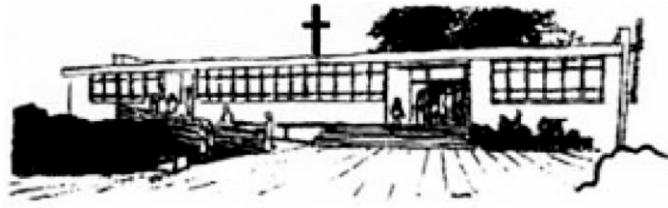


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

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EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148 (Calls Only)

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9th June 2024, Year B/2



Pieter Lastman, Paul and Barnabas in Lystra 1617

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: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom shall I dread?
When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15

Responsorial Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Pat, Robin & Family (For Conversion)

SUNDAY 8:30am

Special Intention

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8.00am 10th Week in Ordinary Time

† Bishop Edward Kelly

Tuesday 8:00am St Barnabas

† Salvador Daria Toledo

Wednesday 8.00am 10th Week in Ordinary Time

† Perfecto Feliza Nuelez Daton

Thursday 8.00am St Anthony of Padua

Genevieve Mackenzie (Birthday Blessings)

Friday 8.00am 10th Week in Ordinary Time

† Bishop Geoffrey Robinson

Saturday 8.30am Mass of the Virgin Mary

† Elaine D'Arcy

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

For an hour before the 8am Masses during the week and before the 8.30am Masses at the weekend. Confessions are also available during Adoration.

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to the Priest or ring the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2024

Confirmation: Sunday 3rd November

Registration & 1st Session: 21st July

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Mariusz Latarka, Salvador Daria Toledo, Kevin Smith, Gerhard Daalman

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Bishop Edward Kenny, Perfecto Feliza Nuelez Daton, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, Elaine D'Arcy

POPE FRANCIS' JUNE INTENTIONS

For those Fleeing Their Own Countries

Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: 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, Shayla, Benjamin Santiago, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Cynthia Sulvita, Charley Tonna, Maureen van Hoogenvest, David Wakeling, 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

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$665**
 Loose: \$1205
 Tap & Go: \$220
 Smart Facility: \$160
 St Joseph Statue Donations Total: \$7750

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.

TAP & GO & SMART DONATION FACILITIES

All contributions go to the 2nd Collection.

BIBLE STUDY

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

PARISH LUNCH

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12 noon. Our next Lunch will be this Wednesday 12th June at St. Mary's Band Club. All are most welcome.

MEN'S BARBEQUE

Saturday 15th June after 6pm Mass. All men over 18 are invited to come and enjoy an evening together.

ST JOSEPH STATUE

We pray that our statue of St Joseph will arrive soon, and we will then arrange a date to have it blessed. Thank you for your ongoing donations.

SRE VOLUNTEERS

We desperately need volunteers to share the Word of God with the children in our schools. Please ring the Parish Office or fill in the sheet at the back of the Church if you can assist us.

PARKING NOTICE

We ask that people attending 8.30am Mass would exit via Joseph Street allowing 10am Mass goers access to the Main Gate on Richmond Road. Please leave Parking near the Church for the Disabled.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

Sunday 16th June at 2pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, St Marys. Fr Hugh Thomas CSsR is the Celebrant. Mass will be followed by individual prayer for healing.

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL

This weekend we have a collection to enable Catholic Care's Project Elizabeth to support struggling mums practically and emotionally. Please be generous.

CHILDREN'S FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to our children who received the Holy Eucharist for the first time last Sunday:

Jade Blazek	Akua Boamah-Addai
Danielle David	Daphne David
Leonardo Holmes	Anne Marie Dolleton
Ricardo Holmes	Selina Melan
Daisy Mendieta	Pio Nugpo
Marguerite O'Neill	Benjamin Ortega
Gabriel Ortega	Yenuka Leon Patabandige
Elizabeth Phua	Rachael Rodricks
Vincent Sua	Michael Yee

Please keep them in your prayers.

MORNING TEA FOR FATHER JACEK

Father Jacek leaves us on 17th June. On Sunday 16th June please join us for Morning Tea after the 10am Mass to have the opportunity to thank Fr Jacek for his time with us and to wish him well in the future. You are most welcome to bring a plate to share.

CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE

To find out what is happening in our Diocese, please collect your free copy from the back of the Church.

MEN AT THE SHRINE AT SCHOENSTATT

A time of adoration and fellowship this Wednesday 12th June from 8 to 9pm. Ring Bernard for more details on 0416 106 871.

