Welcome to the Parishes of St Columbkille’s and St Joseph’s
St Mary of the Cross - Pray for Us
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4th Sunday in Lent Yr B

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PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH
Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen
Pope Francis, Patris Corda, 2020

MASS TIMES for ST COLUMBKILLE’S CORRIMAL - CAPACITY * 90 people
TUES 16TH MAR 10AM Italian MASS | 6PM MASS
WED 17TH MAR (Angelus) 12 Midday MASS | St Patrick
THURS 18TH MAR 5:15PM Exposition & Benediction | 6PM MASS
FRI 19TH MAR (Angelus) 12 Midday MASS | Litany of St Joseph
STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 6PM WITH THE TONGAN COMMUNITY
SAT 20TH MAR 6PM MASS (Vigil) | Monitors: Alice & Jo
Reader: L. Brookhouse | Acolyte: A. D’Acunto
SUNDAY MASS 9:30AM MASS | Monitors: Maria & Libbie
Reader: S. Palmieri | Acolyte: M. Hira

11AM Italian MASS

BE COVID’ SAFE & SIGN IN @ CHURCH & Church Facilities

MASS TIMES for ST JOSEPH’S BULLI - CAPACITY * 130 people
WED 10TH MAR 5pm Rosary, Exposition & Benediction | 5:30 pm MASS | St Patrick
THURS 11TH MAR (Angelus) 12 Midday MASS
FRI 12TH MAR 9am Stations of the Cross | 9:30am MASS | Litany of St Joseph
Confession available after this MASS
SUNDAY MASS TIMES: St Joseph’s Feast Weekend
READINGS FOR THE MASS: 8:30AM MASS - Monitors: C. McKirid & M. Liew | Reader: P. Abela
5:30PM MASS - Monitors: N. Federer & E. Cotterill | Reader: J. Hammond

We acknowledge the Dharawal people, their country and their Elders, past and present.
St Columbkille’s Community Newsletter

The Parish Outreach Ministry realises the need for more communication within the Parish; especially for the parishioners who have been unable to attend Mass over the past year and have lost contact with the parish and each other, via a monthly newsletter. This newsletter will be an outlet to anyone who would like to provide information about events and happenings with in parish. To be delivered by email, but also be picked up from the Church, posted or delivered to homes. Please send your email address to: stcolmscommunitynews@gmail.com

Or fill out the newsletter mailing lists in the Church.

Stations of the Cross St Columbkille’s Corrimal

Each Friday in Lent at 6pm
Lead by the Tongan Community
Please Join us in this special time of prayer

St Columbkille’s Sacramental Program 2021:

Preparation for the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be predominantly via remote learning.

The online enrolment forms can be found on the Parish website www.corrimalparish.org.au along with all additional information and dates you will need to know.

NB: No enrolment forms will be processed after the 17th March.

Confimation Dates: Thursday 10 & Friday 11 June 2021

First Reconciliation: Wednesday 1st September - 9:30am to 11:30am

First Holy Communion Dates: 20th and 21st November 2021

NB: If you know of any State School children within the Corrimal and Bulli Parishes who would like to celebrate their Sacraments, please let them know they will need to enrol in this St Columbkille’s Sacramental Programme.

Legion of Mary, Corrimal

If you would like to join a group of friendly people whom pray the Rosary together and offer support to Parish members. We invite you to come along to the Parish meeting room at St Columbkille’s Parish Centre any Tuesday at 4:45pm. contact: Susan: 0449 807 807

Legion of Mary, Immaculate Heart of Mary W’gong Curia

The ACIES Ceremony invites all Spiritual directors, Active & Auxiliary members, friends and parishioners.

