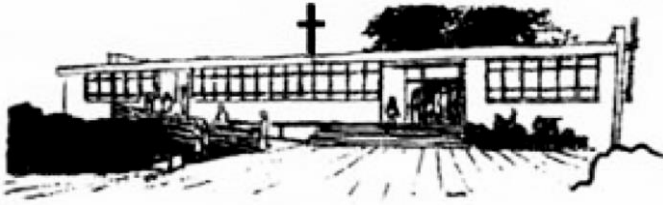


# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

25<sup>th</sup> January 2026, Year A/2



GHIRLANDAIO, Domenico, Calling of the Apostles, 1481, Cappella Sistina, Vatican

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

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

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**First Reading:** Isaiah 8:23-9:3

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord is my light and my salvation.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

**Gospel:** Matthew 4:12-23

### VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Thanksgiving for all God's Blessings
SUNDAY	8:30am		St Bernadette Rosary Group Intentions
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	Australia Day	†† Maria & Zygmunt Blazek & Marianne Pikula
Tuesday	8:00am	Week 2 Ordinary Time	Basilisa Daton Toledo (Birthday Blessings)
Wednesday	8.00am	St Agnes	Thanksgiving for all God's Blessings
Thursday	8.00am	Week 2 Ordinary Time	Errin, Tia & Leonie Jenkins (God's Mercy for their Family)
Friday	8.00am	Bl Henry Suso	Thanksgiving for all God's Blessings
Saturday	8.30am	St Francis de Sales	Thanksgiving Mass

### 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.

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2026

**Reconciliation:** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March

**Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> Session:** 8<sup>th</sup> February

**Your child needs to be 8 years old and Baptised to register for the Reconciliation sessions.**

**First Communion:** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June

**Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> Session:** 12<sup>th</sup> April

**Confirmation:** Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

**Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> Session:** 19<sup>th</sup> July

Sessions will be at 11.30am each Sunday.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests. Do not put Mass Intention envelopes into Collection Bags.

### BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to the Priest or ring the Parish Office.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Lilian Ching, Jean-Marie Albert-Thenet, Rosamma Sarojam Johnson, Michael Holstein, Sister Jeana, Iva Masek

### DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Maria & Zygmunt Blazek, Marianne Pikula

### POPE'S JANUARY INTENTIONS

#### For Prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

**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.



**POPE LEO XIV GENERAL AUDIENCE**

21<sup>st</sup> January 2026

**Catechesis. The Documents of Vatican Council II.  
I. Dogmatic Constitution *Dei Verbum*.**

***Divine Revelation***

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning.

We have seen that God reveals himself in a dialogue of covenant, in which he addresses us as friends. It is therefore a relational knowledge, which not only communicates ideas, but shares a history and calls for communion in reciprocity. The fulfilment of this revelation takes place in a historical and personal encounter in which God himself gives himself to us, making himself present, and we discover that we are known in our deepest truth. It is what happens in Jesus Christ. The Document states: "The deepest truth about God and the salvation of man shines out for our sake in Christ, who is both the mediator and the fullness of all revelation" (DV, 2).

Jesus reveals the Father to us by involving us in his own relationship with Him. In the Son "man might in the Holy Spirit have access to the Father and come to share in the divine nature" (ibid.). We therefore reach full knowledge of God by entering into the Son's relationship with his Father, by virtue of the action of the Spirit. This is attested to, for example, by the Evangelist Luke when he recounts the Lord's prayer of jubilation: "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him" (Lk 10:21-22).

Thanks to Jesus we know God as we are known by Him (cf. Gal 4:9); 1 Cor 13:13). Indeed, in Christ, God has communicated himself to us and, at the same time, he has manifested to us our true identity as his children, created in the image of the Word. This "eternal Word ... enlightens all men" (DV 4), revealing their truth in the eyes of the Father: "Your Father, who sees in secret will reward you" (Mt 6:5; 6:8), says Jesus, and he adds that "your Father knows that you need all these things" (cf. Mt 6:32). Jesus Christ is the place where we recognize the truth of God the Father, while we discover

ourselves known by Him as sons in the Son, called to the same destiny of full life. Saint Paul writes: "When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son ... so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba!', Father!" (Gal 4:4-6).

Finally, Jesus Christ reveals the Father with his own humanity. Precisely because he is the Word incarnate that dwells among men, Jesus reveals God to us with his own true and integral humanity: "To see Jesus is to see His Father (Jn 14:9). For this reason, Jesus perfected revelation, fulfilling it through his whole work of making Himself present and manifesting Himself through His words and deeds, His signs and wonders, but especially through His death and glorious resurrection from the dead and final sending of the Spirit of truth" (DV, 4). In order to know God in Christ, we must welcome his integral humanity: God's truth is not fully revealed where it takes something away from the human, just as the integrity of Jesus' humanity does not diminish the fullness of the divine gift. It is the integral humanity of Jesus that tells us the truth of the Father (cf. Jn 1:18).

It is not only the death and resurrection of Jesus that saves us and calls us together, but his very person: the Lord who becomes incarnate, is born, heals, teaches, suffers, dies, rises again and remains among us. Therefore, to honour the greatness of the Incarnation, it is not enough to consider Jesus as the channel of transmission of intellectual truths. If Jesus has a real body, the communication of the truth of God is realized in that body, with its own way of perceiving and feeling reality, with its own way of inhabiting and passing through the world. Jesus himself invites us to share his perception of reality: "Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?" (Mt 6:26).

Brothers and sisters, by following the path of Jesus to the very end, we reach the certainty that nothing can separate us from God's love. "If God is for us, who is against us?", writes Saint Paul again. "He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else?" (Rom 8:31-32). Thanks to Jesus, Christians know God the Father and entrust themselves to Him with confidence.