MT SCHOENSTATT WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 15th June from 9-11am in the Family Hall, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Speaker is Sr M Isabell Naumann ISSM ThD STD FCES. Cost is \$25. Bookings at 4773 8338 by 7th June.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding Mandatory Training.

Under the Children's Guardian Act 2019 and the NSW Child Safe Standards **all** volunteers in parishes are required to complete their Safeguarding Training.

Modules 1-3 – Dates to be announced.

Modules 4/5 – Monday 11th June – 10.30am – 2.00pm
At Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown

For the direct link to training dates and to register:
safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

Go to <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au> if you would like to complete the modules online.

For any questions, please email Maria Kervin, at
maria.kervin@parracatholic.org

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE

Wednesday 5th June 2024

Cycle of Catechesis. The Spirit and the Bride.

2. Where there is the Spirit of God, there is freedom.

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In today's catechesis, I would like to reflect with you on the name by which the Holy Spirit is called in the Bible.

The first thing we know of a person is the name. It is by his name that we address him, that we distinguish him, and remember him. The third Person of the Trinity also has a name: He is called the Holy Spirit. But "Spirit" is the Latinised version. The name of the Spirit, the one by which the first recipients of revelation knew Him, by which the prophets, the psalmists, Mary, Jesus, and the Apostles invoked Him, is *Ruach*, which means breath, wind or air.

In the Bible, the name is so important that it is almost identified with the person himself. To sanctify the name of God is to sanctify and honour God Himself. It is not merely a conventional designation: it always says something about the person, his origin, or his mission. This is also the case with the name *Ruach*. It contains the fundamental revelation about the Person and function of the Holy Spirit.

It was by observing the wind and its manifestations that the biblical writers were led by God to discover a "wind" of a different nature. It is not by accident that at Pentecost the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles accompanied by the 'roar of a rushing wind' (cf. *Acts* 2:2). It was as if the Holy Spirit wanted to put his signature on what was happening.

What does His name, *Ruach*, tell us about the Holy Spirit? The image of the wind serves first of all to express the *power* of the Holy Spirit. "Spirit and power" or "power of the Spirit" is a recurring combination throughout the Bible. For the wind is an overwhelming force, capable even of moving oceans.

Again, however, to discover the full meaning of the realities of the Bible, one must not stop at the Old Testament, but come to Jesus. Alongside power, Jesus will highlight another characteristic of the wind: its *freedom*. To Nicodemus, who visits Him at night, Jesus says solemnly: "The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit" (*Jn* 3:8).

The wind is the only thing that absolutely cannot be bridled, cannot be "bottled up" or put in a box. We

seek to "bottle up" the wind or put it in a box: it's not possible. It is free. To pretend to enclose the Holy Spirit in concepts, definitions, theses or treatises, as modern rationalism has sometimes attempted to do, is to lose it, nullify it, or reduce it to the purely human spirit, to a simple spirit. There is, however, a similar temptation in the ecclesiastical field, and it is that of wanting to enclose the Holy Spirit in canons, institutions, definitions. The Spirit creates and animates institutions, but He himself cannot be "institutionalised," "objectified". The wind blows "where it wills," so the Spirit distributes its gifts "as it wills" (*1 Cor* 12:11).

St Paul will make this the fundamental law of Christian action. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom (*2 Cor* 3:17), he says. A free person, a free Christian, is the one who has the Spirit of the Lord. This is a very special freedom, quite different from what is commonly understood. It is not freedom to do what one wants, but the freedom to freely do what God wants! Not freedom to do good or evil, but freedom to do good and do it freely, that is, by attraction, not compulsion. In other words, the freedom of children, not slaves.

Saint Paul is well aware of the abuse or misunderstanding that can be made of this freedom. To the Galatians he writes, "For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as a pretext for the flesh, but through love serve one another" (*Gal* 5:13). This is a freedom that expresses itself in what appears to be its opposite, it is expressed in service, and in service is true freedom.

We know well when this freedom becomes a "pretext for the flesh." Paul gives an ever-relevant list: "sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these" (*Gal* 5:19-21). But so too is the freedom that allows the rich to exploit the poor, an ugly freedom that allows the strong to exploit the weak, and everyone to exploit the environment with impunity. And this is an ugly freedom, it is not the freedom of the Spirit.

Brothers and sisters, where do we draw this freedom of the Spirit, so contrary to the freedom of selfishness? The answer is in the words Jesus addressed one day to His listeners: "If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (*John* 8:36). The freedom that Jesus gives us. Let us ask Jesus to make us, through His Holy Spirit, truly free men and women. Free to serve, in love and joy. Thank you.