



# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Year of St Joseph - Pray for us

## Parish Office

### Administration

Tue, Wed, Thur, Frid  
9am - 3pm

Fr. Kim is not available  
on Mondays.

Fr. Kim is open to  
suggestions either face to  
face or via email only.

### Catechist Co-ordinator

Margaret Drake  
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### Mass Times

Sat: 5:30pm (Vigil)  
Sun: 9am, 10.30am, 6pm  
Family Mass Sunday  
10.30am  
Mon - Frid: 9.15am  
Sat: 9am

### Sacraments

Reconciliation  
Mon-Fri approx 9am  
Sat 4.30pm - 5:15pm

### Anointing of the Sick

4th Saturday of the month  
after midday Mass.

### Baptism by appointment

2nd & 4th Sun of the Month  
at 12 noon

### Marriage - Frid, Sat & Sun

Contact Parish Office (at least  
6 months notice is required)

### Parish Devotions

Cenacle & Rosary  
Every Monday 8am

### Daily Prayer

Church is open from  
8am - 3.30pm

### Rosary & Prayer

Tue, Wed, Thur & Frid  
8.30am / Saturday 9:30am

### Holy Hour of Mercy

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

### Saturday Adoration

9:30am - 10am

### Healing Mass - First Friday of the Month.

Prayer Group - Every  
Wednesday 7pm



## SACRAMENT PROGRAM 2021

For External Students, please go to the Parish  
Website and Download your **CONFIRMATION**  
Enrolment Form, & Dates of Lessons Information  
Leaflet.

### Confirmation Dates - Now Listed

St Joseph's Primary School  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021 - 1pm & 3pm  
Lessons times TBA from the School  
External School also - 1pm & 3pm

Lesson times and enrolment dates are now listed  
on Parish Website

### First Holy Communion Dates Enrolment TBA

St Joseph's Primary School  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2021 - 12pm noon  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2021 - 1pm noon  
Lesson times TBA from the school  
External Schools Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
- 12pm noon  
Lesson times TBA soon

### Reconciliation Dates Enrolment TBA

St Joseph's Primary School  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - 4pm & 5:30pm  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - 4pm  
Lesson times TBA from the school  
External Schools Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November  
- 5:30pm  
Lesson times TBA soon

## ATTENTION READERS

We will need readers for the Easter Liturgies this year. Could you please indicate on the sheet in the sacristy which Liturgy you are available to read at. Easter Sunday Masses are as per the reading roster. There is also another sheet for you, to fill in your current details, so that I can keep the data base up to date. I will collect the sheets on 27th March and I will let you know which readings you have that week. If you are not on the roster but would like to be included on the roster please email me at [julieking4@bigpond.com](mailto:julieking4@bigpond.com). Thank you for your ongoing commitment to this ministry. Julie King



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

Every Friday during Lent at 10am & 7pm.



## ST JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY

### CELEBRATIONS SUN 21ST MARCH

Please join us in celebrating St Joseph's feast day with a Barbeque after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday 21 March.

## DAILY ACT OF CONSECRATION PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

Saint Joseph, spouse of Mary, Virginal Father of Jesus, and my Spiritual Father, I consecrate myself entirely to you. I lovingly embrace your Fatherhood and take refuge under your paternal cloak. Help me to pray and be virtuous today. Instruct me in the wisdom of the Saints, protect me from the snares of the enemy, and keep me from sinning. Should I take my last breath today, be by my side, and take me to Heaven to be with Jesus and Mary. Amen.

## CHILD LABOUR—SLAVERY IN THE CHOCOLATE INDUSTRY

2021 is the International Year for the Elimination of Child Labour. We, as consumers, can make a difference by choosing what chocolate we buy, supporting stores, chocolate companies and producers who are doing the right thing. When buying chocolates especially during Easter, look out for chocolate eggs or bunnies, with the following certification on the package - UTZ, Fairtrade, Rainforest, Whittakers, Haighs. This weekend 13th/14th and 20th/21st March, PATH members will be selling Easter raffle tickets. The hampers will contain certified chocolates. Tickets will be \$2 each and \$5 for three.

