



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 Cenacle
 Every Monday 8am

Daily Prayer
 Church is open from 8am - 3.30pm

Rosary & Prayer
 Monday 8.30am
 Thurs & Saturday 11.30am
 Sat Adoration 11am-12noon

Holy Hour of Mercy
Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
 2.30pm - 3.30pm
 Adoration, Prayer's and Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Monthly
 Every first Wednesday of the month at 7pm
 Eucharistic Adoration

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2017 IS NOW CLOSED.
 Sacrament program for 2018 to be advised.

CONFIRMATION UPDATE
 Our children have started their preparation for their confirmation, please keep them and their families in your prayers.

CONFIRMATION MASS SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2017, AT 1PM WITH BISHOP RICHARD UMBERS.

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 Anna Battiato, Unit 1/ 54 Burwood Rd, Burwood Heights. Please call Anna on 0423 986 566 if you would like to attend and pray with the group.

CREATING A MORE WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE PARISH
 Thank you to the Holy Hour Divine Mercy Group for their hospitality last weekend. \$630 was donated by parishioners and will be given to the St Mary MacKillop outreach for the poor people of Peru.

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.

PATH NEWS
 There is overwhelming evidence that human slavery happens in Australia to a significant degree. Ask yourself: "is there an acceptable number of slaves? Is there an acceptable level of suffering?" The answer must be "no". This means that we must all take responsibility for this evil. We need to familiarise ourselves with products which are suspect, and find products which are guaranteed slavery free by consulting advisory websites like <http://www.ethical.org.au/3.4.2/get-informed/clothing/> and looking for certification on the products that we buy in the supermarket. Look out for PATH Christmas cards which will be sold in December to raise money for those who have been rescued from slavery.

PRAYER OF SAINT GERTRUDE THE GREAT FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY
O Eternal father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, for those in my own home and for those within my family Amen.



2018 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR ON SALE NOW
 The 2018 Columban Religious Art Calendar with feast days included is now available for purchase at a cost of \$10 each. Can be purchased either before or after Mass at the sacristy or parish office in parish hours.

Please have the correct money.

ADVENT WOMEN'S RETREAT
 Advent Women's Retreat at Notre Dame Sydney. On Monday the 4th of December from 9am to 4:30pm, all women are invited to spend a day around the theme of "The Mystery of His Nativity." There will be Mass, Adoration, opportunities for Confession and to inspiring talks. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided. The retreat is taking place at the Broadway Campus of the University of Notre Dame Australia. It is free, but registration is essential: 02 8204 4189 or online: www.trybooking.com/SPJK.

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP Small Group Room: 7.30pm-9pm Monday 13th and 27th November. Complimentary supper and refreshments provided. "I constantly pray with you in every one of my prayers for all of you... because I hold you in my heart" (Phil 1:4, 7). Contact Kevin Smith: 0470 284 590 <https://www.facebook.com/sydneycatholicmen/> www.sydneycatholicmen.com

ROSARY CRUSADE
 Our goal is to reach 1 million Rosaries dedicated for marriage. We currently have dedicated 645,803 rosaries. We need you to pray and dedicate a further 355,000 rosaries for marriage. Register your intention to pray at <http://rosarycrusade.org.au> People register the number of Rosaries they will pray for marriage each week. Included with this project is a palm sized prayer card that implores the intercession of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia which is prayed with each Rosary. More information contact David 0437 679 865.

Dear parishioners,
 Each Sunday we gather to celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ to refresh our life in Christ as he is always trying to lift us up to his grace, peace, joy and love.

This weekend's Gospel Jesus compares the Kingdom of Heaven is like.... It is like waiting for the one you love and the one who loves you the most. God loves us like a groom to a bride. God calls every soul to himself to share with him eternal life. Heaven, is something we need to wait for with great expectation.

The flasks of oil probably represent faith and love. It is faith and love that Jesus fulfilled in his death and resurrection. The more faith and love we have the more we are awake and alive. Not just any faith but the faith of the risen Lord. We see many people don't live for God's Kingdom but preoccupy themselves with worldly things. Such things fame, titles, status, money, and the pleasures of the world. They forgot God the greatest good.

We see that some people are foolish living only for this temporary life and they don't realise that this life is only a means to end to our eternal life. It is an exercise of faith and love in all the crosses which life asks us to bear. Worldly things will make our hearts empty and take away hope faith and love, making us empty flasks without any oil. Temporary concerns are only good for us when we see them as a means to an end.

At the end of our life, there will be a rapture of love. Is this something we are prepared for and looking forward to like a bride waiting for her groom? Theologically speaking God has assumed our humanity making us one with himself, taking on our sins and death and destroying our sinful nature by his death, giving us new life in the resurrection. He always wants to be one with us sharing everlasting life achieved by his death and resurrection.

This weekend we participate in the Charitable Works Fund which supposed to be last weekend but we had the Mary MacKillop Fundraiser for the people of Peru. Thank you to all those who gave so generously. \$630 was raised for this appeal. A special thank you to Rosina and group for their time and preparation and work.

The Charitable Works Fund Appeal happens three times a year where every parish in the Sydney Archdiocese gives to the Sydney Archdiocese to run essential agencies. The Charitable Works Fund Appeal will be this weekend, so there will be a third collection. Your donation supports the work of charitable agencies in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney. Agencies are: CatholicCare, Chaplaincies, Ephpheta Centre, Confraternity of Christian doctrine, Seminarians, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry. Please give generously to this appeal, this is a wonderful way to give to the parish and receive a 100% tax deduction. You will find Charitable Works Fund envelopes on your pews where you can give your donation.

