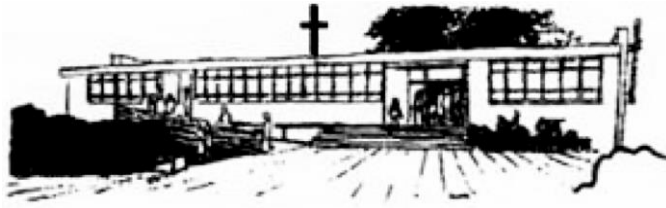


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Please leave a detailed Message

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20th January 2019, Year C/1



SCHNORR VON CAROLSFELD; Julius,
The Wedding Feast at Cana, 1819

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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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: All the earth shall bow down before You, O God, and shall sing to You, shall sing to Your name, O Most High!

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Responsorial Psalm: Proclaim His marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Ken Fleming (Recently Dec.)

SUNDAY 8:30am

For Australian Farmers

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am St Agnes

For Australian Farmers

Tuesday 8:00am 2nd Week Ordinary Time

For Safe Travel Overseas & Back

Wednesday 8:00am Bl Henry Suso

Mr Kurian

Thursday 8.00am St Francis de Sales

Birthday Blessings & Good Health

Friday 8.00am CONVERSION OF ST PAUL

For Australian Farmers

Saturday 8.30am AUSTRALIA DAY

Thanksgiving for Job Opportunity

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:

Pat & Ken Fleming, Kevin Newby

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

Mr Kurian

SACRAMENTS 2019

Reconciliation – Thursday 11th April

Registration 10th March

First Communion – Sunday 23rd June

Registration 28th April

Confirmation – Sunday 3rd November

Registration 28th July

POPE FRANCIS' JANUARY INTENTIONS

Evangelisation – Young People

That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

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

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: \$650**
 Loose: \$257.40

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’

Meeting every Thursday from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the old office building. All interested in participating in Legion’s activities are most welcome.

CHILDREN’S LEGION OF MARY

Meeting every Wednesday from 6.00pm in the old office building. Children under 18 years old are most welcome.

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.

ST. JOSEPH’S PRAYER GROUP:

Will resume Monday 4th February at 7pm in the Parish Office. 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

Bible Study at 10.30am every Wednesday. All are most welcome. Please bring your Bibles with you.

PARISH LUNCH:

Held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 14th February at Penrith Golf Club. All are most welcome. Please ring the Office if you need a lift.

CHOIR MEMBERS REQUIRED

If you enjoy singing, please consider joining our Choir. Please ring Rubina on 0405 043 865 for more information. Thank you to our Choirs, who so faithfully lead us in worship throughout the year.

MASS INTENTIONS

To arrange for a Mass Intention please contact one of the Priests in person. Please do not place Mass Intentions envelopes in the Collection plate. We are unable to process Credit Cards, so your donation will need to be cash.

PARISH MOVIE

Sunday 3rd February at 2pm our Parish Movie will be “War Room”. All are most welcome.

ST JOSEPH’S KINGSWOOD REUNION

A reunion is being planned for Year 6 Class of 1986. Please email Janette Flavell at jankers@tpg.com.au

RED MASS

A Mass for Members of the Judiciary and Legal Community, Public Service Officials, Law Students and their Families. Very Rev Robert Bossini will celebrate Mass at 7.30pm on 13th February at St Patrick’s Cathedral, Parramatta. Please RSVP by Monday 4th February to 8839 8411.

WYD 2019 IN-SYNC

Sunday 27th January at St Patrick’s Cathedral, Parramatta 6pm Mass followed by food, video from Panama, etc. Please RSVP by 22nd January for catering to Fr Paul Roberts connect@ifm.org.au
Pray for Fr Andrew and our pilgrims.

HOUSE OF WELCOME DONATIONS

If you would like to donate groceries for the refugees please leave them at the Parish Office. They need olive oil, tinned tomatoes, Basmati rice, flour, UHT milk, washing and dishwashing liquid, cleaning products, chick peas, tea and coffee.

NSW PASTORAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE

Tuesday 26th February from 9.30am to 4.30pm at Dooleys Catholic Club Lidcombe. Keynote speaker is Fr Frank Brennan SJ AO. Cost \$75 and includes morning tea and lunch. For information and registration nappa2019.wixsite.com/conference.

