

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



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PALM SUNDAY 13th April 2014 Year A



ZANINO DI PIETRO, Entry of Christ into Jerusalem

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: 9:00 am – 2:00pm; Friday: 8:30am – 1:30pm

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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY: 10:00am PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION OF THE LORD For the Parish
 8:30am Mass Only No Mass Intention
 Entrance Antiphon Mt 21:9
 Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Responsorial Psalm: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Monday:	8:00am	MONDAY of HOLY WEEK	Francis Coutinho
Tuesday:	8:00am	TUESDAY of HOLY WEEK	Fr. Bogumil Jasinski
Wednesday	8:00am	WEDNESDAY of HOLY WEEK	No Mass Intention
Thursday	7:00pm	THURSDAY of HOLY WEEK	For the Parish
Friday	3:00pm	FRIDAY of the PASSION OF THE LORD	No Mass
Saturday	7:00pm	HOLY SATURDAY	For the Parish

Readings: (Entrance: Mt 21:1-11) Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66

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:-

DECEASED ANNIVERSARY: Christopher Gilbert, Fr. Bogumil Jasinski. Francis Camino

WEEKLY ENVELOPES: BANKED \$833.00

DONATIONS TO RENOVATION PROJECT—
 LAST WEEK BOX & INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS
 TOTAL DONATIONS \$43,336.20

DONATIONS AND FUND-RAISING FOR OUR RENOVATION PROJECT:

If you would like to donate towards our Renovation Project please give it to Father Andrew or place it in Donation Box at the entrance to the church.

ROSARY & BENEDICTION will be held at 5.15pm before 6:00pm Mass every Saturday.

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

CARITAS AUSTRALIA: Your support for Project Compassion allows Caritas Australai to lift the voices of the poor and promote the dignity of each person, regardless of ethnicity, religion or cultural beliefs. This week we meet Nirangini in Sri Lanka. From 1983 to 2009 a civil war affected Sri Lanka and Nirangini and her entire community were forced to leave their village. Thanks to your support, Nirangini now has a permanent home back in her childhood village and she and her son are re-establishing their lives. **Project Compassion Boxes are at the back of the Church in the baskets. Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible.**

Celebration Sunday 27th April after 10:00am

Mass: Canonisation of John 23 & John Paul 11, St. Joseph's Day, Easter, Divine Mercy. Please bring a plate to share.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Kevin Collins, Alistair McArthur, Lawrence Devitt, John McCahon, Joan Evans, Allan Tuckwell, Carmel Kerr, Clayton Rogers, Debbie O'Connor, Roger Stevens, Cameron Stevens, Shayla, Kim Nelson, Karen Morvan, Gisela Drobiszewski, Charles Timmins, Gai Waltig, Selin Mizrak, Ann Batkin, Romanie Oliveux, Charles Marinucci and Barbara Thompson.

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 & Ophelia Paraan—13th April 2014
 Noeline Cruzado—20th April 2014**

**ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN FOR
2015**

CELL GROUPS

If you would like to grow in your faith please feel free to join us

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 1:30pm at 1/23 Walter Street, Kingswood. Dianne—4731 3685.

2nd & 4th Wednesdays after morning Mass—9am to 10am Prayer & Bible Discussion Group in Parish Hall. Mavis—4736 4138; Teresa—4731 4222

2nd & 4th Thursday 7:00pm at 2/40 Single Street, South Penrith. Elaine—4736 8162.

PLAY GROUP: Mondays at 10:00am in the Parish Hall, We welcome all Mothers with small children. Please bring something to share for morning tea. Enquiries to Fr. Pawel.

ADULT EDUCATION: will resume on 29th April 2014.

S.K.Y. YOUTH GROUP will resume after the Easter break—30th April 2014.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Good Friday 3:00pm.

St Patrick's Cathedral Holy Week Reflection Liturgy with Scripture, Psalm chanting and Motets. 8pm Mon 14th April. Presider: Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK:

All volunteers over 18 years of age including those in Ministry (Baptism, Sacraments, RCIA, Nursing Home, Ministers to the Sick etc.) and all who serve at the Liturgy of the Mass (Acolytes, Senior Servers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Readers, Choir) are required to apply for a Working with Children check. This is a legal NSW Government and Diocese of Parramatta requirement. Any questions please speak to Fr. Andrew or Clare, who will assist you.

