

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

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Parish Office

Bishop Richard Umbers DD VG (Bishop in Residence) Fr. Andrew James (Parish Priest), (Deacon) Rev Louis Azzopardi

Thursday Weekday Mass will be at 8:00am

Maria - Mondays

Cecilia -Wed-Friday 9.30am - 2:30pm

Parish & Hall enquiries 9558 3257

Mass Times Sat: 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sun: 8am & 10am Mon to Fri: 9:00am **Sat:** 9:30am

Family Mass with Children's Liturgy

3rd Sunday of the Month 10am Mass

Family Rosary & Morning <u>Tea</u> - 2nd Sunday of the

Month after 10am Mass in the Church Hall

Filipino Mass

1st Sun 11:30am

Il Gruppo di Rosario Italiano Il gruppo di preghiera Italiano, si raduna ogni giovedi alle

ore 10 nella salla parrocchiale.

Sacraments Confession

Sat 8:30-9:20am, 4:45pm or any time by appointment

Baptism

Every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday 11.15am

Marriage

At least 6 months notice required

Anointing of the Sick Any time on call

Devotions Holy Hour & Rosary

Sunday - Friday before morning mass

Rosary & Benediction Sat 8:30-9:30am

Elsa George Rosary

Group Second Saturday of the month at 2.30pm 9716 6676 All welcome

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesday 7pm

11:30 Filipino Mass All welcome!



How much can you forgive?

until further notice.

Danny Abdallah and his wife Leila lost four of their young children last year in a tragic accident involving a driver under the influence of drugs and alcohol. In a story that made headlines throughout Australia he and his wife publicly forgave the young man who had taken their children's lives. Hear his powerful story of how their faith led them to forgiveness at a Men's Breakfast on Saturday 15th May 8am at St Joseph's Parish Hall Enfield. Bookings essential: www.trybooking.com/BOKYJ

Please speak to Deacon Louis if you want more information

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Dear Parents,

You are invited to participate in your children's preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Terry Brady will celebrate a Confirmation Mass on Saturday June 12th at 11:00 am. Depending on the number of children who wish to be confirmed, there may be an additional Mass on

the same day There will be an enrolment and information meeting for all parents who wish to have their children confirmed on Tuesday 6th May at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. It is essential that

you come to this meeting if you wish to enrol your child in the sacramental preparation program. Please bring your child's baptismal certificate with you as well as certificates for Reconciliation and First Communion. You will also be asked for \$30 at this meeting to cover the cost of books and class materials.

There will be four weekend preparation classes. Children may attend either the Saturday session at 4:30pm or the Sunday session at 9am. All classes are held in the Parish Hall next to St Paul of the Cross church

Class dates are:

Saturday 15th May or Sunday 16th May Saturday 22nd May or Sunday 23rd May

Saturday 29th May or Sunday 30th May Saturday 5th June or Sunday 6th June

Wishing you and your families God's blessings. Deacon Louis Azzopardi

NOVENA

23 April (Fri) - 1 May (Sat) 7:00 pm

FIESTA

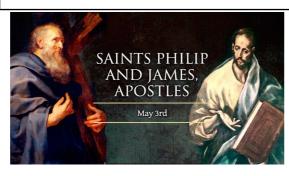
2 May, Sunday followed by (and ends) with procession around the church.





Feast/Solemnity/Memorial/Saint of the Week (3 - 9 May 2021)

Mon 3/5 Sts Philip and James, apostles



St Philip was born at Bethsaida; he was a disciple of John the Baptist. He preached in Greece, Syria and Phrygia; and his martyrdom took place at Hierapolis.

St James is called the brother of the Lord on account of the close relationship that existed between his own mother and the Blessed Mother of Jesus. He is the writer of one of the Epistles, the Letter of James. He was the first Bishop of Jerusalem, and was martyred there.

Both shared lives radically devoted to the Gospel and paid the ultimate sacrifice for their faith.

CWF May Parish Appeal

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May Appeal is happening this weekend and we need your help. COVID-19 has taken an especial toll on the most vulnerable in Sydney - including those now facing homelessness, single mothers, those struggling with mental health, and our local Aboriginal communities.

