



# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Year of St Joseph - Pray for us

### Parish Office Hours of Administration

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

Fr. Kim is not available on Mondays.

Fr. Kim is open to suggestions either face to face or via email only.

### Catechist Co-ordinator

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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  
Mon-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

### Saturday Adoration

9:30am - 10am

Healing Mass - First Friday of the Month.

Prayer Group - Every Wednesday 7pm

### Statue of Our Lady

will continue to visit homes, Contact Rosina 0414 084 574



### SACRAMENT PROGRAM 2021 FOR ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

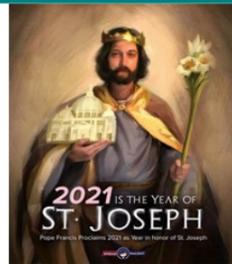
Celebration of the Sacrament of First Holy Communion Dates for - St Joseph's Primary School, Tuesday 7th December, Wednesday 8th December and Thursday 9th December at 5pm.

### SACRAMENT PROGRAM 2021 FOR EXTERNAL SCHOOLS

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION DATES FOR - External Schools Saturday 11th December at 5:30pm and Sunday 12th December at 10:30am Mass.

### PARISH BBQ TO CONCLUDE THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Join us this Sunday 5 December for a Parish BBQ after the 10:30am Mass.



### YEAR OF ST JOSEPH RAFFLE - SUPPORTING CATHOLICS IN 12-step recovery

Quality framed image of St Joseph with the child Jesus, cost \$220 from St Paul's, Strathfield. Tickets \$2, three for \$5. Drawn at 12.30pm at the Parish BBQ, Sunday 5 December. All proceeds to go for Catholics in 12-Step recovery, and anyone interested in the virtue of total abstinence who wish to develop their spirituality or are concerned with alcoholism and addiction. Contact Brother Martin 9715 3518 or Kevin on 0470 284 590.

### THE 6PM MASS ALIVE CHOIR HAS CHANGED CHOIR NAME TO - The Carpenter's Voice

The year of St Joseph may be coming to an end but the Spirit of St Joseph's is Alive and on Fire as we sing with "The Carpenter's Voice" choir come join... Sunday 6pm.

### CHRISTMAS MASS CELEBRATIONS

Friday Vigil 24 December  
Carols 5pm & 7:30pm  
Family Mass 5:30pm - (with children)  
Mass 8pm  
Midnight Mass at 12am  
Christmas Day Masses  
Saturday 25 Dec  
Mass at 9am & 10:30am



### 2021 PATH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Welcome back from a difficult year of lockdowns. As a result of this last lockdown, some of the survivors of human trafficking or slavery whom we have supported have also lost jobs and incurred debts.

This weekend and next weekend 11 - 12, PATH members will be selling raffle tickets for 2 Christmas hampers to raise funds for those who need assistance with bills and medical expenses.

Money raised will also be used to provide something extra for Christmas. The tickets are \$2 each and \$5 for 3. We thank you for your ongoing generosity over the years and look forward to your support for the survivors of slavery here in Sydney.

### LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS 2021, St Mary's Cathedral forecourt, 9-25 December

Join in Sydney's favourite free Christmas tradition, uniting families, locals and tourists with a display of digital storytelling projected onto St Mary's Cathedral. Find out more:

<https://lightsofchristmas.com.au/>



### BECOME A CATECHIST OR HELPER

Half of Catholic children in Sydney are in public primary and high schools. Share the hope and joy that Jesus brings with them and become a catechist. Starting off as a helper in 2022, you'll receive easy step-by-step lessons. Talk with Fr Kim the Parish Priest after Mass or contact the Parish Office during business hours Tuesday - Friday 9am - 3pm.



Dear friends,

*A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. And all people will see God's salvation.'* Luke 3: 4-6.

John the Baptist's mission was to help us prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ. He calls us to come to the truth, that we are all sinners and need repentance and forgiveness. We worship the God of truth and without the truth, we remain in sin and darkness.

This weekend's theme of peace becomes a reality when we repent of our sins and be forgiven. Only when we are forgiven, we experience peace and freedom to enjoy the good things of life.

Recall Jesus's message of peace after the resurrection: *"Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you. And with that he breathed on them and said, Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."* John 20: 21-23.

What kind of conversion are we bringing to the altar today and for Christmas?

