

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

at 12 noon

Reconciliation Tue - Fri 9am Sat 4.30pm - 5:15pm

Baptism by appointment 2nd & 4th Sun of the Month

Marriage - Fri, Sat & Sun Contact Parish Office (at least 6 months notice is required)

Parish Devotions Cenacle & Rosary Every Monday 8am

Daily Prayer

8am - 3.30pm Rosary & Prayer Tue, Wed, Thur & Frid 8.30am / Saturday 9:30am

Church is open from

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: TBA

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 25 October

Speaker: Ron Maldigri

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.

GIRLS DAY OUT AT THE SHRINE

This school holidays teenage girls are invited to spend a day of fun, faith and friendship at Mount Schoenstatt. Option 1: Tuesday 7th October (ages 15-18 years) Option 2: Wednesday 8th October (ages 11-14 years) Option 3: Overnight junior leader 7-8 Oct (15+ years) Both days run from 9:30-4:30 and cost \$22 which includes lunch, morning and afternoon tea as well as all materials for the day. For those 15 years or older there is the opportunity to stay overnight (\$55) and help out as leaders on the second day. Young women are also invited to volunteer on one or both days. Contact Sr. M. Rita 0493 026 62 to register or for more information.

CHRISTOPHER WEST'S THEOLOGY OF THE BODY HEAD AND 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 as follows.

Date: Sunday 18 January - Friday 23 January 2026 Time: 3 pm Sunday to 1 pm 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-1mmersion-course/ For enquiries, contact

TOBI@sydneycatholic.org.

DATES: LIFE. MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUNDAY

Life, Marriage & Family Sunday was established in response to the World Meeting of Families held in 2018, emphasising the universal call to celebrate and support family life. We invite Sydney parishes to celebrate Life, Marriage & Family Sunday in their local parishes and communities on Sunday 19 October 2025, coinciding close to the Feast Day of St John Paul II. To assist parishes and prepare for local celebrations of

Life, Marriage & Family Sunday, we have included resources. For more information visit

sydneycatholic.org/lmf

ALPHA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE 2025 - THE WAY

OF HOPE - You are all invited on Friday 31 October and Saturday 1 November. This is an opportunity for the Church to gather to be inspired and formed for mission. This conference will be focused on mission and is for **everyone**, not just those who are involved with or interested in Alpha. It will be an opportunity for delegates to encounter and grow in their relationship with Christ; and then be equipped to step out in faith and service to build up the kingdom of God in whatever way God is calling them to at this time. We will welcome Bishop Michael Gielen from Christchurch, New Zealand, as our keynote speaker and we will have other fantastic speakers such as Sr Elena Marie OP who will share their experience and wisdom with us. We will hear stories from across the Church and different mission fields such as schools, prisons and of course parishes, for youth and adults. Conference will include plenary sessions, breakout sessions, morning tea and lunch on both days and dinner on Friday, Mass and Adoration.

Date: Friday 31 October - Saturday 1 November 2025 Venue: Liverpool Catholic Club. For more information and to register, visit https://www.alpha.org.au/ catholicconference

BEYOND THE PROTEST

Mark your calendars for this promotional event and next year's 40 Days for Life event, which will begin on February 17, 2026. Fr Greg Morgan is a highly regarded priest and an accomplished public speaker. Kindly register so that the organisers can get an idea of numbers: http://www.trybooking.com/DEOMG

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 friends,

If you like the idea of everyone to shut up for just a moment to listen to what God has to say, then you will like a silent retreat. Since last Sunday evening to Friday afternoon, I have been in a silent retreat for the clergy of Sydney at Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre, in South Kincumber, Central Coast.

What is so encouraging is some priests here have retired, yet they still desire to grow in love with God's people, amazing. The Archbishop Anthony Fisher is also here. You can imagine how busy he is and yet he finds quality time for God. Time with God and for God is never wasteful, but fruitful.

We continue our journey with God, one step at a time. God desires us to have faith in Him and His ways. In today's gospel, the apostles recognise their faith is weak and ask the Lord to increase their faith. The good news is that even if our faith is small and weak, it still can be very effective and powerful in God. Jesus tells the disciples even if their faith is very small, like the size of a mustard seed, it can even move mountains. How does our faith move even mountains? What does this mean? Faith gives us access to God and God is love and love can change anything, even move mountains. In fact, love changes everything into its own, like a burning fire that burns consuming everything into itself.

What are the mountains that lie before us, becoming obstacles between us and God and between us and others? It could be the mountain of envy, jealousy, hatred, discriminations, racisms, prejudices, resentment, and fear of the unknown. There are many things that can be bridges between us and God and others, but, can also become mountains if we don't receive them in the right way, as God has designed for its purpose.

The good news is, we can have power over the mountains in our lives and tell them to be uprooted and get lost into the sea. If we have Jesus, you can ask this of him and he can do it for us, if we really wanted it to be so.

The second part of the gospel is about being servants of God. Sometimes we see being servants as something to avoid, since it means lower in rank. But serving God is an honour, since God does not consider us less than himself, as God came to serve and not to be served. When we serve others, God is with us to serve, we become better servants. The Pope has many titles, and one of them is, Servant of the servant of God. This means the act of serving is clothed with love and humility.

When we serve others, we are serving God's truth, love, justice and peace in them. We are serving the hungry and thirsty, Christ is in them, hearing the cry of the Lord in the other: "I thirst." John 19:28.

If we become good, faithful servants of the mysterious of God, then Jesus considers us friends:

"I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you." John 15:15.

