St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

26 Thurlow Street, Riverwood 2210 Rev John Doherty – Parish Priest Rev Mr William Fernandes - Parish Deacon Mrs Maria Awad – Finance Secretary (Tue 9.30am-3.30pm) Mrs Margaret Grainger – Parish Secretary (Thu, Fri 9.30am-3.30pm) Phone: 02 9534 1537 or (preferably) 0490 754 963 Email: stjosephriverwood@outlook.com Parish website: www.stjosephriverwood.org.au

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

Mr Steve Darcy - Principal Phone: 9533 3341

Saturday Sunday	6pm DMC 5:30pm 7:30 am 9:30 am (livestreamed)	Baptisms Marriages	By appointment By appointment
Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	6.30am 6.30am 6.30am 6.30am 9am	Confessions Exposition	Saturday after 9am Mass & 5:00 - 5:45 pm Friday, 7:30 to 8:30pm (with benediction) Tue-Thu, after Mass

26 February 2023: 1st Sunday of Lent

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Adriana Hijan Lim (died 18/2, funeral on Mon 27/2 at 9:30am at Mary Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood), Benjamin Catigan (died 20/2), Ong Angus Murdono (died 16/2), Mary Eileen Doherty (ann. 28/2), Natale Tesoriero, Moses Mifsud, Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos and the sick including Toni Stevens, Mary Higgins, Helen Harnett, Steven Harnett & Maryann Paterson.

Rosary Statue: Russel & Nicky Rodrigues.

The Season of Lent

- 1. **Stations of the Cross** will be on each Friday in Lent at 7pm in the Church. Adoration will follow the Stations until 8.30pm.
- 2. **Project Compassion** promotes peace by pursuing justice. Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of envelopes and give generously this Lent. Your donations allow Caritas Australia to work with communities to reduce poverty and hunger around the world. Collection boxes will be in the foyer.

The school will be hosting a Mass (followed by a BBQ in the school grounds) to welcome families new to our school, this Saturday 25 Feb at 6:00pm. It will be a great opportunity to meet some other families who have joined our community in 2023.

33 Days to Merciful Love: Do you want to do something about your personal relationship with Jesus Christ? Join a group of people journeying with St Therese of Lisieux for 33 days in a directed program. Starting on Tue 28 February in person in the Presbytery Meeting room and starting on Wed 1 March via Zoom. For more information contact Trish (0418 253 377) or Marie Claire (0408 832 597). Registrations close 19/2/2023.

Pre-school Catechesis: Riverwood Parish is running a pre-school, Good Shepherd style, Catechesis program on Friday mornings during school terms from 9:30 - 10:30am. Our children range in age from 3 - 6 years. It is a yearly based program covering all the major

feast days of the Church, its liturgical cycle and provides children with a basic instruction to the Christian story. As this is a resource rich course, we ask families to contribute a donation per child of \$7/per lesson. For enquiries, please email St Joseph's Riverwood at stjosephriverwood@outlook.com.

2024 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN: St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Riverwood is now accepting applications for the 2024 Kindergarten classes. The Principal, Mr Steve Darcy, is offering a tour of the school on Tue 7 March (9:30 and 12:15) and Thu 9 March (9:30 and 12:15). To book a place on the tour, or for any other information, please give the school a call on 9533 3341.

Enrolment for Year 7 in 2025 at St Ursula's College Kingsgrove If you are a Catholic Family who regularly worship in this Parish, seeking enrolment for your daughter into Year 7 2025 at St Ursula's, please email enrolments@stursulakingsgrove.catholic.edu.au to obtain an enrolment pack.

World Day of Prayer: Friday 3 March 2023 at 1:30pm at Our Lady of Fatima, Peakhurst. For further information contact Maureen Burgess on 0415 587 391 or Pat Pfoeffer on 0439 999 552. See flyer on noticeboard in Church Narthex.

Day of the Unborn Child Sunday 26 March 2023 is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. 10:30am Mass at St Mary's Cathedral. 12 noon Angelus followed by a prayerful street procession led by Archbishop Fisher. 1:30pm Benediction at St Mary's Cathedral. For information check www.lifeandfamily.com.au

Collections Last Week

1st: \$849	2nd: \$484		Envelo	opes:	\$1,856	Tap & Go donations: \$260	
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Roster		Sun	5 N	/lar C	Colleer	n Goddard,	Tony Monaghan

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers				
Sat 25 Feb 6:00pm	James Dixon	St Joseph's School students	David B, Sean F, Jovan L, Jeriah L, Matthew M				
Sun 26 Feb 7:30am	Dcn William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Tom B, Joseph T				
Sun 26 Feb 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Lydia Atmadja Andrew D'Cruze	Chelsea A, Nathan A, Nicholas O, Catherine S, Manaia W				
Sat 4 Mar 6:00pm	James Dixon	Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour	Justine A, Janemarie A, James G, Noah T, Zachariah T				
Sun 5 Mar 7:30am	Kate Fenerty	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Tom B, Lincoln S				
Sun 5 Mar 9:30am	Dcn William Fernandes	Catherine Sisson Paula van Oploo	Kristan D, Jayden H, Nathan H, Catherine S, Manaia W				
Altar Society							
Sat 25 Feb	Denise Orazi, Christina Coogan						
Sat 4 Mar	Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes						