

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18th August 2019, Year C/1



ANGELICO, Fra, Coronation of the Virgin, 1434-35

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 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
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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

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: Turn Your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of Your anointed one; one day within Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, come to my aid!

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

For Australian Farmers

SUNDAY 8:30am

Herman Mulder (Recently Dec.)

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am 20th Week Ordinary Time

For the Mahn's Family

Tuesday 8:00am St Bernard

For the Mahn's Family

Wednesday 8:00am St Pius X

For the Mahn's Family

Thursday 8.00am Queenship of Bl Virgin Mary

Mary Prazak's Intention

Friday 8.00am St Rose Flores of Lima

For the Mahn's Family

Saturday 8.30am ST BARTHOLOMEW

Benita Azores (Deceased Ann.)

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:

Herman Mulder

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

Benita Azores

MASS INTENTIONS

To arrange for a Mass Intention please contact one of the Priests in person.

SACRAMENTS 2019

**Confirmation – Sunday 3rd November
Program after 10am Mass each Sunday**

YOUTH MASS

Our next Youth Mass will be 7th September at 6pm, with a time for fellowship in the Parish Hall after Mass. Please invite any young people to come along.

POPE FRANCIS' AUGUST INTENTIONS

Evangelization – Families

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: John McCahon, Kathryn Tuckwell, Carmel Kerr, Roger Stevens, Cameron Stevens, Shayla, Karen Morvan, Katalin Domotor, Barbara Thompson, Zig Barglik, Valerie Davis, Raymond Waters, Jason Isbitski, Andrew Isbitski, David Jenkins, Margaret Colville, Gill Waltisbuhl, Robert Waltisbuhl, Cecylia Tobera, Geoffrey Waltis, Ophelia Paraan.

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: \$777
Loose: \$424.05
Visitor Contribution: \$

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP:

1st & 3rd Monday of the month at 7pm in the Parish Office. All are welcome.

Any questions please ring Jim on 0411 280 950.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month in the Church from 12.30pm to 3pm. All are most welcome. Please contact Delfin on 0478 784 885 with any questions.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Wednesday at 10.30am. All are welcome. Please bring your Bibles with you.

YOUTH GROUP

Every Wednesday from 3pm to 5pm. Young people from Year 6 to 18 years are most welcome.

PARISH LUNCH:

Held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 11th September at Penrith Golf Club. All are most welcome.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF EXIT

There will be no exit via Joseph Street on Sundays until construction work at the school is completed. Please take care when entering or leaving via Richmond Road.

MEN'S BARBEQUE NIGHT

All men over 18 are invited on Saturday 31st August at 7pm. RSVP Andrew on 0420 581 427. Please bring a plate to share.

CATHOLIC MISSION CHURCH APPEAL

We have our annual collection this weekend and we have the opportunity to assist the Nazareth Home for God's Children in Ghana. Freecall 1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/Ghana. Please be generous.

DIVINE MERCY AND ROSARY

This Sunday 18th August at 3pm, and every third Sunday at this time, at St Nicholas of Myra Meeting Room 1. Ring Steffi on 0436 395 763 for details.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Fr Pawel is running in the Sydney Marathon on Sunday 15th September to fund-raise for Vinnies. Sponsors have contributed \$232.50 so far. To sponsor Fr Pawel please go to the following site: <https://bsrf.grassrootz.com/vinniesnsw/pawel-barszczewski>

AFTERNOON FOR FAMILIES

Sunday 18th August 11am to 3pm at Mt Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Program is as follows: 11am Mass in the Family Hall; 12pm Process to the Shrine; 12.15 Picnic lunch you provide; 1.15pm Input for adults on holiness. Activities for children; 2pm Family prayer and devotion in the Shrine; 2.30pm Afternoon tea.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

Sunday 18th August at 2pm at Our Lady of the Rosary, St Marys.

STAND FOR LIFE RALLY

Join us in a peaceful protest against the radical proposed Abortion Laws legislation on Tuesday 20th August at Martin Place (Macquarie Street side) from 6pm until 9pm.

