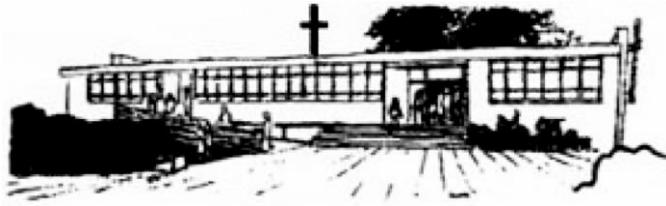


# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## ALL SAINTS

1<sup>st</sup> November 2020, Year A/2



ANGELICO, Fra, Coronation of the Virgin, 1434-35

Sunday Masses:  
Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm Live Stream  
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  
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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:** Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

**First Reading:** Apocalypse 7:2-4, 9-14

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, this is the people that longs to see Your face.

**Second Reading:** 1 John 3:1-3

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:1-12

### VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Steffi Belderol (Exam Blessings)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:30am		All Souls
	10:00am		For the Parish
<b>Monday</b>	8:00am	ALL SOULS	All Souls
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00am	ST MARTIN DE PORRES	All Souls
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.00am	St Charles Borromeo	All Souls
<b>Thursday</b>	8.00am	31 <sup>st</sup> Week Ordinary Time	All Souls
<b>Friday</b>	8.00am	Bl Alphonsus Navarrete & Companions	All Souls
<b>Saturday</b>	8.30am	ALL SAINTS OF ORDER OF PREACHERS	All Souls

### LIVE STREAM OF WEEKEND MASS AT 6PM

The 6pm Vigil on Saturday evening will continue to be livestreamed every Weekend 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.

### NOVEMBER MASSES

Masses during November will be celebrated for our deceased loved ones whose names are recorded in the Remembrance Book or on the Envelopes. Please write their names for Mass to be offered for them.

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENT

**First Communion: 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

Sessions: Every Sunday after 10am Mass.

### 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.

### POPE FRANCIS' NOVEMBER INTENTIONS

#### Artificial Intelligence

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

**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.

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

**SECOND COLLECTION:**   **Envelopes: \$736.45**  
                                  **Loose:     \$316.20**  
                                  **Donation: \$200**

### **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**

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection contributions can be placed in the Black Letterboxes at the back of the Church.

### **PARISH CELL GROUP**

Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 7pm in the Parish Centre. All are most welcome. Any questions please ring Jim on 0478 027 210.

### **PARISH BIBLE STUDY**

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

### **MEN'S NIGHT**

7<sup>th</sup> November after 6pm Mass. A great opportunity to gather as Men of the Parish. Please ring the Office by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> to Register as numbers are restricted.

### **YOUNG ADULTS GROUP**

Our next Young Adults meeting is on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 6.45pm in the Parish Hall. For more information please type [bit.ly/YASJK](http://bit.ly/YASJK) into your browser.

### **COLUMBAN CALENDARS**

Available after all Masses at \$9 each.

### **DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Bishop Vincent is calling for nominations for people to work with him on the Diocesan Pastoral Council, which assists with the governance of the Church. For more information or to fill out a form please visit [parracatholic.org/advisorycouncils/](http://parracatholic.org/advisorycouncils/). Applications close on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

### **FORMATION COURSE FOR READERS**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November from 7-9pm at St Nicholas of Myra, Penrith. To Register ring 8838 3456 or email [anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org](mailto:anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org)

### **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. Your presence will be confirmed as you arrive at the Church.

**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 or you can use the QR Code and show the Usher that you have been CHECKED IN.

**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/>

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

When the restrictions are lifted, we will celebrate and extend our celebration into next year.

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

**POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE**

**Prayer – Jesus, Man of Prayer**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

In our itinerary of catechesis on prayer, after travelling through the Old Testament, we now arrive at Jesus. And Jesus prayed. The beginning of His public ministry takes place with His baptism in the river Jordan. The Evangelists are in agreement in attributing fundamental importance to this episode. They narrate how all the people came together *in prayer*, and specify that this gathering had a clearly *penitential* nature. The people went to John to be baptised, for the forgiveness of sins: it is of a penitential character, of conversion.

