

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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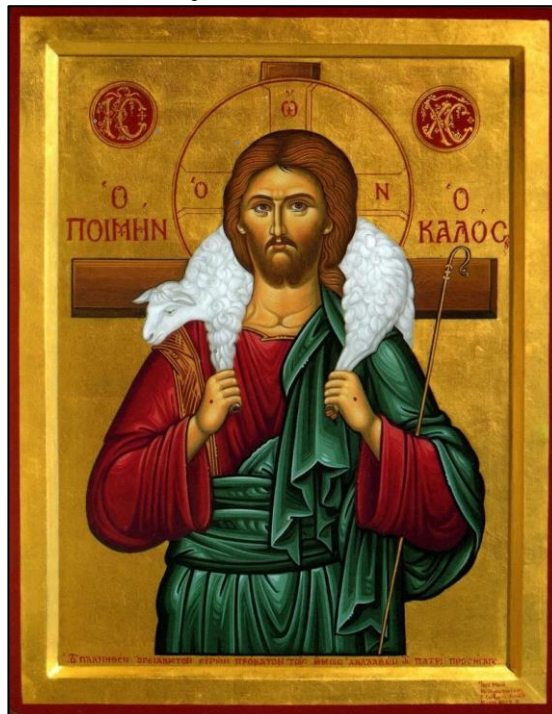
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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

12th May 2019, Year C/1



Christ 'The Good Shepherd' Icon

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: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52

Responsorial Psalm: We are His people, the sheep of His flock.

Second Reading: Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17

Gospel: John 10:27-30

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Joe Pereira (Dec. Ann.)

SUNDAY 8:30am

Special Intention

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am Our Lady of Fatima

Special Intention

Tuesday 8:00am ST MATTHIAS

Bernadette Xuereb (Rec. Dec.)

Wednesday 8:00am 4th Week of Easter

Special Intention

Thursday 8.00am 4th Week of Easter

Sammy Farrugia (Rec. Dec.)

Friday 8.00am 4th Week of Easter

Special Intention

Saturday 8.30am 4th Week of Easter

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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:

Bernadette Xuereb, Sammy Farrugia

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:

Joe Pereira, Antonio Ieraci

YOUTH MASS

Our next Youth Mass will be Saturday 18th May at
6pm, with a time for fellowship in the Parish Hall
after Mass. Please let our young people know.

SACRAMENTS 2019

First Communion – Sunday 23rd June

Sessions after 10am Mass

Confirmation – Sunday 3rd November

Registration & 1st Session – 28th July

MASS INTENTIONS

To arrange for a Mass Intention please contact one
of the Priests in person. Donations need to be cash
as we are unable to process credit cards.

POPE FRANCIS' WORLD DAY OF VOCATION MESSAGE

"There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life
for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to
you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If
he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your
oars into the boat, but trust him."

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, Mary Roughley 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.

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

*Happy Mothers' Day to all our Mothers in the Parish.
May the Lord bless and protect you always.
Fr Andrew, Fr Pawel and Fr Piotr*

POPE FRANCIS' MAY INTENTIONS

Evangelisation – Church in Africa

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for the continent.

**SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$765
Loose: \$383.55**

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 most welcome. Please bring your Bibles with you.

YOUTH GROUP

Every Wednesday from 3pm to 5pm during the school term. 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 12th June at Penrith Golf Club. All are most welcome.

A MONTH'S MIND REQUIEM MASS

Very Rev Christopher de Souza will be celebrating this Mass on Sunday 19th May at 10am at St. Nicholas of Myra, Penrith for all who were killed in Sri Lanka.

BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

Bishop Vincent, Parramatta Catholic Foundation and the Ephpheta Centre thank you for your generosity and support in raising over \$268,000 in the Diocese.

MT SCHOENSTATT – HOME OF LIGHT

Shrine at 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa is open 7 days a week, 365 days a year from 7am to 8pm.

Annual Marian Pilgrimage Sunday 19th May

9.30am to 2pm. Includes Reconciliation Holy Mass, Eucharistic Procession, Anointing of the Sick and Benediction. BYO Lunch. Flyers at back of Church.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

Celebrated by Fr Hugh Thomas SccR at 2pm on Sunday 19th May at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, St Marys.

PALMS AUSTRALIA GLOBAL MISSION INFO

Sunday May 26th at 10.30am at the Aquinas Academy, 141 Harrington Street, The Rocks, Sydney. If you have teaching, medical, admin or trade skills this is an opportunity to share them with those in need.

ST JOEY'S "OLD SCHOOL" PICNIC

11am Sunday 9th June at Werrington Lakes Reserve, Burton Street, Werrington. See flyer on the Bulletin Noticeboard or contact Michael Kidd on 0439 609 980.

