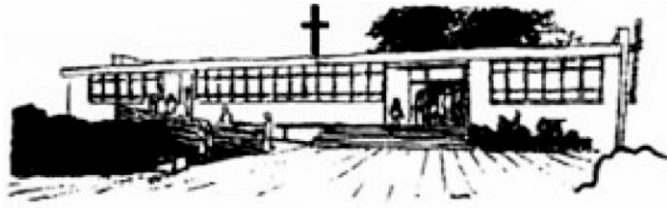


ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

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Please leave a detailed Message

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12 June 2016, Year C/2



RUBENS, Peter Paul, Christ at Simon the Pharisee
1618-20

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm (Mass in Polish)
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. Franziska Jackson - Principal

School Office Times

8:30 am - 4:00 pm - Monday to Friday

Address

94 Joseph Street
Kingswood, NSW 2747

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LITURGY

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.

Entrance Antiphon: O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

Special Intention

SUNDAY

8:30am

Mahns Family

10:00am

For the Parish

Monday:

8:00am

St. Anthony of Padua

Rosa Arik

Tuesday:

8:00am

Ordinary Time

Lynette Eades

Wednesday

8:00am

Ordinary Time

Veronica Kushnir

Thursday

8:00pm

Ordinary Time

Bullen Family

Friday

8:00am

Ordinary Time

Gianni Panozzo

Saturday

8:30am

Mass of the Virgin Mary

Caleb Deane

ADORATION CHAPEL:

Open during office hours or speak to Father Andrew to arrange another time.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please contact the Parish Office or one of the priests. In the case of Emergency please call the emergency number at the front of this bulletin.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Caleb Deane

DECEASED ANNIVERSARY: Lynette Eades, Ron Colville

PRAYER FOR FAITH IN OUR FUTURE:

Gracious God, source of all life, you call us together in faith and love as the Diocese of Parramatta.

As one body in Christ, may we respond to your Word, attend to the signs of the times, and live as your disciples in word and deed.

Renew our hearts in your Holy Spirit to grow and share our faith with the world; give us courage and grace to live faith in our future. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE:

Universal: That the aged, marginalized, and those who have no one may find—even within the huge cities of the world—opportunities for encounter and solidarity..

Evangelization: That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their mission.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: : Kevin Collins, Alistair McArthur, Dianne Devitt, John McCahon, Kathryn Tuckwell, Carmel Kerr, Debbie O'Connor, Roger Stevens, Cameron Stevens, Shayla, Karen Morvan, Gisela Drobiszewski, Charles Timmins, Barbara Thompson, Zig Barglik, Mavis Murphy, Valerie Davies, Janet Boreham, Anne Tucker, Raymond Waters, Francene Flannery, Jason Isbitski, Rosslyn Talbot, Noeline Cruzado, Bradley Cavanagh & David Jenkins.

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 DIOCESE

SECOND COLLECTION: ENVELOPES \$ 869.00

LOOSE: \$ 313.15

First collection contributions go to the Diocese to support the priests working in the Parish.

Second collection contributions go directly to the Parish to support day to day operation of the Parish.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM:

Confirmation: 22 November 2016

Registration: 28 August 2016

SKY YOUTH GROUP:

Wednesday 15th June 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

LEGION OF MARY:

Newly formed Presidium of *"Mary Seat of Wisdom"* in our Parish would like to invite you to join them. Meetings are held on every Tuesday from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the old office building. All persons interested in meeting and participating in Legion's activities are welcome.



YEAR OF MERCY

Pope Francis has called on the whole Church to celebrate an extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. The Jubilee commenced on 8th December 2015 and will close on the Solemnity of Christ the King of the Universe 20 November

2016.



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ORDER OF PREACHERS

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GIFT OF THE PLENARY INDULGENCE

Pope Francis has granted a special Jubilee Plenary Indulgence, on usual conditions, for the faithful praying in a Dominican church. That is why every days' morning adoration we finish with special prayers.

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUPS:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 1:30pm at 1/23 Walter Street, Kingswood. Dianne—4731 3685.

2nd & 4th Wednesdays after morning Mass—9am to 10am in Parish Hall. Aloma 4731 8102 Teresa—4731 4222

2nd & 4th Thursday 7:00pm at 2/40 Single Road, South Penrith. Elaine—4736 8162.

DIOCESAN WORKS FUND :

A collection will be held at all Masses this weekend. Our quota is \$2709. \$2094.90 has been raised so far. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. If you require a receipt, please print your name and address clearly on the front of the envelope and tick the box.

Thank you for your continuing generosity.

MASS OF INSTALLATION OF BISHOP VINCENT LONG:

The Liturgical Reception and Solemn Mass of Installation of Most Rev Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv DD as the fourth Bishop of Parramatta will take place at 7:30pm on Thursday 16th June in St. Patrick's Cathedral in Parramatta. Please keep Bishop Vincent and his future ministry among us in your prayers.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2016/2017:

Please collect your new set of Planned Giving Envelopes from the back of the Church. If you are not a registered planned giver and would like to join in order to support your parish, please call the office on 4721 4080 or email

parish@stjosephskingswood.org

PARISH SURVEY:

As a Parish we would like to invite you to participate in the Parish Survey. Your opinion is valuable to us and will allow us to plan for the future at St. Joseph's. Please fill out the form provided from the back of the Church or visit our web page/facebook page to fill out the electronic form. Thank you very much for your participation.

