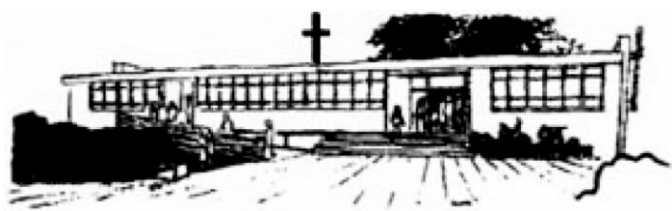


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP

Assistant Priest

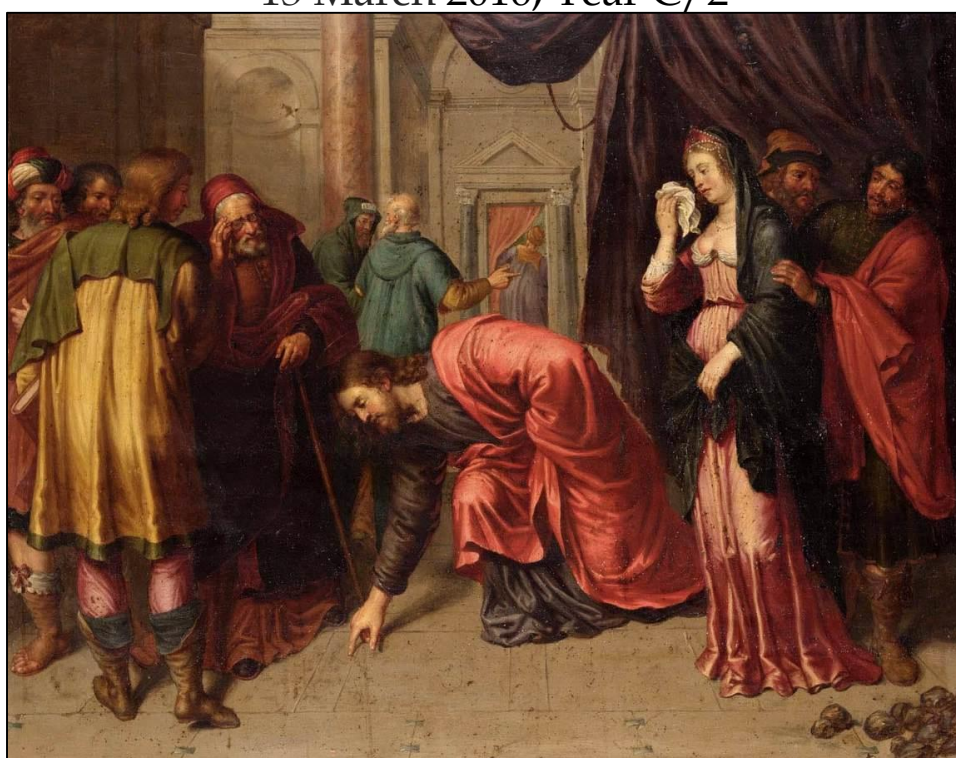
Fr. Piotr Kruk OP

EMERGENCY PHONE: 02 9673 5046

Please leave a detailed Message

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

13 March 2016, Year C/2



LINT, Pieter van
Christ and the Adulterous Woman

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm (Mass in Polish)

6:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am
10:00am

Weekday Masses:

Monday-Friday 8:00am

Saturday 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday after 8:30am Mass

ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs. Franziska Jackson – Principal

School Office Times

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

Address

94 Joseph Street
Kingswood, NSW 2747

Telephone: 4732 3999; Fax: 4731 1432

<http://www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au>

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday 9:00am – 2:00pm and Friday: 8:30am – 1:30pm

Address: 12-22 Richmond Rd, PO Box 39, Kingswood, NSW 27 Telephone: 02 4721 4080; Fax: 02 4721 0089

Email: parish@stjosephskingswood.org; Web: www.stjosephskingswood.org; Facebook: [stjosephskingswood](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephskingswood)

LITURGY

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Entrance Antiphon: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

No Mass Intention

SUNDAY 8:30am

Charles & Anthony

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday: 8:00am 5th Week of Lent

No Mass Intention

Tuesday: 8:00am 5th Week of Lent

No Mass Intention

Wednesday 8:00am 5th Week of Lent

No Mass Intention

Thursday 8:00am St. Patrick

No Mass Intention

Friday 8:00am 5th Week of Lent

Peter Touns

Saturday 8:30am St. Joseph, Husband of Mary

No Mass Intention

ADORATION CHAPEL: Open during office hours or speak to Father Andrew to arrange another time.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please contact the Parish Office or one of the priests. In the case of Emergency please call the emergency number at the front of this bulletin.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Peter Touns

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION:

Saturday at 5:15pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Fridays of Lent 7:00pm

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH:

Saturday 19th March. Morning tea after 8:30am Mass. Please bring a plate to share.