JOIN Bishop Anthony Fisher OP and Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP and many others for Overnight Walk and Talk with the Lord (from St. Patrick's Church in Blacktown to St. Patrick's Cathedral) 10:00pm Good Friday.

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION & YOUTH MASS: 13 APRIL. This year Palm Sunday is also World Youth Day with the theme: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.' Everyone is invited to gather at 5pm at Parramatta Town Hall for the start of the Palm Sunday Procession which starts at 5.30pm with the Blessing of the Palms. The Street Procession will move through the Parramatta CBD to St Patrick's Cathedral for the Palm Sunday Mass at 6pm.

**Dates & Times of Services
& Reconciliation**

Saturday 12 April 2014
Palm Sunday Vigil Mass
4:00pm (Polish)
6.00pm

Palm Sunday 13 April 2014
Masses
8.30am
10.00am

Holy Thursday 17 April 2014
Mass of the Lord's Supper
7.00pm

Good Friday 18 April 2014
Stations of the Cross
11.00am
Celebrations of the Lord's Passion
3.00pm

Holy Saturday 19 April 2014
Easter Vigil
7.00pm

Easter Sunday 20 April 2014
Masses
8.30am
10.00am
11.30am (Polish)

Easter Monday 21 April 2014
Mass
8.00am

Rite of Reconciliation

Fridays during Lent
6:15pm followed by Stations of the Cross

Vatican City, Apr 9, 2014 / 04:14 am ([CNA/EWTN News](#)).- During his general audience Pope Francis began a new catechesis on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, drawing specific attention to wisdom and noting that it illuminates our actions and draws us closer to God.

We need to ask ourselves if our lives have the flavor of the Gospel; if others perceive that we are men and women of God; if it is the Holy Spirit that moves our lives," the Pope insisted in his April 5 General Audience address.

Speaking to the thousands of pilgrims gathered in St. Peter's Square to hear the weekly discourse, the pontiff announced initially that "Today we begin a series of catechesis on the gifts of the Holy Spirit."

Observing how "The Spirit is himself the 'gift of God,'" the Pope emphasized that he is also "the presence of God's love in the Church and in our hearts."

"Based on a messianic prophecy of Isaiah, the Church has traditionally distinguished seven gifts of the Spirit: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord," he continued, noting that "the first of these is wisdom."

Highlighting how "This is not the fruit of knowledge and human experience," the Roman Pontiff explained that it "consists of an interior light that only the Holy Spirit can give and that enables us to recognize the imprint of God in our lives and history."

It is a grace, he said, "enabling us to contemplate all things with the eyes of God and a heart docile to the promptings of the Spirit."

Born out of "intimacy with God" and a closeness to him "in prayer and loving communion," this gift "makes a Christian contemplative" and "helps us to recognize with joyful gratitude his providential plan for all things," the Pope went on to say.

"Everything speaks of God and everything is seen as a sign of his love and a reason to give thanks."

Observing how "this does not mean that Christians have a response for everything," Pope Francis emphasized that it does mean "they have a 'taste' and a 'flavor' of God, so that everything in their hearts and in their lives speaks of God."

"Christian wisdom is thus the fruit of a supernatural 'taste' for God, an ability to savor his presence, goodness and love all around us," he continued, encouraging those present to ask themselves whether or not their lives have the "flavor of the Gospel," and if it is really "the Holy Spirit that moves our lives."

"How much our world needs the witness of such wisdom today!" the pontiff expressed, insisting that "What is important is that our communities have Christians that, docile to the Holy Spirit, have experienced the things of God and communicated his tenderness and love to others."

"Let us pray for this gift," the Pope concluded, "so that, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit, we can be true men and women of God, transparently open to his own wisdom and the power of his saving love."

Pope Francis concluded his audience by extending greetings to groups present from various countries around the world, and by encouraging all to begin preparing for Holy Week.

"I invite all to intensify the spiritual preparation for the coming feasts of the Passover of the Lord, so that the action of the Holy Spirit produce in us true fruits of conversion and holiness. May God bless you."