

<p>We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land of the Gweagal People of the Dharawal Nation.</p>	<p>Mass intentions (21<sup>st</sup> Aug.-27<sup>th</sup> Aug.)  <b>Sat. 7.30am</b> + Marc Young  <b>Vigil 5pm</b> + Eileen Low  <b>Sun.8am</b> + Hen Jee Young  <b>Sun. 9.30am</b> + Peter Drewe  <b>Mon.</b> + Philip Low  <b>Tue.</b> For newly born Caleb  <b>Wed.</b> + Ronald Karli  <b>Thurs.</b> + All Souls of Dep. Loved ones &amp; F.  <b>Fri.</b> + Relief &amp; Deliv. of Holy Souls</p>	<p>“Catholic SRE Learning from Home” materials. ;  <a href="https://www.cress.org.au/learning-from-home-sre-lessons/">https://www.cress.org.au/learning-from-home-sre-lessons/</a> New Learning from Home lessons have been uploaded and are available for parents to access across NSW.</p>	<p>Saint Monica (c. 332–387) was an early African Christian saint and the mother of St. Augustine of Hippo. She is remembered and honored in the Catholic and Orthodox Churches, albeit on different feast days, for her outstanding Christian virtues, particularly the suffering caused by her husband's adultery, and her prayerful life dedicated to the reformation of her son, who wrote extensively of her pious acts and life with her in his “Confessions”. Memorial day is 27<sup>th</sup> August.</p>
<p><b>COVID-19 Safety Plan:</b> 1) those with flu symptoms must not enter the church; 2) register via QR code on entry or sign in; 3) sanitise hands on entry; 4) sanitise seats after each service; 5) social distancing 2m apart  <b>Our Church is currently closed until restrictions lift.</b>          Masses can be viewed on YouTube: Streaming: stjosephcomo</p>	<p>Google: <a href="#">Sydney Centre for Evangelisation</a></p>	<p>Why does God allow war? He is allowing mankind to experience life in a world cut off from Him because of sin. It's not God's fault that sin, evil and warfare are a part of our world today. We are bringing sorrow and destruction upon ourselves.</p>	<p>St. Bartholomew, 1st. century. All that is known of him with certainty, is that he is mentioned in the synoptic gospels (Mathew, Mark, Luke) and Acts of The Apostles as one of the Twelve. His name, a patronymic, means "son of Tolomai". Scholars believe he is the same Nathanael mentioned in John, who says he is from Cana and that Jesus called him an "Israelite...incapable of deceit." Memorial day 24<sup>th</sup> August.</p>
<p><b>Daily Masses:</b> 7.30am <b>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday</b> (Saturday: Holy Hour, Confession and Mass); <b>Tuesday</b> 5.00pm: Adoration, Novena, Confession, Benediction and 6pm Mass. <b>First Friday</b> of the month: 5pm Holy Hour and 6pm Mass.  <b>Weekend Mass times: Saturday:</b> Vigil 5pm <b>Sunday:</b> 8am, 9:30am and 2<sup>nd</sup> <b>Sunday</b> of the month at 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction and Mass. <b>Baptisms after 9:30 Mass</b>          Marriage and Baptism inquiries please contact Parish Office.</p>	<p>Holy Communion at home is available. Please call: <b>0411 125 357</b></p>	<p>Say “No” to euthanasia  <a href="http://www.no euthanasia.org.au/tell_gladys_stop_euthanasia">www.no euthanasia.org.au/tell_gladys_stop_euthanasia</a></p>	<p>First Holy Communion Masses on both the 29<sup>th</sup> August and 12<sup>th</sup> September have been postponed due to Covid-19. Everyone will be notified of the new dates when they have been decided. Hopefully this will give our candidates a better opportunity to prepare for this very special Sacrament.</p>
<p>St. Joseph's Como is a <i>Community that cares</i> for safeguarding children. Safeguarding Office at (02) 9390 5810 or <a href="mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org">safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org</a>.</p>	<p>Church kneelers: donations \$10,500. Total cost \$13,300. Thank you for your generosity.</p> <p><b>ST JOSEPH'S ART AND CRAFT SHOW</b> Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021: 6-10pm and Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 9.30 - 4pm. The planned activity has been postponed due to latest Covid lock-down. Mary Harrison</p>	 <p><i>Helping Hands</i></p> <p><i>First harvest from Mary's veggie garden.</i></p>	<p>We are accustomed to seeing children around the age of 7 receiving Holy Communion for the first time. Yet, that practice is relatively new in the Catholic Church. Until the 13th century, both East and West distributed communion to infants. St. Augustine wrote about this practice in one of his sermons. “They are infants, but they receive his sacraments. They are infants, but they share in his table, in order to have life in themselves”. The Council of Trent (between 1545 and 1563) curtailed this practice in the Western Church, explaining the need for children to understand the difference between ordinary bread and the consecrated host.</p>
<p><b>Our sick:</b> Steve Smith, Barbara Moore, Jimmy Chandra, David Low, Roger Minshull, Jim Hagley, Elizabeth Kinsela, Ida Melis, Katrina Marinilli, Rita Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Glennise Hall, Eliette Majdandzic; Barbara Eadie, Dragica Furda, May Kenny, Carmen Camilleri, Jan Gurba, Mary Carmen Borg, Norma Cook, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Maria Suszycka, Urszula Kaminska, Thea Van Gastel, Josephine Marinilli, Steven Marinilli and all homebound and dear friends from Mildred Symons House.</p>		<p>Sincere, heartfelt condolences to Peter and Marilyn Madden on the loss of their great grandson Braxton. May he rest in peace. Prayers needed for Caleb the surviving twin.</p>	<p>Take time to work, it is the price of success. Take time to think, it is the source of power. Take time to play, it is the secret of perpetual youth. Take time to read, it is the fountain of wisdom. Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness. Take time to dream, it is connecting you to stars. Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul. Take time to pray, your heart will find peace in God.</p> <p>“You shall be blessed above all peoples; there shall not be a male or female barren among you or among your livestock. And the LORD will take away from you all sickness” (Deuteronomy 7:12-15). The perfect, ingenious Designer has built into His creation the dynamic or law of cause and effect, which is predicated upon His eternal, living laws. In ways far above our understanding, the bottom line is that when God's laws are obeyed, the creation is in harmonious balance and provides health, happiness and every good thing. When God's laws are defied, the intricate balance of those wondrous systems, breaks down, and every unpleasant consequence results.</p>



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