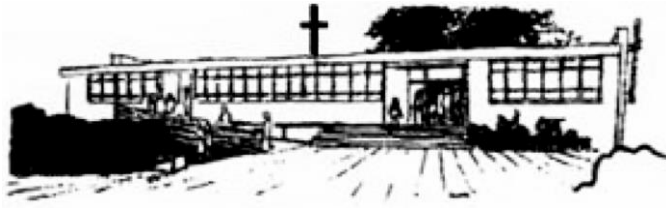


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13th September 2020, Year A/2



ANGELICO, Fra, Crucified Christ, 1433-34

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: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for You, that Your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of Your servant, and of Your people Israel.

First Reading: Sirach 27:30 – 28:7

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Odile St Lambert (Dec. Ann.)
SUNDAY	8:30am		Yaroslav Klukov, Marian Tobola, Sophia & Anthony Tyc
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	EXALTATION OF THE CROSS	Sajamma Kuriakose (Birthday)
Tuesday	8:00am	Our Lady of Sorrows	Kim Nelson (Deceased Anniversary)
Wednesday	8.00am	St Cornelius & St Cyprian	Jose Loretta & Vidal Descalro (D.A.)
Thursday	8.00am	24 th Week Ordinary Time	
Friday	8.00am	St Juan Macias	Tomas Belderol (Deceased Ann.)
Saturday	8.30am	Mass of the Virgin Mary	Stephen Muller (Deceased Ann.)

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: Denis Woodward

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Kim Nelson, Odile St. Lambert, Yaroslav Klukov, Sophia & Anthony Tyc, Marian Tobola, Jose Loretta & Vidal Descalro, Tomas Belderol, Stephen Muller

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

First Communion: Date to be Confirmed

First Session: Sunday 11th 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.

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' SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.

SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$673

Loose: \$344

Donations: \$20

Visitors' Contribution: \$15

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

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.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is back – every Wednesday at 9.15am. Please bring your Sunday Missal with you. All are most welcome.

HOLY LAND APPEAL

This weekend 12th/13th September we have the Holy Land Collection, which normally takes place on Good Friday. Pope Francis has moved this appeal to coincide with the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. You will find the Box at the back of the Church marked "Special Collection". Please be generous.

VISIT THE WELL

Everyone is invited to "a new online platform that provides free, 'on-demand' inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities". Visit the Well at www.thewell.org.au

YOUR LEGACY TO FAITH, HOPE & CHARITY

Please take a Brochure from outside the Church with an invitation to consider your Parish and faith community when preparing a Will. Legacy gifts advance Christian works of faith, hope and charity for future generations.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FOR 2020

We will celebrate when the restrictions are lifted and will extend our celebration into next year.

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
Christian Response to Pandemic Based on Love
Wednesday 9th September

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

The crisis we are living due to the pandemic is affecting everyone; we will emerge from it for the better if we all seek the *common good* together; the contrary is we will emerge for the worse. Unfortunately, we see partisan interests emerging. For example, some would like to appropriate possible solutions for themselves, as in the case of vaccines, to then sell them to others. Some are taking advantage of the situation to instigate divisions: by seeking economic or political advantages, generating or exacerbating conflicts. Others simply are not interested themselves in the suffering of others, they pass by and go their own way.

The Christian response to the pandemic and to the consequent socio-economic crisis is based on *love*, above all, love of God who always precedes us. He loves us first, He always precedes us in love and in solutions. He loves us unconditionally and when we welcome this divine love, then we can respond similarly. I love not only those who love me – my family, my friends, my group – but I also love those who do not love me, I also love those who do not know me or who are strangers, and even those who make me suffer or whom I consider enemies. This is Christian wisdom, this is how Jesus acted. And the highest point of holiness, let's put it that way, is to love one's enemies which is not easy. True love that makes us fruitful and free is always expansive, and true love is not only expansive, it is inclusive. This love cares, heals, and does good. It is inclusive love that heals. So, *love* is not limited to the relationship between two or three people, or to friends or to family, it goes beyond. It comprises civil and political relationships, including a relationship with nature. Love is inclusive. Since we are social and political beings, one of the highest expressions of love is specifically social and political which is decisive to human development and in order to face any type of crisis. We know that love makes families and friendships flourish; but it is good to remember that it also makes social, cultural, economic, and political relationships flourish, allowing us to construct a "civilization of love". Without this inspiration the egotistical, indifferent, throw-away culture prevails – that is to discard anything I do not like, whom I cannot love or those who seem to me to not to be useful in society. Today at the entrance, a married couple said to us: "Pray for us because we have a disabled son." I asked "And what do you do?" "We accompany him, help him." All of their lives as parents for that disabled son. The coronavirus is showing us that each person's true good is a common good, not only individual, and, *vice*

versa, the common good is a true good for the person. If a person only seeks his or her own good, that person is egotistical. Instead, the person is kinder, nobler, when his or her own good is open to everyone when it is shared. Health, in addition to being an individual good, is also a public good. A healthy society is one that takes care of everyone's health, of all.

A virus that does not recognize barriers, borders, or cultural or political distinctions must be faced with a *love* without barriers, borders, or distinctions. This love can generate social structures that encourage us to share rather than to compete, which allow us to include the most vulnerable and not to cast them aside, which help us to express the best in our human nature and not the worst. True love does not know the throw-away culture, it does not know what it is. In fact, when we love and generate creativity, when we generate trust and solidarity, it is then that concrete initiatives emerge for the common good. And this is valid at both the level of the smallest and largest communities, as well as at the international level. What is done in the family, what is done in the neighbourhood, what is done in the village, what is done in the large cities and internationally is the same, it is the same seed that grows and bears fruit. If you in your family, in your neighbourhood start out with envy, with battles, there will be war in the end. Instead, if you start out with love, to share love, forgiveness, there will be love and forgiveness for everyone.

If you read the history of humanity you will find many holy politicians who trod a good path. It is possible insofar as every citizen, and especially those who assume social and political commitments and positions, roots what they do in ethical principles and nurtures it with social and political love. Christians, in a particular way the laity, are called to give good examples of this and can do it thanks to the virtue of charity, cultivating its intrinsic social dimension.

It is therefore time to improve our social love – I want to highlight this: our social love – with everyone's contribution, starting from our littleness. The common good requires everyone's participation. If everyone contributes his or her part, and if no one is left out, we can regenerate good relationships on the communitarian, national, and international levels and even in harmony with the environment. Thus, through our gestures, even the most humble ones, something of the image of God we bear within us will be made visible, because God is the Trinity, God is love, God is love. This is the most beautiful definition of God that is in the Bible. The Apostle John, who loved Jesus so much, gives it to us. With His help, we can heal the world working, yes, all together for the common good, for everyone's common good. Thank you.