

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30<sup>th</sup> August 2020, Year A/2



The Mass of St Gregory, Spanish Artist

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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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am - 2:00pm and Friday: 9:00am - 1:00pm

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Entrance Antiphon:** Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to You all the day long.  
O Lord, You are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to You.

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 20:7-9

**Responsorial Psalm:** My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God.

**Second Reading:** Romans 12:1-2

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:21-27

### VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		God's Blessing for Paul
SUNDAY	8:30am		Margaret Mary Sullivan (Rec. Dec.)
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	22 <sup>nd</sup> Week Ordinary Time	Michal Szramiak (Dec. Ann.)
Tuesday	8:00am	22 <sup>nd</sup> Week Ordinary Time	Thanksgiving from Adela Macalintal
Wednesday	8.00am	22 <sup>nd</sup> Week Ordinary Time	Grace & Marina Panozzo (God's will be done in their lives)
Thursday	8.00am	St Gregory the Great	Saji Chacko (Dec. Ann.)
Friday	8.00am	22 <sup>nd</sup> Week Ordinary Time	For God's Precious Infants
Saturday	8.30am	St Teresa of Calcutta	Dec. Mems. of St Vincent de Paul

### 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](http://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](http://bit.ly/stjosephlive)

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Margaret Mary Sullivan

**DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES:** Saji Chacko, Michael Szramiak, Deceased Members of the St Vincent de Paul Society

### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 6pm**

Session is this Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August after 10am Mass.

**First Communion: To be Confirmed**

First Session: Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 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

**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: \$789**  
**Loose: \$315.30**  
**Donations: \$70**

**PAYMENT LINK ON WEBSITE**

There is now a means to give a donation, contribute to the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection contributions can be placed in the Black Letterboxes at the back of the Church, and any donations into the Donation box.

**PARISH BIBLE STUDY**

Bible Study will recommence on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 9:15am. Please bring your Bible with you. All are most welcome.

**50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FOR 2020**

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

**SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August is Social Justice Sunday and the Australian Bishops are calling for us to recognize the issues around mental health. See Bishop Vincent's address at [www.parracatholic.org/socialjustice](http://www.parracatholic.org/socialjustice)

**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](http://www.aidtothechurch.org/lebanon). Additional information in the brochures at the back of the Church.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> 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**

**"Christian Hope, Rooted in God, is Our Anchor"**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

In the face of the pandemic and its social consequences, many risk losing hope. In this time of uncertainty and anguish, I invite everyone to welcome the gift of hope that comes from Christ. It is He who helps us navigate the tumultuous waters of sickness, death and injustice, which do not have the last word over our final destination.

The pandemic has exposed and aggravated social problems, above all that of inequality. Some people can work from home, while this is impossible for many others. Certain children, notwithstanding the difficulties involved, can continue to receive an academic education, while this has been abruptly interrupted for many, many others. Some powerful nations can issue money to deal with the crisis, while this would mean mortgaging the future for others.

These symptoms of inequality reveal a social illness; it is a virus that comes from a sick economy. And we must say it simply: the economy is sick. It is the fruit of unequal economic growth – this is the illness: the fruit of unequal economic growth – that disregards fundamental human values. In today's world, a few rich people possess more than all the rest of humanity.

This is pure statistics. This is an injustice that cries out to heaven! At the same time, this economic model is indifferent to the damage inflicted on our common home. Care is not being taken of our common home.

We are close to exceeding many limits of our wonderful planet, with serious and irreversible consequences: from the loss of biodiversity and climate change to rising sea levels and the destruction of the tropical forests. Social inequality and environmental degradation go together and have the same root: the sin of wanting to possess and wanting to dominate one's brothers and sisters, of wanting to possess and dominate nature and God Himself. But this is not the design for creation.

"In the beginning God entrusted the earth and its resources to the common stewardship of mankind to take care of them" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2402). God has called us to dominate the earth in His name, tilling it and keeping it like a garden, everyone's garden. "'Tilling' refers to cultivating, ploughing or working, while 'keeping' means caring, protecting, overseeing and preserving". There exists a relationship of mutual responsibility between ourselves and nature. We receive from creation and we give back in return. "Each community can take from the bounty of the earth whatever it needs for subsistence, but it also has the duty to protect the earth". It goes both ways. In fact, the earth

was here before us and it has been given to us, it has been given by God for the whole human race. It is our duty to make sure that its fruit reaches everyone, not just a few people. And this is a key element of our relationship with earthly goods. The ownership of any property makes its holder a steward of Providence, with the task of making it fruitful and communicating its benefits to others. We are administrators of the goods, not masters. To administer it, not to possess it selfishly for yourself.

The homo sapiens is deformed and becomes a species of homo œconomicus – in a detrimental sense – a species of man that is individualistic, calculating and domineering. We forget that, being created in the image and likeness of God, we are social, creative and solidary beings with an immense capacity to love.

We often forget this. In fact, from among all the species, we are the beings who are the most cooperative and we flourish in community, as is seen well in the experience of the saints.

When the obsession to possess and dominate excludes millions of persons from having primary goods; when economic and technological inequality are such that the social fabric is torn; and when dependence on unlimited material progress threatens our common home, then we cannot stand by and watch. With our gaze fixed on Jesus and with the certainty that His love is operative through the community of His disciples, we must act all together, in the hope of generating something different and better. Christian hope, rooted in God, is our anchor. It moves the will to share, strengthening our mission as disciples of Christ, Who shared everything with us.

The pandemic has put all of us in crisis. But let us remember that after a crisis a person is not the same. We come out of it better, or we come out of it worse. This is our option. After the crisis, will we continue with this economic system of social injustice and depreciating care for the environment, for creation, for our common home? Let's think about this. May the Christian communities of the twenty-first century recuperate this reality – care for creation and social justice: they go together ... – thus bearing witness to the Lord's Resurrection. If we take care of the goods that the Creator gives us, if we put what we possess in common in such a way that no one would be lacking, then we would truly inspire hope to regenerate a more healthy and equal world. And in conclusion, let us think about the children. Read the statistics: how many children today are dying of hunger because the distribution of riches is not good, because of the economic system as I said above; and how many children today do not have the right to education for the same reason.

May this image of children in want due to hunger and the lack of education help us understand that after this crisis we must come out of it better. Thank you.