



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

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18 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165
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www.olfairfield.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

Dean/Parish Priest: Very Rev Fr Michael de Stoop
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Josh Miechels
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr William Chow

Parish Office: 2 Weston Street
Fairfield NSW 2165

Email: admin@olfairfield.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 Officer

Lessie Pahimulin: Contact 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

Monday 7pm only
Tues - Friday 9:15am
Saturday: 8:30 am

Other Mass Times

1st Friday: 9:15 am Mass and Devotions
6:00 pm Holy Hour (Vietnamese)
7:00 pm Mass
1st Sat: 8:30 am Mass and Holy Hour
1st Sunday: 1:30 pm Mass in Burmese
1st Wednesday: 6:30pm Mass & Novena

Daily Rosary before and after Mass, Tues - Sat



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**Our Lady of the Rosary
Fairfield Parish**

for more updates and info on news and events.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

After morning Mass: Tuesday to Saturday
Saturday: 5 - 6pm

Baptisms

First Sunday of the Month. A Baptism preparation class is required prior to Baptism. Baptism Enrolment form need to be submitted to the Parish Office.

Marriages

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

Anointing of the Sick

During the Saturday morning Mass on 25 January, 25 April, 25 July and 24 October or by request at any other time.

SCHOOLS

OLR Primary School

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

Principal: Jackie Vella
info@olfairfield.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@mmwakeley.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

Divine Mercy Novena:	Every Saturday at 7:20 pm
Charismatic - Spanish:	Every Saturday 11am
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:	1st Thurs of the month 6:30pm c/o Marcel
Holy Communion for the Sick & Elderly:	Antoinette 0412015469
Catholic Women's League:	4th Thurs of the month, 12:30 pm Sandra
Legion of Mary:	Every Sunday Junior group at 10:30am. Adult at 4pm c/o Josephine 0447 438 302

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Entrance Antiphon Ps 94:6-7

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

First Reading Is 58:7-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,
and shelter the homeless poor,
clothe the man you see to be naked
and turn not from your own kin.
Then will your light shine like the dawn
and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you
and the glory of the Lord behind you.
Cry, and the Lord will answer;
call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke,
the clenched fist, the wicked word,
if you give your bread to the hungry,
and relief to the oppressed,
your light will rise in the darkness,
and your shadows become like noon.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 111:4-9. R. v.4

(R.) A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

Second Reading 1 Cor 2:1-5

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

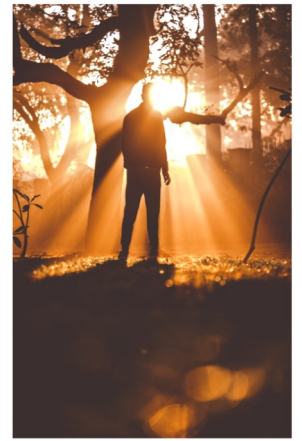
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
the man who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 5:13-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.'

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'



Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 106:8-9

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

Message from the Parish Priest

More Catechists Needed

Catechist comes from the Greek word meaning "instruction by word of mouth." Catechists are lay volunteers who teach Scripture classes in public schools. Without our catechists, many children would not have the opportunity to learn about the Catholic Faith and how to pray in response to the love God has for them as revealed in Sacred Scripture. The many refugees who are moving into our area are increasing the size and number of catechist classes in 2 of the 5 public primary schools in our Parish, that is, Fairvale Public Primary School and Fairfield Public Primary School (the largest of these schools). The children love attending these classes and the interactive books they are given to help them learn about the Catholic Faith, but we no longer have enough catechists to teach them all.

Due to this growing need, I urge you to prayerfully consider becoming a catechist or encourage some people you know to become one. To become a catechist, training is provided on five Mondays starting on 10 February from 9:45 am to 2:15 pm at Moorebank Parish which is conveniently located, as it is one of our neighbouring parishes. If attendance at the first class is not possible in short notice, please register with the Parish Office nonetheless. For if enough people register, arrangements will be made for another training session to be provided in our own Parish at a day and time that best suits those who register.

