

St Joseph's Catholic Church 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)		

9 December 2018: Second 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.

Parish Gathering: There will be a Parish meeting in the Church this Sunday 9 December at 10:30am to discuss ideas about upgrading the Sanctuary while replacing the roof.

Masses and prayers: Please pray for John Saunders (died 2/12, funeral on Mon 10/12 at St Joseph's Oatley at 10.30am), Joseph Bajada (ann. 10/12), Giovanni Lauricella, Peter Kleist (ann. 14/12), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos, and the sick or those who need our prayers, including Gim O'Brien, Olive Stevens, Gail Stevens, Johanna O'Dwyer & Denise Player.

Church structure crisis update: Demolition of rear roof, construction of temporary floor and removal of remaining roof tiles is happening this week. Temporary propping throughout Sacristy is taking place. Electrical wiring is being tidied up and made safe.

Sr Maria from St Elisabeth Convent in Minsk, Belarus is visiting our Church this Wednesday 12 December at the 9am Mass and inviting parishioners to see and purchase handmade religious articles made at their Convent. The Convent supports a large psychiatric hospital; takes care of an orphanage for children with mental and physical disabilities and runs a rehabilitation centre and a shelter for the homeless. All these goods are made with love and prayer. You will support many people in need by purchasing items of devotions for yourselves and your loved ones. Visit their website obitel-minsk.ru/en/

Rosary Statue: Russel & Nicky Rodrigues, 91 Clarke St South, Peakhurst.

St Vincent de Paul Riverwood Conference is seeking non-perishable food for the Christmas Hamper Appeal. There is a box at the back of the church to put the food in. Thank you for your generosity for this appeal and throughout the year. If anyone is available to help put the hampers together next week, please ring Maryann on 0418 228 474.

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: \$814	2nd: \$369	Envelopes: \$1,487
Church Roof Replacement Fund: \$202,268		
Money Counters Roster	Sun 9 Dec	Christina Coogan, Tricia Haren
	Sun 16 Dec	John Owen, Karl Helene

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
Sat 8 Dec 6:00pm	James Dixon	Maureen Carters Steffi Robin	Harrison C, Adam D, Noah D, Jovan L
Sun 9 Dec 7:30am	William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	Janemarie A, Kira B, Teana B, Tom B, Isabella Cl
Sun 9 Dec 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Christine North Mona Ekawati	Zara B, Michelle M, Marceline O, Nicholas O, Margaret O
Sat 15 Dec 6:00pm	James Dixon	Norina Fincato	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

Altar Society

Sat 8 Dec	Jennifer Emanuel, Gail Meredith
Sat 15 Dec	Mary Glen, Judith Connolly, Colleen Goddard

Upcoming Parish Events

11 Dec	Tue	10:30am	Leigh Place 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

