

St Joseph's Catholic Church Riverwood

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St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Riverwood

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Saturday	6pm (Vigil for Sunday)	Baptisms	By appointment
Sunday	7:30 am	Marriages	By appointment
	9:30 am (livestreamed)	Confessions	Saturday after 9am Mass & 5:00 - 5:45 pm
Tuesday	6:30 am	Exposition	Friday, 7:30 to 8:30pm (with benediction)
Wednesday	6:30 am		Tue-Thu, after Mass
Thursday	6:30 am		
Friday	6:30 am		
Saturday	9:00 am		

28 November 2021: 1st Sunday of Advent

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE 26 November 2021

Masses: Mass is now open to ALL (regardless of vaccination status). We are now allowed 220 people in the Church, in compliance with the new 2m² rule (with the exception of people from the same household). Everyone attending Mass needs to provide contact details when they arrive, so it is IMPORTANT TO ARRIVE EARLY.

QR Code Registration. We need to count attendees so the Covid Marshall will check and record your QR registration. If you don't have a smart phone, please sign in as usual.

Sick: You should not attend Mass if you have any symptoms of COVID-19 (such as a cold, fever, cough, sore or scratchy throat, shortness of breath, loss of taste or smell).

Masks and Singing: Masks indoors are mandatory, congregational singing is not allowed.

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Geoff Gale (ann. 3/11), Natale Tesoriero, Spiro & Josephine Bajada, Henri, Yolande & Yves Zacaropoulos and the sick or those who need our prayers including Toni Stevens.

First Communion: The Sacrament of First Communion was celebrated on Sunday, November 14. Our congratulations to the First Communicants, and our thanks to their parents, godparents and to the team of catechists, (Dcn Bijoy Joseph, Lauren Koszek, Cathy Burke, Toni Stevens, Lucas Di Cicco, and Norina Fincato), James Dixon, Altar servers and the Altar Society, Thomas Perkins, Pamela van Oploo, Lydia Atmadja, Bernadette Hickey and the choir and everyone else who contributed to the celebration.

Help St Vincent de Paul support people in need this Christmas: St Vincent de Paul Riverwood Conference is seeking non-perishable food for the Christmas Hamper Appeal this Christmas. There are boxes at the back of the Church to put food in. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Market Day at Our Lady of Fatima Peakhurst Saturday 4 December from 8am to 4pm in the Church carpark. Market Day will feature a large marquee with great items to delight families. Marg Vella, is running tables with help from other parishioners and the proceeds from these will be going to the Church's Roof Fund. Donations of cakes for sale will be happily accepted (Please contact Marg Vella on 0411 320 825 if you can help).

Altar Society Volunteers Urgently needed: The Altar Society needs new volunteers to assist with arranging of flowers and cleaning of the Sanctuary. We desperately need volunteers available for approx. 2 hours on a Sat morning once a month for Teams 1 & 2.

Catechist Coordinator Position: OLF Peakhurst is seeking to appoint a person who would be responsible for overseeing the administrative duties important in ensuring the effective operation of the Catechist ministry in the parish. This will be a permanent, part-time, paid position that would require a total of 100 hours per annum. To obtain an Application Form and copy of the Role Description contact the Parish Secretary via email at olfpeak@bigpond.com. Applications close Friday 3 December 2021.

Job Vacancies - Could you share the stories of suffering Christians? Are you looking for flexible part time work? Aid to the Church in Need is recruiting for a number of Diocesan Outreach Assistants who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across the Archdiocese. For all details visit, www.aidtochurch.org/work

Collections Last Week

1st: \$ 601	2nd: \$ 204	Envelopes: \$1,001	Tap & Go donations: \$190
Church Roof Fund: \$771,118		Charitable Works Fund: \$1,734 to date	
Money Counters Roster	Sun 28 Nov	Geoff Stevens, Darijo Cakarun	
	Sun 5 Dec	Colleen Goddard, Tony Monaghan	

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Society
Sat 27 Nov 6:00pm	James Dixon	Tony Elchaar	Denise Orazi Christina Coogan
Sun 28 Nov 7:30am	Dcn William Fernandes	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	
Sun 28 Nov 9:30am	Sr Assunta	A. Gorka-Stolzman Lydia Atmadja	
Sat 4 Dec 6:00pm	James Dixon	Tony Elchaar Kevin Seymour	Michele D'Cruze NEW VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Sun 5 Dec 7:30am	TBA	Darijo Cakarun Dominic Roy	
Sun 5 Dec 9:30am	Dcn William Fernandes	Catherine Sisson Terri Tiojanco	

Upcoming Parish Events

1 Dec	Wed	5.30pm	First Confessions
3 Dec	Fri	7.30 – 8.30pm	Exposition and Benediction
	Tue-Thu	after Mass	Exposition