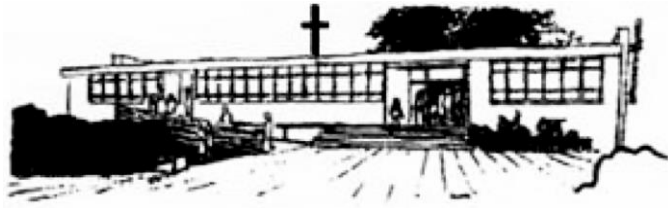


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

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Please leave a detailed Message

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27th October 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

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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and His strength; constantly seek His face.

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Dec. Mems of Dutton, Toledo & Descalzo Families
SUNDAY	8:30am		Herman Mulder (Rec. Dec.)
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	ST SIMON & ST JUDE	Domingo & Antonia Santiago (Dec. An.)
Tuesday	8:00am	30th Week Ordinary Time	Yvon Duval (Rec. Dec.)
Wednesday	8:00am	30th Week Ordinary Time	Carlos Jocson (Dec. Ann.)
Thursday	8.00am	30th Week Ordinary Time	Yolanta Bulyk (Dec. Ann.) & Family
Friday	8.00am	ALL SAINTS	All Souls
Saturday	8.30am	ALL SOULS	All Souls

BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Office.

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.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Herman Mulder, Yvon Duval

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Yolanta Bulyk, Domingo & Antonia Santiago, Carlos Jocson, Dec. Mems. of the Dutton, Toledo & Descalzo Families

OUR LADY'S MONTH – OCTOBER

There will be Rosary, Litany to Our Lady and Benediction after weekday Mass Monday to Friday.

SACRAMENTS 2019

Confirmation – Next Sunday 3rd November

Please pray for our children.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There is an opportunity to spend time with the Lord on Friday 1st November from 5pm to 10pm. All are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

YOUTH MASS

Our next Youth Mass is Saturday 2nd November at 6pm, with a time for fellowship in the Parish Hall after Mass. Please invite any young people to come along.

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 Davis, Raymond Waters, Jason Isbitski, Andrew Isbitski, David Jenkins, Margaret Colville, Gill Waltisbuhl, Robert Waltisbuhl, Cecylia Tobera, Geoffrey Waltis, Ophelia Paraan, Denis Woodward, Nora Hehir.

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

POPE FRANCIS' OCTOBER INTENTIONS

Evangelisation – Holy Spirit

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church.

SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$750
Loose: \$315.20
Visitor Contribution: \$30

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

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

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group every Wednesday from 3-5pm. Young people from Year 6 to 18 years old are most welcome.

PARISH MOVIE

Sunday 3rd November at 2pm in the Parish Hall. Movie is "Silence".

PARISH LUNCH:

Held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Our next Lunch will be Wednesday 13th November at Penrith Golf Club. All are most welcome.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Calendars are now available at the sale price of \$9. Be early as there are a limited number.

NO EXIT VIA JOSEPH STREET

Please take care when entering or leaving via Richmond Road.

UPGRADING PARKING LOT

All monies in the Donation Box at the back of the Church will go towards this project. We have banked \$900. Thank you.

CALLING TO THE MINISTRY

This weekend the SRE's will give you an opportunity to join, ask questions or donate to our leaving collection. Look forward to chatting with you.

NOVEMBER MASSES

Please fill out your November Mass Envelope, place it in the basket at the back of the Church and fill in the Remembrance Book with the names of your friends and relatives. All Masses in November are for our Deceased whose names are enrolled in the Remembrance Book or on the envelopes. If you add the names in the Book or on the envelopes we will include them in the Masses from that day until the end of November. R.I.P.

We will visit the Cemetery to pray for our Deceased Relatives and Friends after Morning Mass on Saturday 2nd November.

KINGSWOOD COURT MINISTRY

Each Sunday after 8.30am Mass the Ministers to the Sick take the Blessed Eucharist to the residents of Kingswood Court Nursing Home. We have been doing this for many years.

Unfortunately, due to age and ill health, some of our people have had to resign. This means that we can now only go to Kingswood Court three times a month, with the residents missing out on the Holy Eucharist on the fourth Sunday.

If anyone would like to become a Minister to the Sick, or even accompany one of our Ministers, please ring Nadia on 4731 3819. It means giving 1½ hours of your time once a month (or even once every two months if we get a good response). We really need your help!

