



# Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

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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@olrfairfield.org.au  
**Phone:** (02) 9724 5997

### Office Hours:

Monday: 1pm - 4pm  
Tuesday 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

### Confessions — Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday to Friday: 8:45 - 9:05am.  
Saturday: After the 8:30am Mass and 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@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

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](mailto: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.

## Third Sunday of Lent, Year A (15 March 2020)

### **Entrance Antiphon** Cf. Ps 24:15-16

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

### **First Reading** Ex 17:3-7

#### **A reading from the book of Exodus**

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt?' they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?' Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?' he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' The Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?'

### **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 94:1-2, 6-9, R. v.8

**(R.) If today you hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts.**

### **Second Reading** Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

#### **A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans**

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

### **Gospel Acclamation** See Jn 4:42, 15

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!  
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;  
give me living water, that I may never thirst again.  
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

### **Gospel** Jn 4:5-42

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' – Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus re-

plied: 'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you: Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.'

'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied: 'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again; but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.' 'Sir,' said the woman, 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water.' 'Go and call your husband' said Jesus to her 'and come back here.' The woman answered, 'I have no husband.' He said to her, 'You are right to say, "I have no husband"; for although you have had five, the one you have now is not your husband. You spoke the truth there.' 'I see you are a prophet, sir' said the woman. 'Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshiper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.'

The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah – that is, Christ – is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.'

At this point his disciples returned, and were surprised to find him speaking to a woman, though none of them asked, 'What do you want from her?' or, 'Why are you talking to her?' The woman put down her water jar and hurried back to the town to tell the people, 'Come and see a man who has told me everything I ever did; I wonder if he is the Christ?' This brought people out of the town and they started walking towards him.

Meanwhile, the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, do have something to eat'; but he said, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples asked one another, 'Has someone been bringing him food?' But Jesus said: 'My food is to do the will of the one who sent me, and to complete his work. Have you not got a saying: Four months and then the harvest? Well, I tell you: Look around you, look at the fields; already they are white, ready for harvest! Already the reaper is being paid his wages, already he is bringing in the grain for eternal life, and thus sower and reaper rejoice together. For here the proverb holds good: one sows, another reaps; I sent you to reap a harvest you had not worked for. Others worked for it; and you have come into the rewards of their trouble.'

Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony when she said, 'He told me all I have ever done', so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.'

### **Communion Antiphon**

**Jn 4:13-14**

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.



Guercino, 1641, *Jesus and the Samaritan Woman at the Well*, Thyssen Bornemisza Museum, Madrid Spain



## Soup 'n' Stations

Join us as we share delicious warm Soup & Bread together as community after Stations of the Cross during Lent!

### DATES:

**Friday 20 March**

**Friday 3 April**

Soup served 7:30pm after First Friday Mass (7pm)

### TIME:

From 6:30-8:30pm

### LOCATION:

**Parish Front Garden**  
18 Vine St, Fairfield



## Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent

After 9:15am Mass & 6:30pm

## WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

**Recently Deceased:** Nino Bricio, Saverio Treccase, Eddie Nassif, Angelo Gabbiadini, Fr Antonio Chinni, Ruggero Bogma, Raffaella Porpglia-Ivasic, Nancy Ross, Filomena D.C Lemos Correia

**Anniversary of Death:** Jose Herrera, Stanley & Norman Small, Marcia Stevenson, David Jug, Paolina Climich, Antonio Kenk, Antonio Palucci, Teagan Whittle, Maryann Sharp, Courtney Topic, Vincenzo & Domenica Cagliostro, William Balamoan, Guido & Teresa Ravagnani, Francesco Carbone, Fiore Maria, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Teresa Thomas, Irene Madeira, Marino B. Mapagu,

**In Loving Memory of:** Giacomo & Raffaele Uglietta, Concetto & Annunziata D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Graziella Nina D'Amico, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Charlie Camilleni, Joseph & Carmen Camilleni, Karmenu & Vincenza Cianta, Brulio Pacheco Noronha, Francisco Soares, Alexandrina Da Costa, Clara Noronha, Maria Ornai, Felisa Aguila, Fortunata Planes, Perfecto Planes, Rogelio Planes, Concepcion Planes, Harold Aviet, Bedour & Jamil Sadiq, Sam Musolino, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Marcia Catherine Stevenson, Charlie Camilleni, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Vicenza & Vincenzo Cagliostro, Domenico Marzano, and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**Sick & Infirmed:** 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 and for Australia & the Church

