

# St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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## St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

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

## 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Masses and prayers:** Xavier & Peter (dec 25/8), Spiro Bajada (dec), Natale Tesoriero (dec), Bartolo & Pietro Tesoriero (dec), Antonino Trapani (dec), deceased members of the Bancroft Family, Joe Felice (ann 29/8), Carlos Dufau (ann 28/8), Ronald Xuerab (ann 28/8), Spiro Bajada, Grazia Lauricella, Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos. We pray for our sick: Mary Bailey, Charlie Zarb, Terry Marous, Mary (Pat) McDonald

**Rosary Statue:** Andrew and Michele D'Cruze

**Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> Sept, 9am Mass cancelled:** Please note this Mass is cancelled for 9<sup>th</sup> September only. Fr John will be attending the Ritual Mass of Ordination at St Mary's Cathedral.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program:** starts Wednesday 27 September from 7-8:15pm for 13 weeks (till December 20). If you are interested in joining the program please contact the parish office.

**Father Day Appeal - 3 September:** Your priests helped begin your faith journey. The Archdiocese Father's Day Appeal supports retired priests and honours our Fathers for their outstanding service to our community. Your gift is a 'thank you' to those who've contributed in so many ways in your life. Donations are 100% tax deductible. Envelopes are available on the church pews or donate at [www.ourfaithourworks/prf](http://www.ourfaithourworks/prf).

**First Confession Parent Information Night** is on Wednesday 20 September commencing at 7.30pm in the Church. Parents are asked to arrive from 7.00pm to register. Preparation lessons commence on Sunday 15 October at 8.20am for four consecutive weeks. Enrolment Forms are available from the table in the Church Narthex or can be downloaded from our website <https://stjosephriverwood.org.au/sacraments/reconciliation/>. Further enquiries: email [stjosephriverwood@outlook.com](mailto:stjosephriverwood@outlook.com)

**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 17<sup>th</sup> September.

**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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> Sept @ 9.30am.

**Inaugural Catholic Men's Conference – Be Not Afraid – Sat 16 Sept 2023. 8am – 4pm:** is a one day conference for men (18+). The conference will include breakfast, coffee/tea, talks by guest speakers, adoration, confession, mass, lunch and an exclusive invitation and announcement to the men on the day. Guest keynote addresses plus other special guests. They will focus on what it means to order your life, the why and how so we can live out our life to the fullest as fathers, brothers, sons, etc.

**Location:** St Mary's Cathedral Hall, St Mary's Road, Sydney. Cost: \$55, Concession \$45.

**To book:** visit: <https://www.trybooking.com/CKKFQ>

### Collections Last Week

1st: \$764.35	2nd: \$424.65	Envelopes: \$626	Tap & Go donations: \$270
Priest Retirement Fund Appeal to date: \$5			
<b>Money Counters Roster</b>	Sun 3 Sep..... Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan		
	Sun 10 Sept.... Christina Coogan, Catherine Sisson		

### Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
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	Darigo 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
Sat 9 Sep Vigil	James Dixon	Maureen Carters Steffi Robin	Justine A, Janemarie A, David B, Sean F, James G
Sun 10 Sep 7.30am	Dcn William	Darigo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Tom B, Lincoln S
Sun 10 Sep 9.30am	TBC	George Battikha Catherine Sisson	Chelsea A, Nathan A, Kristan D, Catherine S

### Altar Society

Sat 2 Sep	Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes
Sat 9 Sep	Jennifer Emmanuel, Catherine Yoo

### Upcoming Parish Events

	Tue-Sun	after Mass	Exposition
5 Sep	Tue	10.30am	Peakhurst Lodge Aged Care Mass
8 Sep	Fri	7.30-8.30pm	Exposition and Benediction