



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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
Encicle & Rosary
Every Monday 8am
Daily Prayer
Church is open from
8am - 3.30pm
Rosary & Prayer
Tue, Wed, Thur & Fri
8.30am / Saturday 9:30am

Holy Hour of Mercy Adoration
Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur & Friday
2.30pm - 3.30pm
Adoration, Prayer's & Chaplet
of Divine Mercy with Relics

Adoration—Saturday
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 2026 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 12 September at 3pm & Sunday 13 September at 3pm.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday 17th May at 3pm.

Sacrament Program for External Schools

Enrolment day for First Holy Communion

Wednesday 22 July at 3pm to 4pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 30 August at 3pm.

Confirmation

First Lesson Wednesday 1st April at 4pm—5pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday 17 May 2026 at 1pm.

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

HEALING MASS - Friday 10 April 2026

Celebrant: Fr. Daniel McCaughan

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

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

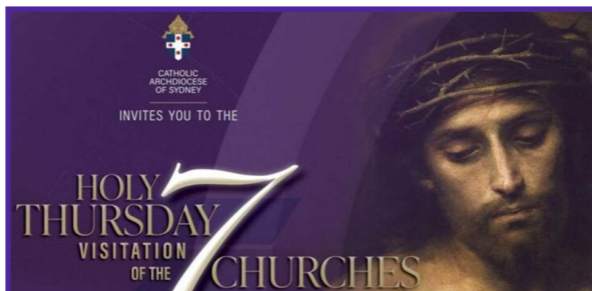
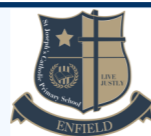
For all enquires and enrolments please contact the school office.

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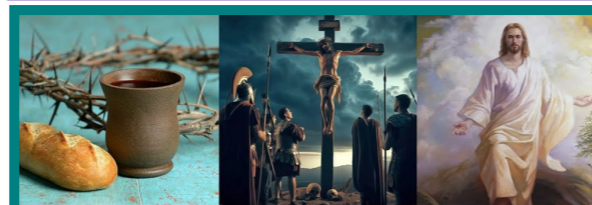
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HOLY THURSDAY PLENARY INDULGENCE

Walk alongside Christ on the night of His betrayal, by selecting seven participating churches for your pilgrimage. With each visit, trace His journey as He was taken from one location to another, and immerse yourself in the profound events of that sacred night. The booklets are located on the table at the back of the Church from Liverpool Road.



"EASTER TRIDUUM"

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday 2 April at 7pm
Mass of the Lords Supper
The Church is opened until midnight

Good Friday 3 April Stations of the Cross at 10am
The Passion of the Lord at 3pm
Reconciliation straight after the 10am
Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 4 April Mass at 7pm
Easter Sunday 5 April Mass at 9am & 10:30am

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

A reminder that the Divine Mercy Novena will begin on Good Friday 3 April after the 10am Stations of the Cross. All those who would like to participate, prayer sheets will be available in the Church.



Dear friends,
Welcome to Holy Week.

I hope you enjoyed reading the testimonies of our elect catechumens and candidates, from the previous Sundays. I am very eager to give them the grace of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil and make them fully alive in Christ. It is amazing to see how God is bringing his own people to himself.

Palm Sunday is always a great joyful day for our parish, as we reenact Jesus Christs' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The weird and unexpected scene, is Jesus is riding not a big stallion horse, but a donkey!

It makes the whole scene rather comical and ridiculous and that is the point. Jesus's humble way is a deliberate way to disarm any fear or threat to anyone. Jesus comes in peace and not take anything by force, but to give himself as an offering of peace.

Some people think peace has to be taken by force, to destroy your enemies, to use weapons before they use them onto you. That is why the crowd were welcoming Jesus and cheering him on, hoping he will destroy the Jewish enemy, the Roman Empire. But Jesus is not riding into battle riding on a horse of war, but a humble donkey. It is Jesus's way and God's way of mocking all those looking for war to achieve peace.

While other Kings conquer with swords, spears, guns, cruise missiles, battleships, aircraft carriers, stealth bombers, F35s fighters and satellites, Jesus will use a donkey and a cross to carry him to victory. Jesus will win not by using force, but giving himself freely. He is a very different King to all other Kings. He has no weapons, no army, no navy, no money, nothing but himself, truly God and truly man. Only the God/Man will act in this way of achieving peace.

