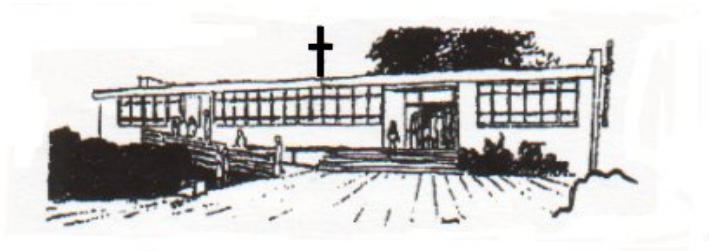


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP
Parish Priest

Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP
Assistant Priest

EMERGENCY PHONE: 02 4721 8905
Please leave a detailed Message

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

14th/15th September 2013 Year C

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

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00am—2:00pm; Friday 8:30am—1:30pm
Address: 12-22 Richmond Road, PO Box 39, Kingswood NSW 2747; **Telephone:** 02 4721 4080; **Fax** 02 4721 0089
Email: parish@stjosephskingswood.org; **Web:** www.stjosephskingswood.org; **Facebook:** stjosephkingswood

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY:	8:30am	Twentyfourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Visita Scion Haduar
Responsorial Psalm: I will rise and go to my father.			
Monday:	8:00am	St. Cornelius, pope, martyr and Cyprian	no Mass intention
Tuesday:	8:00am	Twentyfourth week in Ordinary Time	no Mass intention
Wednesday	8:00am	Twentyfourth week in Ordinary Time	no Mass intention
Thursday	8:00am	Twentyfourth week in Ordinary Time	no Mass intention
Friday	8:00am	Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, martyr Paul Chonng Ha-sang & companions, martyrs	no Mass intention
Saturday	8:30am	St. Matthew, apostle	no Mass intention
Readings: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tim 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32			

ADORATION CHAPEL

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

ANOINTING:

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

RCIC—If you know of any children aged 6-14 who are committed to going to Mass each week and are ready for baptism, please phone the Parish Office 4721 4080.

RECENTLY DECEASED:- Ariel Castro

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Jack & Bonz Cooney, Visita Scion Haduar, Peter Matthew.

PARISH CELL GROUPS—Times and Venues

- A) 1st & 3rd Tuesday of month at 1:30pm
1/23-25 Walter St. Kingswood
- B) 2nd & 4th Wednesday after Mass
Parish Hall.
- C) 2nd & 4th Thursday at 7:00pm
2/40 Single Road, South Penrith

Any enquiries ring Diane, Elaine or Mavis.

BECOME A JUNIOR ALTAR SERVER:

If your child has made their First Holy Communion and would like to be a Junior Altar Server, please see Fr. Andrew.

USED STAMPS: Please bring your used stamps and leave in the box at back of the Church. They are sold to help the missionaries.

CENTACARE COUNSELLING FOR CHILDREN RING 9630 7788

WEEKLY ENVELOPES: BANKED \$716.00

DONATIONS TO SANCTUARY PROJECT—LAST WEEK BOX & INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS \$529.85 TOTAL DONATIONS \$23,272.55

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE IS CONDUCTING A CAKE STALL NEXT SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER AFTER 8:30 & 10AM MASSES TO ASSIST IN THE FUND-RAISING FOR THE SANCTUARY PROJECT. DONATIONS OF CAKES, SLICES ETC WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: George Churchward, Aaron Rhodes, Tony & Angelina Bogdanovic, Jonathon Ansell, Adell Matloob, Shakib Yousif, Kathy Carberry, Kathy Hogarth, Bertha Wetton, John McCahon, Marija Paponja, Mary D'Vaz, Kathryn Knighton, Joan Fleming, Joan Evans, Corrie Noort, Karen Morvan, Kevin Collins, Katie Domotor, John McLintock, Jeanette Rogers, Elaine Neal, Ken & Pat Fleming, Barbara Thompson, Judy Spence, Allan Tuckwell, Michael Holstein, Charles Timmins, John Ashford, Gisela Drobiszewski, Sienna Ongoongo, Faye Noonan, Josephine & Frances Zammit, Alistair McArthur, Valerie Davis, Margaret Loyola Woodward, Carmel Kerr, Michaela Barney, Faye McPherson. Brandon Stevens, Matthew McPherson, Debbie O'Connor, John Curtain, Lawrence Devitt and Helen Nasser.

