

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5th November 2017, Year A/1



ANGELICO, Fra, Last Judgment, 1431

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm (Mass in Polish)
6:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am
10:00am

Weekday Masses:

Monday-Friday: 8:00am
Saturday: 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: after 8:30am Mass

Benediction: Saturday 5.15pm

ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs. Patricia Reilly - Principal

School Office Times

8:30 am - 4:00 pm - Monday to Friday

Address

94 Joseph Street
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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am - 2:00pm and Friday: 8:30am - 1:30pm

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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading: Malachi 1:14 – 2:2, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm: In You, Lord, I have found my peace.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Souls in Purgatory
	8.30am		Souls in Purgatory
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	Bl Alphonsus & Companions	Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday:	8:00am	ALL SAINTS ORDER OF PREACHERS	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	8:00am	Ann. Of Deceased Brothers & Sisters	Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	8:00am	Dedication of St John Lateran Basilica	Souls in Purgatory
Friday	8.00am	St Leo the Great	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	8.30am	St Martin of Tours	Souls in Purgatory

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please contact the Parish Office or one of the priests.
In the case of Emergency please call the emergency number at the front of this bulletin.

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office.

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

Souls in Purgatory from Envelopes and written in the Book of Remembrance.

EXPOSITION BEFORE MORNING MASS

While Fr Andrew is away, there will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before the morning Mass from Monday to Wednesday until 4th December.

YOUTH MASS

Our next Youth Mass will 18th November at 6pm.
Please invite all young people to come along for Mass and a get together after Mass.

POPE FRANCIS' NOVEMBER INTENTIONS

Christians in Asia

That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

NOVEMBER MASSES

Please put your November Mass Envelope in the basket at the back of the Church with the names of your friends and relatives. All Masses in November are for our Deceased.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Kevin Collins, John McCahon, Kathryn Tuckwell, Carmel Kerr, Roger Stevens, Cameron Stevens, Shayla, Karen Morvan, Gisela Drobiszewski, Katalin Domotor, Charles Timmins, Barbara Thompson, Zig Barglik, Valerie Davis, Raymond Waters, Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Noeline Cruzado, Kathleen Angoves & Margaret Colville.

SICK LIST: If you have anyone for the sick list, (due to privacy laws) contact the Parish Office to fill in a form and update it at the end of each month to keep the names on the sick list.

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

SECOND COLLECTION: **Envelopes: \$754**
 Loose: \$235.25

First Collection contributions go to the Diocese to support the priests working in the Parish.

Second collection contributions go directly to the Parish to support day to day operation of the Parish.

LEGION OF MARY - 'Mary Seat of Wisdom'

Meetings are held every Saturday at 2pm in the old office building. All interested in participating in the Legion's activities are most welcome.

ROSARY IN OUR HOMES

Please fill in the form at the back of the Church if you are interested in having Our Lady's Statue and the Rosary in your home for a week at a time.

SACRAMENTS FOR 2018:

Reconciliation: Thursday 22nd March

Registration: Sunday 18th February

First Communion: Sunday 3rd June

Registration: Sunday 8th April

Confirmation Tuesday 23rd October

Registration Sunday 22nd July

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUPS:

2nd & 4th Wednesdays after Mass – 9am to 10am in Parish Hall.

Aloma – 4731 8102; Teresa 4731 4222.

1st & 3rd Mondays 7pm in Parish Office.

Jim – 0411 280 950

BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study is every Wednesday at 10.30am in the Parish Hall. All are most welcome. Please bring your Bible with you.

SKY YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group Wednesdays from 3pm to 5pm. Young people from Years 6 to 12 are most welcome.

PARISH LUNCH:

All Parishioners are invited to our lunch on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Venue is Penrith Golf Club for 8th November. If you need a lift please ring the Office. All are most welcome.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS

2018 Calendars are for sale after weekend Masses at \$9 each. They make a lovely Christmas gift.

SHRINE TIME FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-35:

One Holy Hour with prayer, reflection, meditation, praise & worship. 2017 is devoted to Praying for Vocations and Devotion to Mary as per our Holy Father's intentions for WYD 2018 in Panama. From 7.30pm-8.30pm on 26th November followed by social gathering.

Mary, honoured as the Mother Thrice Admirable, offers 3 graces in the Shrine, this monthly event is a unique opportunity to experience them regularly: Discover your HOME in the hearts of Jesus and Mary; See breakthrough TRANSFORMATION in your life; and Get your spiritual boost to be an authentic WITNESS. In the Shrine at Mount Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa.

