

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2nd August 2020, Year A/2



BERRUGUETE, Pedro, Santo Domingo de Guzmán, 1495

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: O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-3

Responsorial Psalm: The hand of the Lord feeds us, He answers all our needs.

Second Reading: Romans 8:35, 37-39

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Margaret Mary Sullivan (Dec. Ann.)

SUNDAY 8:30am

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am **HOLY FATHER DOMINIC** Patrick & Doreen Hitchen (D. A.)

Tuesday 8:00am **St John Vianney** Klemens Blazek & Jozefina Zelazowski (Dec. Ann.)

Wednesday 8.00am **Dedication of Mary Major Basilica** Thomas Angway (Recently Dec.)

Thursday 8.00am **TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

Friday 8.00am **18th Week Ordinary Time** For God's Precious Infants

Saturday 8.30am **ST MARY OF THE CROSS**

LIVE STREAM OF WEEKEND MASS AT 6PM

One **Weekend** Mass, the 6pm Vigil on Saturday evening, will continue to be livestreamed every Weekend for the sick and elderly and will be available online through to Sunday.

Please visit our website:

<http://stjosephskingswood.org/> or type in your browser: bit.ly/stjoe

Click the link **Live Stream of the Sunday Mass**

and Reload the Page each time.

For direct link to livestream Mass type in your browser: bit.ly/stjosephlive

RECENTLY DECEASED: Margaret Mary Sullivan, Thomas Angway

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Klemens Blazek, Jozafina Zelazowski, Patrick & Doreen Hitchen

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart

as though You have already come.

I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENT

Reconciliation: Date to be announced

The restart of sessions for the Sacrament of Reconciliation is this Sunday 2nd August after 10am Mass. This will be a refresher course for the children.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Zig Barglik, Joy Cavanagh, Kevin Collins, Margaret Colville, Valerie Davis, Katalin Domotor, Marie Donaldson, Nora Hehir, Andrew Isbitski, Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Barbara Thompson, Kelly Tonna, Kathryn Tuckwell, Geoffrey Waltis, Gill Waltisbuhl, Robert Waltisbuhl, Raymond Waters, Denis Woodward.

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

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS' AUGUST INTENTIONS

The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea; among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

**SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$927
Loose: \$275.80
Donations: \$10**

PAYMENT LINK ON WEBSITE

There is now a means to give a donation, contribute to the 2nd Collection or a payment for the Sacramental program using your visa/master card on our website. There is a minimum of \$10 donation.

DONATIONS & WEEKLY PLANNED GIVING

Due to COVID-19 restrictions there are no Collections during Masses. Planned giving envelopes and 1st Collection contributions can be placed in the Black Letterboxes at the back of the Church, and any donations into the Donation box.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FOR 2020

We will celebrate when the Church is officially open and will extend our celebration into next year.

FEAST OF MARY MACKILLOP

As the Centre will be closed, Mass in the Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel will be livestreamed at 10am 8th August, followed by a time of prayer at the tomb.

MINI VINNIES FORMATION PROGRAM

Vinnies Has launched the MVFP for students Year 4-6. to undertake Social Justice Formation. See <https://bit.ly/MVFPinfo> for information.

SCRIPTURE NIGHT WITH DR LAURIE WOODS

Livestreamed on Institute for Mission Facebook page on Tuesday 18th August at 7pm. Open to everyone and no registration required.

ANNULMENT INFORMATION WEBINAR

6-8pm Tuesday 4th August via Zoom. Register on 8838 3480 or at soloparentservices@ccss.org.au.

HOUSE OF WELCOME DONATIONS

If you would like to donate groceries for the refugees please leave them at the Parish Office.

PRIVATE PRAYER AND MASS BOOKINGS

Following the 4 sq. metres per person, 80 people are allowed in our Church from Wednesday 1st July. Priest and Essential Workers are not included.

Private Prayer - Sign-in sheets are provided prior to entry to provide your contact details for Private Prayer.

Weekend Masses – Bookings are required to guarantee a place in the Church. To register please ring the Parish by calling 4721 4080 during Office hours or ring 0423 725 148 outside Office hours. If you do not register early in the week, we cannot guarantee that you will be able to attend the Mass of your choice, as we will have to limit the number of attendants to 80 (including children) for each Mass.

You will need to provide your name and contact details when registering.

When you come to the Church you will be asked to confirm your presence on a pre-printed sheet with your name on it. Please make sure your details are correct when you sign in.