But before we can become Jesus's friends, we have to become servants first and be content of this role. Fr. Kim

NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER

11 - 12 OCT SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

	Acolytes	Allen	Kevin	Richard	Charlie
	1st Reader	Vincentius	Rose T	Nelia	Elizabeth
	2 nd Reader	Jenny	Tania	Vesna	Josephine
	Music	Julie &	Justine &	Angels	Friends of
		Choir	Choir	Choir	6pm Choir
	Altar Servers Grace		Vol Crispin, Michael		Vol
ı			Aguilino & Gaudens		

Wardens Patrick Rocco R Rocco S

Ministers Home Visits - Miriam To the Sick Clover Lea - Dr. Margaret M Alwyn - By Request

Cleaning (13-19 Oct) Anne, Viola, Mar, Nymia & Nelia

Sacristans Rocco & Rosina R



OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY OCTOBER 7

We invite you to pray the Most Holy Rosary for the entire month of October. Let us follow the Blessed Mother's wishes to pray the Rosary and may we grow in respect for this gift and for the Gospel of Life. Pray the Rosary together with your family, your friends

and loved ones. Pray for our beloved deceased. Pray especially for Peace in the World. Holy Mary Mother of God, Pray for 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 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 Ibrahin Ciriaco Pelaccia Peter Wadwie Teresa John Finocchiaro Fr. Lawrence Freeman Silvana Cocilova Carmelo Ilardo **Gaetano Currenti** Isabella Eva Rotunno Anna Maria Livolsi Kurby Maura Turiia Marija Barclay Vince Napoli Angelo Napoli Joseph Cavallaro **Kevin Bolton Mark Downie** Salis Trambu Meri Trambul **Christian Bartolott** Bonnie Ortor Jeanette Northey Vera Mustac Linda Pilato **Christine Scanlo Dominic Paul Ng** Jeanette Northey **Elizabeth Swe** Francis Lim **Margaret Cooney** Virgilio Fajardo Samuel Gullotta **Robert Rakvin George Khoury** Linda Ordoveza

> Stefano Babbat For the Soul of Patricia Allan **Nellie McGrath** Maria Trovato Carmella Casha Neil Gosper Walter Olsson Kate Woolley Vicki Jacksor lustin Rapisarda **Eileen Taylor** Agnes Morgan

Lilly Baissari

Roberta Rakvin

Svetlana Rakvir

Aida Azzi

Domenic Di Paola

Anniversary Maria D'Aprile St Joseph's Enfield

Mary McKenzie

Souls of Unborn Children

All Holy Souls in Purgator

Recently Deceased Nunziatina Caudullo Francesco Bellomo

Intentions From The Parishioners of St Joseph's Enfield Praying for **Calix Society Sydney** Healing for the Victims of Mental

Health & Depression An End to War in the World

For Peace in the World

The Apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

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, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us. 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: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection 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 Lam 3

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume.

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

MERELY SERVANTS

There are two parts to today's Gospel. The first concerns faith. The apostles ask Jesus to 'increase their faith'. His response is not about making faith quantifiable but about allowing it to be active—no matter how limited one's faith seems to be. Faith makes what seems impossible (requesting a tree to be uprooted and planted in the ocean) possible. The imagery that Jesus uses accentuates the real nature of faith and assures Gospel listeners that faith helps disciples to act with confidence and see unimaginable possibilities for their lives with God.

This affirmation connects to the second part of today's proclamation. It is about acting with a spirit of humility, rather than from high status and arrogance. The final words of the Gospel – 'We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty'—invites Luke's audience, and ourselves, to see that our conduct in fidelity to God is what is important, not how we are promoted or regarded differentially by others. The saying that exemplifies Luke's portrait of Jesus, as 'one who came to serve and not be served' encourages his disciples, seduced by status, to live similarly, 'rather than be served'.

This reversal of social expectation and status seeking is difficult in a world which promotes a popularity founded on worldliness, status seeking and entitlement.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

A SERVICE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST PAUL



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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

5 October 2025

DOING OUR DUTY. Advertisements sometimes suggest that our lives should be always fun-filled, exciting and glamorous. For most of the time, however, our lives have a mundane character – doing our daily chores, caring for our loved ones, going to work. By faithfully attending to these tasks, we express our belief that the sacred is present in the ordinary, that our simple acts are precious to God.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

cf. Esth 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

GREETING

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

R. Amer

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. 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.

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. /

COLLECT

P. Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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

Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear

to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me,

why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down,

inscribe it on tablets

to be easily read,

since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not

deceive;

if it comes slowly, wait,

for come it will, without fail.

See how he flags, he whose soul is not at

but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

The word of the Lord.

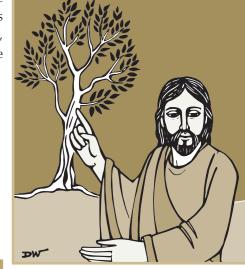
R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PS Ps 94:1-2, 6-9. R. v. 8

R. If today you hear his voice, harden

not your hearts.1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; / hail

- 1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; / hail the rock who saves us. / Let us come before him, giving thanks, / with songs let us hail the Lord. R.
- 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; / let us kneel before the God who made us / for he is our God and we / the people who belong to his pasture, / the flock that is led by his hand. **R**.



3. O that today you would listen to his voice! / 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as on that day at Massah in the desert / when your fathers put me to the test; / when they tried me, though they saw my work.' R.

SECOND READING 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Never be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever: it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

1 Pet 1:25

Lk 17:5-10

GOSPEL

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.

If you had faith!