



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 & 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 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

SACRAMENTS



**SACRAMENT PROGRAM 2024
FOR ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Enrolment Days will be announced by the School.

Confirmation St Joseph's Primary
Celebration of Confirmation Date:
Sunday 26 May at 3pm.

Reconciliation St Joseph's Primary
Celebration of Reconciliation Date:
Tuesday 22 & Wednesday 23 October at 6pm.

First Holy Communion St Joseph's Primary
Celebration of First Holy Communion:
Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 September at 3pm.

SACRAMENT PROGRAM 2024 FOR EXTERNAL SCHOOLS

Confirmation External Schools
Enrolment Day: Wednesday 3 April 3:30 - 4:30pm
in the Parish Meeting Room.
Lesson Times: Published on the website.
Celebration of Confirmation Date: Sunday
26 May at 1pm.

Reconciliation External Schools
Enrolment Day: Wednesday 5 June 3:30 - 4:30pm
in the Parish Meeting Room.
Lesson Times: Published on the website.
Celebration of Reconciliation Date: Wednesday
4 July at 5:30pm.

First Holy Communion External Schools
Enrolment Day: Wednesday 23 October
3:30 - 4:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.
Lesson Times: Published on the website.
Celebration of First Holy Communion:
Thursday 28 November at 6pm.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent at 10am & 7pm.
LENTE PROGRAM CONTINUES
Every Monday at 7pm to 8pm until the 25 March
in the Parish Meeting Room.

REPENT AND BELIEVE: BE FILLED WITH THE LOVE OF GOD - LENTEN COMPANION 2024

The beautiful Season of Lent is approaching.
Let us make the most of this precious time to
gather in our parishes, communities, and homes to
reflect on the Passion, Death and Resurrection of
Jesus, using the Lenten companion **REPENT AND
BELIEVE: Be Filled with the Love of God.**

This free booklet contains Gospel readings for the
Sundays of Lent until Easter Sunday, and Gospel
reflections by Marilyn Rodrigues, Mark Lysaght,
Sister Maliya Suen, RSM, Dr Kevin Wagner, Hazel
Lim, Fr Sam Lynch, and Fr Richard Sofatzis.
Designed for individual or group prayer, either
in-person or online, the resource is available in
parishes and online at
www.gomakedisciples.org.au.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Please join us after the 9.15am Mass on Wednesday
21 February and enjoy a cup of coffee/tea with
us. Please note the February meeting has been brought
forward one week. We look forward to seeing you.

PATH NEWS

From Slavery to the Stars, Book Launch by Andrea
Kindryd. On Friday 23 Feb 5.30pm - 8.30pm Redfern
Community Centre 29-53 Hugo St, Redfern. Tickets
FREE. For more info: [https://events.humanitix.com/
from-slavery-to-the-stars-book-launch](https://events.humanitix.com/from-slavery-to-the-stars-book-launch)

Dear parishioners,

Welcome to Lent, 40 days of purification with Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

The Lord calls us to follow him more closely, not from 1km away, not 100 metres away, not 10 metres away but beside him. Let us take our discipleship of Jesus more seriously.

As John the Baptist's disciples met Jesus, he asked them: **What are you looking for?**

Or in some translation: **"What do you want?"** John 1:38.

Jesus is looking at us asking the same question. **What are we looking for?**

In Lent? For life itself?

If we are going to sacrifice something, we want to know what we are going to gain or win for the trouble, otherwise it will not deserve our best efforts if the reward is not worth it. Maybe our intention for Lent is to become more closer to God, maybe to become more holy, or a better Christian, maybe to get rid of a bad vice or temptation, maybe to find more peace or joy in the faith. Whatever it is, let us tell the Lord and answer his question.

What is happening to Jesus his intense 40 days of fasting period, before he starts his public ministry?

It is written he was tempted by Satan. In other gospels, Jesus's temptations are more explicit.

Satan tempted Jesus three times, each time it was about Jesus's identity. Jesus overcame each temptation because he had the grace of knowing who he is, the beloved Son of God. Jesus is not looking for anything else outside his identity as the Son, no earthy riches, power, and honour can persuade him from finding his life in obedience to the Father. When we suffer and are tempted, at the heart of each temptation is the question: Who are you? If we are not strong of knowing who we are in Jesus, we will fall. We must be convinced our true life and only life is found in obedience to God, and doing God's will and not in sinning.

Let any sacrifice we do like fasting, giving up meat or chocolate mean more than tokenism, but an honest attempt to become better disciples of Jesus and follow him as disciples. The reward we are looking for is union with Jesus, in dying with him, we will rise with him.

