

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20th October 2024, Year B/2



Pope John Paul II

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
During Morning Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
(Please let the Priest know.)

ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ms. Jennifer Crowley - Principal

School Office Times

8:30am - 4:00pm - Monday to Friday

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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

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let Your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Matthew (For his Work Situation)
SUNDAY	8:30am		† Herminia Santos
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	29 th Week Ordinary Time	Living & †† Deceased Mems. of Mcilvenna, Dobranski, Colreavy, McCaffrey & Lahood Families
Tuesday	8:00am	St John Paul II	† Bishop Edward Kelly
Wednesday	8.00am	29 th Week Ordinary Time	† Benita Azores (Deceased's Birthday)
Thursday	8.00am	29 th Week Ordinary Time	† Bishop Geoffrey Robinson
Friday	8.00am	29 th Week Ordinary Time	†† Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	8.30am	Mass of the Virgin Mary	† Carlos Jocson

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

An hour before the 8am Masses during the week and before the 8.30am Masses at the weekend. Confessions are also available during Adoration. Please speak to the Priest.

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to the Priest or ring the Parish Office.

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

During the month of October there will be Rosary, Litany of Our Lady and Benediction after all the Masses from Monday to Friday.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2024

Confirmation: Sunday 3rd November

Session: Wednesday 23rd October at 5.30pm

Please keep them in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kieran Buckley, Cynthia Sulvita, Herminia Santos

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR: Orlando Surace, Jaime Caraan, Bishop Edward Kelly, Benita Azores, Carlos Jocson, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, Deceased Members of the McIlvenna, Dobranski, Colreavy, McCaffrey & Lahood Families, Souls in Purgatory

POPE FRANCIS' OCTOBER INTENTIONS

For a Shared Mission

Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Sr Louisa, Carolina Q. Alvarez, Jonathon Ansell, Tania Blazek, Tony Bogdanovic, Margaret Colville, Frances Gunn, Andrew & Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Krystona McWhinnie, Nympha Miller, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Benjamin Santiago, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Maureen van Hoogenvest, David Wakeling, Mary Woodward.

SICK LIST: Due to privacy laws, if you have anyone for the sick list, please 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

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.

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$787**
 Loose: \$758.90
 Tap & Go: \$180
 Smart Facility: \$490
 Carpet Donations: \$1726

TAP & GO & SMART DONATION FACILITIES

Donations from the Tap & Go & two Smart terminals at the door, go towards the 2nd Collection. Donations from the Smart terminal near the creche go towards Special Project Donations.

SPECIAL PROJECT DONATIONS

Our Special Project Donations are now going towards Carpet for the Church. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Wednesday at 9.15am in the Parish Hall.

PARISH LUNCH

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12 noon. Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 13th November at St. Mary's Band Club. All are most welcome.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

If you are new to the Parish, have not registered or want to update your information, please use the QR Code.



OUR LADY'S STATUE

If anyone is interested in being on a roster to have Our Lady's Statue in their home for a week at a time, please ring the Parish Office. As you will remember, we had to discontinue during COVID.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

This Sunday 20th October at 2pm at Campion College Chapel, 8-14 Austin Woodbury Place, Toongabbie. Celebrant is Fr Brian Steele. Mass will be followed by individual prayer for healing.

WOLLEMI 25TH ANNIVERSARY SPRING FAIR

This Sunday 20th October from 11am to 3pm at Wollemi College, 4 Gipps Street, Werrington.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

A Retreat for Men on Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th October at Mt Schoenstatt. Speakers will be Fr Pawel Barszczewski and Michael Dyczek. See the flyer on the noticeboard.

CAMPION COLLEGE FESTIVAL

Saturday, 26th October, from 10am to 4pm at Austin Woodbury Place, Toongabbie. Discover Australia's first liberal arts college and enjoy market stalls, children's rides, a muscle car show, a second-hand book sale and campus tours. All are welcome. More information at www.campion.edu.au/festival

NIGHT OF LIGHT – An All Hallows' Eve Party

Children 12 years and under are invited to celebrate the real meaning of this special feast day on Thursday 31st October from 4-6pm at St Nicholas of Myra Parish Hall, Penrith. See flyer at back of Church or register at www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1284112

iWITNESS CONFERENCE

Thursday 12th to Sunday 15th December 2024 at Cobbity. This is a weekend of fun and spiritual transformation for young adults. See the flyer on the noticeboard for more information.

