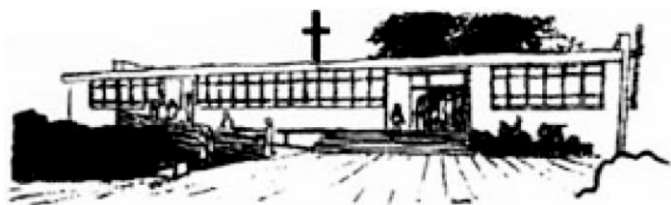


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP, Parish Priest

Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP, Assistant Priest

Fr. Piotr Kruk OP

EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148 (Calls Only)

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26th July 2026, Year A/2



ENGELBRECHT SZ, Cornelis, Christ's Second Visit to the House of Mary & Martha, 1515-20

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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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, I love Your commands.

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

VIGIL SATURDAY

6.00pm

Thanksgiving Mass - Immacolata

SUNDAY 8:30am

† Syble Jenkins

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am

Week 17 Ordinary Time

Thanksgiving Mass - Immacolata

Tuesday 8:00am

Week 17 Ordinary Time

Grace Cross (Healing from Cancer)

Wednesday 8.00am

St Martha, St Mary &
St Lazarus

Rescue of People in Venezuela

Thursday 8.00am

Week 17 Ordinary Time

†† Dec. Mem. of the Meybaum Family

Friday 8.00am

St Ignatius Loyola

Living & †† Deceased Members of the
McIlvenna, Dobranski & Colreavy Families

Saturday 8.30am

St Alphonsus Liguori

†† Deceased Members of St Vincent de Paul
Society

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Speak to the Priest or ring the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Alan Eller, Erenia Plaza, Remigio Mendoza Ortiz

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Syble Jenkins, Deceased Members of the Meybaum Family, Deceased Members of the McIlvenna, Dobranski & Colreavy Families, Deceased Members of St Vincent de Paul Society

POPE'S JULY INTENTIONS

For Respect for Human Life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2026

Confirmation: Sunday 22nd November

Registration has been extended to this Sunday 26th July at 11.30am in the Parish Hall.

Children need to be in Year 6 and above and should have received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Sr Louisa, Carolina Q. Alvarez, Jonathon Ansell, Tony Bogdanovic, Margaret Colville, Merwyn D'Souza, Andrew & Jason Isbitski, Tony Jacobs, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, Lidya, Rositta Lui, John McCahon, Krystona McWhinnie, Nympha Miller, Karen Morvan, Michael Muema, Gary O'Brien, Garry Smith, Shayla, Zen Roughley-Hutchison, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Margaret Taylor, John Vukovic, 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.

ARUNA ON ANNUAL LEAVE

Our Parish Secretary will be back on 31st July. Therefore, the Parish Office will be open for limited hours during this time.

SECOND COLLECTION: Loose: \$513.10
 Planned Giving: \$1484
 Smart Facilities: \$680
 Project Donations: \$65

BIBLE STUDY

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

PARISH LUNCH

Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 12th August at St. Mary's Band Club. All are welcome.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

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



FOOD FESTIVAL 2026

We need Volunteers to Manage Traffic from 8.30am to 2pm. If you can give an hour on 16th August, you will find a sheet at the back of the Church. Please add your details and someone will contact you.

RCIA

This year we will start a RCIA Program at St Joseph's Parish. It will begin on 18th August. Please register by the QR Code.



EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT

At Our Lady of the Rosary, St Marys from 10am to 4pm from 13th to 26th July.

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 – For all Volunteers.

Modules 4/5 – For those who completed Modules 1-3 two years previously. 25th July from 10am to 1.30pm at Holy Family Parish, Luddenham

Module 6 – For those who have completed 1-5.

Log on to: <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/>
For any questions, please email Maria Kervin, at maria.kervin@parracatholic.org



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday – Friday 7.00am – 7.50am

Saturday – Sunday 7.30am – 8.20am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
is available during Adoration.

EUCCHARIST28 PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you for the gift of your real presence in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

Grant us the grace to receive you reverently, worship you truly and serve you with hearts renewed.

By the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen us, so that as you gave yourself to the Father and to us, we too may offer our lives to God and to others.

