday 4th June at 1.30pm in the Parish Hall.

PARISH LUNCH

Our next Lunch will be at 12 noon Wednesday 14th June at St. Mary's Band Club. This is a good opportunity to meet other Parishioners in a social setting. All are welcome.

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.

SAVE CALVARY HOSPITAL

Archbishop Anthony Fisher is asking us to please sign the petition at www.savecalvary.com.au to save our Catholic Hospital from being taken over by the ACT Government.

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL

We have another Good Samaritan collection this weekend to make up our quota of \$2908. Your compassionate generosity and prayers will support the Aboriginal Catholic Care at Emerton, a welcoming place where Aboriginal people can express their identity, share their culture and access practical support and developmental opportunities. We have collected \$765 so far. Thank you for being a Good Samaritan to our First Nation people.

DIOCESAN SYNOD 2023 – JOIN BISHOP VINCENT AT A LISTENING EVENT!

Bishop Vincent is travelling throughout the Diocese and listening to people's stories and suggestions about our Church. Join him for the Western Deanery Consultation on Saturday 24 June at Holy Spirit Primary School, St Clair from 6:30-9:30pm. Register at www.parracatholic.org/synod2023

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safe Parishes Week - Safeguarding Mandatory Training is Due Now.

Are you new to Parish Ministry this year and have not completed your Safeguarding Training?

Are you an existing volunteer and have not yet completed your 6 points of mandatory Safeguarding 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. The Office of the Children's Guardian expects all volunteers in parish ministry have now met this Standard.

In the Diocese of Parramatta we have zero tolerance of abuse. We therefore commit to keeping children safe as well as adults at risk.

Register at safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org for the Mandatory Training at Bishop Bede Heather Centre at Marian St, Blacktown on Friday 9th June from 9.30am to 2.30pm.

If you would like to complete your 6 points online 'sign up' **now** at <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au> If you have any questions about the Safeguarding Training please email Maria Kervin, Education Officer at maria.kervin@parracatholic.org

Safeguarding Renewal – Modules 4 & 5 will be offered at Bishop Bede Heather Centre on: Tuesday 6th June at 10am to 1.30pm or Wednesday 7th June at 10am to 1.30pm

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE

**Passion for Evangelisation 14: St Andrea Kim Tae-gon
Wednesday 24th May 2023**

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

Today we find a great example of a saint of the passion for evangelization in a land far away, namely the Korean Church. Let us look at the Korean martyr and first priest St Andrew Kim Tae-gon.

But, the first Korean priest: you know something? The evangelisation of Korea was done by the laity! It was the baptized laity who transmitted the faith, there were no priests, because they had none. Then, later... but the first evangelisation was done by the laity. Would we be capable of something like that? Let's think about it: it's interesting. And this is one of the first priests, St Andrew. His life was and remains an eloquent testimony of the proclamation of the Gospel, the zeal for this.

About 200 years ago, the Korean land was the scene of a very severe persecution: Christians were persecuted and annihilated. At that time, believing in Jesus Christ in Korea meant being ready to bear witness even unto death. Specifically, from the example of St Andrew Kim, we can draw out two concrete aspects of his life.

The first is the way he used to meet with the faithful. Given the highly intimidating context, the saint was forced to approach Christians in a discreet manner, and always in the presence of other people, as if they had been talking to each other for a while. Then, to confirm the Christian identity of his interlocutor, St Andrew would implement these devices: first, there was a previously agreed upon sign of recognition: "You will meet with this Christian and he will have this sign on his outfit or in his hand." "And after that, he would surreptitiously ask the question—but all this under his breath "Are you a disciple of Jesus?" Since other people were watching the conversation, the saint had to speak in a low voice, saying only a few words, the most essential ones. So, for Andrew Kim, the expression that summed up the whole identity of the Christian was "disciple of Christ." "Are you a disciple of Christ?"—but in a soft voice because it was dangerous. It was forbidden to be a Christian there.

Indeed, being a disciple of the Lord means following Him, following His path. And the Christian is by nature one who preaches and bears witness to Jesus. Every Christian community receives this identity from the Holy Spirit, and so does the whole

Church, since the day of Pentecost (cf. Conc. Vat. II, Decr. *Ad gentes*, 2). It is from this Spirit that we receive the passion, the passion for evangelisation, this great apostolic zeal; it is a gift of the Spirit who gives. And even if the surrounding context is not favourable—like the Korean context of Andrew Kim—it does not change; on the contrary, it becomes even more valuable. St Andrew Kim and other Korean believers have demonstrated that witnessing to the Gospel in times of persecution can bear much fruit for the faith.

Now let us look at a second concrete example. When he was still a seminarian, St Andrew had to find a way to secretly welcome missionary priests from abroad. This was not an easy task, as the regime of the time strictly forbade all foreigners from entering the territory. That's why it had been, before this, so difficult to find a priest that could come to do missionary work: the laity undertook the mission.

Think about what St Andrew did—one time, he was walking in the snow, without eating, for so long that he fell to the ground exhausted, risking unconsciousness and freezing. At that point, he suddenly heard a voice, "Get up, walk!" Hearing that voice, Andrew came to his senses, catching a glimpse of something like a shadow of someone guiding him.

This experience of the great Korean witness makes us understand a very important aspect of apostolic zeal; the courage to get back up when one falls.

But do saints fall? Yes! Indeed, from the earliest times. Think of St Peter: he committed a great sin. But he found strength in God's mercy and got up again. And in St Andrew we see this strength: he had fallen physically but he had the strength to go, to carry the message forward.

No matter how difficult the situation may be—and indeed, at times it may seem to leave no room for the Gospel message—we must not give up and we must not forsake pursuing what is essential in our Christian life: namely, evangelization.

This is the path. And each of us can think to themselves: "But what about me, how can I evangelize?" But you look at these great ones and you consider your smallness, we consider our littleness: evangelising the family, evangelising friends, talking about Jesus—but talking about Jesus and evangelising with a heart full of joy, full of strength. And this is given by the Holy Spirit. Let us prepare to receive the Holy Spirit this coming Pentecost, and ask Him for that grace, the grace of apostolic courage, the grace to evangelize, to always carry the message of Jesus forward. Thank you.