



# 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  
 Eucharistic Adoration

**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](mailto:sacraments@stjosephenfield.org.au)

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAM UPDATE**  
 INFORMATION & ENROLMENT DAY 15th October 2017 at 3.30pm - 4.30pm in the parish hall. Confirmation Commitment Weekend: All Masses 21/10/2017 & 22/10/2017. Please bring a copy of your Baptismal, Reconciliation & Holy Communion Certificates.  
**Payment for resources will be cash only on enrolment day.** 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**

### 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. For Credit Card donations, these will be processed every 15th day of the calendar month.

**TAX RECEIPTS 2017-2018** A total amount of 25% of your **Planned Giving will be contributed to Charitable Works Fund, so that you can benefit a 25% tax deductibility from your Planned Giving contributions for the new financial year ending 2018.**

### ROSTERS

The new readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, cleaners, children's liturgy rosters are now available for collection at the entrance of the church under the Pope Francis photo. Please collect your new rosters.

### ROSARY & STATUE OF OUR LADY THIS WEEK

Will be with Antonette Karam, 10 Firth Street Strathfield. Please call Antonette on 0421057896 if you would like to attend and pray with the group.

### HEALING MASS

Friday 6th October 2017 at 7pm. Celebrant Fr. Daniel Mc Caughan. Rosary 7pm, Reconciliation 7pm-8pm, Prayer & Praise 7.30pm, Mass 8pm. Exposition (after Mass) for more information contact Rose 0412 115 961.

**PRAYER GROUP** Wednesday 7pm Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet. 7.30pm Prayer & Praise, then looking at next Sunday's Gospel, what is the Gospel saying to me? How do I go out and live the Gospel? A time of sharing what is God doing in my life, intercessory prayer praying for the sick and the needs of our Parish. Close 9pm.

### ACT OF LOVE BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION

O my God, I love Thee with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my strength and with no other desire than to be inseparably united to Thee. It is through Thy Divine Son that this union is about to be realised within me. In Holy Communion I long to identify myself with Him, that it will no longer be myself, but Him, who lives in me; and when I have received Jesus within myself, then I shall love and be loved by Thee in that same measure, in which I am united to Him. Hasten then, to give me Thy Divine Son, at the hands of Thy priest, that through Jesus, I may unite myself forever to Thee, O God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

### PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

I beseech Thee, my sweet Lord Jesus Christ, grant that Thy Passion may be to me a power by which I may be strengthened, protected and defended. May Thy wounds be to me food and drink, by which I may be nourished, inebriated and overjoyed. May the sprinkling of Thy Blood be to me, an ablution for all my sins. May Thy death prove to me life everlasting, and Thy cross be to me an eternal glory. In these, be my refreshment, my joy, my preservation and sweetness of heart. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

### GARDEN GROUP

Next Meet will be on Saturday 7 October, 8am all welcome.

### YOUNG ADULTS YOUTH GROUP AGE GROUP (15-25)

First meeting will be on Friday 6th October at 6pm in the parish meeting room. Pizza and drinks will be provided for dinner.

### LENTEN DVD SALE

Bishop Robinson presented a 5 week Lenten lecture series which has been produced into a 5 part DVD series. The lecture series provides a deeper understanding of the Gospel readings during Lent. The DVD series can be purchased through the Parish office. A kind donation of \$30 is appreciated.

### CATHOLICCARE

CatholicCare is the social services agency of the Catholic Church in Sydney. CatholicCare services include counselling, education and support for children, young people and families, delivery of ageing services in the home. For more information, please take a CatholicCare brochure this weekend or call [CatholicCare's ccareline 13 18 19](http://CatholicCare's ccareline).

### BREAKFAST WITH BENEDICT—DAILY READINGS POPE BENEDICT XVI

#### JESUS IS THE ANSWER

Many young people today lack hope. They are perplexed by the questions that present themselves ever more urgently in a confusing world, and they are often uncertain which way to turn for answers. They see poverty and injustice and they long to find solutions. They are challenged by the arguments of those who deny the existence of God and they wonder how to respond. They see great damage done to the natural environment through human greed and they struggle to find ways to live in greater harmony with nature and with one another.