Inspire and help us to serve you in those who are in need, especially the defenseless and homeless, the lonely and lost.

Unite us with your sacrifice of the Mass, so that we may truly become what we have received, the Body of Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE FOR REFLECTION

"My flesh is real food, and My blood is real drink. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood lives in Me and I live in him." John 6:56

SAINTLY THOUGHTS FOR REFLECTION

"From the Eucharist comes the strength to live the Christian life with zeal and to share that life with others." St. John Paul II

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

What is God asking of me personally, during this year of prayer and eucharistic renewal?

How can I live a more eucharistic life?

Do we as a community live intentionally as the Body of Christ, broken and given up for others?

Web Site: <https://eucharist28.org>

POPE LEO XIV ANGELUS**Sunday 19th July 2026**

Dear brothers and sisters, happy Sunday!

Following the parable of the sower, Jesus continues to address the crowds using a series of images: the good wheat and the weeds, the mustard seed and the yeast in the dough (cf. *Mt* 13:24–43).

These three short parables recall the coming of the Kingdom of God in history, its action in human lives, and the way it grows, expands and transforms the world from within. Through these images, Jesus warns us against the temptation of thinking that God is a powerful figure who imposes himself by force, who takes over and dominates, or who arrives triumphantly. Instead, God favors smallness, a sign of his discreet love, by which he leaves us free to accept or reject him. His love makes its presence felt even among the weeds, acts in a hidden and invisible way like the smallest of all seeds, and leavens the dough without making a sound.

Brothers and sisters, through these parables, Jesus reveals something important about the manner in which God works in our lives and in history. We sometimes expect God to do something spectacular; we want him to intervene from on high, immediately uprooting the weeds of evil. We imagine a strong and powerful God, and, unfortunately, we also model our way of being Christians and way of being the Church on this image. However, the Kingdom of God spreads even amidst the weeds, requiring us to train our vision so we can discern the good that sprouts despite the darkness of evil, and avoiding rash judgments. It comes like the smallest of seeds and thus calls for patience in accompanying these processes, so that we can recognize it in the little things of daily life and in the simplicity of ordinary existence. It grows invisibly like yeast in flour, and so we are freed from discouragement and invited to have faith even when it seems that God is absent. In fact, he is always with us, and his love is always ready to help us.

God's way of acting must also become the way in which we live, both as individuals and as the Church, amidst the reality that surrounds us. We are called to adopt a Gospel-centered approach, without hastily opposing others through arrogant

judgments, without imposing ourselves through power and force, and without losing trust in God's work. As the then-Cardinal Ratzinger said, it is a matter of submitting ourselves to the logic of the seed — which is not that of success and greatness, but that of making ourselves small and serving others (cf. *Address to Catechists and Religion Teachers*, 10 December 2000). In this way, we will become like small seeds of the Gospel that sprout, and leavens of love that transform the dough of the world.

Let us ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, who knew how to welcome the seed of the Word in her smallness, to sustain us on our journey and intercede for us.

After the Angelus prayer

Dear brothers and sisters,

While I am taking a few days for rest, I once again extend my greetings and gratitude to all of you, residents of Castel Gandolfo, and I joyfully welcome the pilgrims arriving from every part of the world!

We continue to follow with concern the events unfolding in various countries torn apart by war and violence. Let us not forget those who are suffering and dying because of these conflicts, and let us add our constant prayers to the generous efforts for peace.

I greet Mother Elvira's Cenacolo Community, gathered in Saluzzo for the Festival of Life; the New Families Movement of the *Focolari* gathered for the International School; the Mexican students participating in the APRA Summer School; and the group from the Catholic Worldview Fellowship.

I extend my greetings to the young adult *Regnum Christi* members who are participating in the International Formators Course, and I also greet those taking part in "The Lion Pilgrimage," accompanied by Bishop Anthony Percy, the Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney, Australia.

I also greet the families and the children assisted by Sisters of Charity of the Assumption of Rome, the young people from the parish of Holy Savior in Jerusalem, the children's group from the parish of Saint Augustine of Bovolenta and the pilgrims from the Liturgical Academy of Rzeszów.

I wish all of you a peaceful Sunday!