St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

26 Thurlow Street, Riverwood 2210
Rev John Doherty – Parish Priest
Rev Mr William Fernandes - Parish Deacon
Mrs Lynelle Lembryk – Parish Secretary – Mon, Wed, Fri 9:30am – 3:30pm
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St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

Mr Steve Darcy - Principal Phone: 9533 3341

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

31st December 2023: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

<u>Masses and prayers</u>: Tony Diab (dec 24/12), Albert Shad (ann 26/12), Antonio Greco (ann 27/12), Lionel Paterson (ann 27/12), Gladys Best (ann 28/12), Maria Beljo (dec), Daniel Beljo (dec), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos, Spiro Bajada, deceased members of the Beljo Family

We pray for our sick: Mila Lesko, Radith Silva, Azalia Donati, Darren Bailey, Norm Moses

Rosary Statue: John & Sue Owen

Fr John Away: I will be away from Sunday afternoon Dec 31 to Friday Jan 5 inclusive. During this time there will be NO weekday or New Years Day Masses

Local Parish New Years Day & Weekday Mass times:

Our Lady of Fatima Peakhurst: New Years Day–9.30am, Wed & Fri at 9.30am. St Declan's Penshurst: New Years Day–9.15am, Tue 9:15am, Wed 6.45am, Thu 9:15am, Fri 6.45am

St Jerome's Punchbowl: New Years Day-9am, Tue - Sat - 8am Exposition, 9am Mass

<u>Thank you</u>: To all those who have assisted in so many ways in the parish throughout the year and especially at Christmas, particularly those who helped prepare for and assist at the celebration of the sacred liturgy: the acolytes, ministers, altar servers, musicians, choir, state school catechists, money counters, finance committee members, altar society, lectors, those who visited the sick, Mass wardens, St Vincent de Paul Society. Thanks also to those who prepared and coordinated the various rosters.

Anniversary Mass of the Death of Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor: Following the Mass, you are invited to morning tea in the parish hall. There will then be an opportunity for private prayer at Eileen's tomb in Dudley Street, Coogee. All are welcome.

Date: Wednesday 10 January, 2024. Time: 10 am Venue: St Brigid's Church, Cnr Brook and Waltham Streets, Coogee. Principal Celebrant: Bishop Emeritus Terry Brady

Becoming Catholic: If anyone would like to learn about the Catholic Faith, perhaps with a view to becoming Catholic, please contact Fr John. Whilst Fr John is away please contact Lynelle at the Parish Office

<u>Parish Office Hours</u>: The parish office will be open Monday (except public holidays), Wednesday and Friday during January. Hours 9.30am – 3.30pm.

Collections Last Week

| 1st: | | 2nd: | Envelopes: | Tap & Go donations: |
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| \$954.45 \$706.35 | | \$541 | \$260 | |
| Christmas Mass Collections to date: Loose - \$1878.40 Offerings - \$765 TapnGo - \$120 | | | | |
| Money Counters Sun 31 Dec Colleen | | Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan | | |
| Roster Sun 7 Jan | | Sun 7 Jan | Colleen Goddard, Tony M | onaghan |

Parish Liturgy Roster

| | Acolytes & Ministers | Lectors | Altar Servers |
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| Sat 30 Dec Vigil | | Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour | Justine A, Janemarie A, James G, Matthew M |
| Sun 31 Dec 7.30am | Dcn William | Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy | Sean F, Lincoln S |
| Sun 31 Dec 9.30am | Sr Assunta | Catherine Sisson Paula van Oploo | Kristan D, Jayden H, Nathan H, Nicholas O, Manaia W |
| Sat 6 Jan Vigil | James D | Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour | Justine A, JAnemarie A, Jovan L, Matthew M |
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Altar Society

| Sat 30 Dec | Mary Glen, Judith Connolly, Colleen Goddard | |
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| Sat 6 Jan | Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes | |

Upcoming Parish Events

| | Tue-Sun | after Mass | Exposition |
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| 5 Jan | Fri | 7.30 - 8.30pm | Exposition and Benediction |