Weekday Masses - There is no registration for weekday Masses; the first 80 people will be admitted to the Church.

Please provide your name and contact details on the sheet provided.

Social distancing is still essential, so you will be required to take notice of the signs on the pews.

If you decide to attend Mass, please adhere to these rules:

- There will be no procession of gifts, no passing of hymn books or collection plates.
- The sign of peace will be omitted or given without hand-to-hand contact.
- Holy communion will only be distributed and received on the hand.
- **There is no Congregational Singing at present**

Hand sanitisers are available in the church. Door handles, pens and surfaces are sanitised regularly.

Further details are available on the parish website <http://stjosephskingswood.org/>

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' ANGELUS

On Building Heaven – Sunday 26th July

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

This Sunday's Gospel reading (see *Mt 13:44-52*) consists of the final verses of the chapter Matthew devotes to the parable of the Kingdom of Heaven. The passage includes three parables that are very briefly outlined: that of the hidden treasure, that of the precious pearl, and that of the net cast into the sea.

I will look at the first two in which the Kingdom of Heaven is compared to two different "precious" items, namely, the hidden treasure in the field and the pearl of great value. The reaction of he who finds the pearl or the treasure is practically the same: the man and the merchant sell everything to buy what is now most dear to them. With these two similes, Jesus proposes to involve us in the building of the Kingdom of Heaven, presenting an essential characteristic of Christian life, of the life of the Kingdom of heaven: those who fully pledge themselves to the Kingdom are those who are willing to stake everything, who are courageous. Indeed, both the man and the merchant in these two parables sell everything they have, thus renouncing their material security. From this, it can be understood that the building of the Kingdom requires not only the grace of God but also the active willingness of humanity. Everything is done by grace, everything! We need only have the willingness to receive it, not to resist grace: grace does everything but it takes "my" responsibility, "my" willingness ... and who is responsible for this?

The gestures of the man and the merchant who seek to buy more precious treasures, depriving themselves of their goods, are decisive gestures, and radical gestures; but I would say that they are "one-way" gestures, not a "round trip": they are "one-way" gestures. Moreover, they are gestures made with joy because both of them have found treasure. We are called upon to assume the attitude of these two Gospel figures, so that we too may become healthily restless seekers of the Kingdom of Heaven. It is a matter of abandoning the heavy burden of our worldly sureties that prevent us from searching and building up the Kingdom: the covetousness for possession, the thirst for profit and power, and thinking only of ourselves.

In our times, as we are all aware, some people's lives can end up mediocre and dull because they probably do not go in search of real treasure: they are content

with attractive but fleeting things, whose bright lights prove illusory as they give way to darkness. Instead, the light of the Kingdom is not like fireworks, it is light: fireworks last only an instant, whereas the light of the Kingdom accompanies all our life.

The Kingdom of Heaven is the opposite of the superfluous things that the world offers, the opposite of a dull life: it is a treasure that renews life every day and leads it to extend towards wider horizons. Indeed, those who have found this treasure have a creative and inquisitive heart, which does not repeat but rather invents, tracing, and setting out on new paths which lead us to love God, to love others, and to truly love ourselves. The sign of those who walk this path of the Kingdom is creativity, always trying to do more. And creativity is what takes life and gives life, and gives, and gives, and gives... It always looks for many other ways to give life.

Jesus, Who is the hidden treasure and the pearl of great value, cannot but inspire joy, all the joy of the world: the joy of discovering a meaning in life, the joy of committing oneself to the adventure of holiness.

May the Blessed Virgin help us to search every day for the treasure of the Kingdom of Heaven, so that the love God has given us through Jesus may be manifested in our words and gestures.

After the Angelus

Dear brothers and sisters,

On the memorial of the Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus "grandparents", I would like to invite the young to perform a gesture of tenderness towards the elderly, especially the loneliest, in their homes and residences, those who have not seen their loved ones for many months. Dear young people, each one of these elderly people is your grandparent! Do not leave them by themselves. Use the inventiveness of love, make telephone calls, video calls, send messages, listen to them and, where possible, in compliance with the healthcare rules, go to visit them too. Send them a hug. They are your roots. An uprooted tree cannot grow, it does not blossom or bear fruit. This is why the bond and connection with your roots is important. "The blossom of a tree comes from what it has underground", says a poet from my homeland. Therefore I invite you to give a big round of applause for our grandparents, everyone!

I wish you all a blessed Sunday. Please, do not forget to pray for me.