PRAYER FOR FAITH IN OUR FUTURE:

Gracious God, source of all life, you call us together in faith and love as the Diocese of Parramatta.

As one body in Christ, may we respond to your Word, attend to the signs of the times, and live as your disciples in word and deed.

Renew our hearts in your Holy Spirit to grow and share our faith with the world; give us courage and grace to live faith in our future. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH:

Universal: That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person.

Evangelization: That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: : Kevin Collins, Alistair McArthur, Dianne Devitt, John McCahon, Kathryn Tuckwell, Carmel Kerr, Debbie O'Connor, Roger Stevens, Cameron Stevens, Shayla, Karen Morvan, Gisela Drobiszewski, Charles Timmins, Barbara Thompson, Zig Barglik, Mavis Murphy, Bus Maybaum, Valerie Davies, Janet Boreham, Anne Tucker, Raymond Waters, Francene Flannery Jason Isbitski, Rosslyn Talbot, Johnson Talia & Noeline Cruzado.

SICK LIST: If you have anyone for the sick list (due to privacy laws) contact the Parish Office to fill in a form

PARISH AND DIOCESE

WEEKLY

SECOND COLLECTION: ENVELOPES \$ 817.00

LOOSE: \$ 388.95

Your contributions to the first collection go to the Diocese to support the priests working in the Parish.

Your contributions to the second collection go directly to the Parish to support day to day operation of the Parish.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA:

After 10:00am Mass.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM:

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 19 March 2016

First Communion: 29 May 2016

Registration: 3 April 2016

Confirmation: 22 November 2016

Registration: 28 August 2016

SKY YOUTH GROUP:

Wednesday 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

DIOCESAN WORKS FUND:

Our quota of \$2709.00 has been met.

Thank you all for your generosity.



YEAR OF MERCY

Pope Francis has called on the whole Church to celebrate an extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. The Jubilee commenced on 8th December 2015 and will close on the Solemnity of Christ the King of the Universe 20 November 2016.

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUPS:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 1:30pm at 1/23 Walter Street, Kingswood. Dianne—4731 3685.

2nd & 4th Wednesdays after morning Mass—9am to 10am in Parish Hall. Aloma 4731 8102 Teresa—4731 4222

2nd & 4th Thursday 7:00pm at 2/40 Single Road, South Penrith. Elaine—4736 8162.



GIFT OF THE PLENARY INDULGENCE

Pope Francis has granted a special jubilee indulgence for the faithful praying in a Dominican church. That is why everyday's morning adoration we finish with special prayers to gain a plenary indulgence.

EASTER LITURGIES:

Reconciliation for Easter – Monday 21st March – 9:00am to 12 noon & 5:00pm to 7:30pm

Holy Thursday 24th March – Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:00pm

Good Friday 25th March – Stations of the Cross – 11:00am. Passion of the Lord – 3:00pm

Holy Saturday 26th March – Easter Vigil – 7:30pm

Easter Sunday 27th March – 8:30am & 10:00am Masses. 12 noon – Polish Mass.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for homebound parishioners from 14th to 16th March. Please ring the Parish office.

REHEARSAL FOR EASTER LITURGIES:

All Acolytes on Roster and all Junior Servers who would like to be involved in our Easter Liturgies, are required to attend Rehearsals. Dates and times are as follows:-

Holy Thursday & Good Friday for Liturgies – Saturday 19th March at 10:30am.

Holy Saturday for Liturgy – Saturday 26th March at 10:30am.

PILGRIMAGE TO MT. SCHOENSTATT:

Saturday 16th April after morning Mass we will be going on the Pilgrimage to Mt Schoenstatt, where we will have special Jubilee Prayers and pass through the Holy Door of Mercy. We are taking our own lunch for a picnic in the grounds. Please let the Office know if you are interested so that we will know numbers for hiring a bus.