If you or a person you know do not want to become a catechist, but are willing to be a helper of a catechist, only attending the first three of the five training sessions is required. Vincent Haber from the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) will be speaking at the 9:00 am and 10:30 am Masses this weekend to further address the needs of the Catholic children in our public schools. You are welcome to speak with Heather and other catechists after these Masses, to discuss this further.

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Lenten Discussion Group

The Patrician Brothers will be running a Lenten Discussion Group on the Tuesdays of Lent from 7:30 to 8:30 pm. Registration is essential no later than 14 February so that the required number of resource books for these discussions can be ordered. To register, provide your name and contact details to the Parish Secretary Jessica.

**A Message from the
Archbishop's Office re Coronavirus**

A number of priests and parishioners have inquired about precautions in relation to the current health emergency caused by the Novel Coronavirus. At this point, health authorities have said that the risk of exposure to the public is low, especially if they have not travelled to one of the affected areas, nor had contact with someone who has. We will continue to monitor the Government's health advice.

Across the Church in Australia generally, and in the Archdiocese of Sydney in particular, there are as yet no mandated precautions beyond the common sense rule that people should stay home if they think they might be sick or infectious. Ministers of Holy Communion should wash their hands with soap or hand wash before distributing the Body of Christ.

Parishioners who wish further to minimise the risk of transmission are free not to put their fingers in the holy water stoop, not to shake hands at the Sign of Peace, not to receive Holy Communion on the tongue (but only in the hand), and/or not to receive Holy Communion from the chalice. We pray for all those affected by this virus and for those grieving or caring for them.

Mass Intentions of Fr. Joshua Miechels

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| 08 | S Concezione and Giuseppe D'Amico |
| 09 | Espanol-Mendoza Family - thanksgiving |
| 10 | Albertin and Joseph Jabroo |
| 11 | Karmenu and Vincenza |
| 12 | Reymundo P. Rey |
| 13 | Marie |
| 14 | Leon Kacalak |

Called to Serve: Eucharistic Ministers

All Acolytes, Lay Ministers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to attend a meeting on Tuesday 11 February 2020 at 5.30pm – 6.30pm, in the Harrington Hall. This will allow us to discuss relevant matters with Fr Michael, Fr Josh and Fr William.

For more information please call:

Antoinette Balamoan - Coordinator H.C. Ministry for the sick and housebound 0412 015 469 OR 9892 3683

Catechist Sunday



Charitable Works Fund
February 2020 Pastoral Appeal

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal will run next weekend the 15th and 16th of February and we need your help. This collection has replaced last November's appeal. The work of CWF's benefiting agencies represents our Christian values of mercy, social justice and compassion (visit www.cwf.org.au to find out more), giving your gift the power to change lives for the better.

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield is aiming to raise \$14,000 in this month's CWF appeal.

We will have special envelopes for your use on the pews in the Church or alternatively, visit the CWF website to donate securely by credit card (please remember to include your nominated parish as this helps them too).

To find out more, phone 1800 753 959 or email cwf@sydneycatholic.org

Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

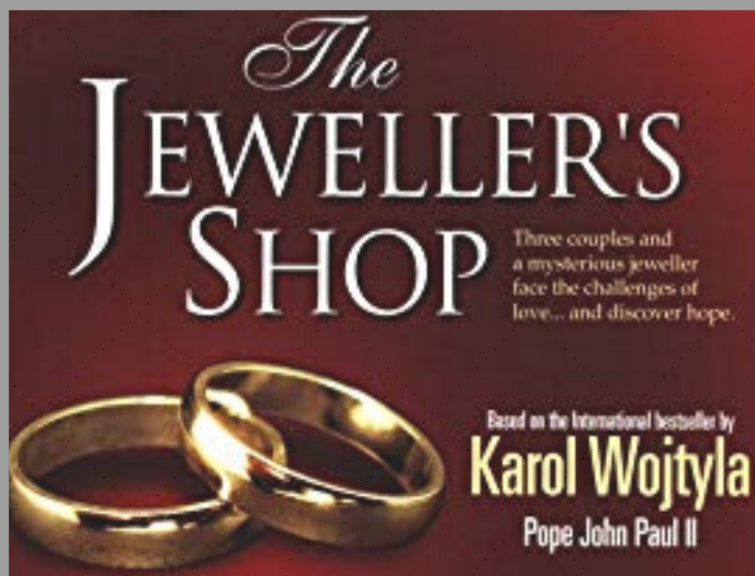
Recently Deceased: Angelo Gabbiadini, Fr Antonio Chinni, Ruggero Bogma, Raffaella Porpglia-Ivasic, Nancy Ross, Filomena D.C Lemos Correia