Congratulations to the 49 children in our school who receive God's peace by celebrating their First Reconciliation and we congratulate the year 6 students graduating from our primary school.

We farewell Marianne Freitas from our parish community. Marianne is moving to Bowral and will be greatly missed. Marianne's involvement here was, President of St Vincent De Paul Society, Safeguarding Officer, Reader, Holy Communion minister to the sick and the Sacristan. May the Lord reward her with many graces for her big contribution. May Marianne find the Lord wherever she may be, and may we meet her in the halls of heaven in the future.

We conclude the end of the Year of St Joseph, our patron Saint with a parish barbeque this weekend. Also we celebrated two major activities with St Joseph this year, the 33 days consecration to St Joseph and the pilgrimage to the other St Joseph's Churches in Sydney. We pray with his intercession that we regain any graces lost during this year of lockdown.

For those who would like to deepen their understanding of Christmas during Advent, you are welcome to join us on Thursday nights at 7:30pm in the Parish Meeting room, the last night will be Thursday 16th December. Fr. Kim

### NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER 11/12 DEC SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes	Allen	Kevin	Domenic	Chris
1 <sup>st</sup> Reader	Anna M	Rose T	Monique	Chris
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Sr. Helena	Tania	Anne	Simran
EMHC	NOT REQUIRED AT THE MOMENT			
Music	Julie & Choir	Justine & Choir	Tony & Choir	The Carpenter's Voice Choir
Altar Servers	Grace Niamh, Patrick & Dan	Vol	Vol	Patrick, Grace Mary, Louis Dylan & Killian
Wardens	Patrick	Rocco	Frank	Frank
Counters	NOT REQUIRED AT THE MOMENT			
Ministers To the Sick	Home Visits - Sue C	Clover Lea - ON HOLD	Alwyn - ON HOLD	
Cleaning (13-19 Dec)	Anne, Fely & Antonietta			
Sacristans in Training	Rocco & Rosina R			



### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT THE CANDLE OF PEACE

Turn away from evil and do good. Search for PEACE and work to maintain it.

Psalm 34.14

I have said these things to you that in me you may have PEACE. In the world you will have tribulation, but take heart I have overcome the world. John 16:33

### 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](mailto: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.

With St Joseph we pray ...

### For the sick

- 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
- Felicisima Perea
- Joanne Francis
- Sonia Saade
- Terry Franando
- Derrick Chaves
- Michael Tucker
- Rachael Bartolotta
- Alessia Lara Sharpe
- Ellie Wild
- Carmelo Harido
- Mary Olivija
- Nathan Kemp
- Rowena B Antonio
- Zachary Marsh
- Cherilyn Frances
- Gaetano Currenti
- Elizabeth
- Rita Hammond
- Francis Abbott
- Ljuban Martinovic
- Isabella Eva Rotunno
- Margarette Clark
- Marie Brady
- Yuban Martinovic
- Eduardo Nobrega
- Anna Maria Livolsi Kurby
- Cvetka Cvelic
- Licia Heinein
- Shirley Hofman
- Clyde Crow
- (Evie Howard known as Evelyn Topagian)
- Josephine Attard
- Cholo Caparros
- Megan Nelson
- Pochulo Caparros
- Ljuban Martinovic
- Dr. Margaret McGarrity
- Joseph Maroun
- Haifa Mannah Karam
- Lois Sander
- Robert Thomas
- HansGeorg Sander

### For the Souls of

- Nguyen Family
- San Family
- Cap Family
- Viet Family
- Nhiem Family
- Albert Deguara
- Mary Deguara
- Maria Pole Oki
- Antonius Hun Naif
- Souls of Unborn Children
- All Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Recently Deceased

- Carmelo Rosina
- Hikmat Shina
- Lorraine Grace

### Anniversary

Nicola Romano  
Of all the Souls that occur at this time

### Special Intentions from

The Parishioners of St Joseph's Enfield Praying for all Covid affected People In the World

## GOSPEL

Lk 3:1-6

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.**

*All people shall see the salvation of God.*

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of Ituraea and Trachonitis, Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah, in the wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice cries in the wilderness:

Prepare a way for the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

Every valley will be filled in,  
every mountain and hill be laid low,  
winding ways will be straightened  
and rough roads made smooth.

And all mankind shall see the salvation  
of God.