CLEANING THE LORD'S HOUSE

If anyone has a free hour on a Friday or Saturday morning we would appreciate some help once every 4 or 5 weeks to clean the Church or arrange flowers. Our next Roster will begin in January 2020. Please ring the Parish Office if you can help.

NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR RAIN

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The impact of the drought is national – and so the response should be national. Access resources at www.catholic.org.au/drought

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

For the latest information on the Plenary Council please visit www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

THE HOLY FATHER'S CATECHESIS
Continuation of the Acts of the Apostles

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

The Book of the Acts of the Apostles recounts that the Church of Jerusalem received Saint Paul, after that transforming encounter with Jesus, and thanks to Barnabas' mediation. However, because of the hostility of some, he was constrained to go to Tarsus, his native city, where Barnabas met him to involve him in the long journey of the Word of God. It can be said that the Book of the Acts of the Apostles, on which we are commenting in these catecheses, is the Book of the long journey of the Word of God: the Word of God is proclaimed everywhere. This journey begins following intense persecution (Cf. *Acts* 11:19); but the latter, instead of causing a setback for evangelization, became an opportunity to widen the field wherein to spread the good seed of the Word. The Christians were not scared. They had to flee, but they fled with the Word and spread the Word a bit everywhere.

Paul and Barnabas arrived first at Antioch of Syria, where they stayed for a whole year to teach and help the community to put down roots (Cf. *Acts* 11:26). They were proclaiming to the Hebrew community, to the Jews. Antioch became the centre of the missionary propulsion, thanks to the preaching with which the two evangelizers — Paul and Barnabas — influenced the hearts of believers, that here, at Antioch, were called for the first time "Christians" (Cf. *Acts* 11:26).

The nature of the Church emerges from the Book of the Acts, which is not a fortress but a tent capable of enlarging its space (Cf. *Isaiah* 54:2) and giving access to all. The Church is either "going forth" or it's not Church, it is either a path that is always widening its space so that all can enter, or it's not "a Church with open doors" (Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, 46). When I see a church here, in this city, or when I see it in the other diocese from which I come, with the doors closed, this is a bad sign. The churches must always have the doors open because this is the symbol of what a church is: always open. The Church is "called to be always the open House of the Father. So that, if someone wants to follow a motion of the Spirit and approaches, seeking God, he/she won't meet with the coldness of a closed door" (*Ibid.*, 47).

However, for whom is this novelty of open doors? For pagans, because the Apostles preached to the Jews,

but the Gentiles also came to knock on the door of the Church. And this novelty of the open doors to the Gentiles unleashed a very animated controversy. Some Jews affirmed the necessity to become Jews through circumcision to be saved, and then receive Baptism. They said: "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved" (*Acts* 15:1), that is, you cannot then receive Baptism. First the Jewish rite and then Baptism: this was their position. And to settle the question, Paul and Barnabas consulted the Council of the Apostles and of the Elders at Jerusalem, and it gave place to what is held to be the first Council in the history of the Church, the Council or Assembly of Jerusalem, to which Paul makes reference in the Letter to the Galatians (2:1-10).

A very delicate theological, spiritual and disciplinary question was addressed, namely, the relation between faith in Christ and the observance of the Law of Moses. Decisive in the course of the Assembly were the speeches of Peter and James, "columns" of the Mother Church (Cf. *Acts* 15:7-21; *Galatians* 2:9).

They invited not to impose circumcision on the Gentiles, but to ask them only to reject idolatry and all its expressions. From the discussion stemmed the common way, and this decision was ratified with the so-called Apostolic Letter sent to Antioch.

The Assembly of Jerusalem offers us an important light on the way with which to address divergences and to seek the "truth in charity" (*Ephesians* 4:15). It reminds us that the ecclesial methods for the resolution of conflicts are based on dialogue made of attentive and patient listening, and on discernment made in the light of the Spirit. It is the Spirit, in fact, that helps to overcome the closures and tensions and works in hearts so that they reach unity, in truth and goodness. The way they write the Letter is interesting: the Apostles begin by saying: "The Holy Spirit and we think that . . . "The presence of the Holy Spirit is proper of synodality, otherwise it's not synodality, it's a parlour, parliament, something else.

Let us ask the Lord to reinforce in all Christians, especially in Bishops and presbyters, the desire and the responsibility of communion. May He help us to live dialogue, listening and encounter with brothers in the faith and with those that are distant, to enjoy and manifest the fruitfulness of the Church, called to be in every time "joyous Mother of many children" (Cf. *Psalms* 113:9).