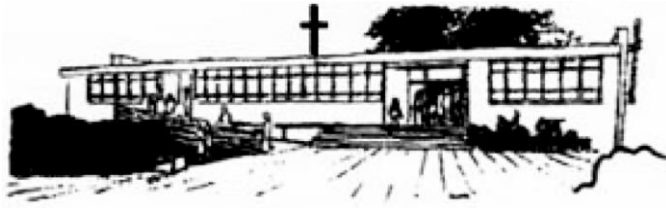


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

Parish Priest

Fr. Pawel Barszczewski OP

Assistant Priest

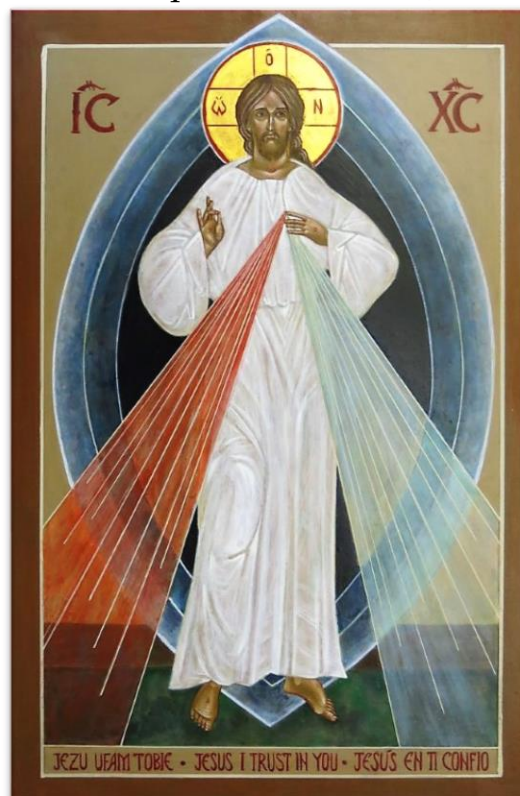
Fr. Piotr Kruk OP

EMERGENCY PHONE: 0423 725 148

Please leave a detailed Message

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

19th April 2020, Year A/2



Divine Mercy Icon, reinkat.wordpress.com

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

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

Address: 12 Richmond Rd, PO Box 39, Kingswood, NSW 2747 Telephone: 02 4721 4080; Fax: 02 4721 0089
Email: parish@stjosephskingswood.org Web: www.stjosephskingswood.org Facebook: [stjosephkingswood](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephkingswood)

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Entrance Antiphon: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in Him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good. His love is everlasting.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

SUNDAY 8:30am

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday 8:00am **St Agnes of Montepulciano**

Tuesday 8:00am **St Anselm**

Wednesday 8.00am **2nd Week of Easter**

Thursday 8.00am **St Adalbert**

Gabriel Ghougassian (Dec. Ann.)

Friday 8.00am **2nd Week of Easter**

Saturday 8.30am **ANZAC DAY**

LIVE STREAM OF DAILY MASS AND ADORATION

Please visit our website

<http://stjosephskingswood.org/> or type in your browser: bit.ly/stjoe

Click the link [Live stream of the Masses, Rosary and Adoration](#) and Reload the Page each day.

For direct link to livestream masses type in your browser: 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.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH
PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS' APRIL INTENTIONS

Freedom from Addiction

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

SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$205
Loose: \$Nil
Online Contribution: \$200

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 stjosephskingswood

BISHOP VINCENT'S EASTER MESSAGE

Diocesan Website:

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

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kK2nMi98fzs>

DIOCESE WEBSITE UPDATES

Resources, links and articles to assist during this time can be found at www.parracatholic.org/covid19

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

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

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. Thank you for your generosity.



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

"Blessed are the Peacemakers

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

Today's catechesis is dedicated to the seventh Beatitude, that of the "peacemakers," who are proclaimed sons of God. I rejoice that it happens immediately after Easter, because the peace of Christ is the fruit of his Death and Resurrection, as we heard in the Letter of Saint Paul.

To understand this Beatitude, it's necessary to explain the meaning of the word "peace," which can be misunderstood or sometimes trivialized. We must orient ourselves between two ideas of peace: the first is the biblical, where the beautiful word *shalom* appears, which expresses abundance, prosperity, and wellbeing. When in Hebrew one wishes *shalom*, one wishes a good life, full, prosperous but also in keeping with truth and justice, which will have fulfillment in the Messiah, Prince of Peace (Cf. Isaiah 9:6; *Micah* 5:4-5).

There is, then, the other meaning, more widespread, of the word "peace," which is understood as a sort of inner tranquillity: I am tranquil, I am in peace. This is a modern idea, psychological and more suggestive. One thinks commonly that peace is quiet, harmony and internal balance. This meaning of the word "peace" is incomplete and can't be absolutized, because in life restlessness can be an important moment of growth. Often, it's the Lord Himself who sows restlessness in us, to go to encounter Him, to meet Him. In this sense, it's an important moment of growth; whereas, it can happen that interior tranquillity corresponds to a domesticated conscience and not to a true spiritual redemption. Many times, the Lord must be a "sign of contradiction" (Cf. *Luke* 2:43-35), shaking our false securities, to lead us to salvation. And in that moment, it seems there is no peace, but it is the Lord who puts us on this way, to arrive at the peace that He Himself will give us.

At this point we must remember that the Lord understands His peace as different from human peace, from that of the world, when He says: "Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you" (*John* 14:27). Jesus' peace is another peace, different from worldly peace. We

ask ourselves: how does the world give peace? If we think of warlike conflicts — wars normally end in two ways: either the defeat of one of the sides or with peace treaties. We can only hope and pray that this second way is always entered into; however, we must consider that history is an infinite series of peace treaties refuted by successive wars, or by the metamorphosis of those same wars in other ways and in other places. In our time also, a piecemeal" war is being fought on more scenarios and in different ways. We must at least suspect that in the framework of a globalization made up especially of economic and financial interests, the "peace" of some corresponds to the "war" of others. And this isn't Christ's peace!

Instead, how does the Lord Jesus give His peace? We heard Saint Paul say that the peace of Christ is "to make of two, one" (Cf. *Ephesians* 2:14), to cancel enmity and reconcile. And the way to fulfil this work of peace is His body. In fact, He reconciles all things and puts peace with the Blood of His Cross, as the same Apostle says elsewhere (Cf. *Colossians* 1:20). And here I ask myself, we can all ask ourselves: who are, then, the "peacemakers"? The seventh Beatitude is the most active, explicitly operative. The verbal expression is analogous to that used in the first verse of the Bible for creation and it indicates initiative and laboriousness. By its nature love is creative — love is always creative — and seeks reconciliation at all cost. Those are called sons of God who have learned the art of peace and exercise it; they know that there is no reconciliation without giving one's life, and that peace is always sought no matter what. Don't forget this! It's sought thus. This isn't an autonomous work, fruit of one's own capabilities; it's a manifestation of grace received from Christ, who is our peace, who has rendered us sons of God.

True *shalom* and true interior balance flow from Christ's peace, which comes from His Cross and generates a new humanity, embodied in an infinite array of men and women Saints, inventive, creative, who always thought of new ways to love —, the men and women Saints that make peace. This life of sons of God, which by the Blood of Christ our brothers seek and discover, is true happiness. Blessed are those that go on this way.

Happy Easter to all, in the peace of Christ!