

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

29th September 2024, Year B/2



BONDONE, Giotto Di, Legend of St Francis' Renunciation of Worldly Goods, 1295

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

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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: All that You have done to us, O Lord, You have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against You and not obeyed Your commandments. But give glory to Your name and deal with us according to Your bounty of mercy.

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

Responsorial Psalm: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Second Reading: James 5:1 – 6

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45 47-48

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

† Calcidon Bugeja

SUNDAY 8:30am

† Anafo Abangya

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am St Jerome

† Hiroaki Matsuzawa

Tuesday 8:00am St Therese of the Child Jesus

† Rosie Grima

Wednesday 8.00am Holy Guardian Angels

Merv Morton (For his Health)

Thursday 8.00am 26th Week Ordinary Time

† Roger Azores (Dec's Birthday)

Friday 8.00am ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

†† For God's Precious Infants

Saturday 8.30am St Faustina Kowalska

†† Dec. Mem. of St Vincent de Paul

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available for 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.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2024

Confirmation: Sunday 3rd November

Sessions: After 10am Mass, at 11.30am.

Please keep them in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Anafo Abangya Hiroaki Matsuzawa, Rosie Grima, Charley Tonna

DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Calcidon Bugeja, Roger Azores, God's Precious Infants, Deceased Members of St Vincent de Paul

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.

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, Cynthia Sulvita, Maureen van Hoogenest, 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

POPE FRANCIS' SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS

For the Cry of the Earth

Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$997**
 Loose: \$865
 Tap & Go: \$386
 Smart Facility: \$180
 Carpet Donations: \$Nil

TAP & GO & SMART DONATION FACILITIES

Donations from the Tap & Go & two Smart terminals at the door, go towards the 2nd 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, the total cost being \$27,000 (incl. GST). Thank you for your congoing support and generosity.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Wednesday at 9.15am in the Parish Hall.

PARISH LUNCH

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12 noon. Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 9th October at St. Mary's Band Club. All are most welcome.

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

Calendars are on sale after weekend Masses at \$10 each. They make a lovely Christmas gift.

PASTORAL PLAN 2024-2028

Download your copy of the Pastoral Plan at: parracatholic.org/synodality

YOUNG ADULTS' FAITH FORMATION

For adults from 18 to 35 on Sunday 13th October from 7-8.30pm at 4-6 Purdy Street, Minchinbury. Topic "Is Evolution Compatible with Faith?" See flyer at back of the Church for more information. Ring Mark Buhagiar on 0477 004 678 if you have any questions

PREGNANCY & INFANT LOSS REMEMBRANCE

Monday 15th October at 10am ICET, Level 3 Building C, Nepean Hospital. A ceremony for parents, family and friends who have been touched by the loss of a baby.

WOLLEMI 25TH ANNIVERSARY SPRING FAIR

Sunday 20th October from 11am to 3pm at Wollemi College, 4 Gipps Street, Werrington. See flyer at the back of the Church for more information.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

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

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2024-2025

"Truth & Peace – A Gospel Word in a Violent World"

The Statement addresses the urgent need for peace from a Gospel perspective.

There are copies at the back of the Church or go online at: tinyurl.com/sjs24-25

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 – Saturday 28th September from 10am to 3pm at Our Lady of the Rosary, St Marys.

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

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS ANGELUS

Sunday 22nd September 2024

Dear brothers and sisters, happy Sunday!

Today (last Sunday) the Gospel of the liturgy (Mk 9:30-37) tells us about Jesus who announces what will happen at the culmination of His life: "The Son of man", says Jesus, "will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him; and when He is killed, after three days He will rise" (v. 31). The disciples, however, while they are following the Master, have other things in their mind and also on their lips. When Jesus asks them what they were talking about, they do not answer.

Let us pay attention to this silence: the disciples are silent because they were discussing who was the greatest (cf. v. 34). They fall silent out of shame. What a contrast with the words of the Lord! While Jesus confided in them the meaning of His very life, they were talking about power. And so now shame closes their mouth, just as pride had closed their heart earlier. And yet Jesus responds openly to the conversations whispered along the way: "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all" (cf. v. 35). Do you want to be great? Make yourself small, put yourself at the service of all.

With a word as simple as it is decisive, Jesus renews our way of living. He teaches us that true power does not lie in the dominion of the strongest, but in care for the weakest. True power is taking care of the weakest – this makes you great!

This is why the Master calls a child, puts him in the midst of the disciples and embraces him, saying: "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me" (v. 37). The child has no power; the child has needs. When we take care of man, we recognize that man is always in need of life.

We, all of us, are alive because we have been welcomed, but power makes us forget this truth. You are alive because you have been welcomed! Then, we become dominators, not servants, and the first to suffer as a result are the last: the little ones, the weak, the poor.

Brothers and sisters, how many people, how many, suffer and die for power struggles! Theirs are lives

that the world denies, as it denied Jesus, those who are excluded and die... When He is delivered into the hands of men, He finds not an embrace, but a cross. However, the Gospel remains living and filled with hope: He who has denied, is risen, He is the Lord!

Now, on this beautiful Sunday, we can ask ourselves: do I know how to recognize the face of Jesus in the smallest? Do I take care of my neighbour, serving generously? And do I thank those who take care of me?

Let us pray together to Mary, to be, like her, free of vainglory, and ready in service.

After the Angelus

Dear brothers and sisters!

I have learned with sorrow that Juan Antonio López has been killed in Honduras. Coordinator of social pastoral care in the diocese of Trujillo, he was a founder member of the pastoral care of integral ecology in Honduras. I join in the grief of that Church and condemn every form of violence. I am close to all those who see their elementary rights violated, and to those who work for the common good in response to the cry of the poor and the earth.

I greet you all, faithful of Rome and pilgrims from Italy and many other countries.

I greet the participants in the march to raise awareness of the conditions of prisoners. We must work to ensure that prisoners live in dignified conditions. Anyone can make a mistake. One is imprisoned to resume an honest life afterwards.

Brothers and sisters, let us continue to pray for peace. Unfortunately, tensions are high on the war fronts. Let the voice of the peoples, who are calling for peace, be heard. Let us not forget tormented Ukraine, Palestine, Israel, Myanmar, the many countries that are at war. Let us pray for peace.

I wish you all a good Sunday. And please, do not forget to pray for me. Thank you.