



# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Parish Office Hours of Administration**  
Mon, Tue, Thurs & Friday  
9am - 3pm

**Parish Council Chairman**  
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**Church Florist - Sue Groundsman - Van**

**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**  
**Encycle & 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.

#### Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Tuesday 10th March at 4pm.

#### 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 Reconciliation

Wednesday 25 February at 3pm to 4pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Thursday 27 March at 5pm.

#### 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.

#### Enrolment day for Confirmation

Wednesday 25 March at 3pm to 4pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday 17 May 2025 at 1pm.

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

### ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

For all enquires and enrolments please contact the school office.

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## Ash Wednesday

18TH FEBRUARY 2026  
PARISH MASS TIMES 9:15AM & 7PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
Every Friday during Lent at 10am & 7pm.



### LENTEEN COMPANION 2026

#### "This is My Body, given for you"

The beautiful Season of Lent is approaching. Let us make the most of this precious time to gather in our parish, communities, and homes to reflect on the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

The Lenten Reflection group will commence on Monday 23 February. It will continue until the Monday 30 March. Time is 7pm to 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Everyone welcome.

**Online Workshop:** Many people—including those who do not go to Mass—would welcome an opportunity to pray with others; they just need someone to invite them! The Parish Renewal Team will host online workshops for those who want to lead others in prayer using the Lenten Companion. If you would like to invite others to pray with you but need some guidance, ideas, or encouragement, join one of our online workshops. Register for a workshop: <https://gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/>

### REFLECTION DAY - Saturday 28th February

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.

Dear friends,  
**'You are the salt of the earth.'**  
**'You are the light of the world.'**  
Words taken from this Sunday's gospel.  
Words of empowerment from Our Lord Jesus Christ.

God, Lord Jesus, tells his disciples this truth, to affirm God's goodness in them, because they follow Him who is God's light and salt for the life of the world. We should not be timid to make this boast since we are God's work in Jesus Christ. Never doubt we have God's life, love, peace and joy when we live our life in union with Jesus Christ. We remain in him now and forever through sacraments, a virtuous life and the power of the Holy Spirit. We have small self esteem, personality, less resilience, and more prone to sin, if we forget who we are in the Lord. So let us forever trust who we are, salt of the earth and light of the world in Jesus. We are strong in Him. Life and love is ours if we put this into practice. No other teachings in any creed, philosophy, Bill of Rights, UN Charter, come close to the riches of God, we have found in our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord Jesus empowers us with himself, not to be strong in his love for ourselves alone and look down on others. As Christians, we follow Jesus to never look down on people, especially the weak, but to look up to them and serve them. Jesus physically placed himself lower, at the stoning of the adulterous woman and washing of his disciples feet. We too follow Jesus in lifting up rather than pulling down as the first reading asks us to do: **"Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and do not turn from your own kin. Then will your light shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over."**

We find our greatness, light and glory not in our might, power to persuade, intimidate and rule with might like some politicians, but in loving others, and raising the weak and dead to life. That is what makes us salt of the earth and light of the world.

We thank God for all our Catechists, sharing the richness of God's Good News, at Croydon Park Public, Enfield Public and Burwood Public Schools. There is a right of commitment and commissioning at the 10:30am Mass this Sunday. Please keep all our Catechists in your prayers, so that they will be filled with God's truth, love and kindness to give to the little ones. I especially thank Margaret Drake our Catechist Co-Ordinator for her leadership. Please consider becoming a Catechist in sharing God's Good News. For more information please contact the parish office.  
Fr. Kim

### NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER

14 - 15 FEB SAT 5:30pm SUN 9am SUN 10:30am SUN 6pm

Acolytes Charlie Allen Richard Joseph

1<sup>st</sup> Reader Maria D Rose T Juliet Elizabeth  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reader Jenny P Tania Vesna Josephine

Music Heather & Justine & Angels Friends of  
Choir Choir Choir 6pm Choir

Altar Servers Grace Vol Crispin, Michael Vol  
Aquilino & Gaudens

Wardens Patrick Rocco R Rocco S Sylvia I

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

Cleaning (16 - 22 Feb) Maria, Mila & Lalita

Sacristans Rocco & Rosina R

### 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. **The Parish Safeguarding Officer is Rosina Rotunno.**



With St Joseph we pray ...

