



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a believing community in the Catholic Tradition, whose heart is Jesus Christ, celebrated in the Eucharist. Our catholicity is lived through the diverse nature of our community which is open and welcoming to all. Daily we are open to the Holy Spirit who speaks to us through the Gospel, enabling us to experience personal and social transformation

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Priest: Fr Michael de Stoop
Assistant Priest: Fr Francisco Regala
Assistant Priest: Fr Josh Miechels
Assistant Priest: Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS
Seminarian: Adrian Simmons
Seminarian: Peter Khuong
PARISH OFFICE: 2 Weston Street
Fairfield NSW 2165
SECRETARY: Rosalia Nauque
Email: admin@olrfairfield.org.au
Phone: (02) 9724 5997

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9am-12pm, 1-4pm

CATECHIST COORDINATOR:

Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

LITURGICAL COORDINATOR

Manolo Patacsil: 0466 263 419

SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

Lessie Pahimulin and Margaret Lim:
Contact the Parish Office

SUNDAY MASS

in English (Vigil): 6:00pm (Sat)
in Polish: 7:30am
in English: 9:00am, 10:30am
in Vietnamese: 4:30pm
in English: 6:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon to Fri: 9 am
Saturday : 8:30 am
Tuesday: 7 pm

RECONCILIATION

After mass Mon to Sat
5-6pm every Sat

ADORATION

7-9am Tue-Thu

MONTHLY MASS TIMES

1st Friday: 9 am Mass and Devotions
6 pm Holy Hour (Vietnamese)
7 pm Mass & Anointing
1st Sat: 8:30 am Mass and Holy Hour
1st Sunday: 1:30 pm Burmese Mass
Novena Mass: 1st Wednesday 6:30pm

Daily Rosary before and after Mass Mon - Sat

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

First Sunday of the Month. First part of the Baptism Ceremony takes place during the 10:30am Mass and continues after the Mass. A Baptism preparation class is required prior to Baptism. Baptism Enrolment form need to be submitted to the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

After every weekday Mass, Saturday 9am and 5pm or by appointment.

MARRIAGES By appointment – six months notice required and undergo Marriage Preparation Course. Check with Parish Secretary for more information

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Friday of the month during 7pm Mass and last Saturday of the month during 8.30am Mass. For emergencies, you can call the priest on duty on Ph: 0439 615 659

SCHOOLS

OLR PRIMARY SCHOOL

20 Vine Street, Fairfield Tel: (02) 9727 9064

Principal: Br Nicholas Harsas fsp

info@olrfairfield.catholic.edu.au

PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE

Boys Year 7–12 Tel: (02) 9728 4488

Principal: Mr. Peter Wade info@pbcfairfield@catholic.edu.au

Monastery: (02) 97241247

MARY MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Girls Year 7–12 Tel: (02) 9725 4322 Principal: Ms. Gilda Pussich
info@mmcwakeley.catholic.edu.au

SCECS OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Ph: (02) 9568 8218 Website: www.scecs.nsw.edu.au

Mary Mackillop Hall 20 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165



PARISH GROUPS

Charismatic - Spanish: Saturday 11 am

Children's Liturgy: 2nd Sun of the Month 9am c/o Irene Taylor

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wed 6:30 pm c/o Norbeto Sia

Maltese Rosary: Every Thur 9:30 am c/o Georgina

St. Vincent de Paul: Last Thursday of the month 6:30 pm c/o Marcel

Holy Communion for the Sick & Elderly - Antoinette 0412015469

Catholic Women's League: 4th Thur of the month, 12:30 pm Sandra

Legion of Mary: Sunday at Parish Meeting Rm. Junior group at 10:30am. Adult group at 4pm c/o Josephine 0447 438 302

Church Cleaning Saturday: After 8:30 am Mass. All welcome to help.

Parish Choir : 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the church.

Spiritual Gym and Bible Study Group: Every Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Parish Meeting Room. Everyone is invited.

This Parish pays respect to the Cadigal People of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians of this land.

