



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 & 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 & Friday
2.30pm - 3.30pm
Adoration, Prayer's & Chaplet
of Divine Mercy **with Relics**

Saturday Adoration
9:30am —10am

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

**Healing Mass - First Friday of
the Month**

**Prayer Group - Every Wed
7pm in Church**

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

HEARTFELT COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER EVENT

 **THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS**

WEDNESDAY 26th NOVEMBER - 7PM

STRATHFIELD GOLF CLUB
\$30 ENTRY FEE
(donation to Heartfelt Community)

HOSTED BY
CHARBEL RAISH AND
FR JOHN IACONO

BUY YOUR
TICKETS TODAY

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION

Join us in a beautiful torchlight procession as we honour Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. The evening begins at the church. The Recital of the Rosary will take place with a candlelit walk to the grotto, where we will conclude in prayer. Candles will be available at the church doors. **Date:** Monday, 8th December 2015. **Time:** 7:30pm. **Venue:** Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Earlwood. Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes. **All are welcome** — bring your family and friends to share in this special night of faith and community.

iWITNESS CONFERENCE 2025

Young Adults (18–35 yrs) - The annual **iWitness Conference** will be held from **11–14 December 2025** in Cobbity, Sydney. Since World Youth Day 2008, iWitness has been helping young adults grow in their Catholic faith, make lasting friendships, and experience the joy of living out their faith together. For more information and registration, visit www.iwitnessaustralia.com or search *iWitness Australia* on Facebook/Instagram.

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

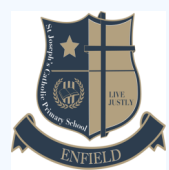
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CHARITABLE WORKS FUND NOVEMBER APPEAL

This weekend and next weekend we will be holding our parish Charitable Works Fund November Appeal. Through your generous gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for the most vulnerable in our community through our CWF agencies and ministries, and to promote the good works of our faith in our seminaries, schools and universities. For more information, please visit www.ourfaithhourworks.org/cwf



REFLECTION DAY - Saturday 22 November

Speaker: Fr. Vijay Kumar Boilla

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

HEALING MASS - Friday 5 December

Celebrant: Fr. Vijay Kumar Boilla

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

DEI VERBUM, THEN AND NOW

The Word of God which is like a seed that grows out to become something larger and more expansive than what it was in the beginning, and in a like manner so too does the theological understanding of the mysteries of the faith grow through the work of the Holy Spirit given to the Church. Dei Verbum captured this insight making of it a principle that informed not only the Church's efforts at ecumenism and inter-religious dialogue, but also a hope for peace in a world on the brink of nuclear Armageddon.

Presenter: Dr Robert Tilley

Date: Sunday 30 November 2025, **Time:** 12:05 PM

Venue: St Peter's '1880' Parish Hall,

Address: 235-241 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills (50 metres east of the Surry Hills light rail station)

Registration: Free Entry

FINDING SOLACE AND SUPPORT WITH HEARTFELT

In times of grief, finding a compassionate and understanding community can make all the difference. Heartfelt is based on Catholic teachings and offers online gatherings, support groups, and events, accessible to anyone navigating their grief journey. For more information, visit <https://heartfelt.community>

Dear friends,

As the liturgical year comes to an end, we have readings that reflect the end of creation as we know it.

As Christians we believe creation tells a story, this story has a beginning and it has an ending.

It is not a never ending story. When the creation “game” is over, it is also “GAME OVER”.

When creation has fulfilled God's purpose, God will come back again in the flesh, in Jesus, to judge the world and make things right again. There will be a new heaven and a new earth. All people whose lives that are not compatible with God's ways, those who have not repented and not transformed by God's love and forgiveness, will be excluded from God's Kingdom.

The first reading reflects life's frustrations and desires to be rid of all the evil, sin, crimes and corruption in the world. There is a part of salvation that thirsts for justice, and judgment on all evil in the world. Right now we are called to be patient and to hold all the evil and bad things, in the crucified Christ. The One who holds all sin in himself and reconciles the sins of the world by his life, death and resurrection, Jesus Christ.

