### ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Andrew Fornal OP

Parish Priest

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### FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

31 January 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:

Saturday after 8:30am Mass

#### ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs. Franziska Jackson - Principal

ANGELICO, Fra, Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

**School Office Times** 

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

**Address** 

94 Joseph Street

Kingswood, NSW 2747

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

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#### LITURGY

#### LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

Responsorial Psalm: I will sing of your salvation.

**Entrance Antiphon:** Save us, O Lord God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy

name, and make it our glory to praise you.

**VIGIL SATURDAY** 

6:00pm Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY 8:30am No Mass Intention

10:00am For the Parish

Monday: 8:00am Ordinary Time Bill Waayer

Tuesday: 8:00am Presentation of the Lord No Mass Intention

Wednesday 8:00am Ordinary Time No Mass Intention

Thursday 8:00am St. Catherine de Ricci Deceased Members of CWL

Friday 8:00am St. Agatha No Mass Intention

Saturday 8:30am St. Paul Miki and Companions Deceased Members of SVDP

#### **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: Frank Kokoszka William Carrigan

DECEASED ANNIVERSARY: Bill Waayer, Deceased Members of St. Vincent de Paul and Catholic Women's League.

#### **ROSARY AND BENEDICTION:**

Saturday at 5:15pm

#### 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 JANUARY:

**Universal:** That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace..

**Evangelization:** That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.

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, Bus Maybaum, Valerie Davies, Jack Kane, Janet Boreham, Anne Tucker, Raymond Waters, Francene Flannery Jason Isbitski & 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

#### **PARISH AND DIOCESE**

#### **WEEKLY**

**SECOND COLLECTION:** ENVELOPES \$750.00

LOOSE: \$333.90

#### **DONATIONS AND FUND-RAISING:**

THIS WEEK DONATIONS: \$

#### **SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA:**

After 10:00am Mass.

#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM:

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 2 April 2016

Registration: 14th February 2016

First Communion: 29 May 2016

Registration: 3rd April 2016

Confirmation: 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2016 Registration: 28<sup>th</sup> August 2016

## ALL NIGHT ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Jesus Youth Australia, will be sponsoring a Night of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Josephs'. **Beginning Friday 5 February 3:00 pm with the Divine Mercy Chaplet ending Saturday 6 February 3:00 pm.** There will be a break in the Adoration for the Holy Mass on Saturday 8:30 am. All are welcome to join in this event at anytime day or night.

#### **PALMS:**

On Tuesday 9 February we will be preparing ashes for Ash Wednesday. If you have palms from last Palm Sunday please bring them to the church to be burned. Basket for old palms will be in position near the Sacristy.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES:

8:00AM & 7:00PM.

#### **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:**

For visitation to Kingswood Nursing Home. Enquiries to Nadia Ph: 4731 3819 from 4:00pm. Leave message if necessary.

#### MASS FOR THE SICK:

On 11 February Church celebrates Memorial of blessed Mother Our Lady of Lourdes. On this day in a special way we remember our sick brothers and sisters. On Thursday 11 February 10:00 Special Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. After the Mass refreshments will be available in the Parish Hall

#### **SRE DEANERY MASS:**

This Tuesday 2 February 2016 at 10:30am Holy Family Parish Centre, Lot 32 Willowdene Ave., Luddenham RSVP to Carmel Fenton 0402 222 143 or carwltn@bigpond.net.au by Monday 1st February



#### 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.



#### GIFT OF THE PLENARY INDULGENCE

Pope Francis has granted a special jubilee indulgence for the faithful praying in a Dominican church. That is why everydays' morning adoration we finish with special prayers to gain a plenary indulgence.

WYD RAFFLE TICKETS - PLEASE RETURN TICKETS AND MONEY BY SUNDAY  $21^{\rm ST}$  FEBRUARY.

PRAYER GROUPS RESUME IN FEBRUARY. SKY YOUTH GROUP RESUMES IN FEBRUARY.

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.

#### CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

#### PAPAL ADDRESS

Vatican City, 27 January 2016 (VIS) -God's mercy has always been present throughout the history of the People of Israel, accompanying the way of Patriarchs, endowing them with offspring despite their sterility as in the case of Abraham and Sarah, and leading them on paths of grace and reconciliation, as is shown by the story of Joseph and his brothers. When life became difficult due to slavery in Egypt, God was not indifferent to their suffering. He saved them from the Pharaoh through Moses, he took them out of Egypt and led them through the Red Sea and the desert to the promised land and to freedom. This was the theme of the Holy Father's catechesis during this Wednesday's general audience in St. Peter's Square, entitled "God heard their groaning and He remembered His covenant", drawn from the Book of Exodus.

"Mercy is not indifferent to the pain of the oppressed, to the cry of those who suffer violence and slavery or are condemned to death. Suffering is a sad reality that afflicts every age, including our own, and often makes us feel helpless, tempting us to harden our hearts and think of other things. God, however, is not indifferent; He never turns away from human suffering. The God of mercy ... intervenes to save, inspiring men capable of hearing the cry of suffering and of working in favour of the oppressed".

Moses, one of God's chosen ones, saved from the waters of the Nile by divine mercy, becomes a mediator for the liberation of his people. "And we too, in this Year of Mercy, can be mediators ... with the works of mercy, being close to our neighbours, to relieve them. They are many good things we can do", added the Pope. "God's mercy always acts to save us. The Lord, through his servant Moses, leads Israel in the desert like a child, educating his people in faith and creating a strong bond of love, like that between a father and son, or a bride and groom. ... God possesses all the earth because He has created it, but the people become for Him a different type of possession: His personal reserve of gold and silver, like the treasure King David says he has donated for the construction of the Temple. This is what we become for God by welcoming his covenant and letting ourselves be saved by Him. The Lord's mercy makes man precious, like a personal wealth that belongs to Him, that He conserves and is pleased

with"."These are the wonders of divine mercy, that finds fulfilment in the Lord Jesus, in that 'new and eternal alliance' consummated with His blood, that with forgiveness destroys our sin and definitively makes us children of God, precious jewels in the hands of the good and merciful Father. And if we are sons of God, we have the possibility of inheriting this goodness and mercy. Let us ask the Lord, in this Year of Mercy ... to open our heart to reach everyone with the works of mercy, the legacy of the mercy that God the Father has shown to us", concluded the bishop of Rome.

#### **NEWS**

Vatican City, 25 January 2016 (VIS) – The Holy See Press Office today announced that His Holiness Francis intends to participate in a joint ceremony of the Catholic Church and the World Lutheran Federation to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, scheduled to take place in Lund, Sweden on Monday 31 October 2016.

Vatican City, 27 January 2016 (VIS) – Following today's catechesis, the Holy Father mentioned that the Pontifical Council "Cor Unum", on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy, has arranged a day of spiritual retreat for people and groups involved in charity service. The day, to be held in the individual dioceses during the upcoming Lenten period, "will offer an opportunity to reflect on the call to be merciful like the Father", said Francis, inviting those present to welcome this proposal, following the indications and using the materials prepared by "Cor Unum".

After his special greetings to the young, the sick and newly-weds, the Pope mentioned that tomorrow will be the feast day of St. Thomas Aquinas, patron of Catholic schools. "His example inspires you, dear young people, to see in the merciful Jesus the sole teacher of life; may his intercession obtain for those of you who are sick the serenity and peace present in the mystery of the Cross; and may his doctrine encourage you, dear newly-weds, to trust in the wisdom of the heart to fulfil your mission".

Finally, he greeted a group of circus performers and acrobats, reiterating that their profession is the creation of beauty, and beauty always brings us closer to God.