Date: Sunday 21st March at 2pm
Venue: Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Unanderra
Celebrant: Monsanderra

ST JOSEPH RETREAT: Come to a night of Adoration, Reflection and Reconciliation on the Feast of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong: Friday 19th March - 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Please continue to pray for:


Our Recently Deceased: Betty Bloye, Kevin Barrett, Josephine Bonanno, George Mir, Maria Disibio (snr), Ken Cox, Frank Kenny, Harry Cropper, Tony Arts, Noel Cox, Mark Cox, Lou Barbaro-Sant, Matt Lock, Edward Tristram, Tom Wylie, Anthony Akele Snr, Socrates and Ida Ioannou, Ron McCudden, Joseph Micale, Siro Rostirolla, Antonio Piacentini, Manera Family, Paola Family, all our deceased and all the Holy Souls

Anniversaries: Ern McGarry

Baptisms: Henry and Kimber Hunter

Lent and Easter Season is such a special and grace filled time for us all. Fr Geoff, Richard and Patrick are keeping you and your families especially in our prayer. Let us open our lives to the Love of Jesus on this journey.
The Parish Leadership Team is an advisory body to the Parish Priest and has a consultative vote on pertinent issues within the Parish. It shares the responsibility for building a vibrant community that is founded in the Holy Eucharist and built on Faith, Hope and Charity.

A Parish meeting was held last night and the new leadership team was elected. Congratulations to Jose Perez, Gonnie Keogh, Peter Lalli, Mark Hall and Tony Murphy. The team will be installed at the 8:30am Mass on Sunday 21st March.

St Joseph’s Church: The Old Sacristy/Flanagan Cloister (next to Our Lady’s Chapel) will become a chapel for St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The Sisters of St Joseph have given us a part of St Mary’s original coffin as a relic of our National Saint. I have commissioned a carved wooden Statue of St Mary. Some families may like to help with sponsorship of this statue in memory of their family or a loved one. We have a strong connection with St Mary of the Cross, who came to Bulli at least twice and established our St Joseph’s School and the Convent. Contact Fr Patrick to be a sponsor.

St Joseph’s Feast Day, Bulli
Friday 19th March
9am Stations of the Cross
9:30am Mass/ Litany of St Joseph (joined by Josephite Companions)
10am Morning Tea

To celebrate the Year of St Joseph:
You are invited to join with the Sisters, Affiliates and Josephite Companions as they participate in these virtual reflective moments below and at www.sosj.org.au/yearofstjoseph (At home)

St Columbkille’s with Fr Richard
St Joseph’s with Fr Patrick

Holy Week

Palm Sunday: 27th & 28th March

Wed 31st March: II Rite of Confession (Reconciliation) at 7pm

Thurs 1st April: MASS of the Lord’s Supper at 7pm
Altar of Repose until 10pm

GOOD FRIDAY- 2nd April: 10am Stations of the Cross
(FOLLOWED BY CONFESSION)
3pm: The Passion of the Lord & Holy Communion
(FOLLOWED BY CONFESSION)

Sat 3rd April: Easter Vigil MASS at 7pm

EASTER SUNDAY- 4th April
8:30am MASS - St Joseph’s Bulli
9:30am MASS - St Columbkille’s Corrimal

Notice: Palm Sunday Masses: The parishes will supply some Palms for Palm Sunday. However, this year we are asking to, where possible please bring your own (not too large) palms.

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Volunteer Cleaners Needed:
BULLI PARISH would like to put together a new roster for cleaning of the Church. After our Church reopened the same people have been doing the cleaning for almost a year and it is starting to take a toll. If you could help share the load please call or email the parish office on 4284 3000 or bulli@dow.org.au. You would only clean the Church every 2 months. Thanks for your help Fr Patrick.

www.saintjosephsbulli.com www.corrimalparish.org.au parishes@corrimalbulli
First Reading: A reading from the second book of Chronicles

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy. Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, ‘Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.’ And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: ‘Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, “The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up.”’

Responsorial Psalm: Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

1. By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung our harps. (R.)
2. For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. ‘Sing to us,’ they said, ‘one of Zion’s songs.’ (R.)
3. O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! (R.)
4. O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! (R.)

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus. This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God’s work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to Nicodemus: ‘The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, 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. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.’