



# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## ROSARY & STATUE OF OUR LADY THIS WEEK

Will be with Joan this week.

Due to the virus, Joan will not be opening his home for people to pray with. The statue of our lady will continue to journey but only for private prayers with the family.



## HEALING MASS - Friday 5 February 2021

Celebrant: Fr. Kim Ha

Rosary 7pm, Reconciliation 7pm-8pm, Prayer & Praise 7.30pm, Mass 8pm, Exposition (after Mass). For more information contact Rose 0412 115 961.

**PRAYER GROUP -** Wednesday night Prayer Group will resume on Wednesday 20th January 7pm all welcome.

**READERS** Please contact Julie on 0419 010 281 if you are not receiving the readers roster via email, or you have not given Julie your contact details. Thank you.

## COVID-19 update

In keeping with NSW Health directives, anyone attending a church service inside the church now must wear a face mask unless you have a medical condition. Children under the age of 12 are exempt from this rule, but are encouraged to wear face masks where practicable. NSW Health can impose a \$200 fine on each individual failing to abide by this rule. Up to 100 people can attend Masses as well as other ceremonies including funerals, baptisms and weddings, providing a four square metre rule is observed.

## GOT YOUR WEDDING PLANS UNDER CONTROL?

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information visit our web site: [www.engagedencounter.org.au](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au). Choose any of the coming Weekends: **Feb 20-21, May 1-2, Aug 7-8, Nov 13-14**

## THE 2021 ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE, OF LIFE AND LOVE, WILL BE HELD ON THE FOLLOWING DATES

Saturday 27 February commencing at 10am and then Thursday evenings 4, 11, 18 March 2021, Saturday 14 August commencing at 10am and then Thursday evenings 19, 26 August & 02 September 2021. To Book Online - <https://www.trybooking.com/BMTLF>.

For further information, please contact - The Life, Marriage and Family team on (02) 9307 8480 or e-mail [steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org)

## LIVESTREAMED MASSES ACROSS THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

As COVID-19 restrictions are making it challenging for many parishioners to attend Mass in person each week, the Archdiocese is continuing to publish details online of parishes which are offering livestreamed Masses on this webpage: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/>.

## FESTIVAL OF BEAUTY, ST PETER'S SURRY HILLS: 31 January-21 February

St Peter's parish in Surry Hills is hosting a Festival of Beauty, celebrating the relationship between God and Beauty which is such a crucial means of Evangelisation. Leading theologians, architects and musicians will lead four talks across four Sundays, each exploring aspects of beauty in our Catholic tradition, whether in art, music, liturgy or architecture. Places are limited due to COVID-19 restrictions. Register online via the Parish website- [www.stpeterssurryhills.org.au](http://www.stpeterssurryhills.org.au).

## OPEN DAYS AT COOGEE TO HONOUR SERVANT OF GOD, EILEEN O'CONNOR

Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor is opening up its home at 35 Dudley Street, Coogee to visitors for monthly open days throughout 2021 to allow Sydneysiders to pray at the tomb of Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor and learn more about this 'Saint in waiting'. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, numbers will be limited to 12 visitors at any one time. The next open day will be held on Sunday 7 February and you can register online at the new Eileen O'Connor website: <https://eileenconnor.com.au/open-days>. May Eileen's great courage and unfailing service to others, despite enduring great personal suffering herself, continue to inspire us today and may she soon be counted amongst the saints in heaven.

Dear friends of the Beloved,

I thank Fr. Simon Kitimbo for coming to our parish to celebrate all the Masses and Confessions since my absence. I had a very relaxing holiday with a friend kayaking and fishing at Burrinjuck Dam and Sydney Hawkesbury River. Great to be back where God calls me to be with him to share his truth, life and love.

**"This world is passing away, those who have wives, should live as they have none."** 1 Cor. 7:29. Strong advice from St Paul from the second reading this weekend. If we know what is good for our salvation, we should heed his warning. Yes, the world is passing away and we pray that God's Kingdom come, come Lord Jesus, come. Make an end with the world with all its lies, disordered pleasures, corruption and stupid superficial games people play. When you play stupid games, you get stupid prizes. **"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them."** 1 John 2:15.

