

St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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 Rev John Doherty – Parish Priest
 Rev Mr William Fernandes - Parish Deacon
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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
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				

11th February 2024: 6th Sunday Ordinary Time

Masses and prayers: Helena Hallinan (dec 27/1), Joy Dixon-Hale (dec 30/1), Patrick Matthews (ann 7/2), Luke Talbot (ann 15/2), Kenny (ann 16/2), Irene O'Shannessi (ann), Teresita De Guia (dec), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos.

We pray for our sick: Helen Harnett, Dorothy Nesbitt, John Keith

Rosary Statue: Maree & John Kellert

Ash Wednesday and the Season of Lent

- Masses this week:** Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Mass will be at **6.30am** and at also at **9am** to allow St Joseph's school to mark the beginning of Lent.
- Lenten fast and abstinence:** Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence from meat. The law of fasting binds those from 18 to 60; the law of abstinence binds those who are 14 or older.
- Stations of the Cross:** will be on each Friday in Lent at 7pm in the Church (starting Fri 16 February). Come walk the journey in memory of Christ crucified. Adoration will follow the Stations until 8.30pm.
- 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.
- Invitation to join our Lenten Group:** A Lenten Reflection Group will be running throughout Lent. Commencing Monday 20 February from 7.30 – 8.30pm in the Presbytery Meeting Room. The *Repent and Believe Lenten Companion* from the Archdiocese of Sydney will be made available to use throughout the program. To add your name to the list, please contact Maria in the Parish Office. Copies of the Companion Booklet are available in the church foyer.

Do you have last year's Palm Sunday palms? We create the ashes for Ash Wednesday by burning last year's palms. These can be left the box marked palms in the church foyer.

Parish Office hours from 12th – 23rd Feb: Lynelle will be on leave for 2 weeks from 12th – 23rd Feb. Maria Awad will be working in the parish office during this time. **Please note the Parish Office hours will be Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am – 2.30pm during this time.**

Seeking St Vincent de Paul Members: The SVDP Society is looking for people in this Parish and local community who are interested in joining SVDP as Conference Members. SVDP believes that seeking out and supporting the most vulnerable members of society is a key aspect of our faith. No work of charity is foreign to us and we serve those in need regardless of creed, ethnic or social background, health, gender, or political opinions. For more information, please phone Jennifer on 0407 755 224.

Collections Last Week

1st: \$711.90	2nd: \$322.10	Envelopes: \$975	Tap & Go donations: \$160
Money Counters Roster		Sun 11 Feb	John Bourke, Catherine Sisson
		Sun 18 Feb	John Owen, Christina Coogan

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes & Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 10 Feb, Vigil	James Dixon	Maureen Carters Steffi Robin	Justine A, Janemarie A, James G, Matthew M
Sun 11 Feb, 7.30am	Dcn William	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Sean F, Lincoln S
Sun 11 Feb, 9.30am	Sr Assunta	George Battikha Catherine Sisson	Chelsea A, Nathan A, Jayden H, Nathan H, Manaia W
Sat 17 Feb, Vigil	Dcn William	Norina Fincato Mia Trinidad	James G, Matthew M, Noah T, Zachariah T
Sun 18 Feb, 7.30am	James Dixon	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Sean F, Joseph T
Sun 18 Feb, 9.30am	Joe Shakkal	Tony Estep Edita Estep	Chelsea A, Nathan A, Kristan D, Nicholas O, Catherine S

Altar Society

Sat 10 Feb	Jennifer Emanuel, Catherine Yoo
Sat 17 Feb	Mary Glen, Judith Connolly, Colleen Goddard
Vacuuming Church	Weekly – Glenda

Upcoming Parish Events

	Tue-Sun	after Mass	Exposition
13 Feb	Tue	10.30am	Leigh Place Mass
14 Feb	Wed	9am	School Mass – Ash Wednesday
16 Feb	Fri	7.30 – 8.30pm	Exposition and Benediction