



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Times

Sat: 5:30pm (Vigil)
Sun: 9am, 10.30am, 6pm
Mon - Thur: 9.15am
Frid - Sat: 12 Noon

Family Mass with

Children's Liturgy:
Sunday 10.30am

Sacraments

Reconciliation
Sat 11.30am - 12 noon
4.45pm - 5:15pm

Baptism

2nd & 4th Sun of the
month at 12 noon

Marriage - Sat & Sun

1.30pm - 3pm (at least
6 months notice is
required)

Devotions

Every first Wednesday of
the month at 7pm
Mass, Eucharistic
Adoration & Benediction

Daily Prayer

Church is open from
8am - 3.30pm
Holy Hour Weekdays
2.30pm - 3.30pm

Cenacle

Every Monday 8am
Rosary & Prayer
Monday 8.30am
Thursday & Saturday
11.30am

2017 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

More information is available on our website or email
Heather sacraments@stjosephenfield.org.au

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

INFORMATION & ENROLMENT DAY 15th October 2017 at
3.30pm - 4.30pm in the parish meeting room. Confirmation
Commitment Weekend: All Masses 21/10/2017 &
22/10/2017. Those who have enrolled online will be
contacted via email to arrange joining a group that will suit
them, once the Leaders and their available times are
organised by the Parish. This can be quite close to the
enrolment date. Catholic Schools and the Catechists to the
Public Schools support the programs and instruction on the
Sacraments is included in the Religious Education and
Scripture curriculum.

CONFIRMATION MASS SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2017, AT 1PM

NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2017 - 2018

Please collect your new envelope box from the table at the
entrance of the church. Credit Card donations will be
processed every 15th day of the month.

PLANNED GIVING TAX RECEIPTS FOR 1 JULY 16 - 31 DEC 16
Please collect your planned giving tax receipt for the
financial year 1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016 on the table
at the entrance of the church. Receipts are also available for
those who donated to Charitable Works Fund and other
appeals that are tax deductible.

PLANNED GIVING

For new families in our Parish if you would like to register
and become a contributor in supporting the parish and its
activities, please contact the parish office during business
hours.

ROSARY THIS WEEK

Will be at Rosina & Rocco Rotunno, 10/37 Angelo St,
Burwood at 4pm. Phone: 0414 084 574 for more details.

PRAYER GROUP

Every 2nd, 3rd, 4th Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm.
Rosary, Divine Mercy, Prayer & Praise. More information
contact Rose 0412 115 961.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

The St. Joseph's conference of the St. Vincent De Paul
Society will be conducting their winter appeal on the 22 - 23
July. Envelopes will be placed on the pews and these can be
placed on either collection plates or left in the poor box.
From January to 30 June we have distributed \$4380 worth
of Woolworths food vouchers, paid \$1990 rent assistance,
purchased 3 refrigerators and also 2 washing machines for
those in need, a total cost of \$1450. Other help was to a
young mother with 3 children \$600 moving fee from
Croydon to Waterloo. The parishioners of St Joseph's are
our only source of income through our 2 appeals Christmas
and Winter and your weekly support of our poor boxes in
the church. We rely entirely on your generosity to help us
to assist the people in need in our parish area. Thank you
for your generous donations.

A MATTER CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION

To show due reverence to the Holy Eucharist,
I would like to remind you before Holy
Communion, please genuflect or bow before
receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ on
the hand or on the tongue. Also, dipping
(intinction) the Eucharist into the Blood is not
permitted in the Sydney Archdiocese.

PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, by
the will of the Father and the work of the Holy
Spirit, through your Death gave life to the world,
free me by this, your most holy Body and Blood,
from all my sins and from every evil, keep me
always faithful to your commandments and never
let me be parted from you. Amen.

PRAY AFTER COMMUNION - ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me, Body of Christ, save
me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the
side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ,
strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me within Thy
wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated
from Thee. From the malignant enemy, defend
me. In the hour of my death, call me and bid me
come to Thee that with thy saints I may praise
Thee forever and ever. Amen.

ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS

For Catechists presently sharing the good news to
our State Public Schools. All Catechists to sign a
current, Declaration of Code of Conduct and
Volunteer Registration Form. This is required by
State Law. These forms are available in the
Sacristy, please see Fr. Kim after Mass.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE

Catholic Women's League Meeting will be next
Wednesday 26th July after the 9:15am Mass in the
meeting room. All welcome.