International peace and personal peace can never be achieved by force, only by humility, courage, passion, respect, empathy, love and forgiveness, as God is trying to show us in Jesus Christ. The proud see everything that is good have to be taken, even by force. Christians see everything as a gift to be received with a grateful heart.

Thank you to all those who celebrated St Joseph's Day, it is always a wonderful day of joy and blessings for our parish community, to share God's grace in St Joseph, who we proudly claim as patron saint, spouse of Mary and earthy father to Jesus Christ our Lord.

A special thank you to Vesna, our School Family Planner who organised the St Joseph's Altar and all those who helped Vesna. Please join us after the 10:30am Mass for a free parish barbeque, free jumping castles and free donkey ride. Fr. Kim

NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER - EASTER

04 - 05 APR SAT 7pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes * SPECIAL ROSTER * No Mass

1st Reader * SPECIAL ROSTER * No Mass
2nd Reader

Music Heather & Justine & Angels
Choir Choir Choir

Altar Servers Grace Vol Crispin, Michael
Aquilino & Gaudens

Wardens Patrick Rocco R Rocco S

Ministers Home Visits — Gladys
To the Sick Clover Lea — By Request
Alwyn — By Request

Cleaning (06 - 12 April) Lindi & Team

Sacristans Rocco & Rosina R



PALM SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2026

"They took Palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Blessed is the King of Israel!"

- John 12:13

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

Carla Hosri
Odette Haddad
Peter Nadwie
Michael Ibrahim
Pia Pelaccia
Ciriaco Pelaccia
Dr. Margaret
Peter Wadwie
Teresa

Fr. Lawrence Freeman

Silvana Cocilova
Carmelo Ilardo
Gaetano Currenti
Isabella Eva Rotunno
Anna Maria Livolsi Kurby

Marija Barclay
Vince Napoli
Angelo Napoli
Joseph Cavallaro
Kevin Bolton
Mark Downie
Salis Trambull
Meri Trambull

Christian Bartolotta
Antonio Bartolotta
Peter Gaynor
Bonnie Orton
Robert Southcombe

Jeanette Northey
Vera Mustac
Linda Pilato
Elizabeth Swe
Francis Lim

Margaret Cooney
Virgilio Fajardo
Samuel Gullotta
Robert Rakvin
George Khoury

For the Soul of

John Eunson
Alfred Perry
Keith Graham
Edna Fitzgerald
Francesco Vetrivano

Ethel Brunton
Ellen Howell
Anna De Vries
Alfred Blake
Regina Sanarossa

Silvestro Tindaro
Ian Mackinnon Flemming
James Lennon
Mackow Family
Lello Family

Ferraro Family
Ferrara Family
Nicotina Family
Panarello Family
Santoro Family

Moschella Family
Natoli Family
Souls of Unborn Children
All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Anniversary

Parishioners of
St Joseph's Enfield

Recently Deceased

Giuseppe Serratore
Michael Mather
Sr. Rosalia Kullu

Intentions From

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

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY / A

29 MARCH 2026

N. For Pilate knew it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. Now as he was seated in the chair of judgement, his wife sent him a message,

O. Have nothing to do with that man; I have been upset all day by a dream I had about him.

N. The chief priests and the elders, however, had persuaded the crowd to demand the release of Barabbas and the execution of Jesus. So when the governor spoke and asked them:

O. Which of the two do you want me to release for you?

N. They said:

C. Barabbas.

N. Pilate said to them:

O. What am I to do with Jesus who is called Christ?

N. They all said:

C. Let him be crucified!

N. Pilate asked:

O. Why? What harm has he done?

N. But they shouted all the louder,

C. Let him be crucified!

N. Then Pilate saw that he was making no impression, that in fact a riot was imminent. So he took some water, washed his hands in front of the crowd and said:

O. I am innocent of this man's blood. It is your concern.

N. And the people, to a man, shouted back:

C. His blood be on us and on our children!

N. Then he released Barabbas for them. He ordered Jesus to be first scourged and then handed over to be crucified.

The governor's soldiers took Jesus with them into the Praetorium and collected the whole cohort round him. Then they stripped him and made him wear a scarlet cloak, and having twisted some thorns into a crown they put this on his head and placed a reed in his right hand. To make fun of him they knelt to him saying:

C. Hail, king of the Jews!

N. And they spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head with it. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the cloak and dressed him in his own clothes and led him away to crucify him.

