

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

COMMITMENT STATEMENT

The emotional, physical and spiritual safety, well-being and dignity of Children and Adults is an integral part of the teachings and values of the Catholic Church. The Archdiocese is wholly committed to ensuring the safety, well-being and dignity of all Children and Adults at Risk, and acknowledge its important legal, moral and spiritual responsibility to create a safe and nurturing environment for those Children and Adults.



CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IS A CRIME. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the Police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the Police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on phone (02) 9390 5813 or via email SafeguardingEnquiries@SydneyCatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest. The Archdiocese of Sydney has a legal obligation to report crimes to the Police.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK CLEARANCE

You must keep your personal details up to date so that you can be contacted about your Working with Children Check (WWCC). Go to <https://ocg.nsw.gov.au/working-children-check/apply-wwcc/update-or-upgrade-your-wwcc-details> for more information. Please provide the Parish office with a copy of your WWCC. Thank you.

The Catholic Weekly

IN THIS WEEK'S EDITION

- Pope Leo warns AI must serve humanity.
 - Lebanon's Christians trapped by war.
 - OneSydney concert to unite Christians at Opera House.
 - Inadequate gambling reforms fail children.
 - Reflection: Parishes called to collaborate in mission.
- Copies available at the entrances for \$2.00. Proceeds to St Vincent de Paul.



KIDS CORNER

God So Loved the World

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)

Complete the activity.

The words below have been written in code. Use the hints in the decoder at the top of the page to help break the code (the letters on top are the correct answers; the letters on the bottom are the code). Write the correct word on the line provided beside each code word.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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1. 19-15-14 _____
2. 23-15-18-12-4 _____
3. 12-15-22-5-4 _____
4. 7-15-4 _____
5. 12-9-6-5 _____
6. 7-1-22-5 _____
7. 5-20-5-18-14-1-12 _____
8. 16-5-18-9-19-8 _____

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEAST DAYS OF JUNE

MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

- MON 1 JUN—St Justin
- TUE 2 JUN—Sts Marcellinus & Peter
- WED 3 JUN—St Charles Lwanga
- THU 4 JUN—St Aldegryn of Baume
- FRI 5 JUN—St Boniface
- SAT 6 JUN—St Norbert; St Champagnat
- SUN 7 JUN—THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)
- MON 8 JUN—St Calliope
- TUE 9 JUN—St Ephrem
- WED 10 JUN—St Faustina of Czycus
- THU 11 JUN—St Barnabas
- FRI 12 JUN—THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
- SAT 13 JUN—St Anthony of Padua
- SUN 14 JUN—Elisha the Prophet



SCHOLARSHIP AT THE CATHEDRAL

6:00PM - 8:00PM | TUESDAY, 16 JUNE 2026

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COLLEGE - COLLEGE HALL
2 ST MARY'S RD, SYDNEY

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CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

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FAITH FORMATION 2026

The Eucharist in the Life of the Church

Jun The Eucharist in the Early Church
Dr Kevin Wagner

Jul The Eucharist in Systematic Theology
Chris Wolter

Eucharistic Miracles
(Free Event)
Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP

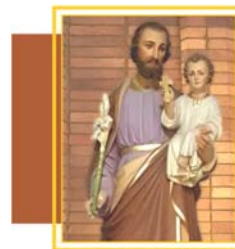
Online via Zoom
Cost per month: \$35 per person (+ BOOKING FEES)
\$100 for Parish Groups, in-person gathering (+ BOOKING FEES)
Register at: gomakedisciples.org.au/didasko

HEALING MASS

SUN 14 JUN, 6:00PM, ST JOSEPH BELMORE

Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Oblate Apostles of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary, will celebrate a Healing Mass here in our church.

Fr. Justin has established a place in the hearts of many Australians as he shares his ministry of Discernment and Healing from Jesus, through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and emphasises the Love of Jesus and Mary for all. We urge you to bring your family and friends to experience this beautiful occasion.



St Joseph's

CATHOLIC CHURCH
BELMORE

We are called to reach out to everyone with the Love of God.

NEWSLETTER

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MASS TIMES:

Mon—Sat: 9:00am
Sat: 5:30pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8:00am & 10:00am
Youth Mass: 7:00pm
(First Friday of the Month)
Tongan Mass: 2:00pm
(Last Sunday of the Month)
Filipino Mass: 3:00pm
(First Sunday of the Month)
RECONCILIATION: Wed 6:00pm-6:45pm,
Sat 4:00pm-5:15pm
ADORATION & BENEDICTION:
Wed 6:00pm-7:00pm
Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals by
appointment, please contact the office.