BISHOP ROBINSON'S 80TH BIRTHDAY 10TH AUGUST

The parish will celebrate this on the 13th of
August at 10:30am Mass. Bishop Robinson will be
the main celebrant for this Mass and I will
co-celebrate with him. There will be lunch in the
hall after Mass. There will be drinks and a
barbeque and jumping castle provided. The
school community will be invited to share the joy
of Bishop's life.

Dear friends,

This weekend we have our parish Vinnies Appeal. Please give generously to this good cause to support members of our parish that give generously their time to help poor people around our church that need practical assistance. Vinnies give on our behalf so it is a good way to reach out to those less fortunate to reconcile our life with the poor. We should help the poor with the same intention of Jesus. It is more than being a kind and nice person but helping them come back into communion with us and with God.

The parables this weekend are so rich in meaning. In the first parable of the wheat and weed, we hear that the weeds cannot be pulled out since this might kill the wheat also. But there will be a time when there will be a harvest. The wheat and weeds will be separated and the wheat kept and weeds burnt. The Kingdom is like a harvest, God is the farmer, the reapers are his disciples. We are called to be like God, to see our life as a great harvest. To harvest holy experiences of hope, joy and love not just in the good times but in the midst of weeds or bad experiences, events of suffering and disappointments, we can face them with God knowing they are opportunities for growth and self knowledge. God allows bad things to happen so we can know what is good and become fighters of justice, peace, and love.

The second parable is about the mustard seed that no one would dare to guess it can produce such a enormous tree. We tend to way underestimate ourselves than overestimate. The fact is in history, small things always had a humble and small beginning. Just like great Australian company BHP that is being advertised. So small at the beginning, but now a multi billion dollar company. Sometimes it starts with a spark of love or faith in a person and if they are faithful, amazing results come about. Look at Saint Mother Teresa, she started with nothing except compassion for the dying. Now most large cities around the world has her community and presence. St Francis Assisi wanted to live in poverty out of love for God and was faithful to restoring a run down church, many joined him even this day. St Benedict, was disillusioned about the faith of Christians in Rome. He left the city and went to the desert and lived as a hermit. Many came seeking advice and lived with him forming monasteries. These monasteries became great places of learning and prayer re-civilised Europe and to the ends of the world. These monasteries became the foundation of universities. Think of the influence of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. These people did not think of doing great things and changing the world, but only being faithful to their inspiration from God.

The third parable is similar to the first two parables, how a little yeast changes the whole loaf of bread. Jesus is affirming his disciples they are the yeast for the whole world. They are the essential ingredient to lift the world up. To order things in the world according to eternal values of God for the value and dignity of each person that ever was created. The values of the world see people's worth by what they can produce and not who they are.

Fr. Kim

St James the Apostle Feast, Tuesday 25th July

St Joachim & St Anne Memorial, Wednesday 26th July

	5.30pm	9.00am	10.30am	6pm
Week 5 - 29/30 July				
Acolytes	Allen	Tom	Richard	Chris
1st Reader	Rose	Paula	Monique	Chris
2nd Reader	Lina	Rose	Donna	Simran
EMHC	Kevin F & Mary F	Denise & Kate	Silvia & Helmarri	James
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Counters	Catherine Power & Tamara Kikirekov			
Ministers to the Sick	Kevin Fernandez, Denise Verrills			
Children's liturgy	Helmarri & Lina			
Church Cleaning 24-30	Sue Chidiac, Miriam Fernandez, Mary Falcone			

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**School Motto: Live
Justly, Love Tenderly
and Walk Humbly with
Our Loving God.**

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Principal: Maria Maiorana

With St Joseph
we pray ...

