

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Parish Office Hours of Administration

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

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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

Tue - Fri 9am Sat 4.30pm - 5:15pm

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

Marriage - Fri, Sat & Sun Contact Parish Office (at least 6 months notice is required)

Parish Devotions Cenacle & Rosarv

Every Monday 8am

Daily Prayer Church is open from

8am - 3.30pm Rosary & Praver 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 with Relics

Saturday Adoration 9:30am -10am

9am Mass

the Month

Anointing of the Sick Every first Saturday of the Month at 9:30am after the

Healing Mass - First Friday of

Prayer Group - Every Wed 7pm in Church

Statue of Our Ladv will continue to visit homes Contact Rosina 0414 084 574

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Parish Priest: Father Kim Ha

Priest in Residence: Father Mirko Integlia



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH & SCHOOL

SPRING FEST 2023



SUNDAY 22 OCTOBER

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM



BO. DRINKS, SHOWBAGS, STALLS, LUCKY DIPS, GELATO & MORE

ALL WELCOME! | 126 LIVERPOOL ROAD, ENFIELD NSW 2136 | (02) 9747 2811

If anyone is interested in having a stall at the Fest, tables are \$50 each, please contact the school office via email info@stjenfield.catholic.edu.au for further information.

HEALING MASS - 3 November 2023

Celebrant: TBA

Rosary 7pm, Reconciliation 7pm-8pm, Prayer & Praise 7:30pm. Mass 8pm, Exposition (after Mass). For more information contact Rose 0412 115 961.

REFLECTION DAY - 21 October 2023

Speaker: Fr. Roni George VC For more information contact Rose 0412 115 961. Time: 9:45am - 3:30pm, Cost: \$15. Please bring a dish for our communal lunch. Coffee & Tea provided.

ST BRENDAN'S FRIENDSHIP CLUB TIP TO MARY MACKILLOP & WATSONS BAY

Tuesday 14th November 2023, Cost is \$80 pp. Come along and join us visiting the museum of our first Australian Saint, St Mary of the Cross Mackillop. Don't miss this great tour, get in early and book your seats. INCLUDED IN THE TOUR: Morning Tea, Entry into the museum, A 90-minute guided tour of the museum, Lunch at Doyle's, Free time to explore Watson Bay, Sydney Harbour National Park and the Gap. **DEPARTURE** 8:30am St Joseph's Church, Liverpool Rd, Enfield.

TO BOOK, please phone Venero or Catina on

9707 1403 or 0403 852 811.



Did you know that there are an estimated 41,00 people enslaved in Australia and 16,400 in NSW?

Join us on Tuesday,17th October at **PATH** 7.30pm for the short screening of the ST JOSEPH'S PARISH experience of a survivor of modern slavery here in Australia. This will

be followed by a presentation and discussion led by guest speaker Jenny Stanger from the Anti-Slavery Taskforce Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, who has worked in the anti-slavery sector for over 20 years. Please rsvp by 13th October via email to pathenfieldnsw@gmail.com or contact Sr. Margaret

Ng rsj 0432 084 249 Justine Auva'a 0402 564 238.

MADE FREE CREATIVE RETREAT DATE 20-22 OCTOBER 2023

Join the MGL Sisters in a weekend retreat that explores a range of creative prayer experiences. Recapture the freedom you were made for, let go of what is burdening you, and let God fill you again with life. Venue: Carmel House, 345 St Andrews Rd, Varroville NSW.

Bookings: http://www.trybooking.com/CFBRD Contact: Judy - mglsisters.sydney@gmail.com

Dear friends in Christ,

What do you judge as beautiful?

Beauty is something we value a lot. Whatever the experience, watching the rising sun of a new day, someone very attractive, or a beautiful painting. The painting from Leonardo da Vinci of Jesus the Saviour (Salvator Mindi) c.1500 was sold at auction in New York City Christie for \$450.3 millions dollars in November 2017. We are certainly willing to pay a very high price to obtain beauty.

A wedding is also one of those beautiful occasions, where we witness the beauty of love between two people in love. Jesus uses the wedding as an image of the Kingdom of Heaven in today's gospel, to express the love between him as groom and the Church as bride. Jesus wants a relationship with those who love him and follow him to be intimate and loving. More than a shepherd leading a flock, more than master and servant, closer than even friends, he desire us to be his lovers. When we come to Mass and receive Hoy Communion, we become one with Jesus in the one flesh union, just like husband and wife. Jesus's love for us is spousal love and his greatest desires is to die for his bride, the church.

That is why the church considers it a grave or mortal sin to miss Sunday Mass, because imagine not speaking or seeing your spouse for a whole week, something is seriously wrong.

With most things in life, money is asked to participate in something, whether it is dinning at a restaurant, a sporting event, watching pay tv, joining a golf club, etc. You will need money to participate even though everyone is welcome, you can't join without money. It is similar with God's Kingdom, but to participate in God's party, you need another currency. Even though everyone is invited and welcome, it does not mean everyone can participate. In God's party, wedding banquet, you need love to participate. It is a party of love or charity, without this, you are wasting your time at the party. Sooner or later you will be found out and cast out. Where can we get this love currency to participate well? We obtain this love through baptism.

In baptism, we are immersed in God's love. We die with Jesus and rise again with him. It is in this paschal mysterious mystery we have access to the fountain of love which is God who is love itself. God is love.

A reminder to join the school and parish Spring Feast celebration next Sunday after the 10:30am Mass. Hopefully the weather will be inviting.