On their way out, they came across a man from Cyrene, Simon by name, and enlisted him to carry his cross. When they had reached a place called Golgotha, that is, the place of the skull, they gave him wine to drink. When they had finished crucifying him they shared out his clothing by casting lots, and then sat down and stayed there keeping guard over him. Above his head was placed

the charge against him; it read: 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews'. At the same time two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said:

C. So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself! If you are God's son, come down from the cross!

N. The chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him in the same way, saying:

C. He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He put his trust in God; now let God rescue him if he wants him. For he did say, 'I am the son of God'.

N. Even the robbers who were crucified with him taunted him in the same way.

From the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour, Jesus cried out in a loud voice:

J. Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?

N. That is: 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood there heard this, they said:

C. The man is calling on Elijah,

N. and one of them quickly ran to get a sponge which he dipped in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink. The rest of them said:

C. Wait! See if Elijah will come to save him.

N. But Jesus, again crying out in a loud voice, yielded up his spirit.

All kneel and pause a moment.

N. At that, the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom; the earth quaked; the rocks were split; the tombs opened and the bodies of many holy men rose from the dead, and these, after his resurrection, came out of the tombs, entered the Holy City and appeared to a number of people.

Meanwhile the centurion, together with the others guarding Jesus, had seen the earthquake and all that was taking place, and they were terrified and said:

C. In truth this was a son of God.

Longer form, Mt 26:14-27:66

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

P. Pray, brethren . . .

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. Through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son, O Lord, may our reconciliation with you be near at hand, so that, though we do not merit it by our own deeds, yet by this sacrifice made once for all, we may feel already the effects of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PREFACE OF THE LORD'S PASSION

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God . . .

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 26:42

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Nourished with these sacred gifts, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, just as through the death of your Son you have brought us to hope for what we believe, so by his Resurrection you may lead us to where you call. 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.

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THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. We see ourselves in the crowds who cried 'Hosanna to the Son of David' one day and 'Crucify him' just a few days later. Like Peter and the other disciples we can be fickle followers of Jesus. We should not, however, imitate Judas and despair at our infidelity. Rather, we should look to Jesus who allowed his blood to be poured out for many 'for the forgiveness of sins'. Let us praise him with grateful hearts.

COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

THE PROCESSION

The faithful, carrying palm branches, assemble either in front of the church or inside the church.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Jn 12:1; Ps 23:9-10

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out:

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

The Gloria is omitted.

COLLECT

P. Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. 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

Isa 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied, he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24. R. v. 2

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. All who see me deride me. / They curl their lips, they toss their heads. / 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him: / let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**

2. Many dogs have surrounded me, / a band of the wicked beset me. / They tear holes in my hands and my feet, / I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

3. They divide my clothing among them. / They cast lots for my robe. / O Lord, do not leave me alone, / my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

4. I will tell of your name to my brethren / and praise you where they are assembled. / 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; / all sons of Jacob, give him glory. / Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

SECOND READING

Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee in the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! / Christ became obedient for us even to death, / dying on the cross. / Therefore God raised him on high / and gave him a name above all other names. / Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!



GOSPEL

Mt 27:11-54

N. The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

(**N.** Narrator **J.** Jesus **O.** Other single speaker **C.** Crowd, or more than one other speaker)

N. Jesus, then, was brought before the governor, and the governor put to him this question:

O. Are you the king of the Jews?

N. Jesus replied:

J. It is you who say it.

N. But when he was accused by the chief priests and the elders he refused to answer at all. Pilate then said to him:

O. Do you not hear how many charges they have brought against you?

N. But to the governor's complete amazement, he offered no reply to any of the charges.

At festival time it was the governor's practice to release a prisoner for the people, anyone they chose. Now there was at that time a notorious prisoner whose name was Barabbas. So when the crowd gathered, Pilate said to them, **O.** Which do you want me to release for you: Barabbas or Jesus who is called Christ?