

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); Tue-Thu, after Mass
Wednesday	6.30am				
Thursday	6.30am				
Friday	6.30am				
Saturday	9am				

27th August 2023: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses and prayers: Maria Beljo (dec 7/8), Daniel Beljo, Natalia Tesoriero (dec), Joe Felice (ann 29/8), Carlos Dufau (ann 28/8) Vincent McMahon (ann 26/8), Joseph Boutros (ann 26/8), Rita North (ann 25/8), Benjamin Sibal (ann 24/8), Jean Irvine (ann 24/8), Grazia Lauricella, Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos. We pray for our sick: Mary (Pat) McDonald

Rosary Statue: Heidi & Robert Hazari

Ordination of Rev Richard Sofatzis (who was previously here on parish placement): You are invited to attend the Ritual Mass of Ordination at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 9th Sept 2023 @ 10.30am and Fr Richard's First Mass in Thanksgiving to God for the Gift of his priesthood at Our Lady of Lourdes Earlwood on Sunday 10th Sept @ 9.30am. Fr Richard will also celebrate Mass here at St Joseph's on Sunday 24 Sept @ 9.30am. Everyone welcome.

Social Justice Sunday: Is this Sunday 27 August. The Australian Catholic Bishops have released their 2023-24 Social Justice Statement, entitled 'Listen, Learn, Love' which calls for new engagement with First Australians. In a departure from tradition, this year's statement is in two parts: the first is written by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) and the second part is the bishops' response. You can access the full statement and a variety of resources by visiting: <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2023/08/22/social-justice-statement-2023-24/>

Father Day Appeal - 3 September: Each year our Archdiocese hosts the annual Father's Day Appeal to support retired priests and thank our Fathers for their wonderful service to our community. Donations are 100% tax deductible. Donate at www.ourfaithourworks/pf or complete the parish envelope which will be available on the pews next weekend.

Healing Mass: Friday 1 September Celebrant: Father Michael Stephan MSC at St Joseph's Catholic Church, 126 Liverpool Rd Enfield (parking at rear of church, entry from Baker St).
 Rosary: 7:00 PM Mass: 8:00PM, Reconciliation: 7:00 PM - 8:00PM, Exposition (after Mass)
 Prayer and Praise: 7:30 PM Prayer Ministry available after Mass.

First Holy Communion: Please continue to keep the children and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive First Holy Communion on Sunday 17th September.

Didaskō Adult Faith Formation: Learn more about Jesus and the beauty and riches of our Catholic faith! The Parish Renewal Team has partnered with the University of Notre Dame Australia to deliver a series of five online short courses, each consisting of three evening sessions. Topics include Philosophy, Scripture, Theology, Christology, and Moral Theology. Ideal for beginners and those interested in continuing their formation. Cost per course: \$35 per person or \$100 per Parish Group for an in-person gathering (+ booking fees) To find out more/register, visit <https://gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/>

Collections Last Week

1st: \$839.95	2nd: \$558	Envelopes: \$741	Tap & Go donations: \$270
CWF Collection: Total Raised \$1256 – thank you for your generosity			
Money Counters Roster	Sun 27 Aug Geoff Stevens, Darijo Cakarun		
	Sun 3 Sep.....Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan		

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 26 Aug Vigil	James Dixon	Russel Rodrigues	Justine A, Janemarie A, David B, Sean F, James G
Sun 27 Aug 7.30am	Dcn William	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Tom B, Lincoln S
Sun 27 Aug 9.30am	Ricky Harimanow	Lydia Atmadja Andrew D'Cruze	Kristan D, Jayden H, Nathan H Catherine S, Manaia W
Sat 2 Sep Vigil	James Dixon	Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour	Jovan L, Jeriah L, Matthew M, Noah T, Zachariah T
Sun 3 Sep 7.30am	Kate Fenerty	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Tom B, Lincoln S, Joseph T
Sun 3 Sep 9.30am	Dcn William	Catherine Sisson Paula van Oploo	Jayden H, Nathan H, Nicholas O, Manaia W
Altar Society			
Sat 26 Aug	Denise Orazi, Christina Coogan		
Sat 2 Sep	Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes		

Upcoming Parish Events

	Tue-Sun	after Mass	Exposition
27 Aug	Sun	8.20am	Preparation Class No 3: First Holy Communion
1 Sep	Fri	7.30-8.30pm	Exposition and Benediction