

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

Parish Priest

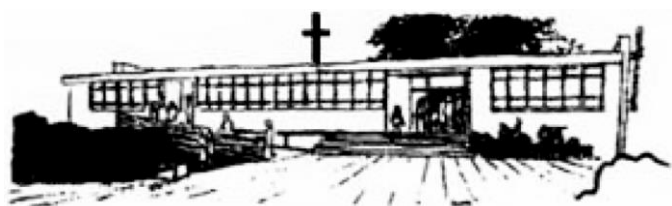
Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP

Assistant Priest

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17 January 2016, Year C



SCHNORR VON CAROLSFELD, Julius,
The Wedding Feast at Cana, 1819

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

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

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LITURGY

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Responsorial Psalm: Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

Entrance Antiphon: All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

No Mass Intention

SUNDAY 8:30am

William Corrigan

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday: 8:00am St. Margaret of Hungary

No Mass Intention

Tuesday: 8:00am Ordinary Time

No Mass Intention

Wednesday 8:00am Ordinary Time

Josephine Attard

Thursday 8:00am St. Agnes

No Mass Intention

Friday 8:00am Ordinary Time

No Mass Intention

Saturday 8:30am Mass of the Virgin 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:

William Corrigan

DECEASED ANNIVERSARY:

Josephine Attard

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION:

Saturday at 5:15pm

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 JANUARY:

Universal: That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace.

Evangelization: That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.

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, Jack Kane, Janet Boreham, Anne Tucker, Raymond Waters, Francene Flannery Jason Isbitski & 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 \$736.00
LOOSE: \$309.80

DONATIONS AND FUND-RAISING:

THIS WEEK DONATIONS: \$

SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA:

After 10:00am Mass.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM:

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 2 April 2016

Registration: 14th February 2016

First Communion: 29 May 2016

Registration 3rd April 2016

Confirmation: 22 November 2016

Registration 28th August 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.

In these groups we: Pray, Study the Bible, have a Teaching, Reflect & Share our Faith. You are most welcome to join us at any of these groups.

OFFICE HOURS DURING SUMMER:

During the month of January 2016 the Parish Office will be open on Fridays 8:30am – 1:30pm. Normal office hours will resume from February 2016.



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.



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ORDER OF PREACHERS

www.stjoseph800.org

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENNA IN THE YEAR OF MERCY

Second from the series of meetings about the Dominican Order and Spirituality.

22 January 2016, 7:00 pm Parish Hall

GIFT OF THE PLENARY INDULGENCE

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



RAFFLE TICKETS:

To help offset the cost of the Pilgrimage for young people going to WYD in Cracow Poland.

Booklet of 10 tickets \$20.00. Please feel free to take a book to sell to your friends.

PRAYER GROUPS resume in February

SKY YOUTH GROUP resumes in February

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

PAPAL ADDRESSES

Vatican City, 13 January 2016 (VIS) – During today's general audience, which took place in the Vatican's Paul VI Hall, the Pope began a new cycle of catechesis dedicated to mercy from a Biblical perspective, to foster an understanding of what mercy is through listening to what God Himself teaches us with His Word.

Francis referred to a passage from the Book of Exodus in which the Lord describes Himself as "a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness". "In other texts too we encounter this formula, with some variation, but stress is always placed on the mercy and love of God Who never tires of forgiving", he said, before going on to analyse each of these terms used in the sacred Scripture to describe God.

The word "merciful" evokes an attitude of tenderness, "like that of a mother towards her child. Indeed, the Hebrew word used in the Bible makes us think of the maternal womb. Therefore the image suggested is that of a God who is moved to tenderness for us like a mother when she holds her child in her arms, wishing only to love, protect and help him, willing to give everything, even herself. A love, then, that can be defined as ... visceral".

The Lord is full of pity and compassion; in His greatness "He stoops to those who are weak and poor, always ready to welcome, understand and forgive". He is like the father in the parable of the prodigal son "who does not close himself in resentment at his abandonment by his youngest son, but on the contrary continues to wait for him, and then runs out to meet and embrace him. He does not even let him finish his confession ... so great is his love and joy at finding him again".

Of this merciful God it is also said that He is "slow to anger", as if He waited before responding, breathing deeply without losing patience. "God knows how to wait: He does not have the impatience of men. He is like the wise farmer who knows how to wait, who leaves time to let the good seed grow, rather than weeds".

Finally, the Lord proclaims Himself "abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness". "How beautiful is this definition of God!", exclaimed the Pope. "Here

we find everything. Because God is great and powerful, but this greatness and power are shown in loving us, so small and incapable as we are. The word 'to love' as used here indicates affection, grace, goodness. It is the love that takes the first step, that does not depend upon human merits but on an immense gratuity. It is the divine solicitude that nothing can stop, not even sin, as it goes beyond sin, conquering evil and forgiving it. A faithfulness without limits: here is the last word of God's revelation to Moses. God's faithfulness never ceases because the Lord ... never sleeps, but rather keeps watch over us continually to bring us to life".

"God is always and completely loyal", concluded Francis. "His is a solid and stable presence. It is the certainty of our faith. In this Jubilee of Mercy, let us trust fully in Him, to feel the joy of being loved by this merciful and clement God, slow to anger and great in love and faithfulness".

NEWS

Vatican City, 13 January 2016 (VIS) – At the end of today's general audience, the Holy Father invited prayer for the victims of the attack that took place yesterday afternoon in Istanbul. "May the Lord, the Merciful, grant eternal peace to the departed, consolation to their families and steadfast solidarity to all of society, and convert the hearts of the violent"

Vatican City, 14 January 2016 (VIS) – The Apostolic Almoner reports that this afternoon a group of homeless people, refugees, prisoners and people living in poverty, will have the opportunity to attend a circus show offered by the Rony Roller Circus, which will make two thousand seats available for the event.

The show will begin with a song dedicated to Pope Francis by a Spanish singer-songwriter, also homeless, which will serve as the opening prayer. The Holy Father, during a general audience in 2015, commented that circus performers are "creators of beauty", which is good for the soul and which we are greatly in need of. This gift, offered by circus artistes, who with consistency, commitment and many sacrifices manage to create and give beauty to themselves and others, may encourage our poorest brethren to overcome to hardships of life.