

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH:

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Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Sick: Susan O'Sullivan, Kate Walsh, Chris Burns, Joan Bathgate, Terri Scott, Mark Weir, Cate Poynton, Josette Sultana, Josephine Sciberras, Laura Burns, Denis Poynton, Chris Hall and Fr Bernard Buckley.

May our healing God touch the lives of our sick bringing them comfort & peace.

~There will be No Masses in the Parish due to the new restrictions which are in force until the 13th of September.

~Bulletins will be able to be collected from the Parish Centre which will be open from 10am – 4pm each Friday.

~Baskets (on the table) for the 2 collections will also enable you to leave your usual offerings.

~Return pledge cards can also be left either in or beside the appropriate basket on the table.

~If you have any questions or concerns please call either: Faye 50 921 326 or Marie 0417 660 893.

Collections: Ouyen 30. 8. 2020

Planned Giving \$345.00

Presbytery \$75.00

Local On-line Mass:

We are very pleased to say that **St Joseph's Parish, Ouyen is now on YouTube! You can watch our Parish Mass from 5pm of a Saturday or any time after that, by going to: St Joseph's Parish Ouyen YouTube; just as you would if you were watching the Mildura Mass.

Planned Giving Pledges: 😊 Thank you to those who have returned their cards, it is greatly appreciated. If you have not returned yours yet could you please do so immediately. Cards can be left in the office of a Friday, mailed or can be collected from you, if you prefer. The new program begins this Sunday September 6th.

***If you would like to receive your bulletin via email,** please see Marie

Not so local Masses:

~St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat: Mass livestreamed daily from the Cathedral at 10.00am

can be viewed [here](#) or on [facebook](#). Otherwise the website is: (www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) if you receive this via email you can click on the "here" mentioned to take you to the link.

~ **Pope Francis' daily Mass:** Pope Francis' daily Masses are available online through the Vatican's website and YouTube channel. Watch [here](#).

~ **Mass for You at Home:** This program has been allowing the faithful to participate in Mass from their homes for many years. Mass for You at Home is broadcast on Eleven and Network Ten on Sundays and Aurora Channel on Foxtel every day at 3 or 3:30pm. Watch [here](#) or at 10play [here](#).

~ **EWTN Global Catholic Network:** Daily Catholic Mass [here](#).

*(again, for each of those above: if you receive this via email you can click on the "here" mentioned to take you to the link.)

Holy Land- Good Friday Collection is to be held on Sunday 13th September. This money is used to help medical centres, churches, schools, orphanages refuges etc operated by the Church in the Holy Land who struggle at the best of times, let alone this year, juggling a limited existence in the middle of Jewish and Muslim hostilities. This year ALL of our presbytery collection on the day will go towards this so please give generously!

Tues 8th Sept Birth of Mary, Mother of God

This year as we cannot gather together in the church to say the Rosary, we are inviting you to pray some or all of a Rosary from home on the 8th. For those who are able, or would like to, we will also stream the Glorious Mysteries from the church on the same YouTube channel as Mass. This will be available from 12 noon on Tuesday the 8th. You will also be able to use it any other time in the future.

This month's Horizon magazines have arrived for those who have ordered them. There is a lot of good reading in them so please make sure you collect yours. They are beside the bulletins in the Parish Centre.

We would love to hear any comments you have regarding our YouTube Mass. It is still very much a work in progress and your thoughts and suggestions are very welcome! 😊

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Parish Safety Officer: Mrs Marie Shaddock 0417 660 893

Sr Deidre Byrne - Surgeon, Colonel, Religious Sister

. . . and one of the speakers at the Republican National Convention last week.

What follows is the address she gave and it is in our bulletin because it is current, inspiring, pertinent and another sign of hope for our world. Where she speaks of America, we could just as well put Australia because we are no different and this message is for us too and has nothing to do with politics.

“Good evening. I am Sister Dede Byrne, and I belong to the Community of the Little Workers of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. Last Fourth of July, I was honoured to be one of the president's guests at his Salute to America celebration. I must confess that I recently prayed while in chapel, begging God to allow me to be a voice, an instrument for human life. And now here I am, speaking at the Republican National Convention. I guess you'd better be careful what you pray for.



My journey to religious life was not a traditional route, if there is such a thing. In 1978, as a medical school student at Georgetown University, I joined the Army to help pay for my tuition, and ended up devoting 29 years to the military, serving as a doctor and a surgeon in places like Afghanistan and Egypt's Sinai Peninsula.

After much prayer and contemplation, I entered my religious order in 2002, working to serve the poor and the sick in Haiti, Sudan, Kenya, Iraq and in Washington, D.C. Humility is at the foundation of our order, which makes it very difficult to talk about myself. But I can speak about my experience working for those fleeing war-torn and impoverished countries all around the world. Those refugees all share a common experience. They have been all marginalised, viewed as insignificant, powerless and voiceless. And while we tend to think of the marginalised as living beyond our borders, the truth is the largest marginalised group in the world can be found here in the United States. They are the unborn.

As Christians, we first met Jesus as a stirring embryo in the womb of an unwed mother and saw him born nine months later in the poverty of the cave. It's no coincidence that Jesus stood up for what was just and was ultimately crucified because what he said was not politically correct or fashionable.

As followers of Christ, we are called to stand up for life against the politically correct or fashionable of today. We must fight against a legislative agenda that supports and even celebrates destroying life in the womb. Keep in mind, the laws we create define how we see our humanity. We must ask ourselves: What we are saying when we go into a womb and snuff out an innocent, powerless, voiceless life?

As a physician, I can say without hesitation: Life begins at conception. While what I have to say may be difficult for some to hear, I am saying it because I'm not just pro-life, I'm pro-eternal life. I want all of us to end up in heaven together someday.

Which brings me to why I am here today . . . You'll find us here with our weapon of choice, the rosary.”

*It is interesting that both the Gospel and the First Reading readings this week presume that believers have a duty to correct sinners in our midst. Ezekiel is even told that he will be held accountable for their souls if he fails to speak out and try to correct them. This is the love that St Paul talks of in the Second Reading.

Our Lady's Birthday - Join us from your home with the Rosary at Midday on Tuesday the 8th

With or without YouTube we can be spiritually united in prayer on this day,
so do something special for your Mother and the world.