Dear parishioners,

The gospel this weekend shows us the depths of God's love.

*"The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life."* John 3:14-16.

The crucifixion of Jesus is the most horrific suffering a man can do to another person. It was invented by the Romans to extract the most painful and humiliating death imaginable, so no one will dare to oppose them. The love of God in Jesus Christ had the power to transform this most powerless, hopeless and painful place to the most powerful place, a place of God's judgment on human beings. It is a place where God in Jesus transforms all the evil and sin of the world into a sacrifice of love pleasing to God.

Jesus is a man on fire of God's love, more accurately, Jesus is the fire of God's love and on the cross makes this fire burn for all eternity. Just like Moses encountered God as the burning bush on the mountain that does not burn out, so is Jesus on the cross, the New Tree of Life, the New Burning Bush, a fire that burns for all humanity to find comfort and warmth from. When fire is strong and hot enough, it can consume everything even metal and rocks, turning everything into itself as fire. On the Cross Jesus takes all our rubbish (sins) disorders, selfish desires and turns them into a sacrifice of love to God the Father.

When we lack love or hope and feel empty come to the foot of Cross of Jesus, The Tree of Life, a light in the darkness. Come to the Cross of Jesus and be filled with his love. It is the most spectacular show of love ever shown. Just as those under Moses, who looked upon the serpent lifted up on a pole and lived when bitten, so do Jesus's disciples live and not die looking at Jesus lifted up on the Cross.

Many souls are searching for salvation for a love that can save them. They are searching in darkness if they don't come to the foot of the cross, to the Tree of Life and look upon the pierced crucified love made flesh in Jesus Christ.

Next Sunday 21st March we will celebrate our patron saint, St Joseph with a barbeque after the 10:30am Mass. His official feast day is on Friday 19th March.

St Joseph, Pray for us!  
Fr. Kim

### NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

	20/21 Mar	SAT 5:30PM	SUN 9am	SUN 10:30am	SUN 6pm
Acolytes	Peter	Kevin	Domenic	Chris	
1 <sup>st</sup> Reader	Elizabeth	Kate	Sabrina	Elizabeth	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader		Rose T	Vesna	Josephine	
EMHC	NOT REQUIRED AT THE MOMENT				
Music	Heather & Choir	Justine & Choir	Tony & Choir	Mass Alive	
Altar Servers	Grace Niamh, Patrick & Dan	Vol	Vol	Patrick, Grace, Mary & Louis	
Wardens	As allocated by Fr. Kim				
Counters	NOT REQUIRED AT THE MOMENT				
Ministers To the Sick	Home Visits - Miriam F Clover Lea - ON HOLD Alwyn - ON HOLD				
Cleaning (22/28 Mar)	Sue, Gladys, Miriam, Vimala, Mila & Georgette				

## A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you - or anyone you know - have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingquiries@sydneycatholic.org). You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

## With St Joseph

we pray ...

### For the sick

Theresa Franco  
Antoinette Serci  
Liv Bar Shalom  
Alfonso Costantini  
Joseph You  
Rocob Shi  
Haishong Andy Shi  
Urban Fernandez  
Beatrice Fernandez  
Marilene Sawaf  
Edmond Morris  
Liv Bar Shalom  
Michelle Simpson  
Jason Simpson  
Nick Di Nola  
Felicissima Perea  
Joanne Francis  
Sonia Saade  
Terry Franando  
Derrick Chaves  
Michael Tucker  
Rachael Bartolotta  
Alessia Lara Sharpe

