



# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Parish Office

### Administration

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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](mailto: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 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 Elizabeth Castellanos, 91 The Boulevard Strathfield, phone 0411 848 617. Rosary 5.30pm.

## 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. **Teaching Day** Saturday 12th August 9.45am - 3.45pm. Speaker Fr. Baiju Thomas, MGL. Cost \$15. **More information contact Rose 0412 115 961.**

**PATH NEWS** John McCarthy, the Coordinator of the new Sydney Archdiocesan Anti-Slavery Taskforce, met with PATH members last week and outlined the new policy for the whole Church in Sydney, and also Australia to work to eradicate slavery.

## 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.**

## PRAY AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.

## 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.

## JOY OF THE GOSPEL

We meet 7pm on the first Monday of the month to read, contemplate and discuss as prompted by the Holy Spirit, Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation - Joy of the Gospel. For more information contact Teresa on 0450 768 027.

## 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY FOR EX-STUDENTS

St Joseph's Primary School Enfield are celebrating their 100 year anniversary in 2017. They will be holding a celebration event for ex-students in September. If you are an ex-student and would like further information regarding this event please email [stjosephenfield.pandf@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephenfield.pandf@gmail.com) with your name, email address and phone number. **Please spread the word.**

## FEAST OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP,

**8 AUGUST 2017** An invitation to join the Sisters of St Joseph at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney to honour their Australian Saint, Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Masses will be celebrated at 8am, 10am and 1pm. The Chapel will be open for private prayer and visits to Mary MacKillop's Tomb from 9am 4pm. The MMP Museum will be open (free admission) from 9am - 4pm. All are welcome. For more information see [www.marymackillopplace.org.au](http://www.marymackillopplace.org.au)

Dear friends of God,

It's always a joy to come together as a community to share our life with God and each other even for this short moment in time. Sometimes we don't share our life with God, but God always wants to share his life with us.

Today, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of The Transfiguration of the Lord. We are surprised by the appearance of the Holy Trinity at one place. Father as a voice, Son as the transfigured one and the Holy Spirit as a cloud. The Trinity always desires to share their communion with us all together with Moses, Elijah, Peter, James and John. This communion is the 'wonderful place to be' as Peter cried out. Peter had a taste of what it is like in heaven. This 'wonderful place' is our final destination and goal and our hearts will always be a little restless even in good times until we get there.

But before we share the delight of perfect communion and relationships we must experience the brokenness in relationships and the injustice of this world just as Jesus did on the cross. To experience the sweetness, we must experience bitterness. Then we will really appreciate God's love and mercy.

Don't forget next week Bishop's birthday will be celebrated at Sunday 10:30am Mass followed by lunch in the hall. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Mass offering envelopes which are put into Mass collections does not get to me until the Sunday afterwards (one week delayed). Please hand them to me personally if it is urgent if you want your Mass offered and names published in the bulletin that week.

Fr. Kim.

## "The Association SS De Monte Alto"

**On the third last Sunday of every August in a tiny town in Sicily called Motta Camastra the local people and their close by friends get together to celebrate Mary Mother of God who is a patron of their local church and she is locally and affectionately know as "The Madonna". Motta Camastra is a tiny hilltop town that has clear views of Mt Etna a volcano that to this day remains active. Local tradition sees the locals carry their statue out and around the church before everyone in the tiny town and friends from far and wide all gather for a lunch in the towns piazza.**

**Today the first Sunday in August many people who were born in Motta Camastra, their descendants as well as their family and friends all come to St Josephs to have a local celebration of that same fiesta that also occurs in the home town. That festival is known in local language as a festa!**

**The statue that you see here in St Josephs is a replica of the one in Motta Camastra and was donated some 21 plus years ago to St Joseph's church by this group who have become known as "The Association SS De Monte Alto" Collectively this group is very proud of the support they have been able to offer to St Joseph's Church over these past years including recently providing a new Thurible. The association looks forward to a continued relationship with new parish priest Father Kim.**

Sam Silvestro

	5.30pm	9.00am	10.30am	6pm
<b>Week 2 - 12/13 Aug</b>				
<b>Acolytes</b>	Allen	Tom	Richard	Chris
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reader</b>	Elizabeth	Kate	Sabrina	Julia
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reader</b>	Henry		Vesna	Josephine
<b>EMHC</b>	Rose C & Jenny	Sue & Rose T	Silvia & Marie-Ange	Sonia & Carla
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Niamh & Deegan	Giamluca & James	Ethan & Joshua	Isabella, Patrick & Nate
<b>Counters</b>	Graeme & Beryl Henneberry			
<b>Ministers to the Sick</b>	Nursing Home Kevin Smith Nursing Home Mary Falcone <b>Clover Lea - Permanent Commitment Amy Alarcon</b>			
<b>Children's liturgy</b>	Lina			
<b>Church Cleaning 7-13</b>	Stella Lin, Elizabeth Lees, Gabriella Taouk, Stephanie Wong			

## ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

Phone: 9744 2811  
Principal: 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  
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

### For the Souls of

Aileen Lennon  
Nancye Lennon  
Marcellina  
Bruno Romeo  
Geolouesi Giuseppina  
Mary Margetts  
Marie Peters-Mitchell  
Apolonio Bisello  
Margaret Eldridge  
Judith Stephenson  
Hilton Fletcher  
Edward Stokes  
Umberto Palmieri  
Elena Ettinger  
Vittorio De Michiel  
Souls of the unborn children  
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Recently Deceased

Peter Murphy  
Giovanna Marmotta  
LeeAnne Hendricks  
Margaret Maher

### Anniversary

Maria Cat  
Vincent Vinh  
Anthony viet  
Anthony Phuc  
Joseph Sang  
Maria Lazzaro  
Lazzaro Family  
Michael Shanahan  
Roy Diaz  
Ena Diaz  
Ivan Skuric

### Special Intentions

Lee Tilliam  
Nicotina Family  
Pezzuto Family  
Ferraro Family  
Chi & Joseph  
Tony Screnci

**GOSPEL**

Mt 17: 1-9

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.**

*His face was shining like the sun.*  
 Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son; the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

**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. Sanctify, O Lord, we pray, these offerings here made to celebrate the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son, and by his radiant splendour cleanse us from the stains of sin. 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 OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

*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. 1 Jn 3: 2  
**When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P. May the heavenly nourishment we have received, O Lord, we pray, transform us into the likeness of your Son, whose radiant splendour you willed to make manifest in his glorious Transfiguration. 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**

**ASCENDING THE MOUNTAIN**  
 Throughout Scripture, mountains are portrayed as the locus of God's particular closeness. In the episode of the Transfiguration, Jesus' inner circle of apostles – Peter, James and John – accompany him up a high mountain. While they are there, the unimaginable happens: Jesus changes in appearance and manifests himself to them as the Son of God. Following this experience, the three Apostles are changed men, carrying with them a firsthand glimpse of God's majesty and Jesus' identity as the Son of God. The vision will be a source of strength for them during the coming passion and death of Jesus.  
 In the depths of our hearts is an ardent cry for God's love. Increasingly it is a cry we don't hear. We have become experts at keeping busy, hopping from one activity to the next, filling eyes, ears, and heart with distractions often misconstrued as important yet unable to satisfy. We end up exhausted and still clueless about where true joy is, where God is.  
 Yet God remains ever-present with us, especially in the Holy Eucharist. The highest form of prayer, the Mass, quenches our thirst with the Living Water. We partake of Jesus' Body and Blood. We are bathed in the Light of Christ and granted a foretaste of heaven, becoming transfigured ourselves. The Eucharist thus functions like the mountain in Scripture: a privileged place for us to encounter the divine. Hence, we should go to Church as we would trek a mountain: leaving behind all distractions, we come to Mass to truly seek God with our whole being. Only then do we find him, always present, eagerly anticipating. And then our own transfiguration can begin and we can exclaim together with Peter: 'Lord, it is good that we are here.'

FR GIL ALINSANGAN SSP

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**OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION**

6 AUGUST 2017

**THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD / A**

HIS FACE SHONE LIKE THE SUN. Through the eyes of resurrection faith, Jesus' first disciples came to understand that, during his earthly life, they had caught glimpses of his unique relationship with God. In his life of unswerving fidelity to the Father's will, the glory into which Jesus entered through his passion and death shone through. 'We had seen his majesty for ourselves' wrote Peter.

**INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Mt 17: 5  
**In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. / The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, / with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.**

**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.**

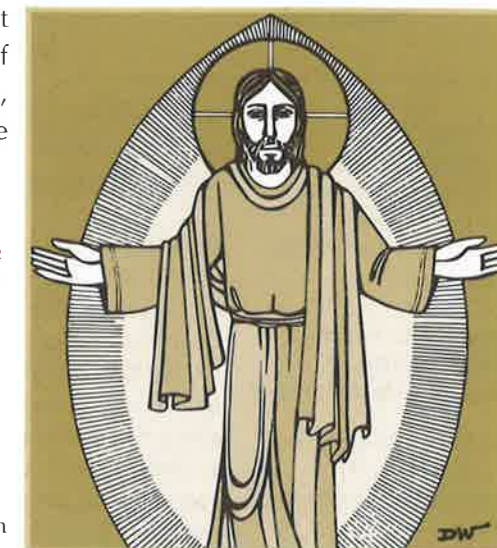
**COLLECT**

P. O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, grant, we pray, to your servants, that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, we may merit to become coheirs with him. 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** Dan 7: 9-10, 13-14  
**A reading from the book of Daniel**  
*His raiment was as white as snow.*  
 As I watched:  
 Thrones were set in place and one of great age took his seat. His robe was white as snow, the hair of his head as pure as wool. His throne was a blaze of flames, its wheels were a burning fire. A stream of fire poured out, issuing from his presence. A thousand thousand waited on him, ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.  
 A court was held and the books were opened. I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man.  
 He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

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



**RESP PSALM** Ps 96: 1-2, 5-6, 9. R. vv. 1, 9

**R. The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.**  
 1. The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, let all the coastlands be glad. Cloud and darkness are his raiment; his throne, justice and right. **R.**  
 2. The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth. The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory. **R.**  
 3. For you indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth exalted far above all spirits. **R.**

**SECOND READING** 2 Pet 1: 16-19

**A reading from the second letter of St Peter.**  
*We heard this voice from out of heaven.*  
 It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Mt 17: 5

**Alleluia, alleluia! / This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight; / listen to him. / Alleluia!**