

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

18 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165 Mobile No. Sick Calls: 0439 615 659 www.olrfairfield.org.au Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield



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 Fr Michael de Stoop

Fr Josh Miechels

Adrian Simmons

Peter Khuong

Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS

Parish Priest: **Assistant Priest: Assistant Priest:** Seminarian: Seminarian:

PARISH OFFICE: 2 Weston Street Fairfield NSW 2165

SECRETARY: Rosalia Nauge **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: 9:15 am Saturday : 8:30 am Tuesday: 7 pm

After mass Mon to Sat 5-6pm every Sat

MONTHLY MASS TIMES

ADORATION 7-9am Tue-Thu

RECONCILIATION

1st Friday: 9:15 am Mass and Devotions 6 pm Holy Hour (Vietnamese) 7 pm Mass & Anointing 8:30 am Mass and Holy Hour 1st Sat: 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: Jackie Vella



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 Norberto Sia 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.

Bible Study Group: (Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible) Every Thursday at 7:30pm. 8 Weeks Session. Held in the Harrington Hall.

Sunday 17 March 2019 2nd Sunday of Lent Year C First Reading Gen 15:5-12. 17-18



A reading from the book of Genesis

God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified. 'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off. Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Second Reading Phil 3:17 – 4:1

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe. So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 17:5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Lk 9:28-36

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Robert Percy Mullen, Fatima Cham, John Patrick O'Brien, Beverley Bogdanich, Marie Morel.

Anniversary of Death: Agnes Dias, Manuel Dias, Cleotina Di Domenica.

In Loving Memory of: Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Analiza Baogbog Poblador, Salvador & Milagros Poblador, John Brady, Fr Roberto Poblador, David Jug & Marcia Stevenson, Francisca Santoso, Domenic & Rita, Gonzales, Patrick Power & Connie Power, Hashal & George Haddad, Catarina Nguyen & Mathew Nguyen Hue, Agnes Aleck, Lazarus & Maria D'Souza, Felisa Aguila, Tegan Whittle, Marcia Stevenson, Antonio Fava, Cortney Topic, John Patrick O' Brien, Maria Dinh Thi Lieu, Paolina Climich, Richard Zamirowski, Sr. Concezione D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Karmenu & Vincenzo Cianta, Charlie Camilleri, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Vincenza & Vincenzo, Domenico, Stefano, Carmela Cagliostro, Concetizione & Concetto D'Amico, Graziella Ninae D'Amico, Gianni D'Amico, Francesco & Sam Musolino, Paul Pace, Georgina Bugeja, Maria Faccin, Harold Aviet, Christine Aviet, Karmenu, Vincenza Ciantar, Antonia & Tadeusz Konarski, John & Marjorie Windred, Steve Harsas, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Annunziata D'Amico, Domenico Marzano, Carmen & Anthony Spiteri, Charlie Camilleni, Joseph & Carmen Camilleni, Mary Rose Price, Emmanuel, John & Joseph Busuttil and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick & Infirmed: Mary Nguyen, Maria Pham, Coralie D'Abrera, Carmel Windred, Baby Hayden.

Feast Day

- 18 March St Patrick, *Missionary*
- 19 March St Joseph husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- 23 March St Turibiusof Mongrovejo, Bishop
- 25 March The Annunciation of the Lord.
- 02 April Commemoration of St Francis of Paola, Hermit.
- 04 April Commemoration of St Isidore, Bishop, Doctor.
- 05 April St Vincent Ferrer, Priest
- 11 April Commemoration of St Stanislaus Bishop, Martyr
- 13 April Commemoration of St Martin 1 Pope, Martyr
- 14 April PALM SUNDAY

Mass Intentions - Fr Josh

16 March	Susan Dondonilla
17 March	Maria Dinh Thi Lieu
18 March	Giuseppe Gagliano
19 March	Sr Concezione-Graziella D'Amico
20 March	Ignac Gjura
21 March	Annunziata Concetto D'Amico
22 March	Norman and Stanley Small

Station of the Cross every Friday after 9:15am Mass and at 7pm



Message from our Parish Priest, Fr Michael

SENTANCING OF CARDINAL PELL

As always, Fr Bhaskar and Fr Josh are available if you need to talk about what is happening. (Fr Michael currently on annual leave until 23 March)

1st Reconciliation and 1st Holy Communion.