Ellie Wild

Carmelo Iardo

Mary Olivija

Nathan Kemp

Rowena B Antonio

Zachary Marsh

Lan Fong Yu

Cherilyn Frances

Gaetano Currenti

Elizabeth

Rita Hammond

Francis Abbott

Ljuban Martinovic

Isabella Eva Rotunno

Margaret Clark

Marie Brady

Yuban Martinovic

John Hawley

Eduardo Nobrega

Anna Maria Livolsi Kurby

Cvetka Cvelic

Licia Heinein

Shirley Hofman

Br Martin

Clyde Crow

(Evie Howard known as

Evelyn Topagian)

Josephine Attard

Cholo Caparros

Vincenza Torrisi

### For the Souls of

Michel Youakim

Antanas Spokas

Nives Stefani

Aldo Piccoli

Maria Nguyen

Theodore Pridham

Maria Carlucci

Edna Johnson

Anna Apoljaric

Elizabeth Wallis

Salvatore Sapienza

Giovanni Cali

Ferros Abppd

Beatrix Vella

Giuseppe Portelli

Sydney Lee

Souls of Unborn Children

All Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Recently Deceased

Gaetano Cacciola

Salvatore Scirella

Elvira Dell'elce

### Anniversary

Marcel Nhon

Rosaria Musumeci

### Special Intentions from

The Parishioners of  
St Joseph's Enfield  
Stephanie Smith  
Brother Martin

## GOSPEL

Jn 3:14-21

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit**

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**

*God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.*

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

‘The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God’s only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.’

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. We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them to you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world. 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 AND II OF LENT

*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 121: 3-4

**Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together.**

**It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendour of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity. 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.**

## BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

### LOVING IS GIVING

Some years ago, a young married man asked me to try and put the story of the Scriptures into a sentence or two. My reply was that the story that the Scriptures tell is a love story, a love that always provides us with a new beginning, especially when we least deserve or expect it. He then exclaimed; ‘There you are, why did you have to bring sin into it?’ I took his point about the need to be positive, but the Scriptures teach that a reality we can’t seem to avoid is that our choices are not always what they might be.

The point I was trying to make was that God does not avoid us, even if we cannot seem to avoid sin. The first reading is a classic example of a new and unexpected life offered to the people of Israel in the midst of exile. The Chronicler has no doubts that the exile was fully deserved. The wonder is that there is another opportunity at all! The Gospel passage could not state it more beautifully: ‘God so loved the world that he gave his only Son’. God’s will for us is always that we come into the fullness of life. While we may fear God’s judgement, the real judgement to fear is the one that we make ourselves. Paul speaks of each of us as a work of art. The challenge of Lent is: What kind of work of art do we wish to be?

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT / B

14 MARCH 2021

**GOD LOVED THE WORLD SO MUCH.** During the season of Lent we humbly acknowledge the ways in which we have failed to respond to our Christian vocation. We do this before a God who is infinitely rich in mercy and grace, who sent the Son into the world not to condemn it but to be its saviour. Acknowledging our failings and accepting healing and forgiveness from Christ prepares us to celebrate the feast of Easter with great joy.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Isa 66: 10-11

**Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.**

## 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. 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.**

*The Gloria is not said during Lent.*

## COLLECT

P. O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING** 2 Chron 36: 14-16, 19-23

**A reading from the second book of Chronicles.**

*The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.*

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity,

copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, ‘Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.’

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: ‘Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, “The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up.”’

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 136. R. v. 6

**R. Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!**

1. By the rivers of Babylon / there we sat and wept, / remembering Zion: / on the poplars that grew there / we hung our harps. **R.**

2. For it was there that they asked us, / our captors, for songs, / our oppressors, for joy. / ‘Sing to us,’ they said, / ‘one of Zion’s songs.’ **R.**

3. O how could we sing / the song of the Lord / on alien soil? / If I forget you, Jerusalem, / let my right hand wither! **R.**

4. O let my tongue / cleave to my mouth / if I remember you not, / if I prize not Jerusalem / above all my joys! **R.**



## SECOND READING

Eph 2: 4-10

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.**

*When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.*

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God’s work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he has meant us to live it.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 3: 16

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! / God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, / that all who believe in him might have eternal life. / Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**