Following proclamation of the Privacy Act 1988 at the end of 2001, a privacy policy has been developed in accordance with Diocesan norms and has been approved by the Parish Priest. A copy is available from the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

Havana, Cuba, Feb 12, 2016 / 02:51 pm ([CNA/EWTN News](#)).- In a historic first, Pope Francis on Friday met with Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill. The Feb. 12 meeting took place in Havana, Cuba, a stop added at the start of the Holy Father's Feb. 12-17 trip to Mexico

Francis

Bishop of Rome
Pope of the Catholic
Church

Kirill

Patriarch of Moscow
and all Russia

NEWS

Joint Declaration of Pope Francis and Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia Continuation

26. We deplore the hostility in Ukraine that has already caused many victims, inflicted innumerable wounds on peaceful inhabitants and thrown society into a deep economic and humanitarian crisis. We invite all the parts involved in the conflict to prudence, to social solidarity and to action aimed at constructing peace. We invite our Churches in Ukraine to work towards social harmony, to refrain from taking part in the confrontation, and to not support any further development of the conflict.

27. It is our hope that the schism between the Orthodox faithful in Ukraine may be overcome through existing canonical norms, that all the Orthodox Christians of Ukraine may live in peace and harmony, and that the Catholic communities in the country may contribute to this, in such a way that our Christian brotherhood may become increasingly evident.

28. In the contemporary world, which is both multiform yet united by a shared destiny, Catholics and Orthodox are called to work together fraternally in proclaiming the Good News of salvation, to testify together to the moral dignity and authentic freedom of the person, "so that the world may believe" (Jn 17:21). This world, in which the spiritual pillars of human existence are progressively disappearing, awaits from us a compelling Christian witness in all spheres of personal and social life. Much of the future of humanity will depend on our capacity to give shared witness to the Spirit of truth in these difficult times.

29. May our bold witness to God's truth and to the Good News of salvation be sustained by the Man-God Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, who strengthens us with the unfailing promise: "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom" (Lk 12:32)!

Christ is the well-spring of joy and hope. Faith in Him transfigures human life, fills it with meaning. This is the conviction borne of the experience of all those to whom Peter refers in his words: "Once you were 'no people' but now you are God's people; you 'had not received mercy' but now you have received mercy" (1 Pet 2:10).

30. With grace-filled gratitude for the gift of mutual understanding manifested during our meeting, let us with hope turn to the Most Holy Mother of God, invoking her with the words of this ancient prayer: "We seek refuge under the protection of your mercy, Holy Mother of God". May the Blessed Virgin Mary, through her intercession, inspire fraternity in all those who venerate her, so that they may be reunited, in God's own time, in the peace and harmony of the one people of God, for the glory of the Most Holy and indivisible Trinity!

During his address to the faithful gathered in St. Peter's Square after the Angelus prayer, the Pope prayed for the slain nuns who belonged to Mother Teresa's "Missionaries of Charity" and who were serving in a home for the elderly which was attacked on Friday by gunmen in the city of Aden.

Expressing his closeness to the religious Order, he said the nuns "gave their blood for the Church" and that they were not only victims of the attackers but also of "this indifference of globalization."

The nuns were among 16 people killed during an attack by terrorists who stormed the retirement home.

Pope Francis also praised an ecumenical project to fly refugees to Europe as "a concrete sign of commitment for peace and life."

He described the "pilot" project as a reality that unites solidarity with security allowing the safe transfer of people who are fleeing war and violence, such as the "one hundred refugees who have already arrived in Italy and amongst whom there are minors, sick people, disabled people, war widows with children and elderly people".

The group that arrived in Rome last month represents the first wave of the planned transfer of 1,000 particularly vulnerable refugees from camps in Lebanon, Morocco and Ethiopia.

Pope Francis said he is particularly happy the initiative is an ecumenical one that sees the support of the Community of Saint Egidio, the Federation of Italian Evangelical Churches, the Waldensian and the Methodist Churches.

Meanwhile, during his catechesis Pope Francis reflected on the parable of the prodigal son saying that God gives us the freedom to make mistakes, but he always welcomes us back to the fold with open arms.

Jesus, he said, teaches us to be merciful just as the Father is, and he warned against pride and arrogance that can derive from feelings of righteousness. That kind of attitude, he said, is evil. The Lord welcomes those who recognize their sinfulness.

The Pope concluded his catechesis saying that God loves us immeasurably and comes towards us with tenderness when we approach Him after having wandered.

"He welcomes us, Pope Francis concluded, and restores our dignity as God's children."

(Linda Bordoni)