LOSS AND GRIEF COUNSELLING

At St Nicholas Parish Centre on Wednesdays from 9am to 5pm with Sr Eileen Quade. Ring Sr Eileen on 9636 2900 or 0439 454 670 or email her at eileen.quade@mercy.org.au

SOLO PARENT SERVICES

Groups held from 7pm to 9pm at 2A Villiers Street, Parramatta. Cost \$5. Register with Rita 8822 2222 or soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

Younger Widowed Support Group

Held 3rd Tuesday of each month for those widowed, whether a parent or not.

Stepping Beyond Support Group

Held on the last Tuesday of each month for those struggling through separation or divorce.

HOLY SPIRIT PILGRIMAGE

"Holy Land and Holy Places in Italy" (17 days) from 3rd September 2018 and 7 days "Optional Extension to Egypt and Jordan". Spiritual Directors are Fr Emmanuel-tv on 0417 999 553 and Fr Jude CSSp. on 0400 759 391.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

Bishop Vincent invites all young people from Year 9 to 30 years of age to celebrate at Sydney Olympic Park from 7th to 9th December. For all enquiries contact James Camden, Director of Youth on 8838 3428 or jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au.

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

Pope Francis' Angelus Address on the Solemnity of All Saints

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning and happy feast! The Solemnity of All Saints is “our” feast, not because we are good but because God’s holiness has touched our life. The Saints aren’t perfect models, but persons run through by God. We can compare them to the windows of churches, which let the light enter in different shades of colours. The Saints are our brothers and sisters who received the light of God in their heart and transmitted it to the world, each one according to his own “shade.” However, they were all transparent; they struggled to remove the stains and the darkness of sin, so as to have God’s kindly light pass through. This is the purpose of life: to have the light of God pass through, and also the purpose of our life.

In fact, today in the Gospel Jesus turns to His own, to all of us, saying to us “Blessed” (*Matthew* 5:3). It’s the word with which He begins His preaching, which is “Gospel,” Good News because it is the way of happiness. He who is with Jesus is blessed, is happy. Happiness doesn’t lie in having something or in becoming someone, no. True happiness is to be with the Lord and to live for love. Do you believe this? True happiness doesn’t lie in having something or in becoming someone: true happiness is to be with the Lord and to live for love. Do you believe this? We must go forward to believe in this. Then, the ingredients for a happy life are called *Beatitudes*:

blessed are the simple, the humble that make room for God, who are able to weep for others and for their own mistakes, they are meek, fight for justice, are merciful to all, guard purity of heart, always work for peace and remain joyful; they don’t hate and, even when they suffer, they answer evil with good.

Behold the Beatitudes. They don’t require glaring gestures; they aren’t for supermen, but for one who lives the trials and hardships of every day, for us. Thus are the Saints: like all, they breathe the polluted air of evil that exists in the world; however, on the way they never lose sight

of *Jesus’s trace*, that indicated in the Beatitudes, which is like the *map of Christian life*. Today is the feast of those who have reached the end indicated by this map: not only the Saints of the calendar, but so many “next door” brothers and sisters, who perhaps we have met and known. It’s a *family feast*, of the many simple and hidden persons that in reality help God to send the world forward. And there are so many today! There are so many. Thanks to these unknown brothers and sisters that help God to take the world forward, who live among us. We greet them with a hearty applause!

First of all – says the first Beatitude – they are “poor in spirit” (*Matthew* 5:3). What does it mean? It means that they don’t live for success, power and money; they know that one who accumulates treasures for himself is not enriched before God (Cf. *Luke* 12:21). They believe, instead, that the Lord is the treasure of life, love of neighbour the only true source of earnings. Sometimes we are unhappy about something we are lacking or concerned if we aren’t considered as we’d like; let us remember that our Beatitude isn’t here, but in the Lord and in love: only with Him, only by loving does one live as blessed.

Finally, I would like to quote another Beatitude, which isn’t found in the Gospel, but at the end of the Bible, and it talks about the end of life: “Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord” (*Revelation* 14:13). Tomorrow we will be called to accompany our dead with prayer, so that they will rejoice forever in the Lord. We remember our dear ones with gratitude and we pray for them.

May the Mother of God, Queen of the Saints and Gate of Heaven, intercede for our journey of holiness and for our dear ones who have preceded us and are now part of the celestial homeland.

I wish you all a happy feast in the spiritual company of the Saints. Please, don’t forget to pray for me. Have a good lunch and goodbye!