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MAY—MONTH OF MARY

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - YEAR A

—MyCatholic.life

REFLECTION FOR TODAY



Most Holy Trinity

Today's solemnity entered the General Roman Calendar in the fourteenth century as a designated Sunday on which we ponder the inner life of the Most Holy Trinity, renewing and deepening our honour and worship.

The Trinity is The Divine Mystery above all mysteries. Not even in Heaven will we have a complete understanding of God's essence. Only God knows Himself fully. Nonetheless, every angel and human is called to probe the mysteries of God to the fullest extent possible. In that probing, contemplating, and understanding, we discover the purpose of our lives and experience the fullness of beatitude to which we are called. God alone satisfies the hungry, weary, and seeking soul.

God is incapable of change because He is perfection.

He is exactly Who He is, always has been, and always will be. God alone is all-powerful and has supreme authority over all creation. He alone perceives all potentiality within creation and within Himself. He is perfectly wise, just, and merciful. He is both completely beyond creation (transcendent) and intimately involved with every aspect of creation (immanent). God is the perfection of holiness and morality. He is the only standard of goodness and truth. He is present everywhere at all times—unchanging and eternal.

God is One God, not three. The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit each share perfectly in the one divine nature, and all share the same divine attributes. The Scriptures reveal God to us as one-in-three. The Old Testament alluded to the threefold personhood of God, and Jesus identified the three persons as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Human reason alone could never arrive at that realization.

God's attributes and existence can be summed up as "God is love" (1 John 4:8). Love must have a giver, a receiver, and the love that unites them. God's very nature is to love perfectly, to receive love perfectly, and to be love itself.

In the Trinity, the Father loves the Son, the Son loves the Father, and the Holy Spirit personifies their mutual love. The Church defines God's love as an "eternal begetting" and an "eternal procession". "Begetting" and "proceeding" point to love's relational origin. The Father eternally begets the Son in an eternal exchange of love. The Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son, emanating from their mutual love. The Nicene Creed articulates these profound mysteries:

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made...I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

Slowly, these basic definitions of the Most Holy Trinity took shape, beginning with fourth- and fifth-century Church councils and deepening with writings from theologians, such as Saint Augustine and Saint Thomas Aquinas. We can grow in understanding of God only through the deepest forms of contemplative prayer, an infused prayer that only God can bestow as He invites you to enter into His divine presence. Few, however, reach that height of prayer in this life.

Most Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—You are the One God in Three Persons. I give to You my life, all that I am, and all that I will be. Do with me what You will so that You will be glorified in my life. Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on me. Jesus, I trust in You.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to find ways, centred on the love of God, to provide a welcoming Parish, a place of spiritual nourishment, and a home to a community that supports everyone and encourages them to contribute their gifts.

READINGS OF THE DAY

FIRST READING

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS

34:4—6, 8—9

The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness'. And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord', he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage'.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Dan 3:52—56

1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
Blest your glorious holy name.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
2. You are blest in the temple of your glory.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
3. You are blest who gaze into the depths.
R. Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest in the firmament of heaven.
R. Glory and praise for ever!

SECOND READING

A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

13:11—13

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with you all.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
To God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

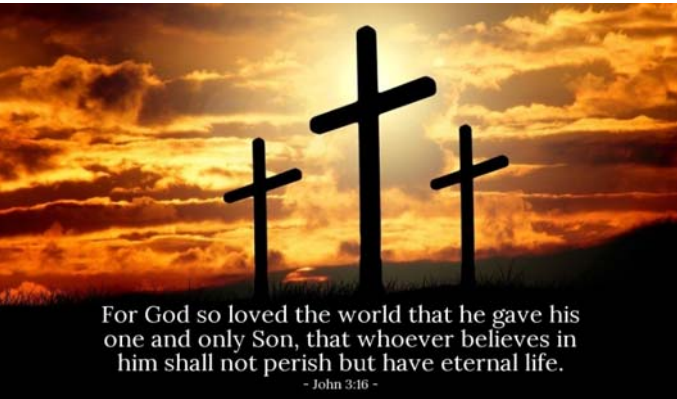
3:16—18

God sent his Son to save the world through him.

Jesus said to Nicodemus,

'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son'.

The Gospel of the Lord.



NEXT WEEK: 7 JUN 26—SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST—YEAR A

READINGS:

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 8:2—3, 14—16
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 147:12—15, 19—20

Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 10:16—17
Gospel: JOHN 6:51—58

The Word of the Lord

PARISH / LOCAL NEWS

Volunteers Needed

CAN YOU HELP?

