# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

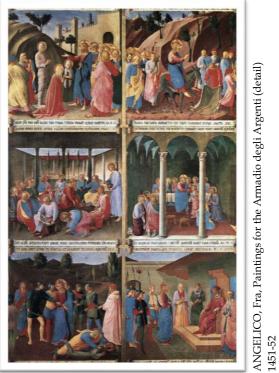


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# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

3 July 2016, Year C/2



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:

after 8:30am Mass Saturday

## 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

**Telephone:** 4732 3999; **Fax:** 4731 1432

www.stjosephskingswood.catholic.edu.au

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday 9:00am – 2:00pm and Friday: 8:30am – 1:30pm

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

# LITURGY

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS/MASS INTENTIONS

Responsorial Psalm: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Entrance Antiphon: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your

praise, O God, like your name, your right hand is filled with saving justice.

**VIGIL SATURDAY** 

6:00pm Charlie & Margaret Portelli & Family

SUNDAY 8:30am Gerard Anthony Portelli

10:00am For the Parish

Monday: 8:00am Bl Pier Giorgio Frassali Charlie & Margaret Portelli & Family

Tuesday: 8:00am Ordinary Time Special Request

Wednesday 8:00am Ordinary Time Barbara Sawyer & Madeline

Thursday 8:00pam Ordinary Time Dec. Member of CWL

Friday 8:00am Ordinary Time Charlie & Margaret Portelli & Family

Saturday 8:30am St John of Cologne & Companions Maria Strah

## 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:**

## **DECEASED ANNIVERSARY:**

Gerard Anthony Portelli, Maria Strah, Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's League.

#### 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 JULY:

Universal: That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity.

Evangelization: That, amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

**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, David Jenkins & Noeline Cruzado.

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.

# SECOND COLLECTION: Envelopes: \$864.00

Loose: \$248.60

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: Will resume after School Holidays

#### **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<sup>th</sup>

November 2016.



#### 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.

# PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION:

\$550.00 was raised last weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

## ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUPS:

**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.



3rd July - WYD Commissioning Mass - St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta at 5.00pm with Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv.

10 July Parish Commissioning after 10:00 am Mass

#### **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.

## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2016/2017:

Please collect from the back of the Church also Tax Receipts for DWF and Caritas donations.

#### THE WORD AMONG US:

If anyone would like this little book of Meditations on the Scriptures of each day of the month, please contact the Office. We would need to have 20 people interested if we were to order the booklet and keep the price down to \$40.00 per year for each of you.

# **EXPLORING OUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS:**

What spiritual gifts has the Holy Spirit given to you? What is God's plan for your life? We may have a 'Called and Gifted' Workshop at St. Joseph's to explore these concepts if enough people are interested. Please ring Teresa –

Phone: 02 4731 4222 AFTER 4:00pm any day.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL:

will be held at all Masses next weekend. It will be a leaving collection. Thank you for your generosity.

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:**

How many times, during these first months of the Jubilee, we have heard talk of the works of mercy! Today the Lord invites us to make a serious examination of conscience. In fact, it is good never to forget that mercy is not an abstract word, but a style of life: a person can be merciful or not merciful; it's a style of life. I choose to be merciful or I choose not to be merciful. It is one thing to speak of mercy and another to live mercy. Paraphrasing the words of Saint James the Apostle, (cf. 2:14-17), we can say: mercy without works is dead in itself. It is in fact like this! What renders mercy alive is its constant dynamism in going to meet the needs and necessities of all those in spiritual and material hardship. Mercy has eyes to see, ears to listen, hands to resolve ...

Daily life enables us to touch with our hand so many needs regarding the poorest and most tested persons. Requested of us is that particular attention that leads us to be aware of the state of suffering and need in which so many brothers and sisters are. Sometimes we pass before dramatic situations of poverty and it seems that they do not touch us; everything continues as if there were nothing, in an indifference that in the end renders us hypocrites and, without realizing it, it results in a form of spiritual lethargy, which renders our mind insensitive and our life sterile. People that pass by, who go forward in life without being aware of the needs of others, without seeing the many spiritual and material needs, are people that pass by without living, people that do not serve others. Remember <this> well: he who does not live to serve, does not serve to live.

How many aspects there are of God's mercy to us! In the same way, how many faces turn to us to obtain mercy. One who has experienced the Father's mercy in his own life cannot remain insensitive in face of the needs of brothers. The teaching of Jesus, which we just heard, does not allow ways out: I was hungry and you gave me to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me to drink; I was naked, a refugee, sick, in prison and you assisted me (cf. Matthew 25:35-36). One cannot beat about the bush in face of a person who is hungry: he must be given to eat. Jesus says this to us! The works of mercy are not theoretical subjects, but concrete testimonies. They oblige one to rollup one's sleeves to alleviate suffering.

Because of the changes of our globalized world, some material and spiritual poverties have multiplied: hence let us make room for the imagination of charity to identify new operative ways. Thus the way of mercy will become ever more concrete. Requested of us, therefore, is to remain vigilant as watchmen, so that it

will not happen that, in face of the poverties produced by the culture of wellbeing, the eyes of Christians are weakened and become incapable of looking at the essential. What does it mean to look at the essential? To look at Jesus, to look at Jesus in the hungry, the imprisoned, the sick, the naked, in the one who has no work and must lead his family forward. To look at Jesus in these brothers and sisters of ours; to look at Jesus in one who is alone, sasd, in one who errs and is in need of counsel, in one who needs to walk with Him in silence, to feel he is in company. These are the works that Jesus asks of us! To look at Jesus in them, in these people. Why? Because that is how Jesus looks at me, <how He> looks at all of us.

Now we pass to something else. In past days the Lord granted me to visit Armenia, the first nation to have embraced Christianity, at the beginning of the 4th century — a people that, in the course of its long history, has witnessed the Christian faith with martyrdom. I thank God for this trip and I am truly grateful to the President of the Armenian Republic, to the Catholicos Karekin II, to the Catholic Patriarch and Bishops, and to the whole Armenian people for having welcomed me as pilgrim of fraternity and of peace.

In three months, I will undertake, God willing, another trip — to Georgia and Azerbaijan, two other countries of the Caucasus region. I accepted the invitation to visit these countries for a twofold reason: on one hand to appreciate the ancient Christian roots present in those lands – always in a spirit of dialogue with the other religions and cultures – and, on the other, to encourage hopes and paths of peace. History teaches us that the path of peace requires great tenacity and continuous steps, beginning with small ones and, little by little, making them grow, one going to encounter the other. In fact because of this my wish is that each and all may make their contribution to reconciliation.

As Christians, we are called to reinforce fraternal communion among ourselves, to render witness to Christ's Gospel and to be leaven of a more just and solidaristic society. Therefore, the whole visit was shared with the Supreme Patriarch of the Armenian Apostolic Church, who hosted me fraternally in his home for three days.

I renew my embrace to the Bishops, to the priests, to the women and men religious and to all the faithful in Armenia. May the Virgin Mary, our Mother, help them to remain firm in the faith, open to encounter and generous in works of mercy. Thank you.

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