

## St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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## 20 December 2020: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Coronavirus schedule of Masses		Baptisms	By appointment
<b>Saturday</b>	6 pm (Vigil for Sunday)	<b>Marriages</b>	By appointment
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 am & 9:30 am (livestreamed)	<b>Confessions</b>	Saturday after 9am Mass & 5:00 - 5:45 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:15 am	<b>Exposition</b>	Friday, 7:30 to 8:30pm (with benediction)
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:15 am		
<b>Thursday</b>	6:15 am		
<b>Friday</b>	6:15 am		
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am		

### CORONAVIRUS UPDATE 18 December 2020

**Masses.** Restrictions are easing but we still have to sign in so it is important that you arrive 10 – 15 minutes early as the door must be closed when Mass starts. We are now allowed 220 people in the Church, which complies with the recently announced 2m<sup>2</sup> rule (with the exception of people from the same household)

**Sydney Mission Plan:** Please see the video message from Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP on the launch of the new Archdiocese of Sydney Mission Plan, Go Make Disciples at <https://vimeo.com/488759183/fb488a9a7c>

### SUPPORTING THE PARISH DURING THE CORONAVIRUS

You can help the parish survive by donating online either through our website by credit card (click on the "SUPPORT US" button on the top right-hand side of home page) or through setting up a regular monthly transfer via internet banking. Please phone (Tues, Thu or Fri) or email the Parish for our bank account details.

**Masses and prayers:** Please pray for Fr Robert Flaherty (died 14/12), Fr Maurice John Sullivan (died 9/12), Helen Smith (died 9/12), Ido Fincato (died 10/12), Marjorie Owen (died 13/12), Michael Kenny (ann. 24/12), Rudan & Zora Bradvica, Walter Vella (ann.), Jessica Tong (ann. 22/12), Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos and the sick or those who need our prayers including Mark Andrews & Connie Andrade.

**Donations of fresh flowers for Christmas:** If you would like to donate flowers for Christmas please phone Denise on 0412 916 961 or Christina on 0447 076 317 to arrange pickup or delivery. Alternatively, there will be buckets on the Presbytery porch all day on Wednesday 23 December and you can leave any donations of flowers in these on the day.

St Vincent de Paul Riverwood Conference would like to thank everyone who donated to the Christmas Hamper Appeal. It is very much appreciated.

### Christmas Liturgical Celebrations at St Joseph's Riverwood:

**Christmas Eve:** Thu 24 Dec - Vigil Mass 6pm (with an emphasis on children) with carols commencing at 5.30pm. Midnight Mass with carols commencing at 11.30pm

**Christmas Day:** Fri 25 Dec at 9.30am

**Confessions:** Sat 19 Dec after 9am Mass and Sat 19 Dec from 5.00pm - 5.45pm

**WE URGE YOU TO ARRIVE AND SIGN IN EARLY TO BE SURE OF A SEAT IN THE CHURCH**

**Lights of Christmas at St Mary's Cathedral:** The lights are being displayed each night commencing at 8:30pm until 11pm, concluding on Christmas Day.

**REACHING OUT:** Are you struggling in this time of crisis? You are not alone. CCareline 13 18 19 is a free and confidential helpline that can connect you with a local volunteer from our parish to help you with your shopping and errands or even just call you for a regular friendly chat over the phone. Please contact us if you know of someone who lives near you or anyone at all in the Parish who might need help.

### Collections Last Week

1st: \$225	2nd: \$418	Envelopes: \$1,123
Church Roof Fund: \$758,473		
<b>Money Counters Roster</b>	Sun 20 Dec	Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan
	Sun 27 Dec	Geoff Stevens, Darijo Cakarun

### Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Society
Sat 19 Dec 6:00pm	Dcn William Fernandes	Pamela Moreira Norina Fincato	Mary Glen Judith Connolly Colleen Goddard
Sun 20 Dec 7:30am	James Dixon	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	
Sun 20 Dec 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Tony Estep Edita Estep	
Thu 24 Dec 6:00pm Christmas Eve	Dcn William Fernandes	Mona Ekawati TBA	Denise Orazi Christina Coogan
Thu 24 Dec Christmas Midnight	Micheal Kasiita	Darijo Cakarun Terri Tiojanco	
Fri 25 Dec 9:30am Christmas Day	Micheal Kasiita	Catherine Sisson TBA	
Sat 26 Dec 6:00pm	James Dixon	Terri Tiojanco	Denise Orazi Christina Coogan
Sun 27 Dec 7:30am	Dcn William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	
Sun 27 Dec 9:30am	Sr Assunta	Aleksandra Gorka-Stolzman Lydia Atmadja	

