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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 8am, 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASS TIME:

Mon. 7.00am Tues 6.00pm
Wed. 9.00am Thurs 7.00am
Fri 9.00 am Sat 9.00am

HOLY HOUR: Tues.5.00pm–6.00pm
Saturday 8.00am – 9.00am

CONFESSION: 10 mins before Mass
and Saturdays 8.00 – 8.55am

Tuesday 5.15pm – 5:45pm

BAPTISMS: at 9.30am Sunday Mass
BAPTISM Prep: Thurs. 4th April. 7pm
WEDDINGS: By appointment.

ANOINTING MASS: 6th / 7th April 2019

Stations of the Cross: Fridays 6.30pm

24 Hours for the Lord: 9:30am Fri 29th March to 9:30am Sat 30th March

Our sick: Ron Payne, May Kenny, Carmen Camilleri, Jan Gurba, Mary Carmen Borg, Norma Cook, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Lonza Busuttill, Maria Suszycka, Urszula Kaminska, Thea Van Gastel, Josephine Marinilli, Joan Hagley, Amy Zuschmann, Steven Marinilli and all dear friends from Mildred Symons House & housebound.

Please read Catholic Weekly, only \$2 per copy.

<http://catholicfaitheducation.blogspot.com.au/> [HTTP://CATHOLICREADINGS.ORG](http://CATHOLICREADINGS.ORG)
<https://www.compellingtruth.org>
www.vocationcentre.org.au

<http://www.ibtministries.org>
EWTN-Kids (catechism for Kids)

Catholic News Service,
Catholica; Zenith News; **Fish Eaters**
<http://www.liturgy.sydneycatholic.org/>
www.catalystforrenewal.org.au
<https://www.cruxnow.com>
The Catholic Thing: First Things

Sat: 9am: +Eileen Low **Vigil 5pm: +;** **Sun: 8am:** +Wilhelm & Theresa; **9.30am:** Special Intention; **Mon:** For Living Souls; **Tues:** +Joseph & Josephine; **Wed:** +Julian and Alexandra; **Thurs:** +Jaroslav Kollar; **Fri:** For Relief and Deliverance of Souls in Purgatory, FOSS; **Sat:** That Catechism of the Church will be taught correctly.

...**Among** the strongest themes emerging in responses received by the Archdiocese to the **Plenary Council** are desires for clearer, more detailed faith formation, more fulfilling prayer lives and greater emphasis on the Sacraments. The Lenten period opens the door to enabling and strengthening our communities in response to their call for greater spiritual formation. The Sydney Archdiocesan Plenary Council team is preparing a simple resource that will focus on the Sacrament of Baptism and on awareness of Baptism as part of our preparation for all Sacraments. The gift of grace we received at baptism is evident in the extraordinary response of over 68,000 people who have committed time to engage with the Plenary Council across Australia. We must continue to enable our communities to nourish their faith through prayer, reflection and knowledge. (Bp. Terry Brady)



International Women's Day.

Become a catechist (SRE) in our State Schools. Training will be provided. Please call 9528 0205.

Saint Joseph
Pray for us



The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office
If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney, we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on ph: 02 9390 5810 or karen.larkman@sydneycatholic.org

Annual Sydney Archdiocesan Camp Factor 2019 (for all teens and students in year 7-12) from Sat April 13th to Tue April 16th. Cost \$260. Benedict 16th Retreat Centre, Grose Vale. More info: call 9307 8152 or info@sydneycatholicyouth.org

Sacrament of Confirmation on Sundays 19th and 26th May. Both celebrations are @ 11am. Those candidates to be admitted to the sacrament are to have fulfilled **all** the requirements related to the preparatory journey. Fr. Jerzy.

7th April, Sunday at 11.45am in the hall to honour Friends celebrating their Birthdays in April.

On Tuesday 19th March School Mass to honour St. Joseph, our Patron, at 9:00am.

8 December, 1870 by the decree Quemadmodum Deus,(As Almighty God) Pius IX proclaimed Saint Joseph Patron of the Universal Church.« Always », he wrote, « in critical hours, the Church has implored his assistance. In the very sad times that we are going through, however, when the Church Herself, pursued by her enemies from all sides, is weighed down by such great calamities that the impious are already persuaded that the time has come at last when the gates of Hell will prevail against Her. Profoundly moved by the lamentable state of things at present, and desiring to place himself and all the faithful under the very powerful patronage of the holy patriarch Joseph, the Pope has deigned to accede to the wishes of so many venerable pontiffs. This is why he solemnly declares Saint Joseph Patron of the Catholic Church».

Dear Parishioners, Parents and Students of our School and State Schools, There is an invitation to take part in various celebrations and ceremonies related to the Liturgies from Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter Sunday to Sunday of Divine Mercy (2nd Sunday of Easter). **For Palm Sunday** we need of the Passion of the Lord at all Masses (two for each Mass).For the Liturgy of the Last Supper on **Holy Thursday** at 6pm twelve volunteers are needed for the feet washing. At the conclusion of the Mass two persons are needed to strip off the altar. **Good Friday the Stations of the Cross at 10am** three readers are required. **Good Friday Ceremonies** at 3pm six Ladies as Women of Jerusalem for the veneration of the Cross needed and two readers for the Passion of Jesus presentation. **Easter Saturday** some helpers needed to decorate Sanctuary for the 6pm Vigil Easter Liturgies.

Can one be a saint in everyday life? Do we have to pray all day? No, it means that we must do our duty: pray, go to work, take care of children. Everything should be done with the heart open to God. We can become saints.

St. Joseph was an extraordinary man, the holy head of the Holy Family. While Jesus and Mary were both sinless, they both obeyed St. Joseph. He had the toughest job on the planet and passed with flying colors. He has a special place in heaven and a special place in the hearts of Jesus and Mary. He is also patron of the Universal Church and one of the most powerful intercessors among the saints. [St. Andre Bessette](#), the recently canonized Canadian brother, was credited with healing thousands of individuals. His secret? Praying to St. Joseph! If you are in trouble, if you are tempted, if you need anything at all, turn to St. Joseph for help.



Some Saints are privileged to extend to us their patronage with particular efficacy in certain needs, but not in others; but our holy patron St. Joseph has the power to assist us in all cases, in every necessity, in every undertaking. – St. Thomas Aquinas

Since 2014 Pope Francis has invited to participate in 24 hours for the Lord on the weekend leading up to the 4th Sunday of Lent. 24 Hours for the Lord is an initiative whereby parishes offer Reconciliation in the context of Adoration. Our parish will hold 24 Hours for the Lord on Fri 29 March, from 9.30am to Sat 30 March.9.30am. Programme for this event will be presented at later date.