The Joy of The Gospel group has recommended we start up a Welcoming Team to welcome people at Christmas and Easter Masses. The job involves welcoming people to the Christmas and Easter Masses, handing out the parish bulletin and wishing people Merry Christmas and a Happy Easter at the church doorway. Please contact the parish if you want to join this team.

The end of the liturgical year is approaching in two weeks time with Christ the King. I am taking the opportunity to have new Mass slides, so be ready to see a new format of the Mass on our projector.

Fr. Kim

Week 3 - 18/19 Nov	5.30pm	9.00am	10.30am	6pm
Acolytes	Allen	Tom	Richard	Chris
1st Reader	Lalita	Tania	Monique	Chris
2nd Reader	Maria	Rose	Donna	Simran
EMHC	Rose C & Jenny	Kate & Julie	Rosetta & Marie-Ange	Sonia & Carla
Music (Please advise the parish office)	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	Volunteer
Altar Servers	Louis, Mateusz, Gideon & Grace	Annabella & Savannah	Daniel	Isabella, Nate & Morgan
Counters	Graeme & Beryl Henneberry			
Ministers to the Sick	John Pestana Marita Devaney Clover Lea - Permanent Commitment Amy Alarcon			
Children's Liturgy	Cara & Cassandra			
Church Cleaning 13-19	Linda Paum, Liz reards, Belinda Miguel, Barbara Manduca			

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, or email school at info@stjenfield.catholic.edu.au

Principal Mrs Maria Maiorana

With St Joseph we pray ...

For the sick
 Lee Tilliam
 Fedorowicz Family
 Sokolowski Family
 Sharon Holliday
 Sarah Holliday
 Zachary Marsh
 Sue Brancatisano
 Bishop Geoffrey
 Nikranicz Family
 Waslowicz Family
 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
 Urban Fernandez
 Beatrice Fernandez

For the Souls of
 Luigi Crapotta
 Bridget O'Brien
 Desmond Brennan
 John Van Vliet
 Carmela Di Blasi
 Domenico Raneri
 Noeline Rose
 Carmelo Nicotra
 Angela Leonardi
 Rosario Sorbello
 Filomena Giammarco
 Enrico Giorgio
 Pietro Filippello
 Salvatore Vicario
 Steno Perper
 Arcangelo Orlando
 Lucia Vicario
 Filiberto Miracola
 Maria Di Francesco
 Edwin Cook
 Nunziata Ciccotta
 Peter Stapleton
 Salvatore Leonardi
 Cesare D'Angelo
 Aurora Sanfilippo
 Giuseppe Mezzapica
 James Rogers
 Peter Bercez
 Victor Trebelco
 Giuseppe Casale
 Carmela Tizzone
 Filomena Brandis
 Fr. Tom Connelly
 Nunzio D'Alibora
 Annunziata Tavella
 Dino Checchin
 Souls of the unborn children
 All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Recently Deceased
 Dolly Gock
 Antonietta Calabretta
 Dulce Nobrega

Special Intentions
 Ferraro Family
 Pezzuto Family
 Grigoriou Family

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

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. Look with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. 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: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, 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 cf. Ps 22: 1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy, that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. 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 in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
R. Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

STAY AWAKE!

In Israel in Jesus' time, marriage consisted of two steps. The first was the "betrothal" (*erusin*) when previous parental arrangements were legally ratified. However, the girl continued to live at her family home. After a year, she would be formally taken to her husband's family home with a celebration. This is the actual wedding (*nesuin*), described in the Gospel. As part of the wedding, the groom, accompanied by his relatives, would go to the bride's home to fetch her and take her to his home. The 'ten bridesmaids' in the parable would be young teenagers, very likely the groom's sisters and cousins, waiting for the groom and the wedding party to return. Their job was to greet them with lights and to participate in the celebration.

In the parable, the clever teenagers are prepared for their roles when the groom arrives. The dull-witted, however, fail to make adequate plans. They don't even know how to put the groom's delay to advantage: they could have used the time to go out and buy oil for their lamps. The mistake of the dull-witted is not in sleeping while waiting; in fact, all become drowsy and fall asleep. They are simply not clever. They are not sensitive to the whims of the bridegroom and to the intricacies of the wedding celebration. Consequently, they find themselves losing their privileged position as bridesmaids.

In the liturgy, the parable is applied to our waiting for the glorious coming of Christ, the Bridegroom. We are told to be prepared! "Staying awake" means to be alive and dedicated to our Christian calling, active in the service of God and neighbour, living one's life to the full, never postponing conversion to the last minute. This is being prepared and being 'sensible'.

FR GIL ALINSANGAN SSP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

12 NOVEMBER 2017

KEEP YOUR LAMPS BURNING. We human beings need fuel to keep going. Without food and drink we become weak and eventually die. Our spiritual life also needs fuel, namely the body and blood of Christ in the Eucharist. We are nourished also by prayer, the Scriptures, the community and by loving others. If we seek this nourishment regularly our light will be shining brightly when Christ comes in glory.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 87: 3
Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

GREETING

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

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
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 have revealed yourself as the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You have poured out on your people the Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to eternal life: 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 Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. 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 6: 12-16

A reading from the book of Wisdom.
Wisdom is found by those who look for it. Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go. In every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 62: 2-8. R. v. 2

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
1. O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. **R.**
3. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**



4. On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Thess 4: 13-18

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.
Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.
We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 24: 42, 44. R. v. 2
Alleluia, alleluia! / Be watchful and ready: / you know not when the Son of Man is coming. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 25: 1-13

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.
Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.