Anniversary of Death: William Balamoan, Guido & Teresa Ravagnani, Francesco Carbone, Vincenzo Cagliostro, Fiore Maria, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Teresa Thomas, Irene Madeira, Marino B. Mapagu,

In Loving Memory of: Maria Vincenza Zaccardi, Zarko Vukoja, Joseph, Harold Aviet, Graziella Nina D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Concetto & Annunziata D'Amico, Giacomo & Raffaele Uglietta, Joseph & Carmen Camilleni, Karmenu & Vincenza Cianta, Charlie Camilleni, Joseph Busuttill, Mary-Rose Price, Domenico Mozzano, Domenica Cagliostro, Gianni D'Amico, Domenico Cagliostro, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Pulqueria Mota, Luis Mota, Jose Luis Mota, and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick & Infirm: Jason Meek, John Bakhos, Aidan Cianta, Baby Vincent, Mercy, Espanol, Carmel Windred, Pham Kim Chuc, Nguyen Anh Ngoc Bao.

Special Intention: Lizzie Pace & Family, Giuseppe Surace & Baby Surace, All fire fighters and for rain to fall on the places that most need it.



Our Lady of the Rosary invites you to:
SEE AND BELIEVE

Movie Night & Talk by Fr Michael

Friday 21 February 2020

6:30pm-10pm

Parish Hall

(2 Weston St, Fairfield)



Light Dinner, Drinks and snacks provided.

Donations are welcomed.



Morning Tea & Talk

Join us **every last Friday of the Month** for some Morning tea and a chance to mingle with fellow Parishioners followed by a workshop led by CatholicCare team.

FEBRUARY TOPIC:

My Aged Care Workshop- Home Care Services

When: Friday 28 February 2020

Where: Outside Church Foyer
 18 Vine street, Fairfield, 2165, NSW.

Time: 10.00 am to 12.00 pm



For more information, contact
Rachelle 0438 664 834



Bushfire Appeal

Special collections at Masses across the country on the Australia Day weekend have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to support people and communities affected by the devastating bushfires.

Catholic Emergency Relief Australia (CERA) is a new collaboration of national Catholic organisations that will help coordinate the Church's ongoing response to the bushfire crisis and future domestic natural disasters. Find out more at www.cera.catholic.org.au

Is your family facing financial stress?

Connect with financial counsellors who can offer information, guidance and advocacy for people in financial distress who are at risk of or not able to pay bills or make repayments. Contact CCareline 13 18 19 or our Parish Office

Thinking About Priesthood?

'Come And See' Seminary Open Day 2020

A Seminary Open Day will be held on Sunday 23 February 2020 at the Good Shepherd Seminary, 52-58 Abbotsford Road, Homebush starting with Morning Prayer at 9am and a public Mass at 10:00 AM. The day will include prayer, conversations with seminarians and priests, talks with information about the studies required of men training for the priesthood and a guided tour around the Seminary. Brunch will be provided.

For registration or more information visit us at vocationcentre.org.au or contact us at the Vocation Centre on 02 9307 8424

SCECS OSHC Fairfield Before School Care

from as little as \$3.20 a day

Did you know?

- Our Lady of the Rosary have an exciting before school care program
- Our service opens at 7am Monday to Friday in the school hall