As we run out of time in our lives as we get older, and as this world will end to us when we die, how do we live? Well, we chose the best of course since we don't have time to chose second best. What is the best? It is Christ, our eternal spouse and lover, the one who walked the shores of Galilee and called those whom he wanted to share his eternal love with. These fishermen recognised Jesus as the one whom they will spend the rest of eternity with. In fact Jesus is eternity made flesh. Seeing this reality in front of them naturally made the decision to leave everything very easy. They made a decisive decision to leave everything and follow Jesus. It is only those who leave everything that can follow Jesus and be worthy of Him and thus receive eternal life. Jesus did say a few times in various ways, **"If you don't leave wives, husbands, family and friends, and even your very self, you cannot be my disciple."** Luke 14:26. Of course all these relationships we have with others are good because they help on our journey with Jesus to heaven. But they are only signs and signals to the ultimate reality which is God. If we substitute them for God, which is so easy to do, we will do God dishonour since only God deserves all our love. Even more, we will taste great bitterness and disappointment since people are sinners and **"No one is good except God"**. Mark 10:18.

Life and the experiences of life come and go and before we know it, we face the ultimate test: death, judgment, hell, purgatory and heaven. If we have chosen Jesus as our eternal spouse, we have nothing to be afraid of since we know the one we have chosen will love us and know us and let us share his life and love. But if we have chosen a life for this world, we have already had our reward.

Jesus is walking on the shores of our lives, on the grain of sands that represents the days of our lives, he calls each one of us by name just like Simon, Andrew, James and John. They recognised Jesus as the One who everything and everyone was created to love, know and serve. They see their eternity in Jesus. Do you see your eternity in Jesus or someone else? **"Our lives are for Him and our hearts are restless until they rest in Him."** St Augustine. Happy Australia Day. Fr. Kim

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER				
30/31 JAN	SAT 5:30PM	SUN 9am	SUN 10:30am	SUN 6pm
<b>Acolytes</b>	Des	Allen	Domenic	Kevin
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reader</b>	Maria	Tania	Monique	Chris
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reader</b>	Rose	Rose T	Sabrina	Simran
<b>EMHC</b>	<b>NOT REQUIRED AT THE MOMENT</b>			
<b>Music</b>	Julie & Choir	Justine & Choir	Tony & Choir	Mass Alive
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Grace Niamh, Patrick & Dan	Vol	Vol	Patrick, Grace, Mary & Louis
<b>Wardens</b>	As allocated by Fr. Kim			
<b>Counters</b>	<b>NOT REQUIRED AT THE MOMENT</b>			
<b>Ministers To the Sick</b>	Home Visits - Lucinda T Clover Lea - ON HOLD Alwyn - ON HOLD			
<b>Cleaning (01/07 Feb)</b>	Liz & Tim			



## Prayer for Australia Day

Creator God, we live in a country of many faces, mountains, rainforests, rivers, deserts, beaches, plains and cityscapes. A land of extraordinary beauty. An ancient land with large with culture and wisdom. May we be open to your call to share our resources with those in need, to protect our environment and to build inclusive and just structures for our citizens and those who visit our country. We thank you God of the universe for the blessing of this great continent. May we be a blessing to others as we are blessed by the beauty of the land around 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 [safeguarding@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding@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

Sean Da Silva

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 Ilardo

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

## For the Souls of

Peter Soosal

Fabian Peretra

Giuseppe Finocchiaro

Luigi Iemma

Mary Ann Wren

Peter Berez

Maria Sita

Ana Galic

Angelo Martone

Emanuele Calogero

Mary Music

Nazzarena Agius

Luigi Craparotta

Bridget O'Brien

Desmond Brennan

Souls of Unborn Children

All Holy Souls in Purgatory

## Recently Deceased

Bishop Geoffrey Robinson

Roberto Valles

## Anniversary

John Vincent Solomon

## Special Intentions from

The Parishioners of

St Joseph's Enfield

Teresa Gullotta

Agnes

Mary

B & G Henneberry

Charles Selva

## Parish Office

### Administration

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

Fr. Kim is not available  
on Mondays

### 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 - Thur: 9.15am  
Frid - Sat: 12 Noon

### Sacraments

Reconciliation  
Sat 11.30am - 11:50am  
4.30pm - 5:15pm

### Anointing of the Sick

4th Saturday of the month  
after midday Mass.