ACU CATALYST FOR RENEWAL FORUM

Renowned theologian Dr Anna Rowlands will speak at the ACU Strathfield Campus, 25a Barker Road, Strathfield, 25th May from 10am to 3.30pm. \$25 entry. For enquiries please ring 9990 7003 or catalyst-for-renewal@tpg.com.au

FOOTPRINTS OF JESUS

Trace the journey of Jesus' life on a 14 day pilgrimage which departs 8th or 17th September or 11th November 2019 at a cost of \$5690. Ring Magi Pilgrimages on 03 8839 6615 for more information.

THE PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 JOURNEY

Ash Wednesday marked the close of the Listening and Dialogue Stage (in which St Joseph's participated). Pentecost marks the launch of the Listening and Discernment process with themes for national discernment by specially chosen teams. pastoralplanning@parracatholic.org for info.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' CATECHESIS

"On visit to Bulgaria and North Macedonia"

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

I returned yesterday evening from a three-day Apostolic Journey, which took me to Bulgaria and North Macedonia. I thank God for enabling me to make these visits, and I renew my gratitude to the Civil Authorities of these two countries, which received me with great courtesy and availability. My most cordial "thank you" goes to the Bishops and to the respective Ecclesial Communities for the warmth and devotion with which they accompanied my pilgrimage.

I was guided in Bulgaria by the lively memory of Saint John XXIII, who was sent to that country in 1925 as Visitor and then as Apostolic Delegate. Animated by his example of pastoral benevolence and charity, I met that people — called to be a bridge between Central, Eastern and Southern Europe, — with the motto "*Pacem in Terris*," I invited all to walk on the way of fraternity and on this way I had, in particular, the joy of taking a step forward in the meeting with Patriarch Neofit of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church and the Members of the Holy Synod. In fact, as Christians, our vocation and mission are to be sign and instrument of unity, and we can be so, with the help of the Holy Spirit putting first what unites us to what has divided or still divides us.

Present-day Bulgaria is one of the lands evangelized by Saints Cyril and Methodius, whom Saint John Paul II placed next to Saint Benedict as Patrons of Europe. At Sofia, in the majestic Patriarchal Cathedral of Saint Alexander Nevsky, I paused in prayer before the sacred image of the two Holy Brothers. Of Greek origin, they were able to use their culture with creativity, to transmit the Christian message to the Slav people. They invented a new alphabet with which they translated the Bible and liturgical texts into the Slavic language. Also today, there is need of passionate and creative evangelizers, so that the Gospel can reach all those that still don't know it and be able to water again the lands where the ancient Christian roots are parched. With this horizon, I celebrated the Eucharist twice with the Catholic community in Bulgaria and encouraged it to be hopeful and generative. I thank those people of God again, who showed me so much faith and so much affection.

The last act of the journey in Bulgaria was carried out together with the representatives of the different

religions: we invoked from God the gift of peace, while a group of children carried lighted torches, symbol of faith and hope.

In North Macedonia, I was accompanied by the strong spiritual presence of Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who was born in Skopje in 1910 and received, in her parish there, the Sacraments of Christian Initiation and learned to love Jesus. In this woman, minute but full of strength thanks to the Holy Spirit's action in her, we see the image of the Church in that country and in other peripheries of the world: a small community that, with the grace of Christ, becomes a welcoming home where many are restored for their life. At Mother Teresa's Memorial, I prayed, in the presence of other religious leaders and of a large group of poor, and I blessed the first stone of a Shrine dedicated to her. North Macedonia is a country that has been independent since 1991. The Holy See has sought to support its path from the beginning. I wished to encourage especially, with my journey, its traditional capacity to host different ethnic and religious groups, as well as its commitment in welcoming and helping a great number of migrants and refugees during the critical period of 2015 and 2016.

It is a young country from the institutional point of view; a small country in need of opening itself to wide horizons without losing its own roots. Significant, therefore, was the fact that the meeting with young people happened there. They were from different Christian Confessions and also from other religions, all united by the desire to build something beautiful in life. I exhorted them to dream big and to get involved, as young Agnes — the future Mother Teresa — listening to God's voice who speaks in prayer and in the flesh of needy brothers.

In addition to the testimonies of young people, in Skopje, I listened to those of priests and of consecrated persons, men, and women who have given their life to Christ. For them, sooner or later, comes the temptation to say: "Lord, what is this small gift of mine in face of the problems of the Church and of the world?" It's the mystery of Jesus-Eucharist, seed of new life for the whole of humanity. The Holy Mass celebrated in the Square of Skopje, renewed once again in the periphery of today's Europe, the miracle of God, who with a few loaves and fish, broken and shared, satiates the hunger of the multitudes.

We entrust to His inexhaustible Providence the present and future of the peoples I visited on this trip.