The Baptism of The Lord - Year C **Sunday, 13 January 2019:**

First Reading

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11
'Console my people, console them' says your God. 'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.' A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in every mountain and hill be laid low. Let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, 'Here is your God.' Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps. 103(104):1-4,24-25,27-30

O, bless the Lord, my soul.

Second Reading

Titus 2:11-14,3:4-7
God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to *set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own* and would have no ambition except to do good. But when the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

Gospel Acclamation

cf. Luke 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 3:15-16,21-22

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Br. Tom Grealy, Marie Morel, and Inacin D'Cruz

Anniversary of Death: Lorraine Thomsom,

Vincenzo Cogliostro, & Emilio Gabriel.

In Loving Memory of: Sam Marcellino, Pina & Paul Axisa, Juvenio Oliveira Ly, Anna Hoang Thi Thanh Loan, Domenico Marzano, Frasciscus Santoso, Juvencio Oliveira Ly, Felisa Aquila, Rey Aquino, Josef Taczl, Maria Teresa Nguyen, Nicola Elizabeth Rae, Anthony Mockler, Lazarus D'Souza, Peter Paul Spiteri, Antonia & Tadeusz Konarski, Giuseppe Occhiuto, Yolanda Mapagu, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Sr. Concezione Giuseppe D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Karmenu and Vincenzo Cianta, Charlie Camilleri, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Vincenza & Vincenzo, Domenico, Stefano, Carmela Cagliostro, Concetizione & Concetto D'Amico, Nina G. D'Amico, Gianni D'Amico, Georgina Bugeja, Maria Faccin, Harold Aviet, John Windred, Karmenu, Vincenza Ciantar, Antonia & Tadeusz Konarski, Marjorie Windred, Steve Harsas, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Joseph, Charlie, Paul Pace, Carmen Camilleni, Annuziata D'Amico, Mary Rose Price, Carmen & Anthony Spiteri, Emmanuel, John & Joseph Busuttil and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Missing Items in Harrington Hall's Kitchen

Over a year ago, numerous items were taken from the kitchen in Harrington Hall, including kitchen knives, cutlery, and glass containers. Subsequently, these items were replaced last year, among which the kitchen knives were engraved. However, these items have also gone missing, including the engraved kitchen knives. As Harrington Hall is for the benefit of the Parish's community, if items continue to go missing, the groups and communities who book Harrington Hall will need to bring their own utensils. I would prefer not to take such a measure. So, if you see any people taking any items out of Harrington Hall, you would do well to ask him or her politely if they belong to the Parish.

Fr Frank Regala's Farewell

The last Sunday Mass that Fr Frank is celebrating before he moves to Rockdale Parish is the 10:30 am Mass this Sunday. After this Mass, you are invited to the Farewell Party in Harrington Hall. The last weekday Mass that Fr Frank will be celebrating will be on Wednesday 16 January at 6:30 pm. After this Mass, another Farewell Party will take place in Harrington Hall. Depending on which party you wish to attend, you are invited to bring a plate of food (the Parish will be providing the drinks), or you can just turn up. You have an opportunity to contribute towards providing a farewell gift by contributing to the Bucket Collection after all the Masses this weekend.

**Applications are Open:
Events and Marketing Coordinator**

Fairfield Parish is inviting applications for this newly-created position. The primary purpose of this position (30 hrs per week which will grow to 37.5 hours per week in the latter half of 2019) is to assist the Parish's clergy, staff and volunteers to engage in outreach, faith-renewal, and build up the Parish's faith-community. Such assistance involves assisting the Parish to form disciples of Jesus by: coordinating faith-formation events; providing a range of administrative and communication services; and contributing cooperatively and collaboratively with the Parish Office team. The most desirable applicant will have: tertiary qualifications in an area that is relevant to this role; and demonstrated experience in events coordination, executive administrative assistance, communications, videography, and graphic design. Experience with the following software is required: Microsoft Office suite and Adobe (Photoshop, InDesign and Illustrator). The Position Description can be downloaded from: <https://catholicjobsonline.com.au> Permanent salary negotiable. For enquiries, contact Priscilla, Parish Operations Manager: 9724 5997 or 0490 099 551 or priscilla@olrfairfield.org.au

Applications are to be submitted in writing, including a CV and cover letter, and close on 20 January 2019.

