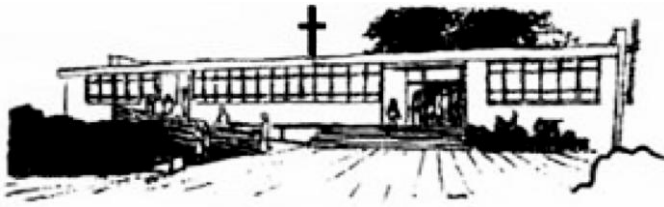


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP, Parish Priest

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Fr. Grzegorz Mazur OP

EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148 (Calls Only)

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

1st March 2026, Year A/2



BELLINI, Giovanni, Transfiguration of Christ, 1480

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

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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

First Reading: Genesis 12::1-4

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

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		† Iva Masek
SUNDAY	8:30am		†† Deceased Members of the Woodward & Hewitt Families
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	2 nd Week of Lent	Living & †† Deceased Members of the Gatty & McCaffrey Families
Tuesday	8:00am	2 nd Week of Lent	Cardinal George Pell
Wednesday	8.00am	2 nd Week of Lent	Jean Said
Thursday	8.00am	2 nd Week of Lent	Iva Masek
Friday	8.00am	2 nd Week of Lent	Lynne's Mother (For Good Health)
Saturday	8.30am	2 nd Week of Lent	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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to the Priest or ring the Parish Office.

POPE'S MARCH INTENTIONS

For Disarmament and Peace

Let us pray that nations move to effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Iva Masek, Reynaldo Cruz Santos, Colleen Biriano, Jimmy Yuen, Danny Patos, Reg Strachan

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR: Dec. Members of the Woodward & Hewitt Families, Dec. Mems. of the Gatty & McCaffrey Families, Cardinal George Pell, Jean Said, Dec. Mems. of St Vincent de Paul Society

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2026

Reconciliation: Thursday 26th March

First Communion: Sunday 7th June

Registration & 1st Session: 12th April

Confirmation: Sunday 22nd November

Registration & 1st Session: 19th July

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 6pm during Lent.

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

SECOND COLLECTION: **Loose: \$518.95**
 Planned Giving: \$1397
 Smart Facilities: \$945
 Project Donations: \$65

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.

BIBLE STUDY

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

PROJECT COMPASSION 2026

This Lent, our Parish Community is called to *Unite Against Poverty* with Caritas Australia. Please collect your Donation Box or you can donate online at www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate or by calling 1800 024 413.

PARISH LUNCH

Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 11th March at St. Mary's Band Club. All are welcome. If you need a lift, please ring the Parish Office by Tuesday 10th.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

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



PARISH FAMILY PICNIC

To celebrate our Parish Feast of St Joseph, the Parish Council is organising a Picnic on Sunday 15th March from midday at Regatta Park, 7 River Road, Emu Plains. Bring your own picnic and join us for lunch.

FAMILY CLUB 2026

The Family Club is a new initiative in the Parish, with the first session on Saturday, 21st March from 2:30pm to 4:30pm in the Parish Hall. Please see poster for details and scan the QR code to register. For further information please call Marta on 0412 539 127.

TWENTY-FOUR HOURS FOR THE LORD

24 hours of prayer, adoration and quiet reflection at the Mt Schoenstatt Shrine in Mulgoa starting with Mass at 6.30pm Friday 13th March and ending with Mass at 5.30pm on Saturday 14th March.



HOLY HOUR

Sunday 1st March from 7.15am – 8.15am

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday – Friday 7.00am – 7.50am
Saturday – Sunday 7.30am – 8.20am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
is available during Adoration.

EUCHARIST28 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

“This is my body, given for you; do this in memory of me.” Luke 22:19

SAINTLY THOUGHT FOR REFLECTION

“Recognise in the bread what hung on the cross, and in the cup what flowed from his side.” St Augustine

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

22nd February 2026

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning.

Today, on the First Sunday of Lent, the Gospel tells us about Jesus who, led by the Spirit, enters the desert and is tempted by the devil (cf. *Mt* 4:1–11). After fasting for forty days, he feels the weight of his humanity: physically, through hunger, and morally, through the devil's temptations. In this, he experiences the same struggle we all face on our journey. By resisting the evil one, he demonstrates how we, too, can overcome the devil's deception and snares.

Through this Word of life, the liturgy invites us to view Lent as a luminous path. By means of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we can renew our cooperation with the Lord in the crafting of our lives as a unique masterpiece. This involves allowing him to cleanse the stains and heal the wounds of sin, as we commit to letting our lives blossom in beauty until they attain the fullness of love — the only source of true happiness.

To be sure, this is a demanding journey. There is always the risk of discouragement or of being drawn to easier paths to satisfaction, such as wealth, fame and power (cf. *Mt* 4:3–8). These temptations, which Jesus himself faced, are merely poor substitutes for the joy for which we were created. Ultimately, they leave us dissatisfied, restless and empty.

For this reason, Saint Paul VI taught that penance — far from impoverishing our humanity — enriches, purifies and strengthens it, as we move toward a horizon that has “as its aim love and surrender to God” (Apostolic Constitution *Paenitemini*, 17 February 1966, I). Indeed, while penance makes us aware of our limitations, it also grants us the strength to overcome them and to live, with God's help, in deeper communion with him and with one another. In this time of grace, let us therefore practice penance generously, alongside prayer and works of mercy. Let us create space for silence by turning off televisions, radios and cell phones for a while. Let us meditate on the Word of God, approach the Sacraments, and listen to the voice of the Holy

Spirit who speaks to us in our heart. Let us also listen to one another — in our families, workplaces and communities. Let us dedicate time to those who are alone, especially the elderly, the poor and the sick. By giving up what is superfluous, we can share what we save with those in need. Then, as Saint Augustine taught, our prayer offered in this way — “in humility and charity, by fasting and giving, by restraining ourselves and pardoning, by paying out good deeds and not paying back bad ones, by turning away from evil and doing good” (*Sermons*, 206, 3) — will reach heaven and give us peace.

We entrust our Lenten journey to the Virgin Mary, our Mother who always assists her children in times of trial.

After the Angelus

Dear brothers and sisters,

Four years have passed since the beginning of the war against Ukraine. My heartfelt thoughts remain focused on the tragic situation unfolding before the eyes of the whole world: so many victims, so many lives and families shattered, such immense destruction, such unspeakable suffering! Every war is truly a wound inflicted upon the entire human family; it leaves in its wake death, devastation and a trail of pain that marks generations.

Peace cannot be postponed. It is an urgent necessity that must find a home in our hearts and be translated into responsible decisions. For this reason, I renew my heartfelt appeal: let the weapons fall silent, let the bombings cease, let an immediate ceasefire be reached, and let dialogue be strengthened to pave the way toward peace.

I invite everyone to join in prayer for the embattled people of Ukraine and for all those who suffer due to this war and every conflict in the world, that the long-awaited gift of peace may shine upon our days. I now extend my greetings to all of you: the faithful of Rome and pilgrims from Italy and various other countries.

I wish everyone a happy Sunday and a fruitful Lenten journey.