



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

HEALING MASS - Friday 7 November

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

REFLECTION DAY - Saturday 22 November

Speaker: TBA
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.

SISTERS OF LIFE - ADVENT RETREAT

Catholic Women's Network are delighted to be
hosting the Sisters of Life for an Advent retreat. Join
us for an afternoon of reflection and quiet prayer
time in preparation for the Advent season under the
theme 'No longer forsaken: the Lord delights in
you' (Isaiah 62). The mini-retreat will include input
from the Sisters of Life, quiet time, access to the
Sacrament of Confession and a Holy Hour. Set aside
an afternoon to enter into the stillness and quiet and
deepen your relationship with the Lord. Limited
spaces available. Light refreshment s included.
DETAILS: Date: Saturday, 29 November
Time: 1pm – 5pm. **Venue:** St Joachim's Catholic
Church, Lidcombe. **Cost:** \$25 per person. Group
discounts available.
Register here <https://www.trybooking.com/DFBJT>

CHRISTOPHER WEST'S THEOLOGY OF THE BODY - HEAD & HEART IMMERSION COURSE

Deepen your understanding of the human person
and God's beautiful plan for life, love, and healing.
From 18–23 January 2026, world-renowned speaker
Christopher West will lead the TOB 1: Head and
Heart Immersion retreat at the Benedict XVI Retreat
Centre, bringing St John Paul II's Theology of the
Body to life. This 5-day experience includes daily
Mass, Adoration, and 30 hours of engaging teaching.
Don't miss this rare opportunity to be transformed
and healed in mind and heart. Places are limited.
DETAILS: Date: Sunday 18 Jan - Friday 23 Jan 2026.
Time: 3pm Sunday to 1pm Friday.
Venue: Benedict XVI Retreat Centre Grose Vale NSW
Who: Adults only event (18+)
For more information and to register, visit [https://
tobi.sydneycatholic.org/tob-1-immersion-course/](https://tobi.sydneycatholic.org/tob-1-immersion-course/)
For enquiries, contact TOBI@sydneycatholic.org.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION INTRODUCTION AND RENEWAL DAY -

You are invited to a Christian Meditation
Introduction and Renewal Day at St Benedict's Monastery,
121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia on Sunday, 16th November.
Arrival from 10am to register for a 10:30am start,
presentations, introduction to meditation, Middle of the
Day Prayer with the monks, Mass at 2pm, conclusion at
3pm. Book display and morning tea provided, please BYO
picnic lunch. Extensive grounds and a labyrinth.
General enquiries: Ann Lomas at lomas@bigpond.com or
contact on mobile number 0437 340 250.
Possible accommodation at the monastery guest house:
Fr Michael Kelly mkelly@silvestrini.org or contact on
mobile number 0455 329 607.

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.

EVERLASTING LOVE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE 2026 -

'Everlasting Love' is a marriage
preparation course that gives special emphasis to
the sacramental, spiritual, and relational dimensions
of marriage. The course highlights the importance of
God's grace and intentional human love in building a
joy-filled, fruitful and lifelong relationship.
There are three sessions available. Couples are only
required to attend one session. So when booking,
book only one session that suits you.
Session dates and locations are as follows: -
Session 1: Friday 13 – Saturday 14 February 2026
St Catherine Laboure Parish Gynea
Session 2: Friday 5 – Saturday 6 June 2026
St Joachim's Parish Lidcombe
Session 3: Friday 20 – Saturday 21 November 2026
St Joseph's Parish Moorebank

*Please note that the course is split across 2 days
(no overnight stay).
Day 1 takes place on Friday evening from 6pm to
10pm.
Day 2 begins at 9am and ends at 5pm.
Cost: \$350.00 per couple
To book, visit: <https://www.trybooking.com/DGPMC>

Dear friends,
"I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith."
Words taken from our second reading for this Sunday.

St Paul is writing this as his life is coming to an end.
We hope we can utter the same words at the end of our life. What is this 'fight' he is talking about?
St Paul's 'fight' is our fight. A fight to the death, yes, our life is more dramatic than the ordinariness of daily
life. There is always a fight, a tension, a question mark in every human being. This battle line crosses every
heart, mind and soul. A fight between good and evil, light and darkness, truth and lies, life and death, love
and hate, compassion and indifference, courage and cowardice, purity and lust, hope and despair, peace
and anger, grace and sin, repent or resent. Each choice and decision will lead us to our final destiny, heaven
or hell. We are called to fight, to confirm our life in Christ with every good choice we make. If we are not
consciously fighting for goodness, for grace, for God, and we find ourselves not engaged in battle which
the Lord has called us to fight. We fight to win, we fight for our salvation, we fight for God and we fight for
each other.