Following proclamation of the Privacy Act 1988 at the end of 2001, a privacy policy has been developed in accordance with Diocesan norms and has been approved by the Parish Priest. A copy is available from the Parish Office.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

GENERAL AUDIENCE:

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

Before beginning the catechesis, I would like to greet a group of couples, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries. This, truly, is “the good wine” of the family! Yours is a testimony that the newlyweds – who I will greet later – and young people must learn. It is a beautiful testimony. Thank you for your testimony.

After having commented on some parables of mercy, today we reflect on Jesus’ first miracle, which the evangelist John calls “signs,” because Jesus did not do them to arouse wonder, but to reveal the Father’s love. John (2:1-11), in fact, narrates the first of these prodigious signs, and it is carried out at Cana of Galilee. It is a sort of “entrance door” on which words and expressions are carved, which illumine the entire mystery of Christ and open the disciples’ hearts to faith. Let us look at some of them.

In the introduction, we find the expression “*Jesus and His disciples*” (v. 2). Those that Jesus has called to follow Him He has united to Himself in a community and now, as one family, they are all invited to the wedding. Beginning His public ministry at the wedding feast of Cana, Jesus manifests Himself as the Spouse of the People of God, announced by the prophets, and He reveals to us the profundity of the relationship that unites us to Him: it is a new Covenant of love. What is at the foundation of our faith? — An act of mercy with which Jesus has united us to Himself. And the Christian life is the answer to this love. It is like the story of two who are in love. God and man meet one another, seek one another, find one another, celebrate and love one another: precisely like the loved and beloved in the *Canticle of Canticles*. All the rest comes as consequence of this relationship. The Church is Jesus’ family in which His love is poured out; it is this love that the Church cherishes and wishes to give to all.

Understood also in the context of the Covenant, is Our Lady’s observation: “*They have no wine*” (v. 3). How is it possible to celebrate the wedding and to feast if what the prophets indicated, as an element typical of the Messianic banquet, is lacking? (cf. *Amos* 9:13-14; *Joel* 2:24; *Isaiah* 25:6). Water is necessary to live, but wine expresses the abundance of the banquet and the joy of the celebration. It is a nuptial feast in which wine is lacking and the newlyweds are embarrassed by this. But can you imagine ending a wedding feast drinking tea? It would be an embarrassment. Wine is necessary for a

celebration. In transforming the water into wine in the jars used “for the rites of purification of the Jews” (v. 6), Jesus carries out an eloquent sign. Jesus signals He is the fulfillment of the Law and the prophets. As John himself says elsewhere: “The Law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ” (1:17).

Mary’s words to the servants crown the nuptial picture: “*Do whatever He tells you*” (v. 5). It’s interesting: they are her last words reported by the Gospels: they are her legacy that she gives to all of us. Today, also, Our Lady says to us all: “Whatever He says to you – Jesus says to you –, do it.” It is the legacy she has left us: it’s beautiful! It is an expression that recalls the formula of faith used by the people of Israel at Sinai in answer to the promises of the Covenant: “All that the Lord has spoken we will do!” (*Exodus* 19:8). And indeed at Cana the servants obey. “Jesus said to them, ‘Fill the jars with water.’ And they filled them up to the brim. Again, He said to them, ‘Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter.’ So they took it” (vv. 7-8). In these nuptials, the New Covenant is truly stipulated and to the Lord’s servants, namely to the whole Church is entrusted the new mission: “Do whatever He tells you!” To serve the Lord means to listen and to put His Word into practice. It is the simple, but essential recommendation of Jesus’ Mother and it is the Christian’s program of life. To draw from the jar is equivalent for each one of us to entrust ourselves to the Word of God to experience its efficacy in life. Then, together with the steward of the banquet who tasted the water that became wine, we too can exclaim: “You have kept the good wine until now” (v. 10). Yes, the Lord continues to keep that good wine for our salvation, just as it continues to gush from the pierced side of the Lord.

The conclusion of the account sounds like a sentence: “Jesus did this as the beginning of His signs” in Cana in Galilee, and so revealed His glory, and His disciples began to believe in Him” (v. 11). The wedding at Cana is much more than the simple account of Jesus’ first miracle. As a treasure chest, Jesus keeps the secret of His person and the purpose of His coming: the awaited Spouse begins the nuptials that are fulfilled in the Paschal Mystery. In these nuptials, Jesus unites His disciples to Himself with a new and definitive Covenant. At Cana, Jesus’ disciples become His family and at Cana, the faith of the Church was born. We are all invited to this wedding feast, as the new wine is no longer lacking!

Translation: ZENIT