

St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

26 Thurlow Street, Riverwood 2210
 Rev John Doherty – Parish Priest
 Rev Mr William Fernandes - Parish Deacon
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St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

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Saturday	6.00pm DMC 5:30pm	Baptisms	By appointment
Sunday	7:30 am 9:30 am (livestreamed)	Marriages	By appointment
No 6.30am Morning Masses as Fr John is away		Confessions	Saturday after 9.00am Mass & 5:00 - 5:45 pm
		Exposition	Friday, 7:30 to 8:30pm (with benediction);

7th April 2024: 2nd Sunday of Easter

Masses & prayers: Souad Azzi (ann 4/4), Anna Siciliano (ann. 5/4), Joan Grant (ann. 5/4), Adam (Guy) Smeulders (ann. 5/4), Baltinore Brage (dec), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos.
We pray for our sick: Darren Bailey, Jordan Bailey, Marg Dahl, Bob Gardner.

Rosary Statue: Robert & Lollie Devitt

Fr John Away: Fr John will be away next week from Monday to Thursday (8-11 Apr) as he is attending the 2024 Clergy Conference. There will be no 6.30am morning Mass on Tue, Wed or Thu.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Bishop Richard Umbers will be conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Joseph's on **Tue, 2 Jul @ 7pm**. Parents of children in Yr 6 & above are invited enrol their child in the preparation program and attend an information evening on **Wed 8 May @ 7.30am**. **Enrolment forms & program information** are available in the church narthex or on the parish website via the following link:
<https://stjosephriverwood.org.au/sacraments/confirmation/>

Retreat Day for Liturgical Ministers: The retreat will be run by the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia in Australia. All liturgical ministers from your parishes are invited including Ushers, Greeters, Collectors, AV Operators, Readers, Acolytes, Cantors and Musicians, Sacristans, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, etc. **When:** Sat 11 May 10am – 4pm, **Cost:** \$15, **Where:** St Martha's Leichhardt. **More info:** sydney@op-tn.org or 9307 8363

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 musicians/choir, readers, acolytes, extra-ordinary ministers, servers and anyone else who assisted. We also thank the altar society, cleaners and counters who work quietly behind the scenes. Your service to our parish is very much appreciated.

Easter Bags: Last weekend Easter bags were distributed to the children who attended Mass. We thank those who worked to prepare the bags and assist with the distribution. Special thanks go our parishioners Lydia & Lea, and St Joseph's Primary parents/children Milan & Marco & Ian.

Sisters of Life Sydney Evangelisation Tour 18-24 Apr 2024: The Sisters of Life are women who are in love with Love—Love incarnate, crucified, and Risen—and captivated by the truth of the beauty of every human person, created in God's image and likeness. There will be four main public events:

- **18th April: Bishop's Blend**—A dinner opportunity with the Sisters of Life and Archbishop Anthony at St. Mary's Cathedral. - \$20
 - **19th April: Spirituality of Care Reflection Evening** – An opportunity to hear, speak and pray with the Sisters of Life at the University of Notre Dame, Sydney. – Free
 - **20th April: Alumni Retreat Day**—A special opportunity for any graduates to receive a whole day retreat from the Sisters of Life - \$20
 - **24th April: Fidelis**—One last opportunity to hear and pray with the sisters of Life – Free
- For registrations and info: www.unicatholics.org.au

Collections Last Week

1st: \$893.05	2nd: \$1888.65	Envelopes: \$751	Tap & Go donations: \$280
Easter Dues: \$814.75		Project Compassion to date: \$2153.35	
Money Counters Roster	Sun 7Apr	Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan	
	Sun 14 Apr	John Bourke, Catherine Sisson	

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 6 Apr Vigil	James Dixon	Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour	As per roster emailed 5/4/24
Sun 7 Apr 7.30am	Kate Fenerty	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	As per roster emailed 5/4/24
Sun Apr 7 9.30am	Dcn William	Catherine Sisson Paula van Oploo	As per roster emailed 5/4/24
Sat 13 Apr Vigil	James Dixon	Maureen Carters Steffi Robin	As per roster emailed 5/4/24
Sun 14 Apr 7.30am	Dcn William	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	As per roster emailed 5/4/24
Sun Apr 14 9.30am	Sr Assunta	George Battikha Catherine Sisson	As per roster emailed 5/4/24

Altar Society

Sat 6 Apr	Michele D'Cruze, Dorothy Fernandes
Sat 13 Apr	Jennifer Emanuel, Catherine Yoo
Vacuuming Church	Weekly – Glenda

Upcoming Parish Events

9–11 Apr	Tue-Thu		No 6.30am Morning Masses
12 Apr	Fri	7.30 – 8.30pm	Exposition and Benediction