A reminder your Working With Children Number may have expired, please check the expiry date, renew and send an email to the parish as soon as possible. This is due by the 30th October because our parish may be audited.

NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER

21/22 OCT SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes	Allen	Domenic	Richard	Des
1st Reader 2nd Reader	Maria D Jenny	Paula Romanta	Rocco S Juliet	Mary Mary
Music	Julie & Choir	Justine & Choir	Angels Choir	The Carpenter Voice Choir
Altar Serve	ers Grace Niamh, Patr & Dan	Vol rick	Crispin	Louis
Wardens	Patrick	Rocco R	Rocco S	Sylvia I

Ministers Home Visits — Miriam To the Sick Clover Lea - Dr. Margaret M Alwyn — By Request

Cleaning (23-29 Oct) Liz & Tim

Sacristans Rocco & Rosina R



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 safeguardingenquiries@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. The Parish Safeguarding Officer is Rosina Rotunno.

With St Joseph we pray ...

For the sick Carmelo Ilardo Rafaella Lindfors **Gaetano Current** Isabella Eva Rotunn **Margarette Clark** Yuban Martinovi **Eduardo Nobrega** Anna Maria Livolsi Kurb Licia Heineir Clyde Crow

Josephine Attard Megan Nelson Pochulo Caparros Liuban Martinovi Dr. Margaret McGarrit Joseph Marou Haifa Mannah Karan Lois Sander **Robert Thomas**

HansGeorg Sande Maura Turija Marija Barclay Vince Napo Joseph Cavallaro **Kevin Bolton** Mark Downie Margaret Dredge

Svetlana Rakvin Salis Trambu Meri Trambul Christian Bartolotta

Antonio Bartolotta Carmen Aboud

Peter Gavnor **Bonnie Orton** Robert Southcomb Jeanette Northey Vera Mustac Linda Pilato **Christine Scanlor Dominic Paul Ng** Jeanette Northey **Elizabeth Swe**

For the Soul of **Brandon Clark** Souls of Unborn Children

Recently Deceased Sebastiano Intili Albert Wilson Robyn Keenan Giovanni Cerasan **Xavier Abreu**

Vincenzo Ippolito

Anniversary Romilda Spokas Robert Bell Dr. Dawel Weinma Emma O'Reilly Giovanni Pacicca Micheal Youakim Rocco Care Zoila Alvarado John Eunson

Intentions From The Parishioners o St Joseph's Enfield Praying for Jeanette Northey **Calix Society Sydne** Peace in Ukraine Peace in Russia Peace in the World wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants. "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are

The Gospel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. Shorter form, Mt 22: 1-10

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, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. 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

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...

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 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord, that, as you feed us with the nourishment which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, so you may make us sharers of his divine nature. 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, **\mathbb{H}** and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

CALLED TO HOPE

The readings for today are both comforting and unsettling. Isaiah's vision of the whole human family gathered in peace on the mountain of the Lord is one that all people of goodwill hope will one day come to pass. The Gospel, on the other hand, introduces a discordant and unsettling note as Jesus continues to confront his opponents with the disturbing parable of the wedding feast. It seems hardly fair that a poor man dragged off the street to make up the numbers at a wedding feast should then be cast out because he was improperly dressed. If Matthew is compared with Luke 14:15-24 it quickly becomes apparent that Matthew has combined two parables of Jesus regarding weddings. One spoke of guests who were invited but refused, the other spoke of someone who came to a wedding improperly dressed. Since Matthew's community comprised both Jewish and Gentile Christians it seems his aim was to make sure both groups avoided complacency and taking God's gracious invitation for granted.

As Paul reflects on his experience as an apostle, one thing he learned was that there was no room for complacency. The ministry he had received to preach the gospel was one which entailed many risks, poverty and plenty, acceptance and rejection. In order to preach the gospel, he worked to support himself but was often assisted by communities that he had established. As he nears the conclusion of the letter to the community in Philippi, he thanks them for their generosity and

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

15 October 2023

COMETO THE BANQUET. Our God invites all people to the banquet of the kingdom, a banquet characterised by joy, integrity, and true peace. Sometimes, however, we decline this invitation preferring the lesser banquets that we know. May God enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

GREETING

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

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

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 Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

P. May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good

works. 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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isa 25:6-10

Ps 22. R. v. 6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away the tears from every cheek.

On this mountain,

the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away

the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth,

for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us;

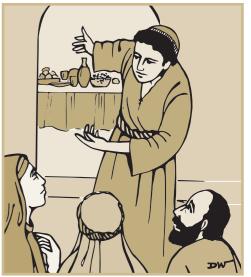
for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain. The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

- 1. 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, / to revive my drooping spirit. R.
- 2. He guides me along the right path; / he is true to his name. / If I should walk in the valley of darkness / no evil would I fear. / You are there with your crook and your staff; / with these you give me comfort. R.
- 3. You have prepared a banquet for me / in the sight of my foes. / My head you have anointed with oil; / my cup is overflowing. R.
- 4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me / all the days of my life. / In the Lord's own house shall I dwell / for ever and



SECOND READING

Phil 4:12-14, 19-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

I am able to do all things in him who strengthens me.

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Eph 1:17, 18 Alleluia, alleluia! / May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ / enlighten the eyes of

our heart, / that we might see how great is the hope / to which we are called. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 22:1-14

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.

Whomsoever you find invite to the wedding.

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the