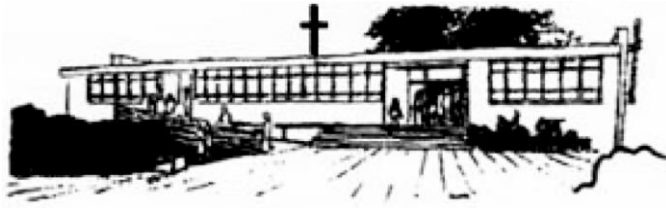


# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

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Fr. Piotr Kruk OP

EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148

Please leave a detailed Message

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

26<sup>th</sup> April 2020, Year A/2



BUONINSEGNA, Duccio di, Road to Emmaus, 1308-11

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  
Kingswood, NSW 2747

**Telephone:** 4726 4200; **Fax:** 4731 1432

[www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au)

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:** Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of His name.  
O render Him glorious praise, alleluia.

**First Reading:** Acts 2:14, 22-33

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, You will show us the path of life.

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 1:17-21

**Gospel:** Luke 24:13-35

### VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

**SUNDAY 8:30am**

10:00am

**For the Parish**

<b>Monday</b>	8:00am	<b>St Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort</b>	<b>Adrian Willigers (Rec. Dec.)</b>
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Tuesday	8:00am	St Peter Chanel	David Burns (Rec. Dec.)
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Wednesday	8.00am	ST CATHERINE OF SIENA	Mia & Henk Schoemaker (Dec. Ann)
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Thursday	8.00am	St Pius V	Dec. Mems. of the Meybaum Family
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Friday	8.00am	St Joseph the Worker	For God's Precious Infants
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Saturday	8.30am	St Athanasius	Dec. Mems. of St Vincent de Paul
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### LIVE STREAM OF DAILY MASS AND ADORATION

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 Masses and Adoration](#) and Reload the Page each day.

For direct link to livestream masses type in your browser: [bit.ly/stjosephlive](http://bit.ly/stjosephlive)

### MASS INTENTIONS

Ring Emergency number or apply at Mass Intentions on the Parish Website

### SACRAMENTS OF THE SICK AND CONFESSION

If you require Anointing of the Sick and/or Sacrament of Reconciliation, please contact us on our mobile number 0423 725 148 and one of the priests will be available.

### 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 SACRAMENTS 2020

Postponed till further notice.

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Zig Barglik, Kevin Collins, Margaret Colville, Valerie Davis, Katalin Domotor, Nora Hehir, Andrew Isbitski, Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Shayla, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Barbara Thompson, Cecylia Tobera, 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 at the end of each month to keep the names on the sick list.

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**POPE FRANCIS' APRIL INTENTIONS**

**Freedom from Addiction**

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

**SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$419**  
**Loose: \$Nil**  
**Online Contribution: \$110**

**DONATIONS & WEEKLY PLANNED GIVING**

Planned giving envelopes and any donations can be placed in the letterbox slot of the Parish Office building at any time.

If you would like to contribute through online banking, please use the following details for EFT deposits:

BSB: 067 950  
Account Number: 00000396  
Account Name: Kingswood Catholic Church

Please send us an email with details of your donation including name, contact number and envelope number (if you have one) on our parish email. Thank you for your generosity.

**NEW MOBILE NUMBER FOR PARISH**

Our new mobile number for any appointments or to contact the priest on duty is 0423 725 148.

We are also available on WhatsApp, Viber, Line or Duo Messenger through our new mobile number.

**COUNSELLING**

For counselling, or just to have a chat or to make an appointment please call us on our new mobile number 0423 725 148.

**OFFICE HOURS**

Parish Office is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00am to 2:00pm and on Friday from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

**REGULAR UPDATES**

For regular updates please visit us on our website <http://stjosephskingswood.org/> or type in your browser: bit.ly/stJoe or visit our Facebook page stjosephkingswood

**DIOCESE WEBSITE UPDATES**

Resources, links and articles to assist during this time can be found at [www.parracatholic.org/covid19](http://www.parracatholic.org/covid19)

**PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES & DONATIONS**

Please call Caritas directly on 1800 024 413 or visit <https://caritas.org.au/> If you are not in a position to donate online, please keep your boxes until the diocese advises us as to how donations can be collected.

We have collected \$632.05 so far. Thank you for your generosity

**BISHOP VINCENT'S EASTER MESSAGE**

**Diocese Website:**

<https://www.parracatholic.org/bishop-vincent-2020-easter-message/>

**DIOCESAN MINISTRY CENTRE**

The Social Justice Office, Office for Worship, Life, Marriage and Family and Pastoral Planning are all offering support and resources in a variety of new ways. Contact details for each office can be found at [www.parracatholic.org](http://www.parracatholic.org)

**CATHOLIC CARE**

CatholicCare – Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains services remain open and operational during the current COVID-19 outbreak. Individual offices have been closed to clients, but the service continues to operate with care and support offered via phone, video conferencing / telehealth and online. Some programs are continuing to run groups via video conference. Please visit their web site <https://ccss.org.au> or ring 8843 2500.