We need your help especially during our Sunday liturgies. If you're able to, please send your details to the Parish Office via email: admin@StJosephBelmore.org.au stating which ministry you'd like to help—Collector, Lector, Choir, Eucharistic Minister etc. Thank you for your support and God bless you.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION—REMINDER



During Holy Hour (Adoration & Benediction) from 6:00pm to 7:00pm every Wednesday evening. Father will also be available for confession. All Welcome.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM 2026

DATE	EVENT
Sat 30 May – 5:30pm	Commitment Mass Please bring your child's commitment card with you
Sat 30 May – after Vigil Mass	Session One (all hourly sessions, held in the Hall)
Sat 13 Jun – after Vigil Mass	Session Two
Sat 20 Jun – after Vigil Mass	Session Three
Sat 27 Jun – after Vigil Mass	Session Four
Sat 25 Jul – 9:00am – 12:00pm	Reflection / Rehearsal
SUN 2 AUG – 12:30PM	CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY

NOTE: It is a requirement for all candidates along with at least one parent / guardian attend and participate in ALL sessions, except the Parent Information Evening.

Prayer Requests & Special Intentions

Please contact the Parish Office for your prayer requests and intentions. Email: admin@StJosephBelmore.org.au Phone: +61 2 9759 1280 May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

DEATH ANNIVERSARY—MAY

1st—James Tyler; Muriel Crockett; Terry Walsh; Patricia M. Cosgrove. 2nd—Helen Elia; Rufina Mortillero. 3rd—Alexander Duncan; Jim Bradley. 5th—John Whelan; Mario Lucie De Douza; 6th—Tony Michael; Walter B Stuckey; Maria Mizzi. 7th—Theresa Eid; 9th—Dorris Morgan; Placida Yap. 10th—Myra Folwell; 11th—Nicholina Mangano; Elizabeth Cividin; G. McDonald; 12th—Nicola Riccio; 14th—Ron Macdonald; 15th—Ann Vuong Tran; Ida Williams; 16th—Valarie Sarah Byrnes; Dominic Camillieri; 17th—Mary Hennessy; Venetta Daniel; Maria Camellotti; 19th—Sister Mary; Tony Calleja; Jack Salmon; 21st—Catherine O'Connor; Lorenza Estepa; Jack Martin; 22nd—Jessica V Eade; 23rd—Rino Lazaric; Joseph Elia; Kalmat Zouki; 24th—John Patrick Weston; Francesca Cantore; 25th—Alfred K Keeble; Jason Shori; Joseph Merciega; 26th—Frederico Valli; Patricia Badaovi; Anne Sheedy; Col Mullen; 27th—James M McKeown; Marie Ritchie; Helen Farah; 28th—Chung Yit Hing (Anna); 29th—Francesca Defina; Michael Kayrooz; 30th—Giovanna Di Giambattista; Colm Mullen; 31st—Guiseppe Attard.

LET'S KEEP OUR CHURCH CLEAN

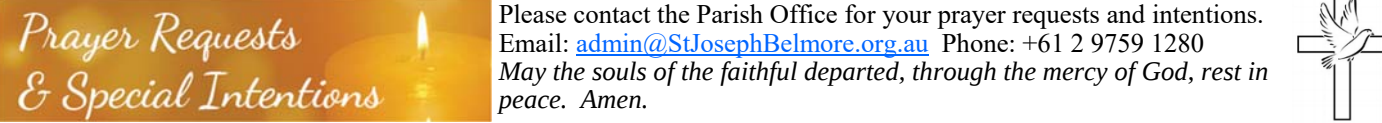
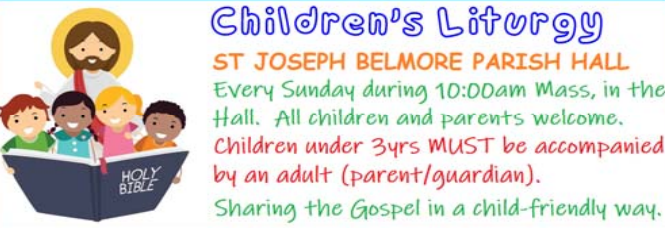
Our church is cleaned by volunteers

Please place any rubbish you have into the bins at the entrances, or take them home with you. Please contact the office on 9759 1280 or email admin@StJosephBelmore.org.au if you can help. Thank you for keeping our church clean.



NOTICE NO FOOD OR DRINKS ALLOWED IN CHURCH

2026 NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANCE Mass attendance counts will be conducted at each of our Masses from this weekend for three weeks. Please remain until the end of Mass to get our count correct. Thank you.



MASS INTENTIONS

Parishioners who are sick. Our Elderly Parishioners. Parishioners celebrating their birthdays. Suzan & Rizkalla Toubia REPOSE OF SOULS Souls of our dearly departed family members. Mrs Patricia Cosgrove.