Where can we look for answers? The Spirit points us toward the way that leads to life, to love, and to truth. The Spirit points us toward Jesus Christ. There is a saying attributed to St. Augustine: "If you wish to remain young, seek Christ." In him we find the answers that we are seeking, we find the goals that are truly worth living for, we find the strength to pursue the path that will bring about a better world. Our hearts find no rest until they rest in the Lord, as St. Augustine says at the beginning of the Confessions, the famous account of his own youth. My prayer is that the hearts of the young people who gather in Sydney for the celebration of World Youth Day will truly find rest in the Lord, and that they will be filled with joy and fervor for spreading the Good News among their friends, their families, and all whom they meet.

#### HOPE FOR THE WORLD'S HEALING

Suffering is a part of our human existence. Suffering stems partly from our finitude, and partly from the mass of sin which has accumulated over the course of history and continues to grow unabated today. Certainly we must do whatever we can to reduce suffering: to avoid as far as possible the suffering of the innocent; to soothe pain; to give assistance in overcoming mental suffering. These are obligations both in justice and in love, and they are included among the fundamental requirements of the Christian life and every truly human life...Indeed, we must do all we can to overcome suffering, but to banish it from the world altogether is not in our power. This is simply because we are unable to shake of our finitude and because none of us is capable of eliminating the power of evil, of sin which, as we plainly see, is a constant source of suffering. Only God is able to do this: only a God who personally enters history by making himself man and suffering with in history. We know that this god exists, and hence that this power to take "away the sin of the world" (Jn 1:29) is present in the world. Through faith in the existence of this power, hope for the world's healing has emerged in history. It is, however, hope - not yet fulfilment; hope that gives us the courage to place ourselves on the side of good even in seemingly hopeless situations, aware that, as far as the external course of history is concerned, the power of sin will continue to be a terrible presence.

#### THE NEW IDOLATRY

What can be said of the fact that, in the current consumers' society, profit and success have become the new idols before which so many prostrate themselves? The consequence is that it has brought us to give value solely to who, as is often said, "is lucky" and has "fame," certainly not those who must laboriously battle with life each day. Possession of material goods and applause of the masses have replaced the work on oneself that serves to temper the spirit and form an authentic personality. One risks being superficial, taking dangerous short-cuts in the search for success, thus consigning life to experiences that give immediate satisfaction, but are in themselves precarious and misleading. The tendency toward individualism is growing, and when one is concentrated only on oneself, one inevitably becomes fragile; the capacity to listen is weakened, which is an indispensable stage in understanding others and working together.

	5.30pm	9.00am	10.30am	6pm
<b>Week 2 - 7/8 Oct</b>				
<b>Acolytes</b>	Allen	Tom	Richard	Chris
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reader</b>	Henry	Kate	Sabrina	Julia
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reader</b>	Elizabeth	Marianne	Vesna	Josephine
<b>EMHC</b>	Rose C & Jenny	Sue & Rose T	Sylvia & Marie-Ange	Sonia & Carla
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Niamh & Deegan	Gianluca & James	Ethan & Joshua	Isabella, Patrick & Nate
<b>Counters</b>	Mike Radecki & Luke Touma			
<b>Ministers to the Sick</b>	Marianne Freitas Sue Chidiac Clover Lea - Permanent Commitment Amy Alarcon			
<b>Children's liturgy</b>	School Holidays			
<b>Church Cleaning 2/8 Oct</b>	Sue Chidiac, Gladys Touma, Miriam Fernandez, Mary Falcone			

**ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**



### School Motto

Live Justly, Love Tenderly and Walk Humbly with Our Loving God.  
 For all new enrolments please call 9744 2811.

Principal Mrs Maria Maiorana

With St Joseph we pray ...

- For the sick**  
 Lee Tiliam  
 Fedorowicz Family  
 Sokolowski Family  
 Sharon Holliday  
 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  
 Sonia Grigoriou  
 Barbara Mitchell  
 Lina Grande  
 Michael Tucker  
 Antoniette Serci  
 Sean Da Silva  
 Alfonso Costantini  
 Joseph You  
 Martin Fleming  
 Sam Shepherd  
 Patrick Morris  
 Rocob Shi  
 Haishong Andy Shi  
 Theresa Lee

