

St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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Coronavirus schedule of Masses

Saturday	6pm Vigil not during lockdown
Sunday	7:30 am not during lockdown
	9:30 am (livestreamed)
Tuesday	6:30 am (livestreamed)
Wednesday	6:30 am (livestreamed)
Thursday	6:30 am (livestreamed)
Friday	6:30 am (livestreamed)
Saturday	9:00 am (livestreamed)

Baptisms	By appointment
Marriages	By appointment
Confessions	Not available during lockdown
Exposition	Not during lockdown
LIVESTREAMED MASSES ONLY	

25 July 2021: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE 24 July 2021

The Church is closed until at least midnight on Friday 30 July 2021, but it may be longer. The following may help you during this time.

1. **Private Home Visits.** The Archbishop has reminded priests that the lockdown exemptions allow priests to visit parishioners at home for any pastoral need, including the sacraments of anointing and confession. Please do not hesitate to call Fr John if you would like him to visit. These visits are only for the person in the house with a pastoral need, not a wider group.
2. **Riverwood St Joseph's livestreamed Masses.** During lockdown we will livestream Masses at the following times:
 Sunday: 9.30am
 Tuesday-Friday: 6.30am
 Saturday: 9am
 The Masses can be accessed at bit.ly/stjriverwood
3. Archdiocesan coronavirus website:
<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/>
 - a. This site provides continually updated details about the lockdown.
 - b. There is a link to a page with details of livestreamed Masses, including from Riverwood.
 - c. There are links to prayer resources as well as the Archbishop's Pastoral Letters and other directions.

SUPPORTING THE PARISH DURING THE CORONAVIRUS

You can help the parish survive by donating online either through our website by credit card or through setting up a regular monthly transfer via internet banking. We can't publish our banking details but if you would like to donate by EFT please email the parish at stjosephriverwood@outlook.com and we will be happy to email our account details.

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Scott Raffaello (died 18/7), Melie Ganas Abella (died 7/7), Eduardo & Memei de Leon (ann. 20/7), Arthur William Goepfert (ann. 26/7), Jim Wetzler, (died 11/7), Len Butler (ann. 24/7), Laurence Habib Battikha (ann. 22/7), Bessie Thocolich (ann. 25/7), Phillip Thocolich (ann. 29/7), Sr Mary Horan RSJ (ann. 27/7), Spiro & Josephine Bajada, Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos and the sick or those who need our prayers including Toni Stevens & Harry Robinson.

"Know that I am with you always": Nurturing Discipleship in Challenging Times.

Online reflection mornings during lockdown with the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia.
 While our churches remain closed and we are unable to gather in person, this series of online reflection mornings with the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia and the Parish Renewal Team offers the clergy and the faithful of Sydney an opportunity to be nourished by the Word of God and to pray together. The focus of these mini-retreats is to nurture our growth as disciples in challenging times, so that we can have confidence in God's power to accomplish His mission through us. Each event includes a talk, lectio divina, a time of personal prayer, and sharing with one another.

Dates: Saturday 31 July, Saturday 7 August, Saturday 14 August

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Platform: Online via Zoom at www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events

Go Make Disciples Online Lay Leadership Series - "Christ-centred Leadership"

What is Christian Leadership and how can I grow as a leader?

Join the Parish Renewal Team and Fr David Braithwaite SJ for an **online leadership formation series** for all serving in parishes and those seeking to serve, as a way to grow as people who lead others to Christ. Bishop Richard Umbers will join us for the first evening to introduce Fr David and pray with those attending the series. Topics include:

3 August: The Wounded Servant: The Foundations of Christian leadership

10 August: Leadership for Mission: Responding to Christ's Sacred Heart

17 August: The Recollected Leader: The Spiritual Practice of Making Better Decisions

24 August: Love that Risks: Creating Communities of Growth and Innovation

Time: 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Platform: Online via Zoom at <https://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/events/christ-centred-leadership-series-online-via-zoom-4/>

Support your Archdiocese of Sydney newspaper – The Catholic Weekly

While our churches are closed at this time, the Catholic Weekly is producing a free digital flipbook edition. Sign up for updates directly to your email inbox here:
www.catholicweekly.com.au/catholic-weekly-newspaper-online/

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1st: NIL	2nd: NIL	Envelopes: \$335	Tap & Go donations: NIL
Church Roof Fund: \$767,078			