Some Christian's communities faith, are all based on predicting the exact day of the end of world.

Obviously, when the predicted day comes and nothing happens, they are dissolved and forgotten as another nutter and fruit lop. We are not called to guess or know the day and hour of Judgement Day, but live good lives that will not be afraid or ashamed of the judgement of God.

We are called to keep the faith, preserving in the body of Christ, which we are one through baptism and Holy Communion. We live by the faith of Christ, so let all evil, sins, corruption fall on his body and on his flesh.

It is Jesus who carries the sin of the world not us. We experience this through our own body and flesh, the place of encounter with God and with creation.

We have the Charitable Works Fund to support this weekend. Please support this Appeal to help finance the charities operated by Sydney Archdiocese.

You are all invited to attend the Advent Reflection Group commencing Monday 1 December and every Monday evening at 7pm during Advent, in the parish meeting room, last day Monday 22 December.

Once again, we can share the grace of Christmas to less fortunate families, who can not afford to buy Christmas presents for their children. You can support the Wesley Dalmar and Mission Australia charities, by buying a Christmas present and placing this under the Christmas Tree in the Church. Please wrap and label the gift either boy or girl and the appropriate age. Fr. Kim

NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER

22 - 23 NOV SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes	Kevin	Allen	Charlie	Louis
1 st Reader	Niamh	Paula	Maria	Elizabeth
2 nd Reader	Jenny	Romanta	Rocco S	Mary
Music	Julie & Choir	Justine & Choir	Angels Choir	Friends of 6pm Choir
Altar Servers	Grace	Vol	Crispin, Michael Aquilino & Gaudens	Vol
Wardens	Patrick	Rocco R	Rocco S	Sylvia I
Ministers To the Sick	Home Visits — Sue C	Clover Lea — Dr. Margaret M	Alwyn — By Request	
Cleaning (24–30 Nov)	Maria, Mila & Lalita			
Sacristans	Rocco & Rosina R			

Saint Gertrude the GREAT

Feast day - November 16



Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family.

Remember to pray frequently for the dead, especially when you pass by a cemetery or when you recall a person you knew who has died. Pray also for the most forgotten and abandoned souls that have no one else to pray for them, and for any souls who may be suffering in purgatory, due to our poor example or some fault of ours.

St Gertrude the Great, Pray for us. Amen +

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
Vince Cavallaro
Odette Haddad
Peter Nadwie
Michael Ibrahim
Pia Pelaccia
Ciriaco Pelaccia
Dr. Margaret
Peter Wadwie
Teresa
John Finocchiario
Fr. Lawrence Freeman
Silvana Cocilova
Carmelo Ilardo
Gaetano Currenti
Isabella Eva Rotunno
Anna Maria Livolsi Kurby

Maura Turija
Marija Barclay
Vince Napoli
Angelo Napoli
Joseph Cavallaro
Kevin Bolton
Mark Downie
Salis Trambul
Meri Trambul
Christian Bartolotta
Antonio Bartolotta
Peter Gaynor
Bonnie Orton
Robert Southcombe
Jeanette Northey
Vera Mustac
Linda Pilato
Christine Scanlon
Dominic Paul Ng
Jeanette Northey
Elizabeth Swe
Francis Lim
Margaret Cooney
Virgilio Fajardo
Samuel Gullotta
Robert Rakvin
George Khoury
Linda Ordoveza
Lilly Baissari

For the Soul of
Pagano Family
Russo Family
Yan Zhong Xin
Michel Youakim
Donofrio Family
Del Gallo Family
Rahman Family
Violet Mills
Wong Family
Tan Family
Spokas Family
Giuseppe Moschella
Felix Calalo
Calix Society
Souls of Unborn Children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Anniversary
Parishioners of
St Joseph's Enfield

Recently Deceased
Santina Giannone
Eduardo Caparros
Marlene Young Ching

Intentions From
The Parishioners of
St Joseph's Enfield
Praying for
Stella
Alex Jamie
Calix Society Sydney
Healing for the
Victims of Mental
Health & Depression
An End to War in the World
For Peace in the World

‘Take care not to be deceived’, he said ‘because many will come using my name and saying, “I am he”, and, “The time is near at hand.” Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon.’ Then he said to them, ‘Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

‘But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.’

