



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Parish Office Hours of Administration
Mon, Tue, Thurs & Friday
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 & 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

Sacrament Program for St Joseph's Primary School

All enrolment days will be notified by the School.

First Holy Communion

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday 13 September at 3pm & Sunday 14 September at 3pm.

Sacrament Program for External Schools

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 28 September at 3pm.

All the Sacrament lesson dates and times for External Schools are published on the parish

REFLECTION DAY - Saturday 30 August

Speaker: Fr. Larry Tolentino

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 September

Celebrant: Fr. Peter Guy MSC

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

CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY FOR ALCOHOLISM/ ADDICTION

- Guided discussion and prayer for people and friends who abstain from Alcoholism / Addiction through Catholic Spirituality and the 12 Steps. Saturday September 13, at St Joseph, Enfield. 6:30pm Small Group Room after 5:30pm Mass. Contact: calixsydney@outlook.com. See: <https://www.calixsociety.org/>

This weekend we will be holding our parish Charitable Works Fund August 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.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf



THE CAMINO OF ST JOSEPH 2025

An overnight pilgrimage for men in honour of our Spiritual Father, St Joseph. The entire walk from start to finish will include six churches. Each stop will feature a reflection on St Joseph and a short time in Adoration for spiritual nourishment and an opportunity for a quick bathroom break.

Itinerary from start to finish:

1. St Joseph's, Como - Opening Mass
2. St Patrick's, Sutherland
3. St Lady Star of the Sea, Miranda
5. Our Lady of Fatima, Caringbah
6. St Aloysius, Cronulla - closing Mass

DATE: Friday 5 September 2025 7:00 PM - Saturday 6 September 2025 8:00 AM. COST: \$35 pp / Bus Ticket: \$24 return 7 pm sharp on 05/09 from Holy Family Menai and 7.30 am on 06/09 from St Aloysius Cronulla To register and for more information, visit <https://www.trybooking.com/CXLAQ>.

ANOINTED WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Catholic Women's Network presents our inaugural Women's Conference. Anointed is more than just a conference—it's a celebration of the sacred identity and vocation of women in the Church. Join us for a full day to reconnect with your divine identity, be renewed in prayer, and hear Spirit-led messages that speak directly to the heart of womanhood. Through worship, fellowship, and encounter, we'll explore what it means to walk in the anointing God has placed upon our lives—whether in our homes, our workplaces, our parishes, or our communities.

We are thrilled to host international guest speaker Sr Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, in her exclusive tour with the Archdiocese of Sydney. Enjoy keynote sessions, food, stallholders, music and access to the Sacraments. For full details plus FAQ, visit our website www.catholicwomensnetwork.org/conference

DETAILS:

Date: Saturday 27th September 2025

Venue: Royal Randwick Racecourse, Sydney

Time: 9am - 5pm (Doors open from 8:30am)

Who: Adults only event (18+)

Registration: \$125 per person (meals included).

Group discounts available at www.catholicwomensnetwork.org/conference

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 parishioners,
You might have noticed a wonderful development of the little garden, at the corner of the parish carpark and Baker Street.

Thanks to the inspiration and hard work of the St Catherine of Sienna Group, Van, Maria and Therese. Straight from the motto of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop: ***"Never see a need without doing something about it."***

On their own initiative they have transformed this little garden on parish grounds, that was neglected into a wonderful space, for all that pass by.

This beautiful and sacred space was blessed on the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary 15th August 2025. It is called the Assumption Garden. There will be a plaque that will be installed to mark this wonderful achievement.

Now as you walk by, you cannot help but say a prayer in honour of our Lady, who always loves us and wants us, to be part of her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

On behalf of the parish community, I thank the Divine Mercy of St Catherine of Sienna Group, Van, Maria and Therese for this wonderful gift. May God rewards their generosity.

In this Sunday's gospel, ***'Sir, will there be only a few saved?'***

He said to them, ***'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.'*** Looks like Jesus, is avoiding answering the question because the answer, is not very encouraging. Maybe, if he says only 5% will be saved, it would really discourage us from even trying.

We don't know how many will be saved in numbers or percentage wise. The important thing is, to start living out our life of faith in Christ, with Christ and through Christ. If we are faithful to the Son, the Father will love us and renew all things in his Son.

Fr. Kim.



NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER

30 - 31 AUG SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes Domenic Kevin Charlie Richard

1st Reader Lalita Paula Rocco Elizabth
2nd Reader Jenny Sr. Helena Teresita Mary

Music Heather & Justine & Angels Friends of
Choir Choir Choir 6pm Choir

Altar Servers Grace & Vol Crispin, Michael Louis
Patrick Aquilino & Gaudens

Wardens Patrick Rocco R Rocco S Sylvia I

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

Cleaning (01 - 07 Sept) Maria, Mila & Lalita

Sacristans Rocco & Rosina R

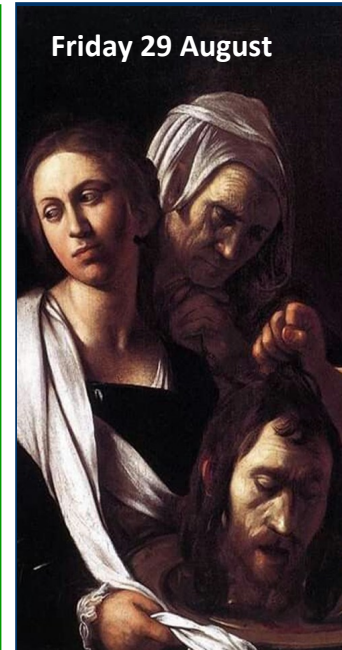
Friday 29 August

MEMORIAL OF THE

*Passion of
Saint John the Baptist*

O God, who willed that Saint John the Baptist should go ahead of your Son both in his birth and in his death, grant that, as he died a Martyr for truth and justice, we, too, may fight hard for the confession of what you teach.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. 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
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
Roberta Rakvin
Svetlana Rakvin
Aida Azzi
Domenic Di Paola
Stefano Babbato

For the Soul of
Mackow Family
Cheble El-Dahe
Maria Cavaco
Domenico Ranieri
Serafina Riotto
Dorothy Harris
Michele Sammarco
Mabel Burns
Emily Gee
Souls of Unborn Children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Anniversary
Cholo Caparros
Parishioners of St Joseph's
Enfield

Recently Deceased
Maria Pham Thi Lieu
Francesco Bellomo

Antonio Mastrogiovanni
Anna Scamuffo

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

‘Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, “Lord, open to us” but he will answer, “I do not know where you come from.” Then you will find yourself saying, “We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets,” but he will reply, “I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!”

‘Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

‘Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.’

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. O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption through the one sacrifice offered once for all, bestow graciously on us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your Church.

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 cf. Ps 103:13-15

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, the healing work of your mercy and graciously perfect and sustain us, so that in all things we may please you. 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.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

AT THE FEAST IN THE KINGDOM

In this Sunday’s Gospel we are still in that section of Luke that concerns the journey of Jesus and his disciples on their way to Jerusalem. This section of the Gospel, Luke 9-19, is long. It is also important as the evangelist seeks to contemporise the teaching of Jesus, for a later time and culture. The evangelist also provides us in this ‘journey narrative’ with a window into what some of the issues were with which Jesus’ followers were dealing.

One of them here concerned salvation and ultimate communion with God. Someone enquires about the number of those ‘saved’? Will it be a few? The question allows Jesus in Luke’s Gospel to address a key presumption circulating within the Gospel audience. There were some who presumed that simply being a member of the Gospel household, participating in a meal (the Eucharist?) or listening to the teaching of the Master guaranteed admittance into the Kingdom.

Jesus reminds Luke’s audience to be careful about such presumptive and elitist behaviour. This attitude, of being better than others because of one’s spiritual heritage or conduct, does not guarantee automatic admission into the Kingdom. It needs to be checked. Rather than a restrictive or exclusive view of Kingdom admission – only those with the right ‘credentials’ will be admitted – ultimate communion with God is open ended and available to all, as people ‘from east and west, from north and south will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. A spirit of openness, hospitality and inclusivity must characterise Jesus’ disciples.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

24 AUGUST 2025

ENTERING GOD’S KINGDOM. It is frustrating to arrive at a shop a few minutes after it has closed, or at an event only to discover that all tickets have been sold. There is nothing we can do about it. We have no automatic right of entry. The same applies to God’s kingdom. To join the many people from east and west at the heavenly banquet we must strive to follow Jesus along the narrow and sometimes difficult path of love.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 85:1-3

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

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. O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. 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 66:18-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
They will gather all of your people from all nations.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 116. R. Mk 16:15

R. Go out to all the world; and tell the Good News (or Alleluia!)

- O praise the Lord, all you nations, / acclaim him all you peoples! **R.**
- Strong is his love for us; / he is faithful for ever. **R.**

SECOND READING Heb 12:5-7, 11-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those



that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;

no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Lk 13:22-30

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.

From east and west they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, ‘Sir, will there be only a few saved?’ He said to them, ‘Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.