

St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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Rev John Doherty – Parish Priest

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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	9:00 am		
Thursday	7:30 am in the Convent		
Friday	9:00 am		
Saturday	9:00 am (Rosary 8:40)		

16 December 2018: Third Sunday of Advent

ROOF DONATIONS

Thank you so much to those who have donated to the rebuilding of the roof. If you would like to donate you can pay the money straight into our bank account via online banking.

BSB: 062 784 Account no: 26705001. Reference: Your Name and "Roof".

Online donations via credit card are also now available. Go to our website and click on "SUPPORT US" button on the top right-hand side of home page.

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Sr Mary Monica Sparks SGS (recently deceased), Sr Margaret Rowe RSM (died 7/11/18, former Head Chaplaincy Co-ordinator of St George Public and Private Hospitals), Graham North, Josephine Bajada (ann. 10/12), Margaret Breen (ann. 17/12), Terry Paterson (ann. 18/12), Bob Oakes (ann. 19/12), Alberto Conte (ann. 17/12), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos, and the sick or those who need our prayers, including Marg Vella, Edvina Prest, Gim O'Brien, Johanna O'Dwyer & Denise Player.

Donations of fresh flowers appreciated: Flowers for Christmas can be left after Masses next Sunday 23 December. There will be containers at the back of the church for the flowers and the Altar Society will be preparing the flowers that afternoon in readiness for Christmas.

Church structure crisis update: Demolition of the old roof and joists is complete. Small amount of roof tiles to be removed from site. Steel purlins and steel framing has been encased in plasterboard waiting on plaster to set. Engineer's details have finally arrived for construction over altar and Sacristy.

St Vincent de Paul Riverwood Conference needs help to deliver Christmas hampers this week. Please ring Maryann on 0418 228 474 if you can assist.

Rosary Statue: Christine North, 20 Clarendon Rd, Peakhurst.

Lectors needed: We need lectors for the Vigil Masses on Saturdays. If you are interested, please let Fr John know or contact Margaret in the office. Please consider getting involved as a lector at Mass. We need your help!

Christmas Liturgical Celebrations at St Joseph's Riverwood:

Christmas Eve: Mon 24 Dec - Vigil Mass 6pm (hopefully there will be an emphasis on children) with carols commencing at 5.30pm. Midnight Mass with carols commencing at 11.30pm.

Christmas Day: Tue 25 Dec at 9.30am

Confessions: Sat 22 Dec after 9am Mass and Sat 22 Dec from 5.00pm - 5.45pm.

Choir Practice for Christmas: Thu 13 and Thu 20 Dec at 6.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Collections Last Week

1st: \$750	2nd: \$358	Envelopes: \$1,096
Church Roof Replacement Fund: \$215,259		
Money Counters Roster	Sun 16 Dec	John Owen, Karl Helene
	Sun 23 Dec	Geoff Stevens, Darijo Cakarun

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 15 Dec 6:00pm	James Dixon	Norina Fincato Lector needed	Jacinta A, Harrison C, Adam D, Noah D
Sun 16 Dec 7:30am	William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Teana B, Tom B, Joseph T
Sun 16 Dec 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Tony Estep Edita Estep	Zara B, Zachary D, Nathan H, Annabelle S
Sat 22 Dec 6:00pm	James Dixon	Nico Wijaya Lector needed	Jacinta A, Janemarie A, Jovan L, Margaret O
Sun 23 Dec 7:30am	William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Kira B, Teana B, Tom B, Joseph T
Sun 23 Dec 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Lydia Atmadja Aleksandra Gorka-Stolzman	Nathan A, Zachary D, Michelle M, Marceline O, Nicholas O
Altar Society			
Sat 15 Dec	Mary Glen, Judith Connolly, Colleen Goddard		
Sat 22 Dec	Denise Orazi, Christina Coogan		

Upcoming Parish Events

18 Dec	Tue	11:00am	Banks Lodge Aged Care Mass
11 Dec	Tue	7:30pm	Plenary Council Meeting in Presbytery Meeting Room
14 Dec	Fri	7.30 – 8.30pm	Exposition and Benediction