A facebook event group has also been set up at: <https://business.facebook.com/events/362100514466868/>

PENRITH: DISCOVER VOLUNTEERING

Join Palms Australia on 1st September from 10.30am to 12.00pm at Heritage Terrace Café, 585 High Street, Penrith to learn about projects in Asia, Africa and the Pacific. Contact palms.org.au for more information.

FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP

25th Anniversary National Pilgrimage. Commences in Melbourne 22nd October and concludes in Sydney 2nd November 2019. Cost \$3,575. For further information please ring Sr Therese on 0417 683 123 or email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au

THE PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 JOURNEY

"Go out into the Deep" sessions are as follows: Monday 19th August at Parramatta Cathedral Hall Thursday 22nd August at 1-5 Marion St., Blacktown These sessions will be from 6pm to 9pm and light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to Tanya by 19th August at tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' ANGELUS ADDRESS

Sunday 11th August

Before the Angelus:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In today's Gospel (*Lk* 12: 32-48), Jesus calls His disciples to constant vigilance. Why? To grasp the passage of God in one's life, because God continually passes into one's life. He indicates the ways to live this vigilance well: "Be ready, gird your loins and light your lamps" (v. 35). This is the way. First of all "*gird your loins*", an image that recalls the attitude of a pilgrim, ready to set out. It is a matter of not taking root in comfortable and reassuring dwellings, but of abandoning oneself, of being open, with simplicity and trust to the passing of God in our life, to God's will, which guides us towards the next objective. The Lord always walks with us and often accompanies us by the hand, guiding us, so we do not make mistakes in this difficult journey. In fact, those who trust in God know well that the life of faith is not something static, but it is dynamic! The life of faith is a continuous journey, to head toward ever new stages, which the Lord, Himself, indicates day after day. Because He is the Lord of surprises, the Lord of novelties, of real newness.

And then – the first way was "*gird your loins*" – then we are required to keep "*the lamps lit*", to be able to lighten the darkness of the night. We are invited, that is, to live an authentic and mature faith, capable of illuminating the many "nights" of life. We know, we all had days that were true spiritual nights. The lamp of faith requires being constantly nourished, with the meeting– heart to heart–with Jesus, in prayer and listening to His Word. I reiterate something I have said many times: always carry a small Gospel in your pocket, in your bag, to read it. It is an encounter with Jesus, with the Word of Jesus. This lamp of the encounter with Jesus in prayer and in His Word is entrusted to us for the good of everyone: no one, therefore, can retreat into the certainty of his own salvation, disinterested in others. It is a fantasy to believe that one can 'light' themselves up from inside. No, it's a fantasy. True faith opens our hearts to others and

spurs us towards concrete communion with our brothers, especially those in need.

And Jesus, to make us understand this attitude, tells the parable of the servants who await the return of the master when he returns from the wedding (v. 36-40), thus presenting another aspect of vigilance: to be ready for the final and definitive meeting with the Lord. Each of us will meet Him, finding himself with the Lord, on that day. Each of us has his or her own date of the definitive meeting. The Lord says: "Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them!" (v. 37-38). With these words, the Lord reminds us that life is a journey towards eternity; therefore, we are called to make all our talents bear fruit, without ever forgetting that "for here we have no lasting city, but we seek the one that is to come" (*Heb* 13:14). In this perspective, every moment becomes precious, so it is necessary to live and act on this earth having a longing for heaven: feet on earth, walking on earth, working on earth, doing good on earth, and the nostalgic heart of heaven.

We cannot really understand what this supreme joy consists of, yet Jesus makes us guess with the similitude of the master that by finding the servants still awake upon his return: "he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them" (v. 37). The eternal joy of heaven is thus manifested: the situation will turn upside down, and the servants, that is, us, will no longer serve God, but God himself will put Himself at our service. And this is what Jesus does right now: Jesus prays for us, Jesus looks at us and prays to the Father for us, Jesus serves us now, He is our servant. And this will be the definitive joy. The thought of the final encounter with the Father, rich in mercy, fills us with hope, and stimulates us to constant commitment to our sanctification and to build a more just and fraternal world.

May the Virgin Mary, with her maternal intercession, support this commitment of ours.

Please do not forget to pray for me and goodbye.