After the calling to love and have faith, the other important teaching is humility. What is humility?
Humility is not just something nice to do or be, but a fundamental foundation of our being.
Being humble is the only correct disposition of who we are before God, poor creatures and sinners.
We might prop ourselves up with worldly honours, riches and prestige, but in reality, God knows exactly
who we are, we are naked before him. Being humble, is a calling to be who we are before God.
Let us always come before God and present ourselves as naked, defenceless, empty vessels and God, will
always give us what we need. He desires to clothe us with his Son, Jesus Christ.
So let us clothe ourselves with Christ by humility. Humility leads us to more faith.
If we have faith and nothing else, we are the richest person in the world, because if we have faith, we have
God. St Therese of The Child Jesus, said after giving up the world for God, I am so poor, the only thing I have
is faith. Humility is the foundation to faith, hope and love.

All Saints and All Souls Day is next weekend.
We celebrate our communion with all the saints, those canonised and those hidden in God.

We pray for all souls, especially those we know and love family and friends.
November Mass Offerings Envelopes are around the church to offer Mass for your loved ones.
Fr. Kim

NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER

01 - 02 NOV SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes	Allen	Van	Charlie	Louis
1 st Reader	Lalita	Paula	Anthony	Elizabeth
2 nd Reader	Jenny	Romanta	Rocco S	Mary
Music	Heather & 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 — Romanta Clover Lea — Dr. Margaret M Alwyn — By Request			
Cleaning (03 - 09 Nov)		Sue, Gladys, Miriam, Vimala, & Georgette		
Sacristans	Rocco & Rosina R			



A PRAYER FOR OUR HSC STUDENTS

Lord, bless all students as they sit each day for their
HSC Exams. Grant them Wisdom, Focus and
Understanding to answer each question correctly with
peace and calmness in their hearts. Help them to
remember that you are always with them, guiding and
supporting them every step of the way.
**Our Father, Hail Mary & Glory Be.
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
Felisa Sabarre
Samia Saad
Tony Mizhar
Joseph Sang
Maria Cap
Anthony Viet
Emil Corso
Leonore D'Abrera
Maria Conti
Edna Clark
Allan Webster
Raymond Nelson
Keith O'Regan
Souls of Unborn Children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Anniversary
Patrick Joseph Baird
Mai Duc Thanh
Parishioners of
St Joseph's Enfield

Recently Deceased
Marlene Young Ching

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

GOSPEL Lk 18:9-14
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.

The publican returned to his home justified; the Pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else. “Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, “I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get.” The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, “God, be merciful to me, a sinner.” This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.’

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. Look, we pray, O Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty, that whatever is done by us in your service

may be directed above all to your glory. 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 19:6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth. 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

PONDERING OUR ATTITUDES

Today’s Gospel presents us with a mirror to help us reflect on the way we regard others. It is especially pertinent when we feel assured that our religious attitude and approach to our Faith and God is correct. It is even possible that out of this attitude we can regard others, especially those from other faith traditions, as uninformed or perhaps targets of divine condemnation.
Jesus offers Luke’s audience an opportunity to reflect on similar attitudes. It takes the form of a parable focused on two people: a person of religious scrupulosity and a public sinner. The first is called a ‘Pharisee’, an identification that requires nuanced historical understanding. For Luke writing in the mid-80s of the first century in the period after the destruction of the Temple in 70 CE, Pharisees enabled Judaism to survive and grow. They represented its leadership. To followers of Jesus at that same period they represented those who were critical of the Jesus-movement and didn’t join in. In the time of Jesus, in the 30s, the situation was very different. They were very attuned to Jesus’ mission and, like him, concerned about authentic Jewish faith and Torah practice.
In the story in Luke’s Gospel, Jesus compares a ‘Pharisee’ (in this later historical understanding) to a tax-collector judged a sinner, collaborating in Rome’s oppressive taxation system. This ‘sinner’ recognises his need for God’s mercy; the Lukan Pharisee, self-assured about his religious credentials, arrogant and without any need for God, is self-focused. These parable characters invite us to ponder our attitude to God and others.
FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

26 OCTOBER 2025

THE PRAYER OF THE SINNER. Last Sunday’s Gospel told of the determined struggle of a good person, a widow, for justice. Through this story Jesus teaches that God hears the persistent cries of the just. In today’s Gospel it is a sinner who prays to God for mercy and, wonderfully, God hears the sinner’s humble prayer also. The only prayer to which God cannot respond is that of the self-righteous who effectively says to God: ‘I do not need you.’

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 104:3-4
Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

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, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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 Sir 35:12-14, 16-19
A reading from the book of Sirach
The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan’s supplication, nor the widow’s as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man’s prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

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

RESP PSALM Ps 32:2-3, 17-19, 23. R. v. 7

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, / his praise always on my lips; / in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. / The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked / to destroy their remembrance from the earth. / The just call and the Lord hears / and rescues them in all their distress. **R.**



3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; / those whose spirit is crushed he will save. / The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. / Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion’s mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!