- For the Souls of**  
 Valenzisi Sivatore  
 Antonietta Cartiere  
 Norman Brady  
 Maria Malatesta  
 Giovanna Scavo  
 Albert Jenkins  
 Giuseppe Falcone  
 Patricia Madden  
 Mary Thompson  
 Bernard Scheibel  
 Rosina Accurso  
 Justin Croce  
 Paolo Fregnan  
 Carmelo Faro  
 Pietrina Spada  
 Giacomo Tarantolo  
 Mary Swan  
 Giuseppe Cincotta  
 Maria Licciardo  
 Vera Cowell  
 Souls of the unborn children  
 All Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Anniversary**  
 Angelius (Lino) Pace

**Recently Deceased**  
 Tony Newman  
 Joanne Curro  
 Renato Luna  
 Frank Jenkins  
 Keith De Britt  
 Giovanni Calarco  
 Giannino Sante Morassut

**Special Intentions**  
 Ferraro Family  
 Pezzuto Family  
 Grigoriou Family

GOSPEL Mt 21:28-32

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.**

*He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### 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, / born 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. Grant us, O merciful God, that this our offering may find acceptance with you and that through it the wellspring of all blessing

may be laid open before us. 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: **Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

#### 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 cf. Ps 118:49-50

**Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.**

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body, that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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

##### DOING THE FATHER'S WILL

In Middle Eastern culture like that of Jesus' time, honour is of paramount value. Honour is the public acknowledgement of the person's worth. On the other hand, shame is something that must be avoided.

In the context of this culture, the son who says 'yes, sir', when asked to work in the vineyard is the one who behaves properly; he is a good son. Remember that the dialogue takes place in public, and is heard by the villagers. Both father and son gain respectability by the response. Never mind if the son never went; it is unlikely that the neighbours would check the subsequent behaviour of the two sons. The other son responds shamefully by saying, 'I will not', and publicly humiliates his father. The villagers will immediately say that this son is not good, and they will deny the father's claim to honour.

Notice that what Jesus asks about the parable is not which of the sons behaved honourably, but 'Which of the two did his father's will?' In the kingdom of heaven, this is what really counts.

Jesus then points out that tax collectors and prostitutes rank with that son who initially says no and but eventually does his father's will. They did the 'Father's will' when they heeded John the Baptist's call to repentance. On the other hand Jesus' temple opponents are like the 'yes' son. They publicly honour God but do not do what pleases him. They did not believe John the Baptist, even claiming that he was possessed by the devil. They questioned his authority to baptise. They did not honour God who sent John to prepare for the coming of Jesus.

FR GIL ALINSANGAN SSP

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TEWNTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

1 OCTOBER 2017

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY. We cannot spend all of our lives blaming others for what has happened to us. At a certain stage we must accept responsibility for our own lives and deeds. Sometimes we need to admit, 'I have done wrong. I am sorry. God, help me to do right in future.' Change is always possible. If we have the desire, God will guide us in the right path.

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Dan 3:31, 29, 30, 43, 42

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 the bounty of your mercy.

#### GREETING

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

R. **Amen.**

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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.

All: **I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

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

R. **Amen.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. **Lord, have mercy.**

V. Christ, have mercy.

R. **Christ, have mercy.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. **Lord, have mercy.**

#### 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. O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. 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

Ezek 18:25-28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel  
*The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

The word of the Lord.

R. **Thanks be to God.**

##### RESP PSALM

Ps 24:4-9. R. v. 6

R. **Remember your mercies, O Lord.**

1. Lord, make me know your ways. / Lord, teach me your paths. / Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: / for you are God my saviour. R.

2. Remember your mercy, Lord, / and the love you have shown from of old. / Do not remember the sins of my youth. / In your love remember me, / because of your goodness, O Lord. R.

3. The Lord is good and upright / He shows the path to those who stray, / he guides the humble in the right path / he teaches his way to the poor. R.

#### SECOND READING

Phil 2:1-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
**Philippians**  
*In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.*

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine,  
yet he did not cling  
to his equality with God  
but emptied himself  
to assume the condition of a slave,  
and became as men are;  
and being as all men are,  
he was humbler yet,  
even to accepting death,  
death on a cross.

But God raised him high  
and gave him the name  
which is above all other names  
so that all beings  
in the heavens, on earth and in the  
underworld,  
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus  
and that every tongue should acclaim  
Jesus Christ as Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

R. **Thanks be to God.**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! / My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; / I know them, and they follow me. / Alleluia!