## Message from the Parish Priest

### Episcopal Visitation

The Archbishop of Sydney the Most Reverend Anthony Fisher, OP will be celebrating the Sunday 10:30 am Mass on Sunday 22 March as part of his Episcopal Visitation in our Parish to support the clergy and parishioners in our mission to serve the needs of the local community. After Mass, you are invited to join the Archbishop for lunch in the Primary School Hall. By the main part, the Parish will cater for the food and drinks; still, if you are able to bring a plate of food which is native to your national heritage, you would provide the Archbishop with an opportunity to sample our Parish's cultural diversity.

It has come to my attention that some people have been inviting groups in other parishes to attend the Episcopal Visitation Mass on Sunday 22 March 2020 so that they, too, can meet the Archbishop. Please note that only parishioners who live within the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary, Fairfield are invited to the Mass; otherwise, parishioners will be complaining if they do not get a seat. It is important that the priority is given to the parishioners as the last visit of the Archbishop in our Parish was in 2012.

### Memorare to St Joseph

Feast Day: Thursday 19 March

Remember, O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who implored your help and sought your intercession were left unassisted. Full of confidence in your power I fly unto you and beg your protection.

Despise not O Guardian of the Redeemer my humble supplication, but in your bounty, hear and answer me.  
Amen.

### Project Compassion

Twenty-seven-year-old Phany was a struggling farmer and was forced to leave her daughter to take up construction work in the city. Her life has been transformed since joining a Caritas supported program, learning crop growing skills and better water management, to combat drought.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help mothers like Phany continue to uplift their communities, and provide food for their families. Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

### Mass Intentions of Fr. Joshua Miechels

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| 14 | McAuley Family                         |
| 15 | Soul of Joseph                         |
| 16 | Those suffering due to the Coronavirus |
| 17 | Sr Concezione and Giuseppe D'Amico     |
| 18 | Kristy                                 |
| 19 | Concetto and Annunziata D'Amico        |
| 20 | Domenico Marzano                       |



# Solemnity of St Joseph

Join us for **Mass** with the Primary school celebrated by **Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP**. Followed by **Morning Tea** in the Primary School Hall.

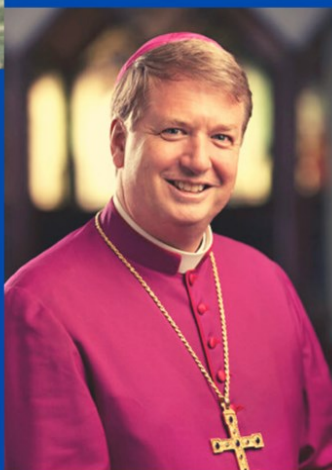
**THURSDAY  
19 MARCH**

**9:15AM** MASS  
**10AM** MORNING TEA



**Our Lady of the Rosary  
Parish Church**

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YOU ARE INVITED TO:

## MASS AND LUNCH WITH THE ARCHBISHOP

*During his Episcopal Visitation at the Parish*

**Sunday 22 March 2020**

**10:30am Mass | 12pm Lunch**



**Patrician Brothers' College**  
FAIRFIELD



## Enrolling Now

**FOR 2021 & 2022**

Enrolment Applications  
close 8 April

FIND US ON    

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## ENROLLING NOW FOR 2021 & 2022

Contact us to book your private school tour with the Principal on Wednesday 25 March from 5.30pm



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Contact us on P (02) 9725 4322 or  
E [rosemary.gerardis@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:rosemary.gerardis@syd.catholic.edu.au) to register  
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## SATURDAY, 28TH MARCH MEN'S BREAKFAST

*The Courageous Manhood of St Joseph*

St Peter Chanel Catholic Church,  
62 Kingsland Rd, Berala