You are all welcome to attend the extra activities of the parish, by attending Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at either 10am or 7pm. Lenten Reflection Meeting is held every Monday at 7pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Project Compassion boxes are available at the entrance of the Church. Fr. Kim

NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER

24/25 FEB SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes	Allen	Kevin	Richard	Des
1 st Reader	Maria D	Paula	Joel	Mary
2 nd Reader	Sr. Helena	Romanta	Anne	Elizabeth
Music	Julie & Choir	Justine & Choir	Angels Choir	No Music
Altar Servers	Grace Niamh, Patrick & Dan	Vol	Crispin	Louis
Wardens	Patrick	Rocco R	Rocco S	Sylvia I
Ministers To the Sick	Home Visits — Romanta S Clover Lea — Dr. Margaret M Alwyn — By Request			
Cleaning (26-03 Mar)	Liz & Tim			
Sacristans	Rocco & Rosina R			



**"To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul,
my God, in you I trust,
do not let me be disgraced,
do not let my enemies gloat over me."**
Psalm 25:1-2

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**
Silvana Cocilova
Carmelo Ilardo
Rafaella Lindfors
Gaetano Currenti
Ljuban Martinovic
Isabella Eva Rotunno
Margarette Clark
Yuban Martinovic
Eduardo Nobrega
Anna Maria Livolsi Kurby
Licia Heinein
Clyde Crow
Josephine Attard
Megan Nelson
Pochulo Caparros
Ljuban Martinovic
Dr. Margaret McGarrity
Joseph Maroun
Haifa Mannah Karam
Lois Sander
Robert Thomas
Hans Georg Sander
Maura Turija
Marija Barclay
Vince Napoli
Angelo Napoli
Joseph Cavallaro
Kevin Bolton
Mark Downie
Margaret Dredge
Svetlana Rakvin
Salis Trambul
Meri Trambul
Christian Bartolotta
Antonio Bartolotta
Carmen Aboud
Peter Gaynor
Bonnie Orton
Robert Southcombe
Jeanette Northey
Vera Mustac
Linda Pilato
Christine Scanlon
Dominic Paul Ng
Jeanette Northey
Elizabeth Swe
Francis Lim
Alice
Giana

- For the Soul of**
Sadie Nadwie
Maryanne Kadib
Raymond Nadwie
Michlena Strati
Eunson Family
Caparros Family
Maria Rodard
Jack Rodard
Sael Qassis
Nicola Romano
Maria & Family
Bottle Family
Robins Family
Helen Bache
Souls of Unborn Children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

- Anniversary**
Alberto Iraci
Pellegrino Family
Gerardis Family

- Recently Deceased**
Nunzio Galvagno

- Intentions From**
The Parishioners of
St Joseph's Enfield
Praying for
Calix Society Sydney
Peace in Israel
Peace in Palestine
Peace in Ukraine
Peace in Russia
Peace in the World

GOSPEL

Mk 1: 12-15

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.*He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.*

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

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. Give us the right dispositions, O Lord, we pray, to make these offerings, for with them we celebrate the beginning of this venerable and sacred time. 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 1ST SUNDAY 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: 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**

Mt 4: 4

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P. Renewed now with heavenly bread, by which faith is nourished, hope increased, and charity strengthened, we pray, O Lord, that we may learn to hunger for Christ, the true and living Bread, and strive to live by every word which proceeds from your mouth. 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****LENT: SPRINGTIME FOR ALL GOD'S CREATION**

In the southern hemisphere we miss the signs of nature linked in the northern hemisphere to Lent, namely the coming of spring. The word "Lent," is derived from the Old English "lenctern" meaning spring. This poses a challenge for us in Australia's autumn, as we seek to unfold the springtime in our soul. In our scriptural journey into Lent, we are greeted with the sign of God's covenant with Noah: a rainbow. This covenant is not just with Noah and all descendants but with every living creature, everything that lives on the earth. A rainbow may well grace our southern skies in autumn, enabling us to experience ourselves in the embrace of God's covenant with the whole ecological world in which we live.

In the Gospel, the Spirit drives Jesus into the wilderness for forty days along with the wild beasts. Satan the tempter, and the angels who minister to Jesus. These ministering angels, like the rainbow, are a sign of God's ever-presence. As Jesus emerges from his forty days, we hear him begin his ministry in Galilee with "the time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near." Evocatively we have entered our forty days of Lent in a wilderness of ecological crisis. Unseasonal extremes of temperature, floods, fires and all manner of tempests call for us to take heed of the earth in which we dwell. In this time, we can reflect, ecologically and spiritually, to change our hearts and believe the Good News, knowing well God's promise through the rainbow and through the gift of his son.

DR ROSEMARY CANAVAN

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT / B

18 FEBRUARY 2024

DRIVEN INTO THE WILDERNESS. The Spirit of God, who descended on Jesus at his baptism, drove him into the wilderness. In the Jewish Scriptures the wilderness is both the place where Israel meets God and the place where it is tempted to worship idols made of stone. The season of Lent is a good time to examine whether we are responding to the Spirit of God in our lives or succumbing to the allurements of false idols.

INTRODUCTORY RITES**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Ps 90: 15-16**When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.****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.*The Gloria is not said during Lent.***COLLECT**

P. Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. 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**

Gen 9: 8-15

A reading from the book of Genesis.*I will recall the covenant between myself and you ... the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.*

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

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

Ps 24: 4-9. R. cf. v. 10

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

1. Lord, make me know your ways. / Lord, teach me your paths. / Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: / for you are God my saviour. **R.**

2. Remember your mercy, Lord, / and the love you have shown from of old. / In your love remember me, / because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

3. The Lord is good and upright. / He shows the path to those who stray, / he guides the humble in the right path; / he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Pet 3: 18-22

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.*The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.*

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

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

Mt 4: 4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**No one lives on bread alone,****but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.****Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**