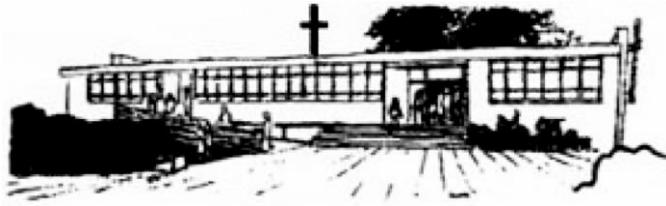


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

31st May 2020, Year A/2



ANGELICO, Fra, *Triptych of the Last Judgment, Ascension, and Pentecost Det.* (1450-1455)

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: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world
and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, send out Your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

VIGIL SATURDAY

	6:00pm		Nestor St Jose (Dec. Ann.)
SUNDAY	8:30am		Margaret Mary Sullivan (Rec. Dec.)
	10:00am		For the Parish
Monday	8:00am	Mary, Mother of the Church	Thanksgiving for Medical Result
Tuesday	8:00am	Bl Sadoc & Companions	For Healing of the Knee
Wednesday	8.00am	St Charles Lwanga & Companions	
Thursday	8.00am	St Peter of Verona	
Friday	8.00am	St Boniface	For God's Precious Infants
Saturday	8.30am	Mass of the Virgin Mary	Dec. Mems. of St Vincent de Paul

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

For direct link to livestream masses type in your browser: bit.ly/stjosephlive

MASS INTENTIONS

Please apply for your Mass Intentions on the Parish Website or see one of the Priests.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Margaret Mary Sullivan

DECEASED ANNIVERSARIES: Nestor St Jose,
Elizabeth Colville, Dec. Mems. of St Vincent de Paul

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.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday morning after Mass or speak to one of the Priests.

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, John Stofmeel, 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

SACRAMENTS OF THE SICK AND CONFESSION

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

POPE FRANCIS' MAY INTENTIONS

For Deacons

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$615
Loose: \$117.35
Donations: \$110
Visitor Contributions: \$20

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. There is a minimum of \$10 donation.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2020-2021

Envelopes are now ready to be picked up from the Office during office hours (see front page) or in the Church. We have reduced the number of envelopes for this coming financial year, so you may notice a different number on your envelopes.

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 or in the Black Boxes, marked 1st and 2nd Collection, and the Donation box at the back of the Church.

NEW MOBILE NUMBER FOR PARISH

Our new mobile number for counselling, to make an appointment 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.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FOR 2020

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

ALPHA ONLINE

Begins Monday 1st June at 7.30pm. Register at www.parracatholic.org/alphaonline/ or ring 0448 652 720 to explore life, faith and meaning together.

PRIVATE PRAYER AND MASS BOOKINGS

50 people are allowed in the church from Monday 1st June.

Private Prayer - Sign-in sheets are provided prior to entry to provide your name, contact number and address for Private Prayer.

Mass Bookings - All who wish to attend Mass are required to register to guarantee having a place in the Church. Please ring the Parish by calling 4721 4080 during Office hours or ring 0423 725 148 outside Office hours. If you do not register, we cannot guarantee that you will be able to enter the Church, as we will have to limit numbers to 50 (including children).

You will need to provide your name, contact number and address during registration.

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.

If your name is not on the sheet and there is space in the Church, please provide your name, telephone number and address on the sheet provided.

Social distancing is still essential, so you will be required to take notice of the signs on the pews.

After 4.30pm you can register for the Mass for the next day on 0423 725 148, subject to availability.

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 hand.

Hand sanitisers are available in the church. Door handles, pens and surfaces are sanitised regularly.

We will continue to livestream the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Masses until all the restrictions are over.

Further details are available on the parish website <http://stjosephskingswood.org/>

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

POPE FRANCIS' CATECHESIS

On Prayer (continued)

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

We dedicate today's catechesis to the prayer of the righteous.