Special envelopes are available at the parish. Alternatively, you can learn more and donate securely at www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

St Joseph's Enfield Healing Mass Friday 7th May 2021,

Celebrant: Father Yacub Barkat Rosary: 7:00pm Reconciliation: 7:00-8:00pm Prayer and Praise: 7:30pm Mass: 8:00pm Exposition (after Mass) & Prayer Ministry St Joseph's Catholic Church 126 Liverpool Rd., Enfield

Parking at rear of church. Enter from Baker St.

E-mail: rosetwymansydney@gmail,com

Choir Practice on Monday at 7pm in the Church every fortnight. Next choir practice will be on the 10 May 2021.

Fifth Sunday of Easter / B



"Make your home in me as I make mine in you"

This Saturday, the 1st of May, was the Feast of St Joseph the Worker. When it was instituted in 1955 it was intended to be a Christian response to socialist and communist celebrations of International Workers Day (May Day). It was also meant to honour not only St Joseph but also the value and dignity of work and all workers and in particular the significance our working life has in our life in Christ.

Pope Francis has asked that this year be dedicated to St Joseph. He wanted this year to be a time when "each of us can discover in Joseph the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence - an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble." His own understanding of the role of Joseph has, he says, deepened throughout

his experience of the Covid pandemic. He realised how, "amid the crisis, our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people, people often overlooked... workers of all kinds as well as doctors and nurses, who are surely shaping the decisive events of our history."

It is with this in mind that, in his Apostolic Letter Patris Corde (With a father's heart), he reflects on Joseph's role in shaping the life of the Holy Family and, through them, the life of the Church. The Gospels say very little about St Joseph but, what they do say, echo the words of Jesus to his disciples in this Sunday's Gospel, "make your home in me as I make mine in you."

Joseph made a home for Jesus first of all through his love for his wife Mary. His love for her was both courageous and unconditional. Pope Francis comments that "Joseph set aside his own ideas in order to accept the course of events and, mysterious as they seemed, to embrace them, to take responsibility for them and to make them part of his own story." The events surrounding the earliest years of Jesus' life, especially the escape to Egypt, all required a courageous and creative response from Joseph as the traditional head of the family.

The Gospels also show us that God 'made his own home' in Joseph's life. He became a true father to Jesus through his trust in God who Jesus would later call "my Father". Like Mary, Joseph was a devout Jew and followed all the teachings of the Law of Moses. Matthew's Gospel describes four dreams that Joseph had, dreams where Joseph came to understand what God wanted him to do. This was the way God often spoke to those he had chosen in the Old Testament. Joseph listened each time and trusted in God to take him to the next stage of the story of our salvation that he was an active part of.

Joseph also made a home for Mary and Jesus and, through them, for God in our world through his own work as a carpenter, a job that in his day combined woodworking, building and business skills. His work not only supported them each day but also reminds us that "God himself, in becoming man, did not disdain work. Working people, whatever their job may be, are cooperating with God himself and, in some way, becoming creators of the world around us.

This painting of Joseph the Worker by the Sixteenth century painter Georges de la Tour expresses beautifully not only the importance of Joseph but also his work and our work in 'making a home' for God in our world. The light of the candle Jesus is holding shines brightest on his face. He is the Light of the World. It also lights up Joseph's face as he works. This light that Jesus is holding however is not a symbolic light but a light that Joseph needs to do his work. It is a light that both supports his family in their everyday life and a Light that makes it possible for their lives to support others in the life that God has given us.

Reference: Patris Corde (With a father's heart) Apostolic Letter on the 150th Anniversary of the proclamation of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church December 8th 2020 Pope Francis

PARISH WEEKEND MASS ROSTER 8 & 9 May 2021

5:30pm R Lazarus 8:00am J Peters 10:00am J Duru Readers: S Draysey G Turnbull V Simms

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ph: 9558 5308 Fax: 9558 4909 Principal:

Ms Frances Stewart **REC:** Ms Jo-Anne Ross

With St Paul of the Cross we pray ...

For the sick Francesca Frezza

Eimy & Kenzo Raul Cabrera Angela Di Donato Sr Julianne Murphy Helen & Robyn Natalina Gallace Ruth Wilson Raymond Hudson Lourdes Tee Fr Jim Duggan Pat Allport Cardo, Zennie, Ian, Pat Francheska Bechara

Recently Deceased

Death Anniversary Evelyn & Jamileh Doueihi

For the Souls

All forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory

Special Intentions Leah Tillam

