



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

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: 1pm - 4pm

Tuesday to Friday: 10am - 12pm, 1 - 4pm

Sign up to the OLR

Mailchimp Mailing List

Go to <https://www.olfairfield.org.au/sign-up/>

Catechist Coordinator

Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

Liturgical Coordinator

Manolo Patacsil: 0466 263 419

Safeguarding Officer

Contact Parish Office

Mass attendance **MUST** be booked at least 48 hours beforehand, either by going to www.olfairfield.org.au and following the link in the sections titled *New Mass Registration System*, or by phoning the Parish Secretary

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

Sunday 9am live streamed Mass found on the OLR Facebook page

Weekday Mass

Monday : 7:00pm

Tuesday - Friday: 9:30am

Saturday: 8:30am



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@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@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. 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.

**The Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time - Year A
(12 July, 2020)**

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

First Reading Is 55:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 64:10-14. R. Lk 8:8

(R.) The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading Rom 8:18-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

Gospel Acclamation See Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 13:1-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them.

Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' 'Because' he replied 'the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you, but they are not revealed to them. For anyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. So in their case this prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled:

You will listen and listen again,
but not understand, see and see
again, but not perceive.

For the heart of this nation has
grown coarse, their ears are
dull of hearing, and they have
shut their eyes, for fear they
should see with their eyes, hear
with their ears, understand with
their heart, and be converted
and be healed by me.

'But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! I tell you solemnly, many prophets and holy men longed to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it.

'You, therefore, are to hear the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in his heart: this is the man who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the man who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But he has no root in him, he does not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and he falls away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so he produces nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.'

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 83:4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.



Message from the Archbishop

The following message is from the Archbishop's seventh pastoral letter during the pandemic:

Our Babylonian captivity to COVID-19

Rivers of Babylon is a reggae song written in 1970 by Brent Dowe and Trevor McNaughton but popularized in 1978 by "Boney M." It was the number one hit in Australia for six weeks and one of the Top 10 best-selling singles of all time in the UK. It is one of the few pop songs to be taken directly from the Bible and in 1979 a crowd of 280,000 people gathered in Galway, Ireland, sang it to the new pope John Paul II.

The song is based on Psalm 137, a psalm of lament sung by the Jews after their kingdom had been split in two, with the Assyrians conquering the northern part (Israel) and the Babylonians the southern part (Judah — from which we get our name 'Jews').

By the rivers of Babylon, there
we sat down, yeah, we wept,
when we remembered Zion...
There the wicked, [who] carried
us away in captivity, required of
us a song. Now how shall we
sing the LORD's song in a
strange land? (cf. Ps 137:1-4)

These past few months we have felt like the Jews in the Babylonian exile, unable to visit the Temple in Zion. The COVID-19 pandemic and associated public health restrictions have prevented our attending Mass and other celebrations in our parish communities. For the first time in a century, Catholics in Sydney and around the world could not gather to celebrate Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Easter, Ascension Day, Pentecost, Trinity Sunday or Corpus Christi.

It has been inspiring to witness the creativity and collaboration of clergy and laity in response to the pandemic. Rivers of Babylon takes from Psalm 19 the recognition that we can pray anywhere, even when we are precluded from attending the Temple:

Let the words of our mouth, and
the meditation of our heart, be
acceptable in thy sight here
tonight... (cf. Ps 19:14)

The explosion of online Catholic content, from the livestreaming of Masses to virtual parish meetings and prayer groups, has demonstrated that, despite recent obstacles, our clergy and faithful are deeply committed to ensuring that the Gospel is proclaimed and worship offered to God. As Ecclesiastes points out, "there is a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing" (Eccl 3:5).

The New Financial Year and Planned Giving

To all our generous and faithful parishioners who, year in and year out renew your commitment to the planned giving program here at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, we thank you.

As we approach this new financial year in challenging and testing times we invite you again to participate in the planned giving program which benefits our Parish community and Archdiocese in significant ways. You will find your envelopes at the back of the church in the foyer. If your contact details have changed or are incorrect, feel free to contact the Parish Office.

If you wish to join the planned giving program, you can email or call the Parish Office during office hours.

Tax receipts will be given to parishioners who request their receipt. If you would like a copy of your tax receipt please contact the Parish Office. The receipts will be available from 13 July until 1 August 2020.

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Judi Puru, Trevor Goes, Doreen Dias, Lucia Portolesi, Henri Louis Chretien

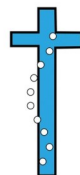
Anniversary of Death: Tome Da Silva, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Lope C. Mapagu, Nicola Colaneri, Antonino Zaccardi, Maria Thuc Trinh Dang, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Josef Munchen, Eleontina Didomenica.