For the sick

Lee Tilliam
Fedorowicz Family
Sokolowski Family
Sharon & Sarah Holliday
Zachary Marsh
Sue Brancatisano
Bishop Geoffrey
Nikranicz Family
Waslowicz Family
Ruth Correy Ahern
Michael Abou-Antoun
Douglas Edwards
Helen Bache
Lan Fon Yu
Anna Pezzuto
Michael Tucker
Antionette Serci
LeeAnne Hendricks
Barbara Mitchell
Lina Grande
Sean Da Silva
Alfonso Costantini

For the Souls of

Michael Fitzpatrick
Marietta Ferraro
Vito Tizzone
Michael Fricot
Domenico Cutrupi
Ester Bianco
Edward Forster
Henry Holmes
John Murray
Alfred O'Hara
William Hanscombe
Rosalia Faro
Olivetta De Rossi
Reginaro dolan
Darcy Johnson
Mario Bonora
Marie Noonan
Giuseppe Luppino
Vincenzo Grazzo
Guido Flamminio
Rachael Ericksson
Domenico Monte
Christopher Mercia
Florence Costa
Eileen Gallagher
Gaetano Pagano

Souls of the unborn children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Anniversary

Joan Paterson
Sr. Conrad Grauss
Josephine Mifsud
Cecilia Hofman

Recently Deceased

David Ricigliano
Tomazzo Mazzotta
Marsha Young

Special Intentions

Lee Tilliam
Nicotina Family
Pezzuto Family
Ferraro Family
Angelique Barbara

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

23 July 2017

He told them another parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfil the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Shorter form 13:24-30.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / Aorn of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice brought to completion varied offerings of the law, accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your

faithful servants and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty may benefit the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ps 110:4-5

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

THE COMMUNITY DOES NOT WEED OUT THE WEEDS

Today's Gospel is taken from the world of Galilean farmers. Galilee, where Jesus grew up, was almost entirely covered with carefully tended fields, in contrast to the desert areas of Judea where herds of animals were more common. The parable of the Wheat and the Darnel (Weed) is rooted in nature and in the behaviour of people. Darnel is a poisonous plant often found in wheat fields. The 'enemy' who sows darnel would be a jealous neighbour. Jesus uses this situation to describe how people living in the kingdom of God should behave. The critical point of the parable is the householder's decision to let the darnel and wheat grow together.

By this parable, Jesus tells his disciples that the harvest is assured; the wheat will ripen as the owner intends. It is the same with the mission of Jesus. Whatever damage people may cause, nothing can defeat this mission, not even the wiles of the devil (the 'enemy' in the parable). But co-existence is not the final stage. At the harvest, the wheat (the righteous) are gathered into the owner's barn; while the weeds (the children of the evil one) are used for fuel. 'Burning' symbolises their bad end.

At the start of the Jubilee Year of Mercy Pope Francis said in his homily: 'Here, then, is the reason for the Jubilee: because this is the time for mercy. It is the favourable time to heal wounds, a time not to be weary of meeting all those who are waiting to see and to touch with their hands the signs of the closeness of God, a time to offer everyone, everyone, the way of forgiveness and reconciliation.'

Who knows, with the grace of God and the patience of the community, the 'weeds' may eventually turn into wheat?

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WHEAT AMONG THE WEEDS. The world in which we live is a mixture of wheat and weeds. Wonderful acts of heroism and self-sacrifice occur alongside shocking acts of violence and abuse of power. In the midst of a world tainted by sin we are called to live the values of the kingdom of God. This can be difficult, but the Spirit will help us in our weakness and God, the just and merciful judge, will reward us.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 53:6, 8

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. Show favour, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith

and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Wis 12:13, 16-19

A reading from the book of Wisdom
In the place of sin, you give repentance.

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, / to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly. / Your justice has its source in strength, / your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. / You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned / and you expose the insolence of those who know it; / but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, / you govern us with great lenience, / for you have only to will, and your power is there. / By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people / how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, / and you have given your sons the good hope / that after sin you will grant repentance.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16. R. v. 5

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

- O Lord, you are good and forgiving, / full of love to all who call. / Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer / and attend to the sound of my voice. **R.**
- All the nations shall come to adore you / and glorify your name, O Lord: / for you are great and do marvellous deeds, / you who alone are God. **R.**
- But you, God of mercy and compassion, / slow to anger, O Lord, / abounding in love and truth, / turn and take pity on me. **R.**

SECOND READING Rom 8:26-27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our



hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia! / Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; / you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 13:24-43

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Let them grow together until the harvest.

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this," he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn.'"

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'