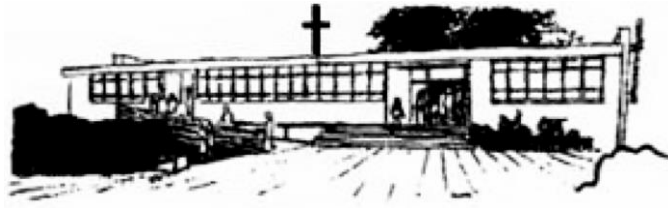


# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP

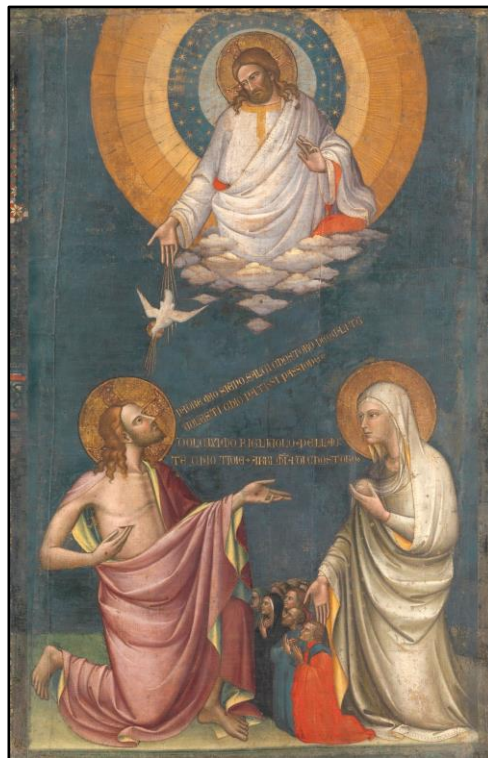
Assistant Priest

Fr. Piotr Kruk OP

EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148 (Calls Only)

## TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13<sup>th</sup> October 2024, Year B/2



The Intercession of Christ and the Virgin, Lorenzo Monaco  
(Italian, 1370-1425)

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

Ms. Jennifer Crowley - Principal

#### School Office Times

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

#### Address

94 Joseph Street  
Kingswood, NSW 2747

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Entrance Antiphon:** If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?  
But with You is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

**First Reading:** Wisdom 7:7-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** Fill us with Your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 4:12-13

**Gospel:** Mark 10:17-30

### VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Success in HSC Exams

**SUNDAY** 8:30am

Shlok (For his Health)

10:00am

For the Parish

**Monday** 8:00am 28<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time

† Mary Spiteri

**Tuesday** 8:00am St Teresa of Avila

In Thanksgiving

**Wednesday** 8.00am 28<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time

† Jonathan Burnitt

**Thursday** 8.00am St Ignatius of Antioch

† Jonathan Burnitt

**Friday** 8.00am ST LUKE

† Charley Tonna

**Saturday** 8.30am Mass of the Virgin Mary

†† Salvador Esquibel & Lind Mapa

### 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.

### BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to the Priest or ring the Parish Office.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2024

**Confirmation:** Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**Sessions:** After 10am Mass, at 11.30am.

Please keep them in your prayers.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Charley Tonna, Cynthia Sulvita, Herminia Santos

**DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:** Mary Spiteri, Jonathan Burnitt, Salvador Esquibel & Lind Mapa

### ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

During the month of October there will be Rosary, Litany of Our Lady and Benediction after all the Masses from Monday to Friday.

### POPE FRANCIS' OCTOBER INTENTIONS

#### For a Shared Mission

Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Sr Louisa, Carolina Q. Alvarez, Jonathon Ansell, Tania Blazek, Tony Bogdanovic, Margaret Colville, Frances Gunn, Andrew & Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Krystona McWhinnie, Nympha Miller, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Benjamin Santiago, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Maureen van Hoogenvest, 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.

## PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

### NOVEMBER MASSES

One Mass each day in November will be offered for our Deceased. When you fill out your November Mass Envelope place it in the basket at the back of the Church and fill in the Remembrance Book with the names of your friends and relatives. Names of deceased can be added through November and will be included in the Mass of the following day until the end of November.

**SECOND COLLECTION:**      **Envelopes: \$745**  
                                         **Loose:      \$812.60**  
                                         **Tap & Go: \$160**  
                                         **Smart Facility: \$209**  
                                         **Carpet Donations: \$1516**

### TAP & GO & SMART DONATION FACILITIES

Donations from the Tap & Go & two Smart terminals at the door, go towards the 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection. Donations from the Smart terminal near the creche go towards Special Project Donations.

### SPECIAL PROJECT DONATIONS

Our Special Project Donations are now going towards Carpet for the Church. Thank you for your congoing support and generosity.

### BIBLE STUDY

Every Wednesday at 9.15am in the Parish Hall.

### PARISH LUNCH

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 12 noon. Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at St. Mary's Band Club. All are most welcome.

### MEN'S BARBEQUE

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October after 6pm Mass. All men over 18 are invited to come and enjoy an evening together.

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

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



### OUR LADY'S STATUE

If anyone is interested in being on a roster to have Our Lady's Statue in their home for a week at a time, please ring the Parish Office. As you will remember, we had to discontinue during COVID.

### COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Calandars on sale after weekend Masses at \$10 each.

### WOMEN'S RECOLLECTION

Women's Recollection is on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Morning Session is held at St Joseph's Parish, Kingswood from 10am. Evening Session is at Montgrove College, Orchard Hills from 7pm. See the Flyer on the noticeboard for details.

