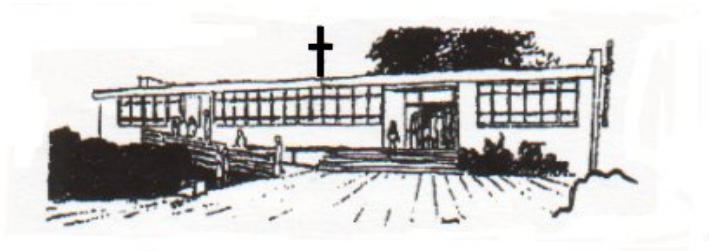


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

Parish Priest

Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP

Assistant Priest

EMERGENCY PHONE: 02 4721 8905

Please leave a detailed Message

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st/22nd 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

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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY:	8:30am	Twentyfifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	no Mass intention
Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.			
Monday:	8:00am	St. Pius of Pietrelcina priest	no Mass intention
Tuesday:	8:00am	Twentyfifth week in Ordinary Time	no Mass intention
Wednesday	8:00am	Twentyfifth week in Ordinary Time	no Mass intention
Thursday	8:00am	Twentyfifth week in Ordinary Time	no Mass intention
Friday	8:00am	St. Vincent de Paul, priest	no Mass intention
Saturday	8:30am	St. Matthew, apostle	no Mass intention
Readings: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13			

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.

RECENTLY DECEASED:- Ariel Castro, Julie Hall.

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Jack & Bonz Cooney, Greta Colville, Pauline Anne Waters.

READERS NEEDED—see Fr. Andrew.

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 \$ 1,154.00

DONATIONS TO SANCTUARY PROJECT—LAST WEEK BOX & INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS \$750.00 TOTAL DONATIONS \$ 24,022.554

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE IS CONDUCTING A CAKE STALL THIS 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, 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, Roger Stevens 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
Noeline Cruzado—22nd September 2013
Taline & Raphael Ghougassian—29th 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.

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

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. No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass.

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.

DIOCESAN YOUTH FESTIVAL 2013—27th September. One night left! Speaker: Bishop Anthony Fisher OP and Gary Pinto live. Time: 7:00pm. Place: St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 59 Allawah Street, Blacktown. For more information youthevent@parra.catholic.org.au

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.

The Church as mother was again the theme chosen by Francis for catechesis at the Wednesday general audience. "I like this image a lot, as it seems to me that it tells us not only how the Church is, but also shows us the face the Church, this Church of ours, should increasingly show", he explained.

The Pope began by considering what a mother does for her children. First of all, "she teaches us how to proceed in life ... she orientates us, she always tries to show us the right path in life in order to grow and become adults. And she does this with tenderness, with affection, with love, always – even when she tries to correct our path because we lose our way a little or take routes that might lead us to a fall".

"The Church does likewise: she orientates our lives, she offers us instruction on how to walk in the right way. Think of the ten Commandments: they show us the route to follow if we are to mature, fixing certain cardinal points in our behaviour. And these are the fruits of tenderness, of the very love that God gives us. You might say to me: but these are commandments! They are a list of negatives! I would like to invite you to read them, ... and then think about them positively. You will see that they concern our way of behaving towards God, towards ourselves and towards others, just as a mother teaches us how to live well. They remind us not to make material idols for ourselves, which then turn us into slaves; to remember God; to respect our parents; to be honest; to respect others ... Try to see them in this way and consider them as if they were the words and teachings a mother gives us in order to take a good path through life. A mother never teaches anything that is bad, she wants only what is best for her children, and the same is true of the Church".

Secondly, "when a child grows and becomes an adult ... and assumes his responsibilities ... he does what he wants, and at times, he may happen to stray away from the path. ... A mother always, in every situation, has the patience to continue to accompany her children. She is animated by the strength of love ... and even when [her children] make mistakes, she always finds a way of understanding them ... to help them. We say that a mother 'stands up and is counted' for her own children; that is, she always seeks to defend them".

"The Church is the same: she is a merciful mother who understands, who always tries to help, to give encouragement even when her children have made mistakes or continue to do so. She never closes the doors of her house to them: she does not judge, but rather offers God's forgiveness, she offers her love to invite her children to return to the right path and even when they have fallen into the deepest abyss, the Church is not afraid to enter into their darkest night with them in order to give them hope; the Church is not afraid to enter into our night when our soul and conscience are surrounded by darkness, to give us hope! Because the Church is our mother!"

Finally, "a mother also knows how to ask, to knock on every door for her children, without calculation but with love. And I think of how mothers know, most of all, how to knock on God's door! Mothers pray a lot for their own children, especially for those ... most in need, whose lives have taken dangerous or mistaken paths. ... The Church does likewise: through prayer, she places the lives of all her children in the hands of the Lord. Let us trust in the strength of prayer of the Mother Church: the Lord never remains indifferent. He always knows how to astonish us when we least expect us. The Mother Church knows this!"

"So, these are the thoughts I wanted to share with you today: we see in the Church a good mother who shows us the path to walk in life, who is always patient, merciful and understanding, and knows how to place us in God's hands".