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. Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and

gain us the prize of everlasting happiness. 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 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 Ps 72:28

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. 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 forth, the Mass is ended.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

GOD’S PROTECTIVE PROMISE

Last Sunday we commemorated the *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*. The Gospel then was from John with Jesus cleansing the Temple and its precincts, restoring it as the rightful abode of God’s presence and holiness. Today’s Gospel, continuing our liturgical journey with Luke, touches again on the theme of the Temple. But this time, Jesus anticipates its destruction and then springboards Gospel listeners into a sermon on the end-time. The Gospel theme prepares us for the final Sundays of the year before the new liturgical year, Year A and Matthew’s Gospel, commences in two weeks’ time with the beginning of Advent.

Today’s Gospel is complex and often misunderstood. It requires careful explanation. Our selection comes from Luke’s ‘apocalyptic’ chapter. Here the evangelist draws on Mk 13 but reshapes it in the light of the audience’s experience and memory of Jerusalem’s destruction by Rome in 70 CE. This experience is retrojected on to Jesus’ teaching seeming to prophesy its destruction. In Jesus’ day the Temple was still standing; by the time Luke writes, Jerusalem and its Temple are already destroyed.

Luke’s apocalyptic teaching acknowledges the struggle of Jesus’ faithful followers living generations after Jesus public ministry, assuring them of God’s comforting presence, warning them not to be carried away by messianic pretenders, and encouraging their patient endurance in all that unfolds. The last words of the Gospel contain the essence of God’s protective promise: ‘...not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.’ We, too, lean into these words amid our struggles today.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C 16 NOVEMBER 2025

THE END IS NOT SO SOON. Members of the early Church expected the Lord to return in glory very soon. Some people even stopped working in the belief that the end was nigh. St Paul, however, urged the members of the community to go on working, quietly earning their food. And in today’s Gospel, Jesus stresses that the end is not so soon. We, his followers, will first have to persevere faithfully through many trials.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Jer 29:11, 12, 14
The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

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.

COLLECT

P. Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. 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 Mal 3:19-20

A reading from the prophet Malachi
The sun of righteousness will shine on you.
The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

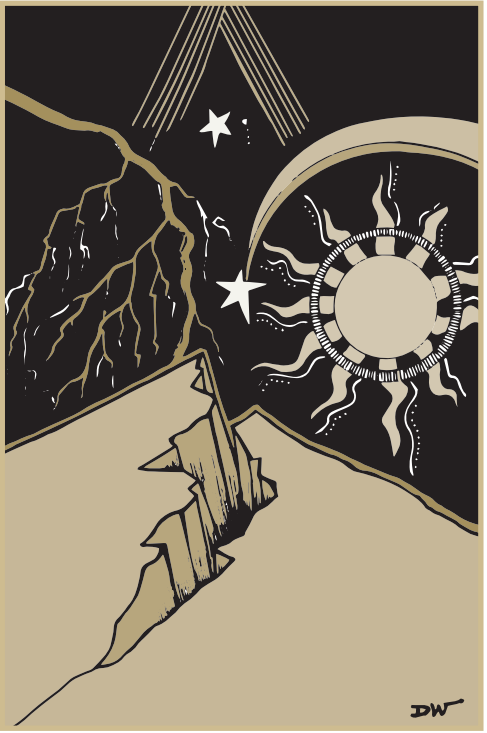
The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 97:5-9. R. cf. v. 9

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.
1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp / with the sound of music. / With trumpets and the sound of the horn / acclaim the King, the Lord. **R.**
2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; / the world, and all its peoples. / Let the rivers clap their hands / and the hills ring out their joy / at the presence of the Lord. **R.**
3. For the Lord comes, / he comes to rule the earth. / He will rule the world with justice / and the peoples with fairness. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Thess 3:7-12

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians
Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.
You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone’s table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.



We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else’s. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Lk 21:5-19

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.
Your endurance will win you your life.

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, ‘All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.’ And they put to him this question: ‘Master’, they said ‘when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?’