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.

Modules 1-3 – These Modules are for new Volunteers who have not completed any safeguarding Training.

Modules 4/5 – Renewal for those who completed Modules 1-3 two years ago.

For the direct link to training dates and to register:

<https://parracatholic.org/connect/?series=safeguarding-training>

To complete the modules online go to

<https://learning.safeguarding.org.au>

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

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE

Wednesday 16th October 2024

Cycle of Catechesis. The Spirit and the Bride. The Holy Spirit guides the people of God towards Jesus our hope. 9. *The Holy Spirit in the faith of the Church*

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

With today's catechesis, we will move on to how the Holy Spirit is present and active in the life of the Church, in our Christian life.

In the first three centuries, the Church did not feel the need to give an explicit formulation of her faith in the Holy Spirit. For example, in the Church's most ancient Creed, the so-called Symbol of the Apostles, after proclaiming: "I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was born, died, descended into hell, rose again from the dead and ascended into heaven", adds: "I believe in the Holy Spirit" and nothing more, without any specification. But it was heresy that drove the Church to define this faith. When this process began it was precisely the experience she had of the sanctifying and divinizing action of the Holy Spirit that led the Church to the certainty of the full divinity of the Holy Spirit. This occurred during the Ecumenical Council of Constantinople in 381, which defined the divinity of the Holy Spirit with the well-known words we still repeat today in the Creed: "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets".

To say that the Holy Spirit "is the Lord" was like saying that He shares the "Lordship" of God, that He belongs to the world of the Creator, not to that of creatures. The strongest affirmation is that He is due the same glory and adoration as the Father and Son.

The Council definition was not a point of arrival, but of departure. And indeed, once the historical reasons that had obstructed a more explicit affirmation of the divinity of the Holy Spirit had been overcome, this was confidently proclaimed in the worship of the Church and in her theology. Saint Gregory of Nazianzus, in the aftermath of the Council, went on to state without hesitation: "Is the Holy Spirit then God? Certainly! Is He consubstantial? Yes, if He is true God" (*Oratio* 31, 5.10).

What does the article of faith we proclaim every Sunday at Mass say to us, believers of today: "I

believe in the Holy Spirit"? In the past, it was mainly concerned with the statement that the Holy Spirit "proceeds from the Father". The Latin Church soon supplemented this statement by adding, in the Creed of the Mass, that the Holy Spirit proceeds "also from the Son". Since in Latin the expression "and from the Son" is called '*Filioque*', this gave rise to the dispute known by this name, which has been the reason (or pretext) for so many disputes and divisions between the Church of the East and the Church of the West. It is certainly not the case to address the issue here, which, moreover, in the climate of dialogue established between the two Churches, has lost the acrimony of the past and today allows us to hope for full mutual acceptance, as one of the main "reconciled differences". I like to say this: "reconciled differences". Among Christians there are many differences: he belongs to this school, that other one; this person is a Protestant, that person... The important thing is that these differences are reconciled, in the love of walking together.

Having overcome this obstacle, today we can value the most important prerogative for us that is proclaimed in the article of the Creed, namely that the Holy Spirit is "life-giving", the "giver of life". Let us ask ourselves: what life does the Holy Spirit give? At the beginning, in creation, the breath of God gives Adam natural life; the statue of mud is made "a living being" (cf. *Gen* 2:7). Now, in the new creation, the Holy Spirit is He who gives believers new life, the life of Christ, supernatural life, as children of God. Paul can exclaim: "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death" (*Rom* 8:2).

In all of this, where is the great and consoling news for us? It is that the life given to us by the Holy Spirit is eternal life! Faith frees us from the horror of having to admit that everything ends here, that there is no redemption for the suffering and injustice that reign sovereign on earth. Another of the Apostle's words assures us of this: "If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through His Spirit who dwells in you" (*Rom* 8:11). The Spirit dwells in us, He is within us.

Let us cultivate this faith also for those who, often through no fault of their own, are deprived of it and are unable to give meaning to life. And let us not forget to thank Him, who with His death, obtained this inestimable gift for us!

Please pray for me.