



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 hall. 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 under photos of previous parish priests. 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 & STATUE OF OUR LADY THIS WEEK

Will be with Mark Eid, 35 Baker St Enfield.
 Please call Mark 0417 194 917.

PRAYER GROUP, HEALING MASS & TEACHING DAY

Prayer Group every 2nd, 3rd, 4th Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm. Rosary, Divine Mercy, Prayer & Praise. **Healing Mass** every first Friday of the month at 7pm. **More information contact Rose 0412 115 961.**

HEALING MASS FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

Celebrant Fr. Kim Ha
 Rosary 7pm, Reconciliation 7-8pm, Prayer & Praise 7.30pm. Exposition (after Mass)
 Rose: 9642-2359 / 0412 115 961.
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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

I believe, O Lord, and I confess that Thou art truly the Christ, the Son of the Living God, Who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am first. I believe also that this is truly Thine own pure Body, and that this is truly Thine own precious Blood. Therefore I pray Thee: have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, of knowledge and of ignorance. And make me worthy to partake without condemnation of Thy most pure Mysteries, for the remission of my sins, and unto life everlasting. Amen.

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.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE

Catholic Women's League Meeting will be next Wednesday 30th August after the 9:15am Mass in the Meeting room. All welcome.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

Thank you for your generous donations to the Charitable Works Fund Appeal. Envelopes are still available in the Church if you desire to contribute to this cause in the Sydney Archdiocese.

PATH NEWS

Trying to buy ethical goods & services such as clothing, chocolate, electronics, tea and coffee? Are you wearing, eating or drinking someone else's misery? Buying goods and services is a moral choice! On 19 September Carolyn Kitto from Stop the Traffik will be coming to speak in our Parish Hall about what we here in Australia can do to stop slavery in our time. Please come and bring your friends and family to learn how we can end slavery in our time.

Dear parishioners,

What a wonderful celebration it was last Sunday for Bishop Geoff 80's birthday!

Thank you all those who joined in to support Bishop Geoff. A special gratitude to Sam Sayed, Linda Praum and Lynette and all those who supported them. The birthday decorations was very nice, the BBQ was tasty and the children activities was good. We wish the Bishop good health and an eager spirit for many years to come.

Apologies for not announcing the Solemnity of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary. I was too busy with Bishop's Birthday planning and two wedding's for last weekend. We celebrated this great Feast last Tuesday with the whole school in the morning. I thank Bishop for celebrating Holy Mass in the evening while I was at St Mary's Cathedral presiding at another event. The Assumption of Mary shows us God is victorious, love is victorious, truth is victorious and heaven is victorious in Mary's life. Mary leads all humanity to this glorious destiny. Since Mary is now with God, she is ever closer to us than before always interceding for our salvation. Our Lady of Victories, Pray for us!

'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' A shocking statement by Jesus in today's gospel. With today standards Jesus might be before the courts for discrimination or even hate speech. But Jesus intention was not to humiliate and hurt the mother but to test if she can overcome gender and racial lines. She did overcome all those obstacles because she was desperate. Jesus knew what he was doing, getting the faith necessary to do this miracle. We can learn there is a deep connection between faith, love and life. Our Catholic faith teaches us these are one reality. God wants to draw from us faith, perseverance, and love.

Pray for grace in humiliation comes, that the best of us comes out and not the worst of us. It was the love of the mother for her daughter that draw out the best of her. Maybe if she was seeking a cure for herself, Jesus put down would have been too much to bear but she was living for her daughter not herself. Jesus wanted not just to save the mother's daughter and give back her health but increase the faith of the mother and save her soul forever, for eternal life.

Some people find it abhorrent that priests forgives paedophiles who keeps on reoffending. The fact is the priest is not the one who forgives, it is God. The priest forgives not in his name but in God's name. Can we blame God if He desires to keep on loving and forgiving the sinner if they are sorry for their evil deeds to give them back their humanity? In God, we find a friend who is better than any friend, a lover who is better than any lover.

The debate about the nature of marriage is much more than competing rights and freedom for all citizens. It is about keeping life and love together as one reality. We see deep connection between love and life. Marriage is not just about love, it is also about life.

The love of a man and woman can create life! Love can be REALISED in a new life, in flesh, a baby.

Let's keep marriage NATURAL AND REAL.

Real love gives life!

Let's keep it REAL!

We are all MADE, created and born from the love between a man and a woman and no other relationships. MADE FROM LOVE.

Fr. Kim

Monday, Saint Pius X Pope

Tuesday, Our Lady, Queen and Mother.

Thursday, Saint Bartholomew, Apostle.

