

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16th August 2020, Year A/2



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: 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: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Responsorial Psalm: O God, let all the nations praise You!

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Bill Eades (Deceased Anniversary)
SUNDAY	8:30am		Margaret Mary Sullivan (Rec. Dec.)
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	ST HYACINTH OF POLAND	Sr John Mary & the Immaculata Community
Tuesday	8:00am	Bl Mannes	Sr John Mary & the Immaculata Community
Wednesday	8.00am	20 th Week Ordinary Time	Susan & Noel John
Thursday	8.00am	St Bernard	Adriano & Celerina Reyes (Dec. An.)
Friday	8.00am	St Pius X	Antonia & Domingo Santiago (DA)
Saturday	8.30am	Queenship of Bl Virgin Mary	Margaret Mary Sullivan (Rec. Dec.)

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.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Margaret Mary Sullivan, Gillian Waltisbuhl

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Bill Eades, Noel & Susan John, Adriano & Celerina Reyes, Antonia & Domingo Santiago

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: Thursday 3rd September at 6pm

Session for the Sacrament of Reconciliation is this Sunday 16th August after 10am Mass.

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, 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 at the end of each month to keep the names on the sick list.

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

GILLIAN WALTISBUHL'S FUNERAL

Gill's funeral is Wednesday 19th August at 10.30am. Due to limited numbers permitted in the Church please register on 4721 4080 during Office hours or 0423 725 148 at other times.

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: \$617
Loose: \$422.25
Donations: \$530
Visitors' Contribution: \$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.

DONATIONS & WEEKLY PLANNED GIVING

Due to COVID-19 restrictions there are no Collections during Masses. 1st and 2nd 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.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

2pm Sunday 16th August at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, St Marys. Celebrant is Fr Hugh Thomas CSsR. Please register by texting 0410 475 734 and provide Name and Phone Number.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Our Catholic Charity has launched a national emergency appeal to raise funds for the people in Lebanon. To make a donation please ring 1800 101 201 or visit www.aidtothechurch.org/lebanon

BISHOP'S FATHER'S DAY APPEAL

Owing to COVID-19, the Clergy support Foundation will not be holding the Collection for Retired Priests. Donations are gratefully accepted by electronic transfer to BSB 067950, Account No 00001691, Account Name CSF No 1 with Reference your name. The CSF Committee thanks you for your continued support over the past 15 years. May God bless you at this difficult time in our lives.

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 and it is highly recommended that masks be worn at Church and in the Grounds.**

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' GENERAL AUDIENCE

If We Do Not Take Care of One Another, We Cannot Heal the World – Wednesday 12th August

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

The pandemic has highlighted how vulnerable and interconnected everyone is. If we do not take care of one another, starting with the least, with those who are most impacted, including creation, we cannot heal the world.

Commendable is the effort of so many people who have been offering evidence of human and Christian love for neighbour, dedicating themselves to the sick even at the risk of their own health. They are heroes! However, the coronavirus is not the only disease to be fought, but rather, the pandemic has shed light on broader social ills. One of these is a distorted view of the person, a perspective that ignores the dignity and relational of the person. At times we look at others as objects, to be used and discarded. In reality this type of perspective blinds and fosters an individualistic and aggressive throw-away culture, which transforms the human being into a consumer good.

In the light of faith we know, instead, that God looks at a man and a woman in another manner. He created us not as objects but as people loved and capable of loving; He has created us in His image and likeness (see Gen 1:27). In this way He has given us a unique dignity, calling us to live in communion with Him, in communion with our sisters and our brothers, with respect for all creation. In communion, in harmony, we might say. Creation is the harmony in which we are called to live. And in this communion, in this harmony that is communion, God gives us the ability to procreate and safeguard life (see Gen 1:28-29), to till and keep the land (see Gen 2:15; LS, 67). It is clear that one cannot procreate and safeguard life without harmony; it will be destroyed.

We have an example of that individualistic perspective, that which is not harmony, in the Gospels, in the request made to Jesus by the mother of the disciples James and John (cf. Mt 20:20-38). She wanted her sons to sit at the right and the left of the new king. But Jesus proposes another type of vision: that of service and of giving one's life for others, and He confirms it by immediately restoring sight to two blind men and making them His disciples (see Mt 20:29-34). Seeking to climb in life, to be superior to others, destroys harmony. It is the logic of dominion, of dominating others. Harmony is something else: it is service.

Therefore, let us ask the Lord to give us eyes attentive to our brothers and sisters, especially those who are suffering. As Jesus's disciples we do not want to be indifferent or individualistic. These are the two

unpleasant attitudes that run counter to harmony. The harmony created by God asks that we look at others, the needs of others, the problems of others, in communion. We want to recognise the human dignity in every person, whatever his or her race, language or condition might be. Harmony leads you to recognise human dignity, that harmony created by God, with humanity at the centre.

The Second Vatican Council emphasises that this dignity is inalienable, because it "was created 'to the image of God'". It lies at the foundation of all social life and determines its operative principles. In modern culture, the closest reference to the principle of the inalienable dignity of the person is the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which Saint John Paul II defined as a "milestone on the long and difficult path of the human race", 1 and as "one of the highest expressions of the human conscience". 2 Rights are not only individual, but also social; they are of peoples, nations. 3 The human being, indeed, in his or her personal dignity, is a social being, created in the image of God, One and Triune. We are social beings; we need to live in this social harmony, but when there is selfishness, our outlook does not reach others, the community, but focuses on ourselves, and this makes us ugly, nasty and selfish, destroying harmony.

This renewed awareness of the dignity of every human being has serious social, economic and political implications. Looking at our brother and sister and the whole of creation as a gift received from the love of the Father inspires attentive behaviour, care and wonder. In this way the believer, contemplating his or her neighbour as a brother or sister, and not as a stranger, looks at him/her compassionately and empathetically, not contemptuously or with hostility. Contemplating the world in the light of faith, we strive to develop our creativity and enthusiasm in order to resolve the ordeals of the past. We understand and develop our abilities as responsibilities, as gifts from God to be placed at the service of humanity and of creation.

Faith exhorts us to commit ourselves seriously and actively to combat indifference in the face of violations of human dignity. This culture of indifference that accompanies the throwaway culture: things that do not affect me, do not interest me. Faith always requires that we let ourselves be healed and converted from our individualism.

May the Lord "restore our sight" so as to rediscover what it means to be members of the human family. And may this sight be translated into concrete actions of compassion and respect for every person and of care and safeguarding of our common home.