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. Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings, and, since we have no merits to plead our cause, come, we pray, to our rescue with the protection of your mercy. 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 OF ADVENT

*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 Bar 5: 5; 4: 36

**Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, through our partaking in this mystery, you may teach us to judge wisely

the things of earth and hold firm to the things of heaven. 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

### TRUST IN GOD'S HELP

As we prepare for the Lord's return, today's readings encourage us to continue the journey we have started but challenge us as well. Baruch gave heart to the generation of the exile by speaking about the highway that God was building for their return. At the dawn of the time of the Messiah, John the Baptist makes use of the same image but reminds us that the highway that is being built in the desert is not only God's work but ours. Our co-operation is needed as the rough places of our hearts are smoothed, the mountains we force God to cross are made level, and the valleys filled in.

Paul calls the Christians of Philippi to take heart as they wait for the Lord's return. Paul was devoted to all Christian communities he had founded and ministered to, but the Philippians had a special place in his heart, and he called them his jewel and crown (cf. Philippians 4:1). They were a Macedonian community that had suffered much (cf. 2 Corinthians 8:1-3) and yet supported him greatly in his ministry emotionally, financially, and spiritually (Philippians 4: 14-16).

We see the encouragement that Paul gives them as they prepare for the Lord's return. He knows that it is not always easy to discern what is good and necessary but he reassures the Philippians by reminding them that the Lord who started the good work in them will bring it to completion.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT / C

05 DECEMBER 2021

PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD. The season of Advent is a time in which we prepare for the Lord's coming. We prepare for the feast of Christmas which commemorates his first coming as a child in Bethlehem. And we prepare also for his final coming in glory. We do this by heeding John the Baptist's call to repentance, and by striving for 'peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness'.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Isa 30: 19, 30

**O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.**

## GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**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. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: 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.

*The Gloria is not said during Advent*

## COLLECT

P. Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to his company. 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

Bar 5:1-9

A reading from the prophet Baruch.

*Jerusalem – God will show you splendour.*

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress,

put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever, wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you,

put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head:

since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven, since the name God gives you for ever will be, 'Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness.'

Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights

and turn your eyes to the east:

see your sons reassembled from west and east at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has remembered them.

Though they left you on foot,

with enemies for an escort,

now God brings them back to you like royal princes carried back in glory.

For God has decreed the flattening of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the valleys to make the ground level

so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God.

And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide shade

for Israel at the command of God;

for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory

with his mercy and integrity for escort.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 125. R. v. 3

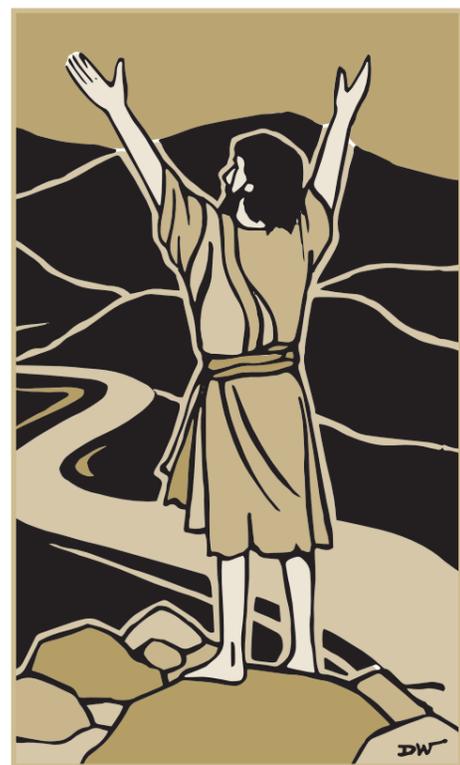
**R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.**

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, / it seemed like a dream. / Then was our mouth filled with laughter, / on our lips there were songs. **R.**

2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels / the Lord worked for them!' / What marvels the Lord worked for us! / Indeed we were glad. **R.**

3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage / as streams in dry land. / Those who are sowing in tears / will sing when they reap. **R.**

4. They go out, they go out, full of tears / carrying seed for the sowing; / they come back, they come back, full of song, / carrying their sheaves. **R.**



## SECOND READING

Phil 1:3-6, 8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

*Show yourselves sinless and without blame in the day of Christ.*

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 3:4, 6

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!**