Week 4-- 26/27 Aug	5.30pm	9.00am	10.30am	6pm
Acolytes	Allen	Tom	Domenic	Chris
1st Reader	Natasha	Anne	Paula	Carole
2nd Reader	Teresa	Sr Helena	Vesna	John
EMHC	Rose C & Jenny	Kate & Julie	Rosetta & Marie-Ange	Sonia & Carla
Altar Servers	Niamh, Dan & Deegan	Gianluca & James	Ethan & Joshua	Issabella, Patric, Dylan & Killian
Counters	Bruno Alimonti & Thomas Tan			
Ministers to the Sick	Richard Allcock Kevin Fernandez Clover Lea - Permanent Commitment Amy Alarcon			
Children's liturgy	Susan, Hae Jung			
Church Cleaning 21-27	Theresa Myong Soon Lee, Antonietta & Anne			

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

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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
 Ruth Correy Ahern
 Michael Abou-Antoun
 Douglas Edwards
 Helen Bache
 Lan Fon Yu
 Anna Pezzuto
 Michael Tucker
 Antoniette Serci
 Barbara Mitchell
 Lina Grande
 Sean Da Silva
 Alfonso Costantini
 Joseph You
 Martin Fleming
 Sam Shepherd
 Patrick Morris

For the Souls of

Sakich Family
 Martinovich Family
 Giovanna Mangraviti
 Antonio Ingeneri
 David Ricigliano
 Jessica Ocampo
 Glenda Danguacan
 Elsie O'Regan
 John Quill
 Phyllis McGuinness
 Mary Miller
 Domenico Tripolone
 Patrick Kelly
 Maria Escobedo
 Raymond McKeon
 Santiago Turija
 Vittorio Casanta
 Roseann Belanger
 Kevin Simon
 Evelyn Browne
 Giuseppe Morabito
 Dorotea Pizzolato
 Souls of the unborn children
 All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Anniversary

Lupo Vaccarella

Recently Deceased

Gaetano Coralla Famularo
 Francesco Natale
 Peter Murphy
 Giovanna Marmotta
 LeeAnne Hendricks

Special Intentions

Nicotina Family
 Pezzuto Family
 Ferraro Family
 Roberts Family

started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply. 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

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. Receive our oblation, O Lord, by which is brought about a glorious exchange, that, by offering what you have given, we may merit to receive your very self. 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 129:7

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Made partakers of Christ through these Sacraments,

we humbly implore your mercy, Lord, that, conformed to his image on earth, we may merit also to be his coheirs in heaven. 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 in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

THE CANAANITE WOMAN

When Jesus sent the Twelve on a mission, he instructed them to go 'only to the lost sheep of Israel' (Matthew 10:6). They were to avoid pagan territories and Samaritan towns. In today's Gospel, Jesus enters the region of Tyre and Sidon in Phoenicia inhabited by pagans. Will he contradict himself by ministering to the pagans?

When approached by a local woman, Jesus ignores her. In a society which lives by the code of honour and shame, Jesus reminds her that they are not of equal status: he is a male Israelite; she is a woman and a pagan. Jesus' initial refusal is even made harsher when he refers to the Gentiles as dogs. He apparently repeats his culture's stereotype, by calling someone a dog which is offensive in any language or culture.

To the amazement of all, the woman fights back in an 'honour game' of challenge and riposte. She is not put off. She says that as a pagan, she may be a dog, but even dogs eat the scraps that fall from the master's table. She proves to be a good match to Jesus' wit.

Jesus must have felt happily surprised at having found such a match in the pagan woman. He grants her request, admiring her great faith. 'Faith' in the Mediterranean culture is understood as loyalty no matter what. The woman is committed to Jesus even before she meets him. She is not put off by his initial aloofness and subsequent insult. She is committed to be loyal to Jesus regardless of how he behaves towards her. In the end her loyalty and commitment pay off.

FR GIL ALINSANGAN SSP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

20 AUGUST 2017

WOMAN, YOU HAVE GREAT FAITH! The Canaanite woman in today's Gospel enjoyed no status in the eyes of the Jewish people of her time. She was someone to be scorned and ignored. Yet, in her deep love for her daughter and her great faith, she is a model of the true disciple of Jesus. She reminds us that what identifies us as Christians most fundamentally is our faith, our hope and our love.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 83:10-11

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

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.

P. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: 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

Gloria 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 have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. 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

Isa 56:1, 6-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord.

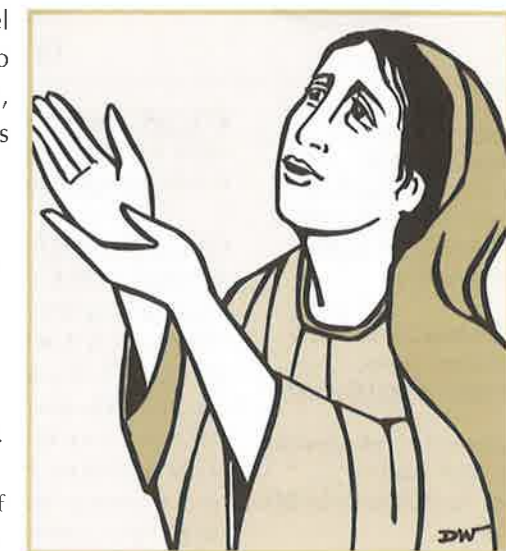
R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM

Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8. R. v. 8

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

- O God, be gracious and bless us / and let your face shed its light upon us. / So will your ways be known upon earth / and all nations learn your saving help. R.
- Let the nations be glad and exult / for you rule the world with justice. / With fairness you rule the peoples, / you guide the nations on earth. R.
- Let the peoples praise you, O God; / let all the peoples praise you. / May God still give us his blessing / till the ends of the earth revere him. R.



SECOND READING Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia! / Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom / and healed all who were sick. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 15:21-28

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.

Woman, you have great faith.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and