



# Our Lady of Victories Horsley Park

Under the Pastoral Care of the Congregation of St Michael the Archangel  
Celebrating Community



**Our Lady Of Victories  
Catholic Parish**  
1788 The Horsley Drive, Horsley Park

**Our Lady Queen of Peace**  
215 Western Road, Kemps Creek

We pay our respects and acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.

**Parish Priest**  
Fr Dominik Karnas CSMA

**Assistant Priest**  
Fr Marek Okarma CSMA

**Pastoral Associate / Parish  
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Mary Farrell

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Chairperson: Martin O'Connell  
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**Mass Times**

**Horsley Park: SUSPENDED**

**Kemps Creek: SUSPENDED**

**Reconciliation: SUSPENDED**

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*An induction loop for the hearing impaired is fitted in the centre aisle of the church.*

03 October 2021

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

**INTRODUCTION:** The Gospel today speaks to us of the commitment of marriage and emphasises the importance of family. Whilst Jesus speaks to us about the commitment between a husband and wife, the images that this commandment evokes can be aligned with those we should have for our relationship with God; these being passion, patience, forgiveness and love. All loving relationships have to be worked at so they will be life-giving and sustainable.

**FIRST READING:** Genesis 2 : 18-24  
*They were two in one flesh.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Psalm 127

**RESPONSE:** May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

**SECOND READING:** Hebrews 2 : 9-11  
*He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified have one origin.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
If we love one another,  
God will live in us in perfect love.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Mark 10 : 2-12  
*What God has joined together, no one must divide.*

*What God has  
joined together  
let man not separate.  
Mark 10:9*

✠ WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & FRIENDS: GAUCI John, GRIMA Anthony, Carmel, Joseph, Sam, MICALLEF Carmen, MONTELEONE Francesca, Giuseppe, MUSCAT Jean, Lewis, SCHEMBRI Joseph, Joe, TABONE Emanuel, VELLA Maryanne, Sylviina, Charlie, Anthony, Stephen. All Souls in Purgatory. All Relatives and Friends. May they rest in peace. Amen

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS. Alyssa Ferreri, Seak Yek Heng, Vicky Vella. *May God's love give them strength and courage.*

Monday 04 October:	(Luke 10:25-37) <i>St Francis of Assisi</i>
Tuesday 05 October:	(Luke 10:38-42)
Wednesday 06 October:	(Luke 11:1-4)
Thursday 07 October:	(Luke 11:5-13) <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>
Friday 08 October:	(Luke 11:15-26)
Saturday 09 October:	(Luke 11:27-28)
Sunday 10 October:	(Wisdom 7:7-11, Hebrews 4:12-13, Mark 10:17-30)

**CHURCH RE-OPENING:** The State Government has set out steps for re-opening. Stage 1 - When 70% are fully vaccinated - estimated date is 11 October. The Archdiocese of Sydney has advised all parishes that although churches will be allowed to re-open it will be for all vaccinated only. Therefore, they have decided that all churches are to wait the estimated two further weeks until we reach 80% fully vaccinated before re-opening.


Stage 2 - When 80% are fully vaccinated - estimated date is 25 October - churches will open to all, with the 4sqm rule, wearing of face masks indoors, sanitizing and scanning QR codes upon entry. Further details on re-opening will be advised as they come to hand.

**MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY:** October is the month of the Holy Rosary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. We love this gift given to us by our Mother, Mary. We may tell ourselves that it takes too much time... but it really doesn't if we break it down. If five decades all at once is too difficult to fit into the day, maybe try praying one at a time. One decade of the rosary takes about 5-8 minutes to say reverently. To celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, Sydney Catholic Youth are holding an evening with Mary on Thursday 7 October from 7.00pm-8.30pm. Details of this event can be found at [www.sydneycatholicyouth.org](http://www.sydneycatholicyouth.org), select "Events" and select the date from their calendar. At this time of Covid-19 and lockdown we need Mary's intercessions more than ever.

**PASTORAL CARE HOME VISITS:** Our priests are available for home visits in cases of EMERGENCY to the elderly and sick within the local community (subject to the 5km limit). Wearing of face masks and other hygiene measures must be adhered to at all times. To arrange a visit, please call the Parish office and leave a message. If you need to speak to a priest for spiritual guidance (not for Reconciliation) please leave your contact details and Fr Dominik or Fr Marek will call you back. As we are all in lockdown and should not be leaving our homes, please do not come to the office or church unless Father or a staff member has asked you to do so.

**DON'T FORGET:** Daylight savings will commence this Monday, 04th October. Clocks go forward 1 hour.





### Catechesis of St Joseph

#### ST JOSEPH - PROTECTOR OF THE HOLY CHURCH (2)

St. Joseph is a wonderful intercessor for priests. The priesthood can be overwhelming given all the pastoral difficulties and challenges. St. Joseph was faced with many difficulties as well. Clearly, he was called to this, and God gave him the grace to respond. God gives that same grace to His priests and the leaders of His church. Being in a leadership role requires meeting unexpected trials that will test strength and abilities. Through the intercession of your spiritual father, St Joseph, God will give you His grace to meet these trials and give you strength and wisdom to lead His church.

*St. Joseph, Protector of the Holy Church, pray for the Holy Father, all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they be renewed in their vocation and humbly and faithfully carry out their mission. Pray for all leaders, that they may have a servant's heart and rely on the wisdom of God in their decision-making.*

*St Joseph, Protector of the Holy Church, prayer for us!*

#### *Prayer to St Michael the Archangel*

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

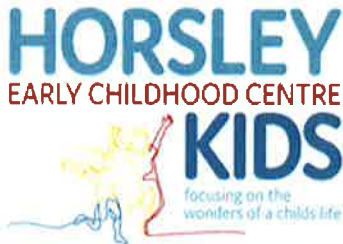




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