

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

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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

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



Like our Parish Facebook page
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

<u>safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org</u>. 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 of Lent, Year A (29 March 2020)

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 42:1-2

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

First Reading Ez 37:12-14 A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 129. R. v.7

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Second Reading Rom 8:8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 11:25. 26

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Jn 11:3-7. 17. 20-27. 33-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 11:26

Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.



James Tissot, 1886 -1896, Jesus Wept, France

Message from the Parish Priest

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Consequent to the Coronavirus Pandemic

The answers to the following FAQs are provided by our Parish Priest Fr Michael de Stoop. In his answers, Fr Michael quotes the *Pastoral Letter to the Clergy and the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Sydney regarding the latest restrictions in response to the COVID-19* pandemic (23 March 2020) written by His Grace Anthony Fisher, OP.

How can I practice my faith in my home?

"'Mass for You at Home' is broadcast on Channel 10 each Sunday from 6 am. There are several live-streaming and on -demand services for daily Mass both locally and from around the English-speaking world. The cathedral, some parishes and several individual priests of the Archdiocese are already regularly life-streaming Mass and other devotions; more such initiatives are occurring in response to the present crisis. Links are available at the Archdiocesan website":

https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/

Message from the Parish Priest (Continued)

"I exhort priests, religious and lay faithful to engage in regular prayer and fasting for those who die, fall sick or are at risk from COVID-19, for those caring for the sick, seeking a cure and leading us through this crisis."

You "may pray the Divine Office with these particular intentions and add appropriate petitions." To pray along with the priests, you can download an app called Universalis on your smartphone, iPad, or tablet. The priests in Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield Parish will be praying Morning Prayer every day at 9 am commencing on Thursday 26 March, which will be live-streamed on the Parish Facebook.

"All of us can pray the Rosary and other prayers regularly." The priests in Fairfield Parish will be praying the Rosary on weekend at 8 pm, which will be live-streamed for individuals or families who wish to pray with them. In this way, we can imitate what the Christians did in the early Church: "They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers" (Acts of the Apostles 1:14).

Is the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) still available?

Confession is currently not available in a group setting during the pandemic. If you have any questions regarding this restriction, you can call or email the Parish Office. In the meantime, the Archbishop recommends "the continuing importance of examination of conscience and making an act of contrition. The faithful should be advised on the continuing importance of examination of conscience and making an act of contrition, and that they are dispensed from their annual duties until such time as it is practicable to fulfil them. Priests may and should respond to individual requests for the Sacrament of Penance, but may not advertise or open the church for Confessions."

Is the Parish Office still open?

Yes, but the staff are being rotated (i.e., they are taking turns in working from home) in order to practice social distancing and to reduce the chance of infecting the whole office. Irrespective of whether the staff are working in the Parish Office or at home, they can be contacted via email on week-days.

Is there a way I can volunteer in any way to help spread the Gospel during this pandemic?

To help "the frail, the elderly and isolated … the Archdiocese is working alongside CatholicCare to roll out a volunteer program to help the needy access groceries, cooked meals, medicine and other necessities at this difficult time."

If you would like to assist with CatholicCare's volunteer program, you can register your name and best contact details with Fairfield Parish's Events and Marketing Coordinator Joyce at: events@olrfairfield.org.au The Archbishop has requested that people in each parish "who are young and healthy enough to carry out these visits to the needy." This service will provide a noteworthy means of giving witness to the Gospel: "Many of our frail and elderly will feel particularly isolated at this time, as only essential services continue to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic. A service like this is critical to not only ensuring the needy get food and medicine, but human company as well to combat long-term loneliness and isolation."

For more information and for regular updates please like our facebook page or visit our website https://www.olrfairfield.org.au/



Tawonga is a 10-year-old girl living with a disability, and struggling with food insecurity and discrimination in Malawi. Since participating in a Caritas Australia supported program, Tawonga's life has transformed.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

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: Antonio & Gracinda Dossantos, Jadwiga Zamirowska, Lynette Yvonne Herbert, 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.