Sick List: If you have anyone for the sick list, (due to privacy laws) contact the Parish Office to fill in a form.



**The Rosary Statue will be at the home of
Alex & Ofelia Paraan—15th September 2013
Noeline Cruzado—22nd September 2013**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

For odd jobs!!!! See Fr. Andrew.

OUR ICON OF ST. JOSEPH

Cards of the Icon are for sale at \$2.50 in the St. Vincent de Paul Pious Stall.

NEW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK:

All Parish volunteers are asked to apply, especially those in Ministries such as Acolytes, Senior Servers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Baptism, Sacraments, RCIA, SRE, those involved in the Choir etc. If you have any questions or would like the forms please see Rubina or Clare.

ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION: At 7pm on Tuesday nights from 3rd September we will be showing a 30 minute DVD titled "What do Catholics Really Believe", followed by a cup of tea/coffee and discussion

DONATIONS AND FUND-RAISING FOR OUR NEW SANCTUARY:

1. If you would like to donate towards our new Sanctuary please give it to Father Andrew or place it in Donation Box at the entrance to the church.
2. We also want to organize a Raffle. If you are able to contribute a Major Prize please speak to Father Andrew.

TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS:

If you are new to our parish or have lived in the neighborhood and attend Mass but just never registered, we invite you to become an official member of St Joseph's Parish. Your registration is a part of being an active and responsible member of our Parish community. There are registration forms in the back of the church or in the sacristy. Please fill them out and put them in the collection basket, mail them to our Parish or give them to the priest.

The Parish membership will enrol you automatically in our Planned Giving System where your donations to the Parish will be recorded.

If you are not able to financially support our church, you can donate your time as a volunteer on a weekly basis, in lieu of your donation. Please indicate this on the form.

It is important to be a registered member of a parish since membership is required in the Catholic Church for various sacramental occasions such as: Marriage, Baptism of a child, Funeral or to serve as a godparent or sponsor for Confirmation even if the Sacrament will take place in a different parish.

PARKING: Please do not park your car on weekends (Saturday and Sunday) in front of the Church except 3 disabled spots for people with severe disability problems. For everyone else please use the school yard.

8:30AM MASS ONLY:

The school gates on Joseph Street will be open after the 8:30am Mass as an **Exit Gate Only** for those leaving the Car Park after Mass, leaving the **Main Gate** as an **Entrance only** for the 10:00am Mass.

THE 2014 COLUMBAN CALENDAR is now available in the Pious Stall for \$9.00. When you purchase the Calendar, you are participating in God's Mission and assisting us in meeting the needs of the poor.

READERS NEEDED—see Fr. Andrew.

VOTIVE CANDLES: PLEASE FEEL FREE TO LIGHT A CANDLE IN OUR NEW VOTIVE CANDLE STAND. CANDLES MAY BE LEFT ALIGHT AND UNATTENDED.

SRE—DRIVER NEEDED EVERY THURSDAY AFTERNOON FROM 1:40 TO 2:50PM TO PICK UP ST. DOMINIC'S STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL, TAKE THEM TO WERRINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL AND RETURN. PLEASE CALL ANTOINETTE 0403 201 610 IF YOU CAN HELP.

SEWING CLASSES AT ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH. If you are interested, \$10 per session. Saturday 10:00am. Starting September. For more information please ring Mary after 8:00pm 4722 5127.

ROSARY & BENEDICTION will be held after 6:00pm Mass every Saturday during the month of October.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2014 Any families wanting Sacraments for their children next year must be registered in the Parish for 4 months and attending Mass each Sunday.