**CATHFAMILY**

CathFamily is a resource offering free access to their CathKids program for the next three months. It offers Catholic resources for families sharing the faith in homes and school at [www.cathfamily.org](http://www.cathfamily.org)



**CELEBRATIONS FOR 2020**

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

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

**POPE FRANCIS' CATECHESIS**

50<sup>th</sup> Earth Day – Renew Sacred Respect for the Earth

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

Today we celebrate the fiftieth Earth Day. This is an occasion for renewing our commitment to love and care for our common home and for the weaker members of our human family. As the tragic coronavirus pandemic has taught us, we can overcome global challenges only by showing solidarity with one another and embracing the most vulnerable in our midst. The Encyclical Letter *Laudato Si'* deals precisely with this "Care for our Common Home". Today, let us reflect together a little on that responsibility which characterises "our earthly sojourn" (*Laudato Si'*, 160). We must grow in our awareness of care for our common home.

We are fashioned from the *earth*, and fruit of the earth sustains our life. But, as the book of Genesis reminds us, we are not simply "earthly"; we also bear within us the *breath of life* that comes from God. Thus, we live in this common home as one human family in biodiversity with God's other creatures. As *imago Dei*, image of God, we are called to have care and respect for all creatures, and to offer love and compassion to our brothers and sisters, especially the most vulnerable among us, in imitation of God's love for us, manifested in his Son Jesus, who made Himself man to share this situation with us and to save us.

Because of our selfishness we have failed in our responsibility to be guardians and stewards of the earth. "We need only take a frank look at the facts to see that our common home is falling into serious disrepair". We have polluted and we have despoiled it, endangering our very lives. For this reason, various international and local movements have sprung up in order to appeal to our consciences. I deeply appreciate these initiatives; still it will be necessary for our children to take to the streets to teach us the obvious: we have no future if we destroy the very environment that sustains us.

We have failed to care for the earth, our garden-home; we have failed to care for our brothers and sisters. We have sinned against the earth, against our neighbours, and ultimately against the Creator, the benevolent Father who provides for everyone, and desires us to live in communion and flourish together. And how does the earth react? There is a Spanish saying that is very clear, in this; it says: "God forgives always; we men forgive sometimes; the earth never forgives". The earth never forgives: if we have despoiled the earth, the response will be very bad.

How can we restore a harmonious relationship with the earth and with the rest of humanity? Very often we lose

our view of harmony: harmony is the work of the Holy Spirit. In the common home, on earth, too; also, in our relationship with people, with our neighbour, with the poor, how can we restore this harmony? We need a new way of looking at our common home. For us believers, the natural world is the "Gospel of Creation": it expresses God's creative power in fashioning human life and bringing the world and all it contains into existence, in order to sustain humanity. "God saw all that he had made, and it was very good" (*Gen* 1:31). We see these natural tragedies that are the earth's response to our mistreatment, I think: "If I ask the Lord now what He thinks, I don't think He will tell me something good". We are the ones who have ruined the work of the Lord!

In today's celebration of Earth Day, we are called to renew our sense of sacred respect for the earth, for it is not just our home but also God's home. This should make us all the more aware that *we stand on holy ground!*

Dear brothers and sisters, we can learn from indigenous peoples. They teach us that we cannot heal the earth unless we love and respect it. They have that wisdom of "living well", not in the sense of having a good time, no, but of living in harmony with the earth. They call this harmony "good living".

At the same time, we need an ecological conversion that can find expression in concrete actions. As a single and interdependent family, we require a common plan in order to avert the threats to our common home. "Interdependence obliges us to think of one world with a common plan" (*Laudato Si'*, 164). We are aware of the importance of cooperation as an international community for the protection of our common home. I urge those in positions of leadership to guide the preparations for two important international Conferences: *COP15 on Biodiversity* in Kunming, China, and *COP26 on Climate Change* in Glasgow, United Kingdom. These two meetings are very important.

I would like to support concerted action also on the national and local levels. It will help if all people come together to create a popular movement "from below". The *Earth Day* we are celebrating today was itself born in precisely this way. We can each contribute in our own small way. "We need not think that these efforts are going to change the world. They benefit society, often unbeknown to us, for they call forth a goodness which, albeit unseen, inevitably tends to spread" (*Laudato Si'*, 212).

Let us pledge to love and esteem the beautiful gift of the *earth*, and to care for all members of our human family. Like the brothers and sisters that we are, let us together implore our heavenly Father: "Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth".