

## St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

26 Thurlow Street, Riverwood 2210  
 Rev John Doherty – Parish Priest  
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### St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

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<b>Saturday</b>	6.00pm	<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 9.00am 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				

### 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024: Easter Sunday

**Masses and prayers:** Simon Cantos (dec 21/3), Souad Azzi (ann 4/4), Charles Hagan (ann 30/03), Marie Josette Lebon (ann 29/03), Mary Elchaar (ann 28/03), Maria Schembri (ann 27/03), Natale Tesoriero (ann 26/3), Graham Hunter (ann 25/03), Rose Fayad (ann 16/03), Grazia Lauricella (dec), John & Nassima Albatti (dec), Mary Lauricella (dec), Iolanoh Lo'Schiavo (dec), Josephine Trapani (dec), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos.

**Rosary Statue:** Robert & Lollie Devitt

**Fr John Away:** I will be away next week from this Sunday afternoon to Friday 12/4/2024. There will be no 6.30am morning or Saturday 9am Masses. Weekend Masses will be as normal.

**RCIA Candidates:** This weekend at the Easter Vigil Mass we have the pleasure of welcoming Ritesh, Wei and Sydney who will be fully initiated into Christ and the Church. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Project Compassion Appeal:** Ends this weekend. Please return your donations no later than next weekend 6/7<sup>th</sup> Apr. If you would like a tax deductible receipt please ensure your name and address is written clearly on the donation envelope. **Donations will be remitted to Caritas Australia on Mon 8 Apr.** Thank you for your generous support.

**Day of the Unborn Child:** The Feast of the Annunciation is internationally recognised as the Day of the Unborn Child. It marks the day Our Lord Jesus Christ became a tiny unborn child in His mother's womb and it is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. An initiative of Family Life International, on Sunday, April 14, 2024, there will be a street procession following 10:30 a.m. Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will lead the procession, which will be followed by an address at Parliament House by guest speaker Archbishop Julian Porteous. All are welcome, and invite family and friends as we process for life!

**Happy Easter! May this Easter Season bring us joy and hope  
as we rise with Christ in the newness of life**

**Thank you!** A lot of work goes into making our Easter Liturgies both prayerful and beautiful. Thank you to all those people, too numerous to name personally, who helped us prepare for the Easter weekend. We thank the musicians and choir, readers, acolytes, extra-ordinary ministers of Holy Communion and servers and anyone else who assisted. We also thank those who work quietly behind the scenes to make our church look beautiful - altar society & cleaners. Our money counters have also contributed by counting additional monies raised by the various appeals held during Lent and Easter. Your service to our parish is very much appreciated.

### Collections Last Week

1st: \$868.25	2nd: \$442.45	Envelopes: \$416	Tap & Go donations: \$240
Project Compassion to date: \$1234.45			
<b>Money Counters Roster</b>	Sun 31 Mar	Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan	
	Sun 7 Apr	Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan	

### Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
<b>Sat 30 Mar 7.30pm Easter Vigil</b>	Dcn William	Tony Elchaar Russel Rodrigues Catherine Sisson Maureen Carters Mia Trinidad	Justine A, Janemarie A, Matthew M, Nicholas O, Noah T, Zachariah T, Manaia W
<b>Sun 31 Mar 7:30am Easter Sunday</b>	Kate Fenerty	Darijo Cakarun	Sean F, Lincoln S, Joseph T
<b>Sun 31 Mar 9:30am Easter Sunday</b>	Sr Assunta	Tony & Edita Estep	Kristan D, Jayden H, Nathan H, Catherine S
<b>Sat 6 Apr Vigil</b>	James Dixon	Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour	TBC
<b>Sun 7 Apr 7.30am</b>	Kate Fenerty	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	TBC
<b>Sun Apr 7 9.30am</b>	Dcn William	Catherine Sisson Paula van Oploo	TBC

### Altar Society

Sat 30 Mar	Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes
Sat 6 Apr	Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes
Vacuuming Church	Weekly – Glenda

### Upcoming Parish Events

2-6 April		Fr John away – no weekday 6.30am or Sat 9am Masses
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