

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

6<sup>th</sup> May 2018, Year B/2



DUCCIO di Buoninsenga, Christ Taking Leave of the Apostles, 1308-11

### 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

### 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  
Kingswood, NSW 2747

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

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGY

### LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Entrance Antiphon:** Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed His people, alleluia.

**First Reading:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

**Second Reading:** 1 John 4:7-10

**Gospel:** John 15:9-17

#### VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Sumit Matthew (Good Health)

SUNDAY 8:30am

George Colville (Dec. Ann.)

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am 6<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter

Tuesday: 8:00am Patronage of B.V. Mary  
over Order of Preachers

Wednesday 8:00am 6<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter

Thursday 8.00am St Antoninus Pierozzi Ancy Matthews (Work, Family,  
Good Health)

Friday 8.00am 6<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter Philomina, Tom, Neha, Joshua, Ester  
(Peace, Health, Wellbeing)

Saturday 8.30am 6<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter Pembroke (For Accreditation)

#### ADORATION CHAPEL:

Open during office hours or speak to Fr Andrew.

#### 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.

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

#### DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

George Colville

#### ADORATION BEFORE WEEKDAY MASSES

There will be no Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament before morning Masses from Monday to  
Wednesday until Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June, when Fr Pawel  
returns.

#### YOUTH MASS

The next Youth Mass will be Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May at  
6pm. Please spread the word to our young people.

#### POPE FRANCIS' MAY INTENTIONS

##### The Mission of the Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission,  
by responding with creativity to the challenges that  
face the world today.

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Kevin Collins, John McCahon, Kathryn Tuckwell, Fay Tuckwell, Carmel Kerr, Roger  
Stevens, Cameron Stevens, Shayla, Karen Morvan, Gisela Drobiszewski, Katalin Domotor, Barbara Thompson, Zig  
Barglik, Valerie Davies, Raymond Waters, Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Margaret Colville, Gill Waltisbuhl, Robert  
Waltisbuhl.

**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.

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Envelopes: \$1040  
Loose: \$445.20

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.

### ROSARY IN OUR HOMES:

Please fill in the form at the back of the Church if you would like Our Lady's Statue and the Rosary in your home for a week at a time. The Statue will be delivered to you by the Legion of Mary. Our Priests are able to bless your home during this time.

### LEGION OF MARY – 'Mary Seat of Wisdom'

Meetings are held every Thursday from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the old office building. All persons interested in meeting and participating in Legion's activities are most welcome.

### SACRAMENTS FOR 2018:

**First Communion: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

**Confirmation Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**Registration Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

### ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUPS:

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays** after Mass – 9am to 10am in Parish Hall.

Aloma – 4731 8102; Teresa 4731 4222.

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays** 7pm in Parish Office.

Jim – 0411 280 950

### YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group every Wednesday from 3pm – 5pm. All Young People from Year 6 to 18 years old are most welcome.

### BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study has been cancelled until Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May due to Fr. Pawel being on holidays.

### PARISH LUNCH:

Held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. The date for our next Lunch is this Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May at Penrith Golf Club. If you need a lift please ring the Parish Office. All are most welcome.

### PROJECT COMPASSION

We contributed \$1818.30. Thank you for your generosity.

### LEAVING CARPARK AFTER 8.30AM MASS

**For the next 10 weeks there will be no access via Joseph Street, due to construction at the school. Please take extra care when entering or leaving Church via Richmond Road.**

### ST JOSEPH'S WINTER FAIR (FETE)

Please keep Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August free for our end of winter Fair for the Feast of St. Dominic. Parish Council Members will be asking for volunteers. More information to follow.

### CATHOLIC FOUNDATION APPEAL

Our Collection will be launched next weekend. This appeal supports our Seminarians and the good works they do in the Community. You may also like to consider being an Ambassador of Faith, by committing to a \$7 monthly donation. Details at [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au). Please be generous.

### ANNULMENT IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Seminar Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May from 7pm to 9pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

### GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Annual May Pilgrimage and Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Shrine at Mt Schoenstatt from 9.30am to 3pm on 20<sup>th</sup> May. BYO lunch or purchase from food stalls. Please BYO chairs and picnic rugs.

