

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

Parish Priest

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Please leave a detailed Message

Fifth Sunday of Easter

3 May 2015, Year B



ANGELICO, Fra., Resurrection of Christ and Women at the Tomb
(Cell 8), 1440-42

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

Baptism. Marriage Please contact the Parish Office

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: I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders, in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

No Mass Intention

SUNDAY 8:30am

No Mass Intention

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday: 8:00am 5th Week of Easter

Jola Suter

Tuesday: 8:00am St, Vincent Ferrer

No Mass Intention

Wednesday 8:00am 5th Week of Easter

No Mass Intention

Thursday 8:00am 5th Week of Easter

No Mass Intention

Friday 8:00am 5th Week of Easter

No Mass Intention

Saturday 8:30am 5th Week of Easter

No Mass Intention

ADORATION CHAPEL:

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

ANointING OF THE SICK:

Fr. Andrew will anoint personally if the need arises. Please see Father to arrange an anointing.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

DECEASED ANNIVERSARY:

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION:

Saturday at 5.15pm

ROSARY STATUE:

Alex & Ofelia Paraan – 3rd May 2015.

Noeline Cruzado – 10th May 2015.

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 MAY:

Universal: That, rejecting the culture of indifference, we may care for our neighbours who suffer, especially the sick and the poor".

Evangelization: "That Mary's intercession may help Christians in secularised cultures be open to proclaiming Jesus".

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Kevin Collins, Alistair McArthur, Dianne Devitt, John McCahon, Allan Tuckwell, Kathryn Tuckwell, Carmel Kerr, Debbie O'Connor, Roger Stevens, Cameron Stevens, Shayla, Karen Morvan, Gisela Drobiszewski, Charles Timmins, Romanie & Roland Oliveux, Barbara Thompson, Zig Barglik, Mavis Murphy, Bus Maybaum, Valerie Davies, Jack and Stella Kane, Janet Boreham & George Colville.

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 ENVELOPES: BANKED \$842.00

**DONATIONS AND FUND-RAISING:
PA SYSTEM PROJECT:**

INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS BANKED \$304.80

TOTAL DONATIONS: \$ 7,316.55

SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA:

AFTER 10:00AM MASS

SKY YOUTH GROUP:

Wednesday from 3:00 pm-5:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

FIRST COMMUNION:

Registration: 19 April 2015

First Communion: 7 June 2015, 10:00 am

Classes after 10:00 am Mass Sunday

CONFIRMATION:

Registration: 14 June 2015

Confirmation: 1 October 2015, 7:00 pm

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.

Catholic Women's League is holding a Mother's Day Raffle. Proceeds will help to support "Catherine Villa" Maubara Orphanage in East Timor and The Home for the Aged in Mumbai.

Tickets: 3for \$5 or \$2 each. Variety of prizes.

Dear Parishioners.

Please complete a copy of the Registration form if you are new to our Parish or just haven't registered before. This would assist us in maintaining our Parish records up to date. The completed form can be handed over to the church/parish office. Alternatively email at parish@stjosephskingswood.org or fax on 4721 0089.. Thank you,

Parish Office Team

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SUMMARY FOR
THE MONTH OF MARCH 2015:**

Families visited 47; Total visited 54; Assistance with Electricity \$2,200; Water assistance \$233; Phone Assistance \$50; Phone (Non Vouchers) \$256; Food Vouchers \$1,594; Medical \$262; Total Visits in minutes 1035. God Bless all those who assist the St. Vincent de Paul via the Poor Box.

**MARRIAGE ANNULMENT INFORMATION
NIGHT:**

CCSS Solo Parent Services is holding it's only **information session** on the process of Marriage Annulments in the Catholic Church **for this year**. The evening is open to anyone who is interested. Venue: Mamre House, 181 Mamre Road, Orchard Hills. Date: Tues 5th May. Time: 7:30pm – 9:30pm. Cost: \$7.00. Registration: Rita or Eileen, Ph: 9933 0205 or Email

soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

**CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST. GEORGE
PRECA with the Maltese Cultural Association
choir:**

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish St. Marys, Cnr. Mamre Road and Swanston Street. Saturday 9th May. 10:30am Mass. With light refreshments in the parish hall following the Mass. Please bring a plate of finger food to share. For further details please ring Our Lady of the Rosary Parish: 9623 1962.

