

St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

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Schedule of Masses		Baptisms	By appointment
Saturday	6 pm (Vigil for Sunday)	Marriages	By appointment
Sunday	7.30 am, 9.30 am	Confessions	Saturday after 9am Mass & 5:00-5:45 pm
Tuesday	7.30 am	Exposition	Friday, 7:30 to 8:30pm (with benediction)
Wednesday	9 am		
Thursday	7.30am in the Convent		
Friday	9 am		
Saturday	9 am (Rosary 8:40)		

17 September 2017: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Masses and prayers: Please pray for Rosaria "Lucy" Galea (died 8/9, funeral on Tuesday 19 September at 9.30am at the Mary Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood), John Baptis Siriwong Bunluewong (died 16/8/17), Henri & Yolande Zacaropoulos, the sick or those who need our prayers including Gillian Sofatsis, Anna Ayad, Fred Thocolich and Karen van Oploo.

A Sacred Music Workshop will be held on Saturday 30 September at St Joseph's Riverwood Parish Centre from 10am to 2:30pm run by Miss Meagan Griffin. Participation is via donation but could you please contact the Parish Secretary (Margaret) by 27 September if you intend to come. The event is open to anyone interested in the riches of the Church's musical tradition. BYO lunch, tea and coffee supplied.

Alive Youth Group: This Friday 22 September, from 6pm - 7:30pm in the Parish Centre. Year 5 & 6 students welcome to come and spend time together. Please bring \$5 for pizza.

Rosary Statue: Elizabeth & Adrian Perkins, 4 Bonaparte St, Riverwood.

Marriage Plebiscite: As survey forms begin arriving in letterboxes across Australia, it is important that we are fully equipped with information about the consequences of changing the definition of marriage and the impacts this will have on individuals, families, education and churches. The Coalition for Marriage has released a comprehensive guide to some of the key consequences and questions around this important conversation. Go to www.coalitionformarriage.com.au/handbook to download your free copy.

New Envelopes for 2017/2018: Planned giving envelopes for the next 12 months are now available in the Church foyer. Parishioners not in the planned giving program are invited to join the program by seeing the Mass Warden after Mass to collect a set of envelopes and leave their details. A 25% tax deduction is available on contributions over \$2.

Month of Prayer and Fasting for Marriage and Families: In October, Catholic parishes around Australia will participate in a month of prayer and fasting for marriage and families. There is a theme for each week of October and prayers of intercession for each Sunday. Posters and prayers will be sent to your parish. A video explaining this initiative featuring Bishop Michael Kennedy, delegate of the Australian Catholic Marriage and Family Council and materials to use in your parish can be found at: www.acmfc.org.au

The new Cantonese Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) class starts at St Michael's Church, Hurstville on Sun 15/10/2017 at 10:30am. It will be on every Sunday from 10:30am – 12 noon. RCIC (in English) is also available. Welcome to anyone who is interested in learning our Catholic faith. Registration and enquiries: Sylvia (0434 680 990).

Calling all University students! Are you a student (or do you know a student) studying at University? Each University has a Catholic Society that offers daily Mass, social gatherings and avenues to deepen your faith on campus. Visit: www.unicatholics.org.au to find out what is happening on your campus.

Collections Last Week

1st: \$698	2nd: \$397	Envelopes: \$1,015
Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal (received to date): \$1,379		
Money Counters Roster	Sun 17 Sep	John Owen, Karl Helene
	Sun 24 Sep	Geoff Stevens, Darijo Cakarun

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 16 Sep 6:00pm	James Dixon	Sue Shepherd Norina Fincato	Harrison C, Jennifer-Tyler L, Zachary N, Alexander N
Sun 17 Sep 7:30am	William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Jacinta A, Kira B, Teana B, Joseph T
Sun 17 Sep 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Tony Estep Edita Estep	Zachary D, Christian L, Nicholas O, Chris P
Sat 23 Sep 6:00pm	James Dixon	Lectors Needed	Harrison C, Jennifer-Tyler L, Zachary N, Alexander N
Sun 24 Sep 7:30am	William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Jacinta A, Kira B, Teana B, Joseph T
Sun 24 Sep 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Paula van Oploo Lydia Atmadja	Zachary D, Margaret O, Nicholas O, Chris P
Readings for 23/24 Sep: Page 459 in St Paul's Sunday Missal			
Altar Society			
Sat 16 Sep	Mary Glen, Judith Connolly, Collen Goddard		
Sat 23 Sep	Nicole Helene, Denise Orazi		

Upcoming Parish Events

19 Sep	Tue	10.30am	Aged Care Mass at Banks Lodge
22 Sep	Fri	7:30 – 8:30pm	Exposition and Benediction
23/24 Sep	Sat/Sun		Catholic Mission Appeal
24 Sep	Sun		Social Justice Sunday