### PENTECOST-THEMED REFLECTION EVENING

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 6.45pm at 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. Dr (Sr) Connolly is our speaker. Register at [charbel.dib@ifm.org.au](mailto:charbel.dib@ifm.org.au) or ring Charbel on 9296 6369.

### HEART WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. At Fairfield RSL from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June. Full Registration Cost is \$199. Register at [Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com](http://Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com) or phone 1300 734 880.

### WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019



Please support the young people from our Parish in attending the WYD, by buying raffles tickets, which will be on sale shortly. For Registrations please go to [wydpanama2019.com.au/registration](http://wydpanama2019.com.au/registration)

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS CATECHESIS

2<sup>nd</sup> May: **Baptism 4:** Source of life

Dear Brothers and Sisters

Continuing with the reflection on Baptism, today I would like to pause on the central rites that are performed at the baptismal font.

We consider first of all the water, upon which is invoked the power of the Spirit, so that it has the strength to regenerate and renew (cf. *John* 3:5 and *Titus* 3:5). The water is matrix of life and wellbeing, whereas its absence causes the extinguishing of all fecundity, as happens in the desert. However, water can also be the cause of death, when it submerges among its waves or, in great quantity, sweeps away everything. Finally, water has the capacity to wash, clean & purify. Stemming from this universally recognized natural symbolism, the Bible describes God's interventions and promises through the sign of water. However, the power to remit sins isn't in the water itself, as Saint Ambrose explains to the newly baptized: "You have seen the water, but not all water heals: water heals that has the grace of Christ. [ . . . ] The action is of the water, the efficacy is of the Holy Spirit" (*De Sacramentis* 1, 15).

Therefore, the Church invokes the action of the Spirit upon the water "so that those that will receive Baptism in it, are buried with Christ in death and with Him rise again to immortal life" (Rite of the Baptism of Children, n. 60) The prayer of blessing states that God has prepared the water "to be sign of Baptism" and recalls the principal biblical prefigurations: "the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters (cf. *Genesis* 1:1-2); the water of the deluge marked the end of sin and the beginning of the new life (cf. *Genesis* 7:6-8, 22); the children of Abraham were delivered from the slavery of Egypt through the water of the Red Sea (cf. *Exodus* 14: 15-31).

In regard to Jesus, the Baptism in the Jordan is recalled (cf. *Matthew* 3:13-17), the blood and water shed from his side (cf. *John* 19:31-37), and the command to the disciples to baptize all peoples in the Name of the Trinity (cf. *Matthew* 28:19). Strengthened by this memory, God is asked to infuse

in the water of the font the grace of Christ dead and risen. And so this water is transformed into water that bears in itself the strength of the Holy Spirit. And with this water with the strength of the Holy Spirit, we baptize people; we baptize adults, children, all.

Once the water of the font is sanctified, it's necessary to dispose the heart to accede to Baptism. This happens with the renunciation of Satan and the Profession of Faith, two acts closely connected to one another.

In the measure in which I say "no" to the suggestions of the devil — he who divides — I'm able to say "yes" to God who calls me to be conformed to Him in thoughts and deeds. The devil divides; God always unites the community, the people in one people. It's not possible to adhere to Christ by putting conditions. One must detach oneself from certain ties to be truly able to embrace others. Either you are well with God or you are well with the devil. Therefore, renunciation and the act of faith go together. One must cut bridges, leaving them behind, to undertake the new Life, which is Christ.

The answer to the questions — "Do you renounce Satan, all his works and all his seductions?" — is formulated in the first person singular: I renounce" And, the faith of the Church is professed in the same way, saying: "I believe." I renounce and I believe: this is at the base of Baptism. It's a responsible choice, which calls to be translated into concrete gestures of trust in God. The act of faith implies a commitment, which Baptism itself will help to maintain with perseverance in the different situations and trials of life. We recall Israel's ancient wisdom: "My son, if you come forward to serve the Lord, prepare yourself for temptation" (*Sirach* 2:1), namely, prepare yourself to fight. And the presence of the Holy Spirit gives us the strength to fight well.

Dear brothers and sisters, when we dip our hand into holy water and make the sign of the Cross, we think with joy and gratitude of the Baptism we have received — this holy water reminds us of Baptism — and we renew our "Amen" — "I'm happy" —, to live immersed in the love of the Most Holy Trinity.