FOOTPRINTS OF JESUS

See places mentioned in the Bible on a 14 day pilgrimage for an all-inclusive price of \$5690. For enquiries and bookings call 1300 721 561 or email pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au. The departure dates are 24th March, 26th May or 31st May. There will be a Priest on each pilgrimage.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' CATECHESIS

The "Our Father" continued

Continuing the catechesis on the "Lord's Prayer", today we will start from the observation that, in the New Testament, the prayer seems to seek to arrive at the essential, to the point of being concentrated in a single word: *Abba*, Father.

We have heard what Saint Paul writes in the Letter to the Romans: "The Spirit you received does not make you slaves so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by Him, we cry, "Abba, Father" (8: 15). And to the Galatians, the Apostle says: "Because you are His sons, God sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, the Spirit Who calls out, "Abba", Father (Gal 4: 6). After having known Jesus and listened to His preaching, the Christian can no longer consider God as a tyrant to fear; he is no longer afraid but rather feels the trust in Him flourish in his heart: he can speak to the Creator, calling Him "Father". The expression is so important for Christians that often it is conserved intact in its original form: "Abba".

It is rare in the New Testament for the Aramaic expressions not to be translated into Greek. We must imagine that in these Aramaic words, the very voice of Jesus Himself remains as if "recorded": they have respected Jesus' language. In the first word of the Lord's Prayer, we immediately find the radical newness of Christian prayer.

It is not only about using a symbol – in this case, the figure of the father – to link to the mystery of God; it is instead about having, so to say, all Jesus' world poured into our heart. If we carry out this operation, we can pray the Lord's Prayer with truth. To say "Abba" is something much more intimate, and more moving than simply calling God "Father". This is why some have proposed to translate this original Aramaic word "Abba" with "Papa", or "Dad". Instead of saying "Our Father", saying "Papa, dad". We continue to say "Our Father", but with the heart we are invited to say "Papa", to have a relationship with God like that of a child with his father, who says "Papa", and says "Dad". Indeed these expressions evoke affection, they evoke warmth, something that is projected to us in the context of childhood: the image of a child completely wrapped in the embrace of a father who feels infinite tenderness for him. And for this reason, dear brothers and sisters, to pray well, we must arrive at the point of having a child's heart. Not a sufficient heart: in this way one cannot pray well. Like a child in the arms of his father, his daddy. But certainly, it is the Gospels that introduce us better to the meaning of this word. The "Lord's Prayer" takes on

meaning and colour if we learn to pray it after having read, for example, the parable of the merciful father, in the fifteenth chapter of Luke (cf. *Lk* 15: 11-32). Let us imagine this prayer pronounced by the prodigal son, after having experienced the embrace of his father who has long awaited him, a father who does not remember the offensive words that he has said to him, a father who now simply makes him understand how much he has missed him. And we ask: how is it possible for God to know only love? Do you not know hatred? No, God would answer, I know only love. Where in You is the vendetta, the demand for justice, the anger for your wounded pride? And God would answer: I know only love.

The father of that parable has in his way of acting something that reminds many of the heart of a *mother*. It is above all mothers who excuse their children, who cover up for them, whose empathy towards them is uninterrupted, who continue to love them even when they no longer deserve anything.

God looks for you, even if you do not seek Him. God loves you, even if you have forgotten about Him. God perceives in you a beauty, even if you think you have squandered all your talents in vain. God is not only a father; He is like a mother who never ceases to love her creations. On the other hand, there is a "gestation" that lasts forever, and it is a gestation that generates an infinite circuit of love.

For a Christian, to pray is simply to say "Abba", to say "Papa", to say "Dad", to say "Father" but with the trust of a child.

It may be also that we find ourselves walking on paths far from God, as happened to the prodigal son; or that we fall into a solitude that makes us feel we are abandoned in the world, or even to make a mistake and be paralysed by a sense of guilt. In those difficult moments, we can still find the strength to pray, starting from the word "Father", but said with the tender meaning of a child: "Abba", "Papa". He will not conceal His face from us. Remember this well: perhaps someone has ugly things within themselves, things they do not know how to resolve, great bitterness for having done this or that... He will not conceal His face. He does not close up in silence. If you say "Father" to Him and He will answer you. You have a father Who loves you! Say "Father" to Him, start praying in this way, and in the silence, He will tell you that He has never lost sight of you. "But, Father, I have done this..." – "I have never lost sight of you, I have seen everything. But I have always remained there, close to you, faithful to my love for you". That will be the answer. Never forget to say "Father". Thank you.