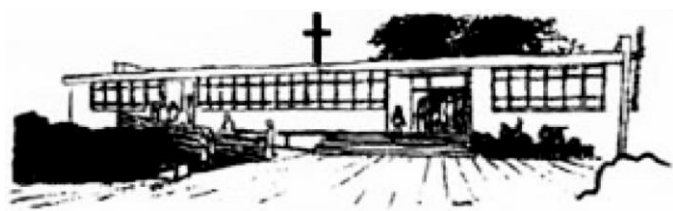


# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## EASTER

27 March 2016, Year C/2



GIOTTO di Bondone  
No. 37 Scenes from the Life of Christ: 21. Resurrection (Noli me tangere)  
1304-06

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  
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## LITURGY

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Responsorial Psalm:** This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

**Entrance Antiphon:** I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

**VIGIL SATURDAY**

7:30pm

No Mass Intention

**SUNDAY** 8:30am

For the Parish

10:00am

For the Parish

**Monday:** 8:00am Octave of Easter

John Nyvlt

**Tuesday:** 8:00am Octave of Easter

Jane Nyvlt

**Wednesday** 8:00am Octave of EasterFor Vocations to the Priesthood &  
Religious Life**Thursday** 8:00pm Octave of Easter

For Persecuted Christians

**Friday** 8:00am Octave of Easter

Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday** 8:30am Octave of Easter

Souls in Purgatory

**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:****DECEASED ANNIVERSARY:**

Kevin Murphy, John Nyvlt, Jane Nyvlt

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS:**

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 3:00pm in the Church.

**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.

## PARISH AND DIOCESE

### *HAVE A BLESSED AND HOLY EASTER* *DOMINICAN FATHERS*

**SECOND COLLECTION:** ENVELOPES \$ 985.00

LOOSE: \$ 455.35

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

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

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM:**

**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.**



### **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.

### **PILGRIMAGE TO MT. SCHOENSTATT:**

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **ALL NIGHT ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Jesus Youth Australia, will be sponsoring a Night of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Josephs'. **Beginning Friday, 1 April 3:30 pm.**



### **WYD RAFFLES:**

Thank you very much to all who supported a raffle drive for Sesi Divine and Dylan Nelson who will represent our Parish in WYD 2016 in Cracow Poland. We have collected \$ 2,037. Unfortunately no one from our parish has won any prizes in the raffle drawing. The funds will be transferred to Sesi and Dylan WYD accounts. Thank you for your generosity.



**JUBILEE 800** 1216 - 2016  
**ORDER OF PREACHERS**

[www.stjoseph800.org](http://www.stjoseph800.org)

### **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.

### **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.

Most sincere thank you to all who helped in preparation of the celebration of our Paschal Triduum: especially: St. Joseph's Choir, Acolytes, Readers, Altar Servers and volunteers who helped with washing, cleaning and decorating our church. This is a great testimony to your dedication to St. Joseph's. God bless you for your generosity and continuous support! Fr. Andrew

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## CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

### GENERAL AUDIENCE

Pope's Francis Address:

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

Our reflection on God's mercy introduces us today to the Easter Triduum. We will live Holy Thursday, Friday and Saturday as intense moments, which enable us to enter increasingly in the great mystery of our faith: the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Everything in these three days speaks of mercy, because it renders visible the point that God's love can reach. We will listen to the account of the last days of Jesus' life. The evangelist John offers us the key to understand the profound meaning: "He loved his own in the world and he loved them to the end" (*John* 13:1). God's love has no limits. As Saint Augustine often repeated, it is a love that goes "to the end without end." God truly offers Himself wholly for each one of us and does not spare Himself in anything. The Mystery we adore in this Holy Week is a great story of love that knows no obstacles. Jesus' Passion lasts until the end of the world, because it is a story of sharing with the sufferings of the whole of humanity and a permanent presence in the events of the personal life of each one of us. In sum, the Easter Triduum is the memorial of a drama of love that gives us the certainty that we will never be abandoned in life's trials.

On Holy Thursday Jesus institutes the Eucharist, anticipating in the paschal banquet His sacrifice on Golgotha. To make His disciples understand the love that animates Him, He washes their feet, offering once again a personal example of how they must act. The Eucharist is love that becomes service. It is the sublime presence of Christ, who wishes to satisfy the hunger of every man, especially of the weakest, to render him capable of giving witness through the difficulties of the world — but not only this. In giving Himself to us as food, Jesus attests that we must learn to break this nourishment with others, so that it becomes a true communion of life with all those in need. He gives Himself to us and asks us to abide in Him to do the same.

Holy Friday is the culminating moment of love. The death of Jesus, who on the cross abandons Himself to the Father to offer salvation to the whole world, expresses the love given to the end, without end. A love that intends to embrace all, no one excluded. A love that extends to every time and place: an inexhaustible

source of salvation from which each one of us, sinners, can draw. If God has shown His supreme love in Jesus' death, then we also, regenerated by the Holy Spirit, can and must love one another.

And, finally, Holy Saturday is the day of God's silence. It must be a day of silence. We must do everything possible so that it is a day of silence, as that Day, which was the day of God's silence. Jesus placed in the sepulcher shares with the whole of humanity the tragedy of death. It is a silence that speaks and expresses love as solidarity with all those ever abandoned, which the Son of God reaches filling the emptiness that only the infinite mercy of God the Father can fill. God is silent, but out of love. In this day love, that silent love, becomes expectation of life in the resurrection. We think of Holy Saturday: it will do us good to think of the silence of Our Lady, "the Believer," who in silence awaited the Resurrection. Our Lady must be the icon for us of that Holy Saturday. To think much of how Our Lady lived that Holy Saturday, in expectation. It is a love that does not doubt, but that hopes in the Lord's word, and which becomes manifest and splendid on Easter day.

It is all a great mystery of love and mercy. Our words are poor and insufficient to express it fully. We can be helped by the experience of a not well-known girl, who wrote sublime pages on the love of Christ. Her name was Julian of Norwich; she was illiterate, this girl who had visions of Jesus' Passion and who then, having become a recluse, described in simple but profound and intense language, the meaning of merciful love. She said this: "Then our good Lord asked me: 'Are you happy that I suffered for you?' I said: 'Yes, good Lord, and I thank you very much; yes, good Lord, may you be blessed.'" Then Jesus, our good Lord, said: "If you are happy, so am I. To have suffered the Passion for you is a joy for me, a happiness, and eternal bliss; and if I could suffer more, I would do so.'" This is our Jesus, who says to each one of us: "If I could suffer more for you, I would do so."

How beautiful these words are! They enable us to truly understand the immense and limitless love that the Lord has for each one of us. Let us be enveloped by this mercy that comes to us and, in these days, while we have our gaze fixed on the Passion and Death of the Lord, let us receive in our heart the greatness of His love and, as Our Lady on Saturday, in silence, in the expectation of the Resurrection.