

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

Parish Priest

Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP

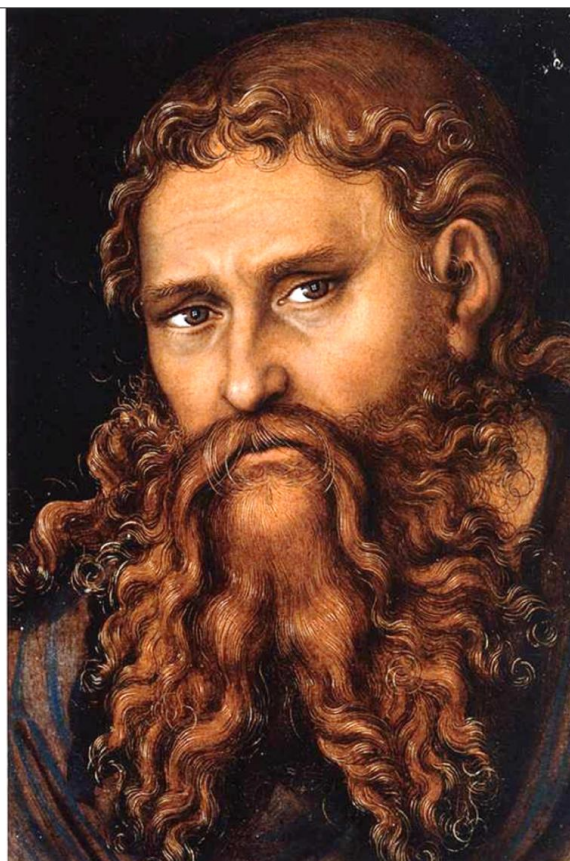
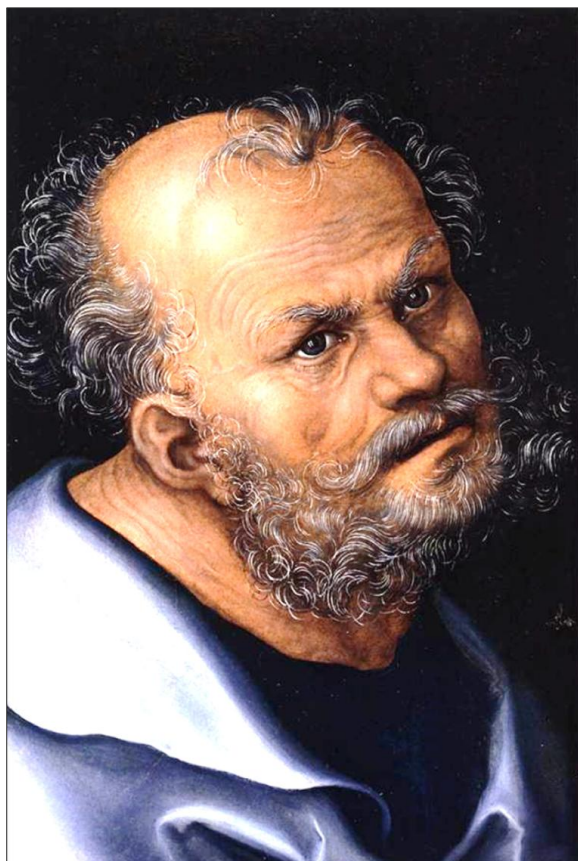
Assistant Priest

Fr. Piotr Kruk OP

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ST PETER AND ST PAUL

29th June 2025, Year C/1



CRANACH, Lucas the Elder, Apostles Peter and Paul, c. 1515

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

Mrs. Rochelle Borg – Principal

School Office Times

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

Address

94 Joseph Street
Kingswood, NSW 2747

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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: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Day: Acts 12:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Vigil: Their message goes out through all the earth.
Day: The Lord set me free from all my fears

Second Reading: Vigil: Galatians 1:11-20 Day 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Gospel: Vigil: John 21:15-19; Day: Matthew 16:13-19