Please note that classes for Reconciliation starts next Saturday 23 March/ 24 March at 4:30pm - 6pm. All students who have registered will have to attend either Saturday or Sunday class. Please note that students have to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Parish Lenten Event: 24 Hour with the Lord

On the 29th and 30th of March, parishes of the Archdiocese are invited to respond to Pope Francis' annual call to participate in *24 Hours for the Lord* for Lent.



The aim is to have churches all around Sydney open for some time so that people can encounter Jesus

in Adoration and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Our parish is invited to take part. "Your participation can range from 1, 2, 4 or 6 hours of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament right through to a full 24 hours, depending upon our parish resources.

Roster is available in the foyer, please invite your prayer group, family and friends to come and participate in this world event during Lent.

Oz Rosary Around Australia

In October, 2017 on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, well over one million lay people gathered in Poland around the Polish borders to pray the Rosary for the protection of their country and to intercede for their young people.

Last year on 13 May, over 250 locations participated in Oz Rosary under the patronage of Bishop David Cremin.

This year, Oz Rosary will be holding a similar event over the weekend of Friday 24 May to Sunday 25 May, which is the weekend of the feast day of Australia's Patroness, Our Lady Help Of Christians. A 54-day Novena will take place leading up to the event starting on 1 April.

To obtain an copy of this Novena and to register, go to: <u>www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53</u> or Email: <u>ozro-</u> <u>sary53@gmail.com</u> or contact Jane: 0476 535 595.

<u>School News:</u>

On Thursday 21 March the Primary School will be celebrating Harmony Day. On this day students will come to school wearing clothes that reflect their national dress and will be called to assembly by



other students saying "hello" in different languages. During lunchtime the children will have an opportunity to play games from countries around the world.

The enrolment period for 2020 has begun. Enrolment packs are available from the school office

Jackie Vella

Principal

LENTEN PROGRAM

Our lady of the Rosary Parish staff has put together a Lenten Program for the whole period of lent which includes day Gospel readings, Reflections and a Lent act. This will be a great resource to look at daily for spiritual guidance during this season of Lent. To access this check the Facebook page for daily posts:

https://www.facebook.com/OLRFairfield/ and our website on:

https://www.olrfairfield.org.au/resources/lenten-program/

One Hour Retreat Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday 26 March 2019 from 5.30 - 6.30 pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Church organised by



Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. All are welcome

Altar Servers Training: 27 March

Training for new Altar Servers will be held on Wednesday at 3:30pm in the Church. Registration forms available from the Parish Office.

Ministries and Liturgical Coordinators: 28 March Your meeting will be held on Thursday 28th March at 6:30pm in the Parish Boardroom. All members are asked to attend this meeting.

Vietnamese Community Retreat: 28 - 29 March Thursday and Friday 7 - 10pm in the Church.

MEN'S WEEKEND

The **menALIVE Men's Weekend** is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. The weekend is organised by men in your local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age.

23 - 24 March 2019

All Saints Senior College Casula Leacocks Ln Casula NSw

For more information, contact:

Daniel Kneipp 0423045541

Abbott Fattal 0409435460

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\$50.00 per person Includes : Workshops, morning and afternoon tea and Dinner on Saturday

"Land is not a commodity, but rather a gift from God."

- Pope Francis

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT 17 MARCH 2019



Second Sunday of Lent 17th March 2019



Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia. She is a mother of three who was earning an income working in a local rubber plantation. Since taking part in ecotourism training with Caritas Australia and its partners, Tati can now afford to send her children to school. With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of <u>poverty</u>, and give them hope to protect our common home.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting <u>www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion</u> or phoning 1800 024 413.