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, 29 April 2015 (VIS) – Following last Wednesday's catechesis on God's original plan for man and woman as a couple, the Pope spoke at today's general audience about marriage, recalling that Jesus' first miracle took place during the wedding at Cana, when He transformed water into wine and thus ensured that the celebrations could take place. "This fact reminds us of Genesis, when God completed His creation with his masterpiece: man and woman", he said. "And Jesus began His miracles with this masterpiece, in marriage. ... Thus Jesus teaches us that the masterpiece of society is the family: the man and the woman who love each other. ... Since that time, many things have changed but that 'sign' of Christ contains a message that remains valid".

"Nowadays it does not seem easy to describe marriage as a celebration that is renewed over time, in the different seasons in the entire life of spouses. It is a fact that fewer people marry. Instead, in many countries the number of separations is increasing, while the number of children is in decline. The difficulty of staying together – both as a couple and as a family – leads to bonds being broken with increasing frequency and rapidity. ... In effect, many young people are led to give up the plan of an irrevocable bond and a lasting family. There is a kind of culture of the provisional: everything is temporary, and it seems that nothing is permanent".

For this reason, the Pope continued, one of the questions we must face nowadays is why young people do not choose to get married, and seem to have little confidence in marriage and in the family. "The difficulties are not only of an economic nature, although these are very important", he observed. "Many people believe that the change that has taken place in recent decades was set in motion by the emancipation of women. But this argument is not valid either. It is an insult, a form of misogyny that seeks to subjugate women. If men behave in this way, we are like Adam, when God asked him who had eaten the fruit of the tree, and he said that the woman gave it to him".

"In reality, almost all men and women would prefer emotional security in the form of a solid marriage and a happy family ... but, for fear of failure, many do not even want to think about it. ... Perhaps it is precisely that fear of failure that is the greatest obstacle to receiving the word of Christ, Who promises His grace to the matrimonial union and to the family". However, "marriage consecrated by

God preserves that bond between man and woman that God has

blessed ever since the creation of the world; and it is a source of peace and good for all married and family life. For example, in the early times of Christianity, this great dignity of the bond between man and woman defeated an abuse considered to be entirely normal in those times, that is, the right of husbands to repudiate their wives, even for the most specious and humiliating reasons. The Gospel, the Gospel that announces this sacrament, ended this culture of habitual repudiation".

"The Christian seed of radical equality between spouses must bear new fruit today", emphasised the Holy Father. "The witness of the social dignity of marriage will become persuasive, the witness of reciprocity between husband and wife, of complementarity. .. And as Christians we must become more demanding in this respect. For example, in decisively supporting equal pay for equal work: inequality is a scandal. Why is it taken for granted that women should earn less than men? No! They have the same rights. At the same time, the maternity of women and the paternity of men should be recognised as a richness that remains valid, especially for the benefit of children. Equally, the virtue of hospitality in Christian families today retains a crucial importance, especially in situations of poverty, degradation and domestic violence".

"Do not be afraid of inviting Jesus to the wedding celebrations! And also His Mother Mary!" exclaimed Pope Francis. "Christians, when they marry 'in the Lord', are transformed into an effective sign of God's love. Christians do not marry only for themselves: they marry in the Lord in favour of all the community, of society as a whole".

NEWS

Vatican City, 28 April 2015 (VIS) – Following the earthquake that struck the territory of Nepal with extraordinary vehemence last weekend, the Pontifical Council "Cor Unum" has undertaken to send a first contribution of 100 thousand dollars for aid to the population on behalf of the Holy Father.

This sum, which will be sent to the local Church, will be used to support aid operations for the displaced and other affected persons, and is intended as a first and immediate concrete expression of Pope Francis' "spiritual closeness and paternal encouragement" towards those afflicted, as he assured during the Regina Coeli of Sunday 26 April.