### CAROLYN CHISHOLM 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October from 6.30 – 10.30pm at Pullman Hotel Penrith, 81 Mulgoa Road, Penrith. See flyer.

### CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm at Campion College Chapel, 8-14 Austin Woodbury Place, Toongabbie. Celebrant is Fr Brian Steele. Mass will be followed by individual prayer for healing.

### SCHOENSTATT FOUNDATION DAY

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa starting at 10.15am. See flyer for more information.

### WOLLEMI 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SPRING FAIR

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October from 11am to 3pm at Wollemi College, 4 Gipps Street, Werrington. See the flyer on the noticeboard for more information.

### PILGRIMS OF HOPE

A Retreat for Men on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October at Mt Schoenstatt. Speakers will be Fr Pawel Barszczewski and Michael Dyczek. See the flyer on the noticeboard.

### SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

#### Safeguarding Mandatory Training.

Under the Children's Guardian Act 2019 and the NSW Child Safe Standards all volunteers in Parish Ministry are Mandatory Reporters and are required to have completed their Safeguarding Training.

**Modules 1-3** – These Modules are for new Volunteers who have not completed any safeguarding Training.

**Modules 4/5** – Renewal for those who completed Modules 1-3 two years ago.

For the direct link to training dates and to register:

<https://parracatholic.org/connect/?series=safeguarding-training>

To complete the modules online go to

<https://learning.safeguarding.org.au>

For any questions, please email Maria Kervin, at

[maria.kervin@parracatholic.org](mailto:maria.kervin@parracatholic.org)

## CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

## POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024**Cycle of Catechesis. The Spirit and the Bride.  
8. "They were all filled with the Holy Spirit". The Holy Spirit in the Acts of the Apostles.**

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

The account of the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost begins with a description of some preparatory signs – the rush of wind and the tongues of fire – but finds its conclusion in the affirmation that “they were all filled with the Holy Spirit” (*Acts* 2:4). Saint Luke – who wrote the Acts of the Apostles – emphasizes that the Holy Spirit is He who ensures the *universality* and *unity* of the Church. The immediate effect of being “filled with the Holy Spirit” is that the Apostles “began to speak in other tongues” and came out of the Upper Room to proclaim Jesus Christ to the crowd (cf. *Acts* 2:4 et seq.).

In so doing, Luke wished to highlight the universal mission of the Church, as a sign of a new unity between all peoples. We see the Spirit work for unity in two ways. On the one hand, He drives the Church outwards, so that she can welcome an ever-greater number of people and peoples; on the other hand, she gathers them within to consolidate the unity achieved. He teaches her to expand in universality and consolidate in unity. Universal and one: this is the mystery of the Church.

We see the first of the two movements – universality – in process in Chapter 10 of the *Acts*, in the episode of the conversion of Cornelius. On the day of Pentecost, the Apostles had proclaimed Christ to all the Jews and observers of the Mosaic law, whatever people they belonged to. It takes another “Pentecost”, very similar to the first, in the house of the centurion Cornelius, to induce the Apostles to expand their horizon and break down the last barrier, the one between Jews and pagans (cf. *Acts* 10-11).

This ethnical expansion is accompanied by a geographical one. Paul – we read again in the *Acts of the Apostles* (cf. 16:6-10) – wanted to proclaim the Gospel in a new region of Asia Minor; but it is written that they had been “forbidden by the Holy Spirit”; he attempted to enter Bithyn’ia, “but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them”. We immediately discover the reason for these surprising prohibitions of the Spirit: the following night the Apostle received in a dream the order to pass into Macedonia. The Gospel thus left its native Asia and entered into Europe.

The second movement of the Holy Spirit – that which creates unity – is seen in action in Chapter 15 of the *Acts*, in the proceedings of the so-called Council of Jerusalem. The problem is how to ensure that the universality achieved does not compromise the unity of the Church. The Holy Spirit does not always create unity suddenly, with miraculous and decisive actions, as at Pentecost. He also does so – and in the majority of cases – with discreet work, respecting human time and differences, passing through people and institutions, prayer and confrontation. In, we would say today, a synodal manner. Indeed, this is what happens at the Council of Jerusalem, regarding the matter of the obligations of the Mosaic Law to be imposed on those who converted from paganism. The solution was announced to the entire Church, with the well-known words: “For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us...” (*Acts* 15:28).

Saint Augustine explains the unity achieved by the Holy Spirit with an image, which has become classic: “How the soul is of the body of man is the holy Spirit of the body of Christ, which is the Church”. The image helps us to understand something important. The Holy Spirit does not create the unity of the Church from the outside; He does not limit Himself to commanding us to be united. He Himself is the “bond of unity”. It is He who creates the unity of the Church.

As always, we will conclude with a thought that helps us to pass from the Church as a whole to each one of us. The unity of the Church is the unity between people and is not achieved on the drawing board, but in life. It is implemented in life. We all want unity, we all desire it from the depths of our heart; and yet it is so difficult to attain that, even within marriage and the family, union and concord are among the most difficult things to achieve and even harder to maintain.

The reason why unity among us is difficult is that, yes, everyone wants unity, but based on one’s own point of view, without considering that the other person in front of him thinks exactly the same thing about his “own” point of view. In this way, unity becomes even more elusive. The unity life, the unity of Pentecost, according to the Spirit, is achieved when one makes the effort to put God, not oneself, at the centre. Christian unity is built in this way too: not waiting for others to reach us where we are but moving together towards Christ.

Let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us be instruments of unity and peace.

Please pray for me. Thank you.