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

John Van Heusen (For PET Scan)

SUNDAY 8:30am

Thanksgiving Mass

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am 13th Week in Ordinary Time

Peter Schoemaker (For Healing)

Tuesday 8:00am 13th Week in Ordinary Time

† Paschal Arik

Wednesday 8.00am 13th Week in Ordinary Time

Anne Jact (Healing from Dementia)

Thursday 8.00am ST THOMAS

Our Neighbours Conversion

Friday 8.00am Bl Pier Giorgio Frassati

†† For God's Precious Infants

Saturday 8.30am Mass of the Virgin Mary

†† Dec. Mems of St Vincent de Paul

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

POPE'S JUNE INTENTIONS

That the World Might Grow in Compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from His heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Paschal Arik, God's Precious Infants, Deceased Members of St Vincent de Paul Society

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2025

Confirmation: Thursday 6th November

Registration & 1st Session: Sunday 20th July

CHILDREN'S FIRST COMMUNION

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

Allynah Benico

Isabelle Dolleton

Matthew Gregory

Isaac Imseih

Fredrick Njoku

Natalia Nuwamanya

Atarah Peiris

Amatheia Sagario

Dylan Signo

Janelle Wanjiku

Maria Zahra

Please keep them in your prayers.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Sr Louisa, Carolina Q. Alvarez, Jonathon Ansell, Tony Bogdanovic, Margaret Colville, Frances Gunn, Andrew & Jason Isbitski, Tony Jacobs, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Krystona McWhinnie, Nympha Miller, Karen Morvan, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, 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.

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$735**
 Loose: \$551.50
 Smart Facility: \$545
 A/Cs & Carpet Donations: \$13,160

SMART DONATION FACILITIES

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

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

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 Wednesday 9th July at St. Mary's Band Club. All are most welcome. If you need a lift please ring the Parish Office by Tuesday 8th July.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

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



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Please collect your envelopes from the back of the Church.

YOUNG ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sunday 6th July at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, South Mt Druitt (9 Ropes Creek Rd Mt Druitt) from 7pm to 8.30pm. The speaker is Fr Tom Green, who will talk about and lead a discussion on Blessed Franz Jagerstatter. If you have any questions, please call Mark on 0477 004 678.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

Sunday 20th July at 2pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 26 Swanston Street, St Marys. The prayer ministry team from Miracle Prayers, WA will be available to offer prayers for healing.

CATHOLIC OUTLOOK FEEDBACK SURVEY

Complete the anonymous survey by Friday 25 July by visiting www.surveymonkey.com/r/V9J5Y5Z and sharing what you enjoy or what you would like to see.

PETER'S PENCE APPEAL

This weekend we have our Peter's Pence Appeal. This collection supports the Pope's mission, which extends throughout the world from proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace and brotherhood among peoples. Please be generous.

HELP CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND

Aid to the Church in Need is providing urgent support to the Church in Israel and Gaza, in the ongoing conflict. To make an emergency donation visit www.aidtothechurch.org/holyland

LIFTED RETREAT

A spiritually enriching weekend hosted by Catholic Youth Parramatta, designed to connect, support and nourish the young people of the Parramatta Diocese. This retreat is open to Year 10-12 students (ages 16-17) and will be held on 8 July (10am-3pm) at Don Bosco Youth & Recreation Centre, 10 Mamre Rd, St Marys. Register: parracatholic.org/events/cyp-lifted-retreat-8-july/

SISTERS OF CHARITY HERITAGE CENTRE

The Sisters of Charity invite your parish community to visit our Centre at 1 Rockwell Crescent, Potts Point. The Centre is open from 10am to 3pm from Tuesday to Thursday. Entry is free and parking is available. Email heritagecentre@rscoffice.com ring 9138 0835 or visit the web site socheritagecentre.org.au for more information.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding Mandatory Training.