### Baptism

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

### Marriage - Sat & Sun

1.30pm - 3pm (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 8.30am  
Frid & Saturday 11.15am

### Holy Hour of Mercy

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

### Saturday Adoration

11am - 12noon

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

Prayer Group - Every  
Wednesday 7pm



# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

24 JANUARY 2021

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.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake — for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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. Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray, and in sanctifying them, grant that they may profit us for salvation. 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: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

## 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 33: 6 Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

or Jn 8: 12

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, receiving the grace by which you bring us to new life, we may always glory in your gift. 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

### FISHING FOR OPEN HEARTS

In many ways, the book of Jonah is a moral tale that aims to open closed minds and hearts to the possibility that all people can respond to God's word if they are given the opportunity to hear it. When he was first commissioned to go to Nineveh, Jonah fled because he resisted the invitation to see his traditional enemies in a more positive light. Jonah saw Nineveh as a lost city – a symbol of power, aggression, and domination. Having walked into the middle of this huge bustling city he learned that even his enemies hungered to hear God's living word, and could respond generously by amending their lives.

At first sight, Paul's advice to the Corinthians can seem to devalue daily life. Paul was asked to give his advice to a group of Christians who were not sure how they should balance the demands of daily life and their Christian commitment. They expected Jesus to return in the very near future. Time was a precious commodity and they wanted to live each day in a state of readiness. Imagine you had only days or months to live – how would you spend them so as to be ready to meet the Lord?

Peter and Andrew, James and John were going about their normal lives when suddenly Jesus was present among them, inviting them on a journey that would turn their world upside down. Their response, like that of the people of Nineveh, was immediate and generous. It would now be their role to cast the net of God's word into the world – fishing for open hearts.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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THE TIME HAS COME. These are the first recorded words of Jesus in Mark's Gospel. In a variety of contexts we have probably used them ourselves when we felt that an important decision could be delayed no longer. At some point in our life, the decision in question will be whether to follow Jesus wholeheartedly or in a superficial way.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

cf. Ps 95: 1, 6 O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

## 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.

## 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. Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. 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

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 A reading from the prophet Jonah The Ninevites renounced their evil ways.

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

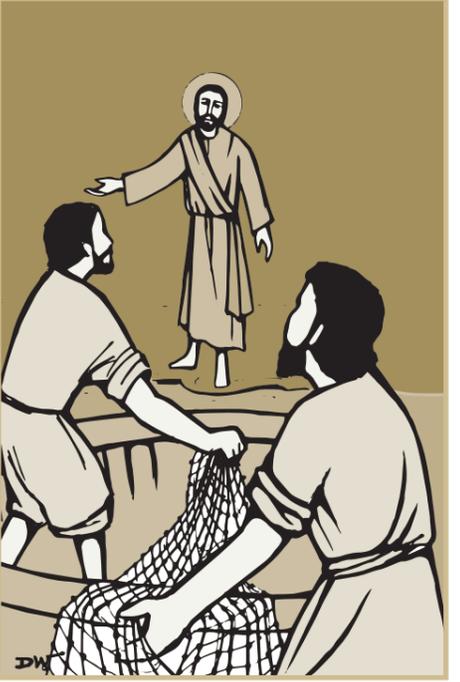
The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord. 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 Cor 7: 29-31 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

The world as we know it is passing away.

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 1: 15 Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! Alleluia!

### GOSPEL

Mk 1: 14-20

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.

Repent, and believe the Good News.