CATHOLIC ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE

All are invited to a public seminar on Pope Francis' first encyclical *Lumen Fidei*, The Light of Faith presented by the Catholic Adult Education Centre. Speaker: Peter McGregor. The Seminar will take place at the Catholic Centre, 3 Keating Street, Lidcombe on Thursday, 10th October 2013 at 7:00pm for a 7:30pm start. Supper will follow. RSVP to Maree on 9464 9010.

BAPTISM: Prior to having a child baptized at St Joseph's, you must have been registered in the parish for at least four months, attending Sunday Mass each week, using the stewardship envelopes (even if you cannot afford to contribute, please put an envelope in the collection basket), and participating in the life of the parish (make yourself known to the priest and be involved in parish activities).

Baptisms take place on Sundays at 11:15am after the **10:00am Mass**.

Attending a Baptism Preparation Class is required and may be attended prior to the birth of a child.

Five hundred faithful participated this morning in the Wednesday general audience, in which Pope Francis continued his catechesis on the Church during the “Year of Faith”, turning to the theme of maternity.

“Among the images that the Vatican Council II chose to help us better understand the nature of the Church, there is that of the 'mother': the Church is our mother in faith and in the supernatural life. For me it is the most beautiful image of the Church: the Church as mother. In what sense and how is the Church a mother? Let us begin with the human reality of maternity”.

“First and foremost a mother gives life, she carries her child in the womb for nine months and then introduces him to life – she generates him. The Church does likewise: she generates us in faith, by the work of the Holy Spirit who renders her fruitful, like the Virgin Mary. Certainly, faith is a personal act ... but we receive faith from others, in a family, in a community that teaches me to say 'I believe', 'we believe'. A Christian is not an island! We do not become Christians alone and by our own efforts, but rather faith is a gift from God that is given in and through the Church. And the Church gives us life in Baptism: that is, the moment in which she enables us to be born as children of God, the moment in which she gives us life in God, in which she generates us as a mother. ... This permits us to understand something very important: our participation in the Church is not an external or formal fact, it is not a question of filling out a form, but is instead an internal and vital act. One does not belong to the Church in the same way as one belongs to a society, a team or any other organisation. It is a living bond, like that one has with one's own mother as ... the Church is truly the mother of all Christians”.

“A mother does not limit herself to giving life, but rather with great care helps her children to grow; she gives them milk, she nurtures them, she shows them the path of life, she accompanies them ... she also knows how to correct them, to forgive, to understand; she knows how to be close to them in times of illness and suffering. In short, a good mother helps her children to come out of themselves, not to stay comfortably tucked under the maternal wing. ... The Church, like a good mother, does the same thing: she accompanies our growth by transmitting to us the Word of God, which is a light that illuminates the path of Christian life, in administering the Sacraments. She nourishes us with the Eucharist, she brings us God's forgiveness through the Sacrament of Penance, she supports us in times of sickness through the Anointing of the Sick. The Church accompanies us in all our life in faith, in all our Christian life”.

The Pope concluded by remarking that in the first centuries of the Church, it was very clearly understood that “the Church, while she is the mother of Christians, while she 'makes' Christians, is also 'made up' of Christians. The Church is not something apart from us, but is rather the entire body of believers, as the 'we' of Christians: I, you, we are all part of the Church. So, we all experience the maternity of the Church, both pastors and faithful. At times I hear: 'I believe in God but not in the Church ... I've heard that the Church says ... that priests say...'. Priests are one thing, but the Church is not made up solely of priests – we are all the Church! And if you say that you believe in God but you do not believe in the Church, you are saying that you do not believe in yourself, which is a contradiction. We are all the Church: from the recently baptised child to the bishops, to the Pope; we are all Church, and we are all equal in the eyes of God. We are all called to collaborate in the birth of faith in new Christians, we are all called upon to be educators in