In Loving Memory of: Joseph Binh, Cham Liam, Rita Pereira Da Silva, Femely Gabriel-Vazzoler, Giuseppe Gagliano, Graziella Nina D'Amico, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Gianni D'Amico, Giacomo & Raffaele Uglietta, Concetto & Annunziata D'Amico, Charlie Camilleni, Joseph & Carmen Camilleni, Karmenu & Vincenza Cianta, Braulio Pacheco Noronha, Francisco Soares, Alexandrina Da Costa, Clara Noronha, Maria Ornai, Felisa Aguila, Fortunata Planes, Perfecto Planes, Rogelio Planes, Concepcion Planes, Harold Aviet, 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

Mass Intentions of Fr. Joshua Miechels

- 28 Sr Concezione and Giuseppe D'Amico
- 29 Sam Musolino
- 30 Amelia
- 31 Mass for Harold Aviet
- 01 Graziella Nina D'Amico
- 02 Giuseppe Gagliano
- 03 Bedour and Jamil Sadiq



ONLINE EVENTS with the OLR Priests





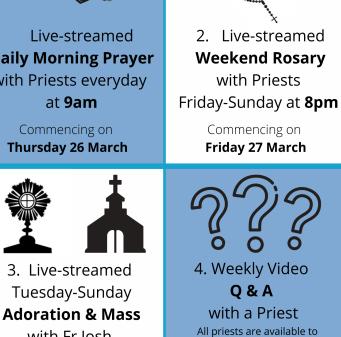
Daily Morning Prayer with Priests everyday

with Fr Josh

6:30am - Adoration

7:30am- Mass





https://www.olrfairfield.org.au/

PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR AN ENCOUNTER WITH JESUS Create a space where you will be able to pray quietly. Focus on an image of Jesus and light a candle before Him. Make the Sign of the Cross. READ THE MASS READINGS Slowly pray the readings for Mass of the day. These can be found in a Missal or on the Unversalis App. RECITE THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION Recite the prayer below slowly meditating carefully on each word Believe that Jesus will give you the grace of a real encounter with Him SILENCE Remain in silence for some moments, with Jesus in your heart. Allow Him to love you and to nourish yoursoul. SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER • My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart I embrace You as if You were already here, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

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HOW TO PRAY THE TV MASS FROM HOME

Creating a sacred space to reverently watch the mass in your home

Create a prayer altar under your TV or streaming device. Consider setting a crucifix or other sacred art in the prayer space.

Open your bible to the gospel of the day "home altar" to remind you that the Word of God is among you.

Light a candle to symbolize the beautiful light that shines in the darkness and to help your home resemble the Church.

answer questions.

A Poll on Facebook Page will

be provided soon.

Topics will vary each week.

Set up chairs like a pew to help you engage in the mass and keep you from passively watching

Get dressed as you normally would when attending mass. Keeping this routine is especially helpful for children.

at home, bless yourself and your

Take a few moments of silence to transition from the busyness of your home to the sacredness of the mass.

standing, kneeling, sitting and responding according Engage in community by having coffee and breakfast with your family after mass or by calling your loved ones to connect.

Contact the Office of Marriage, Family & Respect Life for more family resources 605-988-3776 respectlifessfcatholic.org

Prayer to St. Corona in a Time of Epidemic

Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, You came into this world for our salvation. Look kindly on us now, we pray, that we, and all those who serve You, might be kept safe from this epidemic.

Heal those who are sick, comfort the suffering, bring back those who have gone astray, and above all, increase our faith, O Lord.

Give us the grace to follow You and, like the martyr St. Corona, who gave her life for love of You, to take up our crosses daily without fear or hesitation.



Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

St. Corona, patroness of epidemic victims, pray for us.

St. Corona altarpiece, c. 1350 at Statens Museum for Kunst