- For the sick
- Odette Haddad
- Peter Nadwie
- Michael Ibrahim
- Pia Pelaccia
- Ciriaco Pelaccia
- Dr. Margaret
- Peter Wadwie
- Teresa
- John Finocchiaro
- 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

#### For the Soul of

- Tony Pereira
- Joe Pereira
- Neera D'Souza
- Cyde Crow
- John Eunson
- Nancy Iris Berger
- Dominic Beyrouthi
- Marie Lattouf
- Camille Lattouf
- Harry Goggins
- Antonietta Gullotta
- Dino Gullotta
- Souls of Unborn Children
- All Holy Souls in Purgatory

#### Anniversary

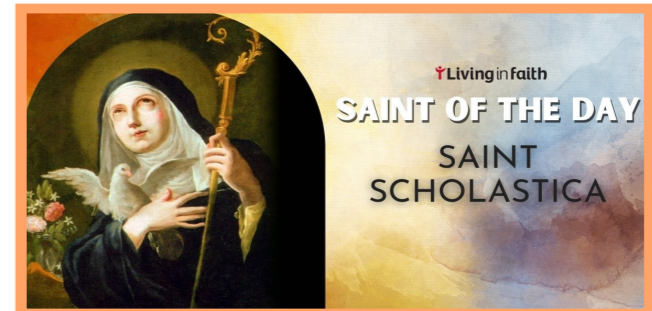
- Paul Martinus
- Cheble El-Daher
- Antonio D'Asromonte
- Felismina
- Adoracion Anorico
- Parishioners of St Joseph's Enfield

#### Recently Deceased

- Nicholas Crisafulli
- Miquelina Nobrega
- Anna Callaghan
- Peter Anthony Gabriel
- Carmela Duro

#### 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



### FEAST DAY TUESDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2026

St. Scholastica, devoted follower of Christ and patron saint of nuns, please intercede on our behalf and help us to live our lives with the same unwavering faith and commitment to God that you exemplified. May your holy presence guide us in our spiritual journeys and inspire us to always seek His divine will. Glory Be.

St. Scholastica, pray for us. Amen +

# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

8 FEBRUARY 2026

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.'

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

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. O Lord, our God, who once established these created things to sustain us in our frailty, grant, we pray, that they may become for us now the Sacrament of eternal life. 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 cf. Ps 106:8-9

**Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. O God, who have willed that we be partakers in the one Bread and the one Chalice, grant us, we pray, so to live that, made one in Christ, we may joyfully bear fruit for the salvation of the world. 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

#### SALT AND LIGHT

Today's Gospel continues with Matthew's teaching in the 'Sermon on the Mount'. After identifying the disciples' blessedness in all kinds of situations with which the Gospel audience would be familiar, Matthew now highlights two images with which they can identify: salt and light. 'You are the salt of the earth' (5:13) and 'You are the light of the world' (5:14).

In Matthew's world salt was an important commodity and valuable trading product. It was used in cooking and for preserving foods (meat and fish) before refrigeration. Salt was shipped across the Mediterranean Sea and then carted into all of Rome's provinces along specially built salt roads. Salt's need was universal and, in times of scarcity, so precious that it became a means of bartering and currency substitute, hence the modern term 'salary'. But there is one quality of salt scarcely known. In a world of outdoor ovens with little or no wood to fire them, salt was mixed with dung to produce the chemical reaction that created the necessary heat required for baking bread. In Jesus' reminder to the disciples that they are the 'salt of the earth', he is speaking more than about them being agents of preservation. Their presence in the Greco-Roman world meant at times that they will find themselves in disagreeable situations. These times requires fidelity or 'saltiness'. Their capacity to engage their world will also make them the 'light of the world'. The richness of these two metaphors, salt and light, finds their realisation with us, Jesus' contemporary disciples.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE! We all have our special gifts, but sometimes we fail to recognise this. We may feel that we have little to offer others. That is never true. As Jesus says: 'You are the salt of the earth! You are the light of the world!' Let us ask Jesus to help us recognise our unique gifts and share them with others.

### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 94:6-7

**O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.**

#### 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. 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 Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.**

### COLLECT

P. Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. 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

Isa 58:7-10

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah**  
*Your light will shine like the dawn.*

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,  
and shelter the homeless poor;  
clothe the man you see to be naked  
and turn not from your own kin.  
Then your light will shine like the dawn  
and your wound be quickly healed over.  
Your integrity will go before you  
and the glory of the Lord behind you.  
Cry, and the Lord will answer;  
call, and he will say, 'I am here.'  
If you do away with the yoke,  
the clenched fist, the wicked word,  
if you give your bread to the hungry,  
and relief to the oppressed,  
your light will rise in the darkness,  
and your shadows become like noon.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 111:4-9. R. v. 4

**R. A light rises in the darkness for the upright. (or Alleluia!)**

1. He is light in the darkness for the upright: / he is generous, merciful and just. / The good man takes pity and lends, / he conducts his affairs with honour. **R.**  
2. The just man will never waver: / he will be remembered for ever. / He has no fear of evil news; / with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. **R.**  
3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; / open-handed, he gives to the poor; / his justice stands firm for ever. / His head will be raised in glory. **R.**



#### SECOND READING

1 Cor 2:1-5

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**  
*I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.*  
When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 8:12

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life.**  
**Alleluia!**

#### GOSPEL

Mt 5:13-16

P. The Lord be with you.  
**R. And with your spirit.**  
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.  
**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**  
*You are the light of the world.*