Commissioning Mass on 17 February 2019

Parishioners who are active in the various ministries and special works in our Parish will be commissioned on Sunday 17 February during the 10:30 am Mass. Afterwards, we will have some festivities in Harrington Hall. More information about this Commissioning Mass will be provided in subsequent publications of the Parish Bulletin. In the meantime, I invite you to note this event in your calendar.

www.domusaustralia.org

Sunday 10:30 am Mass Choir

Please note that the San Lorenzo Ruiz Choir, which sings during each Sunday 10:30 am Mass, will be on leave from 30 December 2018 to 27 January 2019 inclusive. This choir will be back to sing on 3 February.

Outdoor and Indoor Christmas Cribs

The Christmas Season is now over; however, volunteers are not available to put the outdoor and indoor Christmas Cribs away until 19 January. If you would like to assist the volunteers on that day, you are welcome to join them.

**Vocation Discernment Weekend Run by the
Capuchin Friars 15-17 February 2019**

Come away for a few days of quiet to explore the possibility that you are called to make a sincere gift of self in response to a vocation to the Priesthood and Religious Life. This weekend retreat is for men aged 18-35. Begins 7:30 pm Friday and concludes 4 pm Sunday at the Marymount Mercy Centre, Castle Hill. There will be Mass on Saturday and Sunday, Adoration, quiet prayer, talks, Confession available and quiet time. The cost is only \$50. Registrations required by 7 February by contacting Fr Thomas at: vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au or 0432 362 052. Website: www.capuchin.org.au

Volunteering with CatholicCare

Interested in volunteering to help seniors?

Based at our Liverpool office, we need callers to phone people waiting for Government funded home care to check on their wellbeing.

Interested in volunteering to help children?

Based at our Lewisham office, we need people to help at playgroups for young, vulnerable mothers and their babies.

Call CCareline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

Pray for the Plenary Council

Across Australia, Catholics are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith and the Church. Many parishes within the Archdiocese have commenced their journey towards the Plenary Council 2020, sharing and reflecting on the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. Please continue to pray for the community of the Sydney Archdiocese that we will respond well to the call of the Holy Spirit, by engaging in the preparatory phase of the Plenary with open and humble hearts, listening to what the Spirit is saying to each one of us as we share our experiences of faith towards the preparation of the agenda of the Plenary Council. The Plenary Council Prayer:

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/pray>

Want to know more or on how to become involved? Please contact 9390 5147 or email plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org

Anniversary of Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen

You are cordially invited to attend the third Anniversary of the passing of Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen who was one of our parishioners, during the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday 27 January, followed by refreshments in Harrington hall. Her mother Anh Linh Pham does not expect you to bring anything other than yourself and your prayers.

Computer Problems ?



If your PC Desktop or Laptop is not quite right, has failed or you need a New One specially built feel free to call Vic 7 Days to 7 p.m. 0438 200 100 Computers Services

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3:00PM-6:00PM

If your child needs a place to play before or after hours, our school has a service to assist you. Sydney Catholic Early Childhood Services (SCECS) will be running Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) on site at Our Lady of The Rosary Catholic Primary School, allowing students to relax before and after school in a comfortable, familiar and safe environment.

Programs on offer:

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| Before School Care | 7am - 8.30am | \$16 (permanent) \$18 (casual) |
| After School Care | 3pm - 6pm | \$23 (permanent) \$25 (casual) |

*All fees attract the childcare subsidy funding greatly reducing out of pocket expense

If you are interested in enrolling your child please
contact the scecs management team or download
a form from our website.

SCECS TEAM (02) 9568 8218 www.scecs.nsw.edu.au

all welcome

Training for Acolytes & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Training conducted by the Archdiocese of Sydney Liturgy Office for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be run for two consecutive Saturdays on 16 and 23 February 2019 and for Acolytes on 2, 9, 16 March 2019. Subsequently, Bishop Tony will celebrate a Mass at 10:30am on 31 March at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney during which the Rite of Installation will take place. Application Forms are available at the Parish Office. All member sod these two ministries are asked to attend this important training including those who have already done this training.