

St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

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

5 February 2023: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Maria Tran (died recently), Jean Devine (died 1/2), Elaine Barnes (died recently), Emile Garas (ann. 11/2), Barbara Muscat (ann. 2/2), Patrick Matthews (ann. 7/2), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos and the sick including Helen Harnett, & Frank Felice.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet (DMC) is prayed each Saturday in the Church at 5:30pm.

Rosary Statue: Robert & Lollie Devitt.

Lenten Program 2023: The Lenten Program will commence during the first week of Lent (starting Monday 20 February). It will be held in the Presbytery Meeting Room, from 7:00 – 8:00pm. To participate, please contact Margaret or Maria in the Presbytery.

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.

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 Pfoeffler 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

Synod of Bishops Continental Stage: The Church universal has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups around the country are responding to the Document for this Stage. For prayer resources, including for use in liturgies, read the document and access the submission portal at: www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

Word of God Sunday Celebrations: 5 February: The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 5 in 2023 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. To access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings, visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday. Our Catechist Coordinator, Norina Fincato, will be speaking at Masses this weekend.

Redefining Normal: Mental Health Workshop 10 February: This workshop will focus on practical ways to support people with mental health and trauma problems. Friday 10 Feb 9:30am – 12:30pm, St Joachim's Catholic Parish, 2 Mills St, Lidcombe. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/511172640127>

Collections Last Week

1st: \$797	2nd: \$461	Envelopes: \$1,431	Tap & Go donations: \$250
Money Counters Roster	Sun 5 Feb	Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan	
	Sun 12 Feb	Christina Coogan, Catherine Sisson	

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 4 Feb 6:00pm	James Dixon	Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour	Justine A, Janemarie A, James G, Noah T, Zachariah T
Sun 5 Feb 7:30am	Kate Fenerty	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Tom B, Joseph T
Sun 5 Feb 9:30am	Dcn William Fernandes	Catherine Sisson Paula van Oploo	Kristan D, Jayden H, Nathan H, Nicholas O, Catherine S
Sat 11 Feb 6:00pm	James Dixon	Maureen Carters Steffi Robin	Sean F, James G, Jovan L, Jeriah L, Matthew M
Sun 12 Feb 7:30am	Dcn William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Tom B, Lincoln S
Sun 12 Feb 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Catherine Sisson George Battikha	Chelsea A, Nathan A, Nicholas O, Catherine S, Manaia W

Altar Society

Sat 4 Feb	Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes
Sat 11 Feb	Jennifer Emanuel

Upcoming Parish Events

	Tue-Thu	after Mass	Exposition
7 Feb	Tue	10:30am	Peakhurst Lodge Aged Care Mass
10 Feb	Fri	7:30 – 8:30pm	Exposition and Benediction