God's plan for humanity is good but in our daily affairs we experience the presence of evil: it's an experience of every day. The first chapters of the Book of Genesis describe the progressive expansion of sin in human affairs. Adam and Eve (Cf. *Genesis* 3:1-7) doubt God's benevolent intentions, thinking that it had to do with an envious divinity, which impeded their happiness. Hence the rebellion: I no longer believe in a generous Creator that desires their happiness. Yielding to the Evil One's temptation, their heart is seized by delusions of omnipotence: "if we eat the fruit of the tree, we will become like God". And this is temptation; this is the ambition that enters the heart. However, the experience goes in the opposite direction: their eyes open and they discover that they are naked, without anything. Don't forget this: the tempter is a bad payer; he pays badly.

The evil becomes more explosive with the second human generation, it is stronger: it is the story of Cain and Abel (Cf. *Genesis* 4:1-16). Cain is envious of his brother: it's the worm of envy. Although he is the firstborn, he sees Abel as a rival, one who undermines his primacy. Evil appears in his heart and Cain is unable to control it. Evil begins to enter the heart: the thoughts are always to look badly at the other, with suspicion. And this happens also with the thought: "This man is evil, he will harm me." And this thought enters the heart. And so the story of the first brotherhood ends in a homicide. I think today of human brotherhood . . . wars everywhere.

In Cain's lineage crafts and arts are developed, but violence also develops, expressed by Lamech's sinister canticle, which sounds like a hymn of revenge: "I have slain a man for wounding me, a young man for striking me Cain is avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy-sevenfold" (*Genesis* 4:23-24). Revenge: "He did it and he'll pay for it." However, the judge doesn't say this, I say this. And I make myself judge of the situation. And so evil spreads like an oil stain, until it occupies the whole picture: "The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (*Genesis* 6:5). The great frescoes of the universal deluge and of the Tower of Babel reveal that there is need of a new beginning, like a new creation, which will have its fulfilment in Jesus Christ.

And yet, in these first pages of the Bible, another story is written, less striking, much more humble and devout,

which represents the rescue of hope. If almost all behave brutally, making hatred and conquest the great engine of human affairs, there are persons capable of praying to God sincerely, capable of writing man's destiny in a different way. Abel offers God a sacrifice of first fruits. After his death, Adam and Eve had a third son, Seth, of whom Enosh was born (which means "mortal"), and it's said: "At that time men began to call upon the name of the Lord" (4:26). Then Enoch appears, personality who "walked with God" and was taken to Heaven (Cf. 5:22-24). And finally, there is the story of Noah, a righteous man who "walked with God" (6:9) before whom God holds back His intention to blot out humanity Cf. 6:7-8).

One has the impression that prayer is man's refuge in face of the wave full of evil that grows in the world. On closer inspection, we also pray to be saved from ourselves. It's important to pray: "Lord, please, save me from myself, from my ambitions and passions." The men of prayer of the first pages of the Bible are operators of peace. In fact, when prayer is genuine, it frees from the instincts of violence and is a look turned to God, so that He will turn and take care of man's heart. Prayer cultivates flowerbeds of rebirth in places where man's hatred has only been capable of enlarging the desert. And prayer is powerful, because it attracts God's power and God's power always gives life — always. He is the God of life, and He revives. The world lives and grows thanks to God's strength, which His servants attract with their prayer. I remember the story of a man: an important head of government, not of this time, of past times; an atheist who didn't have a religious sense in his heart, but as a child had heard his grandmother praying, and that stayed in his heart. And, in a difficult moment of his life, that memory returned to his heart and he said: "But grandmother prayed", so he began to pray with his grandmother's formulas and he found Jesus there. Prayer is a chain of life — always. Many men and women who pray sow life. Prayer sows into life, a little prayer: therefore, it's very important to teach children to pray. It pains me when I meet children that don't know how to make the sign of the cross. It's important that children learn to pray. Later they might forget or take another path in life; however, the first prayers learned as a child stay in the heart, because they are a seed of dialogue with God. The journey of God in the history of God passes through them: it has passed through a "remnant" of humanity, which has not conformed to the law of the strongest, but has asked God to fulfil His miracles, especially to transform our heart of stone into a heart of flesh (Cf. *Ezekiel* 36:26). And this helps prayer, because prayer opens the door to God transforming our heart, so often of stone, into a human heart.