



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
Thursday & Saturday
11.30am

Holy Hour of Mercy

Mon-Frid
2.30pm - 3.30pm
Adoration, Prayer's and
Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Monthly

Every first Wednesday of
the month at 7pm
Eucharistic Adoration

2017 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

More information is available on our website or email
Heather 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**

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 Antonietta Currenti, 29 Brighton Street
Croydon. Please call Antonietta on 0418 976 094 if you
would like to attend and pray with the group.

PATH

Next meeting Tuesday evening 10 October at 7pm.
All welcome to come along to help with the work of
advocating for the abolition of present day slavery.
Did you know that a T-shirt made by free people would
only cost 45c more than ones you can now buy in the
shops made by those who have been trafficked?
Check that your brands are slavery free by going to
www.behindthebarcode.org.au.

TEACHING/RETREAT DAY

Saturday, 21st October 2017 at 9:30am to 3:30pm in the
parish hall. Celebrants Fr. Rony George VC and Fr. Joby
George VC. 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.

MONTH OF PRAYER & FASTING FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILIES

This Sunday, October 8, is the second week of the Month of
Prayer and Fasting. The prayer theme for this Sunday is: for
the strengthening of marriages and families in distress. Keep
praying the Rosary for your families and for those who are in
distress.

PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION

O most blessed Virgin Mary, mother most loving and
most merciful, I, a miserable and unworthy sinner
come before thee, with the heartfelt prayer, that of
thy loving kindness thou wouldst vouchsafe graciously
to be near me and all who throughout the whole
Church are to receive The Body and Blood of thy Son
this day, even as thou wert near thy most dear Son as
He hung bleeding on the cross, that, aided by thy
gracious help, we may worthily offer up a pure and
acceptable sacrifice in the sight of the Holy and
undivided Trinity. 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.

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.

THE BISHOP'S BLEND

Looking to network with other young Catholic
professionals and learn how to live your faith in the
workplace? Then join the Most Reverend Bishop
Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney on **Monday,
6 November at 7:00am at the Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel
Sydney** for The Bishop's Blend, a quarterly breakfast
series for young professionals. Online booking is
essential. For more information and to purchase tickets
go to <https://thebishopsblend.eventbrite.com> or
contact bishopsblend@sydneycatholic.org

CATHOLIC CARE

Supporting the people of Sydney to live and thrive
CatholicCare Foster Care Information evening, 18th
October at 6pm. Would you like to know more about
fostering a child? As an accredited foster care agency,
we are passionate about supporting our foster
carers. Come and meet our team and ask any questions
you have about fostering a child on a short-term or a
long-term basis. To register for our Information evening in
Bankstown, call our team on 13 18 19 or email us at
connect@catholiccare.org

Dear parishioners,

We welcome back our primary school community after their two weeks holiday.
Back to learn and understand the amazing world God has created and to participate in it to their
possibilities.

I am putting together a raised garden bed to plant a vegetable garden. It will take a lot of effort and
planting and nurturing, watering to bear fruit, I mean vegetables. This Sunday's readings is also about
fruit. Just like any reasonable farmer, when you invest a lot of work, you expect results. This is the same
for God, God has given a lot, He expects results, He expects our lives to bear fruit, and not any fruit,
sweet fruit, not sour fruit.

God has cultivated the best vineyard, the earth to produce the most beautiful lives. Lives of peace, joy,
faith, love, generosity and community. God has put a lot of work attention and love into human lives.
What does He get in return? Sometimes unfaithfulness, disobedience, idolatry, selfishness and even
violence and death. Much was expected from Israel and from us today to live up to our calling and
purpose. In the beginning, God had a dream for us to share in His goodness, and purity. Life supposed to
be sweet and intoxicating like sweet vine, but has turned sour for many who find it very hard to find any
goodness, truth, faith, love, purpose and community in this secular world.

Sometimes God allows us to experience and feel the effects and consequences of our sins as an individual,
and as a whole human community so we can learn from our mistakes. Like the tragic shooting in Las Vegas
last week, hopefully events like this will never be repeated again. Unfortunately, we are at each other's
mercy so we better build a more compassionate and loving world based on Gods goodness. Otherwise,
events like this will happen again.

Thank God when we go astray and loose our way, we can always come back to God and receive Him in the
Eucharist, the Bread of Life. It is the Bread of Life because it is the source of life.

We can also learn in Jesus's parable, just like the vineyard does not belong to the tenants we don't own
our lives. Our life are gifts from God to bear fruit for our joy and God's glory. It is not something we can
take just like Adam and Eve taking the apple. Life is something we participate in and share, you can't take
it since life comes from God, not oneself.

Saints are ordinary people who recognise the gift of life is from God and want to give life and love to the
world. God always wants to use us as his instrument of peace and communion to unite the world to Him.

Year 12 students are about to do their HSC exams so we pray for them to do their best.