Under the Children's Guardian Act 2019 and the NSW Child Safe Standards all volunteers 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

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE LEO XIV GENERAL AUDIENCE

25th June 2025

Cycle of Catechesis – Jubilee 2025. Jesus Christ out Hope. II. The life of Jesus. The Healings. 11. *The bleeding woman and Jairus' daughter. "Do not be afraid; just have faith!" (Mk 5:36)*

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today we will again consider the healings of Jesus as a sign of hope. In Him, there is a strength that we too can experience when we enter into a relationship with His Person.

A very widespread ailment of our time is the fatigue of living: reality seems to us to be too complex, burdensome, difficult to face. And so we switch off, we fall asleep, in the delusion that, upon waking, things will be different. But reality has to be faced, and together with Jesus, we can do it well. At times we feel blocked by the judgment of those who claim to put labels on others.

It seems to me that these situations can find an answer in a passage from the Gospel of Mark, where two stories intertwine: that of the twelve-year-old girl, who is sick in bed and is dying; and that of a woman who has been bleeding for precisely twelve years, and seeks out Jesus in order to be healed (cf. Mk 5:21-43). Between these two female figures, the Evangelist places the character of the girl's father: he does not stay at home complaining about his daughter's illness, but rather he goes out and asks for help. Although he is an official of the synagogue, he makes no demands on account of his social position. When it is necessary to wait, he does not lose his patience, and he waits. And when they come to tell him that his daughter is dead and it is pointless to disturb the Master, he continues to have faith and to hope.

The conversation between this father and Jesus is interrupted by the bleeding woman, who manages to come close to Jesus and to touch his cloak (v. 27). This woman, with great courage, made the decision that would change her life: everyone continued to tell her to keep her distance, to keep out of view. They had condemned her to stay hidden and isolated. At times, we too can be victims of the judgment of others, who presume to put a robe on us that is not our own. And then we suffer and cannot come out of it.

That woman embarks on the path of salvation when the faith that Jesus can heal her germinates: so, she

finds the strength to come out and go in search of him. She wants to reach out and at least touch his garment. Around Jesus there is a large crowd, and therefore many people were touching him, and yet nothing happens to them. Instead, when this woman touches Jesus, she is healed. Where does the difference lie? In his commentary on this point of the text, Saint Augustine says – in Jesus' name – "The crowd jostles, faith touches" (*Sermon 243, 2, 2*). It is thus: every time we perform an act of faith addressed to Jesus, contact is established with Him, and immediately his grace comes out from Him. At times we are unaware of it, but in a secret and real way, grace reaches us and gradually transforms our life from within.

Perhaps today too, many people approach Jesus in a superficial way, without truly believing in his power. We walk the surfaces of our churches, but maybe our heart is elsewhere! This woman, silent and anonymous, conquers her fears, touches the heart of Jesus with her hands, considered unclean because of her illness. And she is immediately healed. Jesus says to her: "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace" (Mk 5:34).

In the meantime, the father receives the news that his daughter is dead. Jesus says to him: "Do not be afraid; just have faith" (v. 36). He then goes to the house and, seeing that everyone is weeping and wailing, says: "The child is not dead but asleep" (v. 39). He enters the chamber where the child is lying, takes her hand, and says to her: "*Talità kum*", "Little girl, arise!". The girl stands up and starts to walk (cf. vv. 41-42). Jesus' act shows us that not only does He heal from every illness, but He also awakens from death. For God, who is eternal Life, death of the body is like sleep. True death is that of the soul: of this we must be afraid!

One last detail: Jesus, after reviving the child, tells the parents to give her something to eat (cf. v. 43). Here is another very concrete sign of Jesus' closeness to our humanity. But we can also understand it in a deeper sense, and ask ourselves: when our children are in crisis and need spiritual nourishment, do we know how to give it to them? And how can we, if we ourselves are not nourished by the Gospel?

Dear brothers and sisters, in life there are moments of disappointment and discouragement, and there is also the experience of death. Let us learn from that woman, from that father: let us go to Jesus: He can heal us, He can revive us. Jesus is our hope!