In Loving Memory of: Giacomo Uglietta & Raffaele Uglietta, San Antonio, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Giuseppe Petrella, Tome Da Silva, Victor Albert Marco, Harold Aviet, Joseph Binh, Cham Liam, Rita Pereira Da Silva, Femely Gabriel-Vazzoler, and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Mass Intentions of Fr. Josh

08 China
09 Hyland Family
10 Michael Taffa +

***Father Josh has received no other Mass intentions.**



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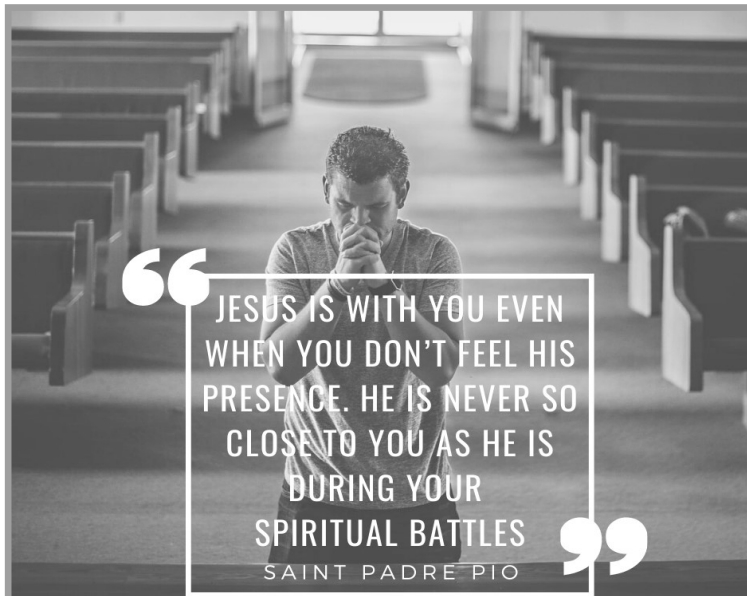
Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Updates

Fr Josh will return from he's annual leave on the 29th of July 2020.

Fr William will be taking he's annual leave from the 22nd of July and will be returning on the 22nd of August 2020.

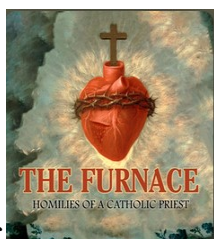
Do you need some parenting help?

Parenting can be stressful at times. Parent Line counsellors can help with strategies to manage these concerns. Call us 7 days a week on **1300 1300 52**.



The Furnace - Homilies of a Catholic Priest

Father Josh has created a daily podcast called *The Furnace*. We invite you to take a couple of minutes each day to listen to these thought provoking podcasts! You can listen to the podcast for free on many platforms such as, Spotify and Apple Podcasts, or follow this link <https://the-furnace.captivate.fm/>



A GATHERING OF MEN CALLED BY THE AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS.

Brothers, what must we do?

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC MENS GATHERING

2020 Virtual Men's Gathering
Saturday, 15 August 2020
www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

For more information please email
Laurence at reception@olrfairfield.org.au

You are invited to

A FAREWELL MORNING TEA FOR JOYCE

Following the Friday morning Mass on 17.07.2020, we will meet for a morning Tea at 10am outside the Church.

Online Bookings for Mass

With the Archbishop's latest pastoral letter, restrictions have once again eased. Our Lady of the Rosary will be able to allow up to 120 people inside the Church for worship. All bookings for Masses, until further notice, will be via Eventbrite, an online booking system. To book online, simply go to Our Lady of the Rosary Website olrfairfield.org.au, the image below is what you will see. Click on the URL in the section *New Mass Registration System* and follow the prompts. You may book for up to 10 people but you will need to enter each person's details separately. To book online you must book 48hrs in advance. The Parish Office can also take bookings during office hours up until 3pm every Friday. We look forward to seeing more of our Parish Community back at Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield. God bless you.

† Our Lady of the Rosary Church – Fairfield

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Latest Coronavirus (COVID-19) information
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NEW MASS REGISTRATION SYSTEM
Our Lady of the Rosary is implementing a new Mass registration system which will come into effect this coming Monday, 6 July.
To register your attendance for a Mass please click the link below:
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/112058985442>

MASS TIMES —

Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield Parish
Thank you to all our volunteers for helping out in the July Masses. Grand Blessing to you!