Jesus' first public act is therefore participation in a choral prayer of the people, a prayer of the people who went to be baptised, a penitential prayer, in which everyone recognises him or herself as a sinner. This is why the Baptist wishes to oppose it, and says: "I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?" (Mt 3:14). The Baptist understands that it was Jesus. But Jesus insists: His is an act of obedience to the will of the Father, an act of solidarity with our human condition. He prays with the sinners of the people of God. Let us keep this clearly in mind: Jesus is the Righteous One, He is not a sinner. But He wished to come down to us sinners, and He prays with us, and when we pray He is with us praying; He is with us because He is in heaven, praying for us. Jesus always prays with us. We never pray alone, we always pray with Jesus. He does not stay on the opposite side of the river – "I am righteous, you are sinners" – to mark His difference and distance from the disobedient people, but rather He immerses His feet in the same purifying waters. He acts as if He were a sinner. And this is the greatness of God, Who sent His Son and annihilated Himself, and appears as a sinner.

Jesus is not a distant God, and He cannot be. Incarnation revealed Him in a complete and humanly unthinkable way. Jesus places Himself at the forefront of a people of penitents, as if He were responsible for opening a breach through which all of us, after Him, must have the courage to pass. But the road, the journey, is difficult; but He goes ahead, opening the way. Jesus prays with us. Let us keep this clear in our mind and in our heart: Jesus prays with us.

On that day, on the bank of the river Jordan, there is therefore all of humanity, with its unexpressed yearning for prayer. There is, above all, the population of sinners: those who thought they were not beloved by God, those who did not dare cross the threshold of the temple, those who did not pray because they did not consider themselves worthy. Jesus came for everyone, even for

them, and He begins precisely by joining them. At the forefront.

The Gospel of Luke, in particular, highlights the climate of prayer in which the baptism of Jesus took place: "Now when all the people were baptised, and when Jesus also had been baptised and was praying, the heaven was opened" (3:21). By praying, Jesus opens the door to the heavens, and the Holy Spirit descends from that breach. And from on high a voice proclaims the wonderful truth: "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased" (v. 22). This simple phrase encloses an immense treasure; it enables us to intuit something of Jesus' ministry and of His heart, always turned to the Father. In the whirlwind of life and the world that will come to condemn him, even in the hardest and most sorrowful experiences He will have to endure, even when He experiences that He has no place to lay His head, even when hatred and persecution are unleashed around Him, Jesus is never without the refuge of a dwelling place: He dwells eternally in the Father.

This is the unique greatness of Jesus' prayer: the Holy Spirit takes possession of His person and the voice of the Father attests that He is the beloved, the Son in whom He fully reflects Himself.

This prayer of Jesus, which on the banks of the river Jordan is totally personal – and will be thus for all His earthly life – in Pentecost becomes the grace of prayer for all those baptised in Christ. He Himself obtained for us this gift, and He invites us to pray as He prayed.

If during an evening of prayer we feel empty, we must at that moment beg that Jesus' prayer also become our own. "I cannot pray today, I don't know what to do: I don't feel like it, I am unworthy... In that moment, may your prayer to Jesus be mine". And entrust yourself to Him, that He may pray for us. He in this moment is before the Father, praying for us, He is the intercessor for us. Let us trust in this, it is great. We will then hear, if we are trustful, a voice from heaven, louder than the voice rising from the depths of ourselves, and we will hear this voice whispering words of tenderness: "You are God's beloved, you are a son, you are the joy of the Father in heaven". Just for us, for each one of us, echoes the word of the Father: even if we were rejected by all, sinners of the worst kind. Jesus did not descend into the waters of the Jordan for Himself, but for all of us. It was the entire people of God who went to the Jordan to pray, to ask for forgiveness, to receive that baptism of penance. He opened the heavens so that we could all pass behind Him. Jesus gave us His own prayer, which is His loving dialogue with the Father. He gave it to us like a seed of the Trinity, which He wants to take root in our hearts. Let us welcome him! Let us welcome this gift, the gift of prayer. Always with Him. Thank you.