We pray for them; "Lord God Your Spirit of Wisdom fills the earth and teaches us Your ways, look upon
these students. Let them enjoy their learning and take delight in new discoveries. Help them to
persevere in their studies and give them the desire to learn all things well. Give them a steady mind and a
calm spirit to do the best in their HSC exams, we ask this through Christ our Lord" Amen.

We welcome Amelia Rizzo to God's family through baptism.

Congratulations to the Melbourne Storms, Champions of Rugby League 2017 and Richmond Tigers of AFL.
Easily the best teams this year.

Fr. Kim

	5.30pm	9.00am	10.30am	6pm
Week 3 - 14/15 Oct				
Acolytes	Des	Allen	Richard	Chris
1st Reader	Maria	Tania	Monique	Chris
2nd Reader	Lalita	Rose	Donna	Simran
EMHC	Lina & Kevin F	Romanta & Sr. Helena	Adrienne & Beryl H	James
Altar Servers	Louis, Mateusz, Gideon & Grace	Annabella & Savannah	Daniel	Isabella, Nate & Morgan
Counters	Bruno Alimonti & Thomas Tan			
Ministers to the Sick	Mary Falcone & Beryl Henneberry Sue Chidiac Clover Lea - Permanent Commitment Amy Alarcon			
Children's Liturgy	Cara & Cassandra			
Church Cleaning 9/15 Oct	Volunteers			

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 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
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

Valenzisi Svatore
Antonietta Cartiere
John Stabile
Mary Behrendt
Vincenzo Giammarco
Thomas Brennan
Marie-Edwin Duval
Marcia Fraser
Elsie Wilson
Sarah Boes
Frederick Jollow
Wendy Ryan
Mariano De Giorgio
Sylvia Ewley
Domenica Luppino
Doris Gabriel
Terrence Downey
Giovanni spedone
Rosario Ferraro
Eileen Di Michiel
Trevor Janson
Carlo Orlando
Margherita Nicoletti
Vincenzo Maiorano
Souls of the unborn children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Recently Deceased

Matthew Mace
Giannino Sante Morassut
Giovanni Calarco
Giannino Sante Morassut
Phillip Mouawad

Special Intentions

Ferraro Family
Pezzuto Family
Grigoriou Family

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

8 OCTOBER 2017

GOSPEL

Mt 21:33-43

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.**

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone.
This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

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. Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem 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: **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 Lam 3:25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. 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.

R. **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

A WARNING TO LEADERS

In Jesus' time many vineyard owners were rich absentee landlords. They had properties in Israel but lived in Rome or other big cities (the parable states that the landowner 'went on a journey'). On the other hand, tenant farmers could hardly make ends meet: they had to pay the rent on the land to the landowner, pay taxes to the state, and the social dues (gifts). Faced with such burdens they were naturally frustrated, desperate, and on occasions driven to violence. The story could have been a warning to the absentee landlords against pushing their tenants to the edge. The parable as it now stands is directed to Jesus' opponents. The object of criticism is no longer the landlord, but the 'violent and greedy tenants' who do not give God his due. The parable harps back to Isaiah's 'Song of the Vineyard' (Isaiah 5:1-7). But while in Isaiah, the problem was with Israel itself, in Jesus' parable it now lies with the leadership of the people. The chief priests and the Pharisees realise that Jesus is directing the parable against them and they want to arrest him, but they refrain because of Jesus' popularity with the people. The parable may as well be directed to Matthew's own community. Leadership has been transferred from the scribes and the Pharisees to the leaders of the Judeo-Christian community. But, they too, are to take care that they produce proper fruit, otherwise the vineyard will be taken away from them and given to others more worthy.

FR GIL ALINSANGAN SSP

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THE FRUITS OF THE KINGDOM. The tenants in today's Gospel had received much from the landowner who had established the vineyard. It was only fair that he should receive a share of the fruits of the crop. Likewise, we have received much from Christ whose grace produces in us the fruits of truth, goodness, purity, love, honour and virtue. We pay our dues to Christ when we share these fruits with others.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Esth 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

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.**

P. 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

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, / O 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.



RESP PSALM Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20. R. Isa 5:7
R. **The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.**

- You brought a vine out of Egypt; / to plant it you drove out the nations. / It stretched out its branches to the sea, / to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. R.
- Then why have you broken down its walls? / It is plucked by all who pass by. / It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, / devoured by the beasts of the field. R.
- God of hosts, turn again, we implore, / look down from heaven and see. / Visit this vine and protect it, / the vine your right hand has planted. R.
- And we shall never forsake you again: / give us life that we may call upon your name. / God of hosts, bring us back; / let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. R.

SECOND READING Phil 4:6-9
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Jn 15:15
Alleluia, alleluia! / I call you friends, says the Lord, / because I have made known to you / everything I have learnt from my Father. / Alleluia!

COLLECT

P. Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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 5:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside.

He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me.

What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done?

I expected it to yield grapes.

Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on.

I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it.

Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant.

He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

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