



# Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

23 May 2021 – PENTECOST SUNDAY - Year B



## 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

**Parish Administrator:** Rev Fr Bob Bossini

**Assistant Priest:** Rev Fr William Chow

**Assistant Priest:** Rev Fr Andrew Fu

**Parish Office:** 2 Weston Street  
Fairfield NSW 2165

**Presbytery:** 18 Vine St. Fairfield 2165

**Email:** [admin@olrfairfield.org.au](mailto:admin@olrfairfield.org.au)

**Phone:** (02) 9724 5997

**Emergency Phone:** 0412 206 225

### Office Hours:

Monday: 1pm - 4pm

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

Parish Website: [www.olrfairfield.org.au](http://www.olrfairfield.org.au)

**SATURDAY:** 8:30am

### SUNDAY MASS

in English (Vigil): 6:00pm (Sat)

in Polish: 7:30am

in English: 9:00am, 10:30am

in Vietnamese: 4:30pm

### WEEKDAY MASS

**Monday - Friday:** 9:30am

**Monday, Tuesday:** 7pm

**Novena Mass:** 1st Wednesday of the Month 6:30pm

**Novena Prayer:** Wednesday 6:30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Holy Hour:** Vietnamese Community 6pm 1st Friday of the Month

### Catechist Coordinator

Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

**Catholic Women's League:** Sandra Skarsky  
9724 3561 and 0425 285206 or Matilda Petersen on  
0426 847213



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## SACRAMENTS DURING THE PANDEMIC

### Confession

Saturday 5:00pm-5:30pm, Before/After Mass or by appointment.

### Baptism

Contact the Parish Office to make an appointment. A Baptism preparation class is required prior to Baptism. Baptism Enrolment form need to be submitted to the Parish Office.

### Marriage

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

### Anointing of the Sick

Please check the Parish Bulletin for future dates for the administration of this Sacrament during Mass. Outside Mass times, requests to be anointed can take place after any Mass or

## SCHOOLS

### OLR Primary School

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

Principal: Jackie Vella

[info@olrfairfield.catholic.edu.au](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:info@mmcwakeley.catholic.edu.au)

### SCECS Outside School Hours Care

Ph: (02) 9568 8218 Website: [www.scecs.nsw.edu.au](http://www.scecs.nsw.edu.au)

Mary Mackillop Hall 20 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165

## 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.**

## PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR B

### Entrance Antiphon Wis 1:7

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

### First Reading Acts 2:1-11

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

(R.) Lord, send out your Spirit  
and renew the face of the earth.

### Second Reading Gal 5:16-25

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians*

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

## Sequence

*The sequence may be said or sung.*

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,  
From the clear celestial height  
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,  
Come with treasures which endure;  
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,  
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,  
Dost refreshing peace bestow;

Thou in toil art comfort sweet;  
Pleasant coolness in the heat;  
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,  
Visit thou these hearts of thine,  
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,  
Nothing pure in man will stay;  
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;  
On our dryness pour thy dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will;  
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;  
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore  
Thee confess and thee adore,  
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die;  
Give us life with thee on high;  
Give us joys that never end.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

### Gospel Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

### Communion Antiphon Acts 2:4,11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

Dear Friends,

When we think of the Australian summer the thought of bushfires is not too distant. As the temperatures soar during summer, the eucalypts breathe out their oils into the atmosphere, creating an almost permanent haze over the bushland. The conditions at this time are right for just one spark to set the bush on a terrible and destructive path as fires take hold of the land with all of their intensity and energy.

As terrible and as destructive as these fires can be, it is believed that without them, the Australian bush would not have the possibility of regeneration and growth, since the eucalypt seed pods require intense heat for them to burst open and the undergrowth needs to be cleared for new growth to come forth. Without these intense fires, the bush would die!

This image of the Australian bushfire can become an image of the Solemnity we celebrate today. At the time of the first **Pentecost**, described in the first reading [Acts 2:1-11], the disciples were overcome with doubts, uncertainty and fear as they tried to come to terms not only with the tragic death of Jesus, but also with the more astounding rumours concerning the empty tomb and talk of his appearance among his followers.

Amid all this clamour, the Spirit descends upon them, and Luke describes this in beautiful and powerful images: ***‘they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house...and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were filled with the Holy Spirit’*** [Acts 2:2-4]. Luke’s progression in speaking about the event is interesting: they **hear** at first a **powerful wind**; its **noise** fills the house; they **see** something like **tongues of fire**; they become **filled** with the **Holy Spirit**. Only after hearing, seeing and experiencing the presence of the Spirit were the disciples ready for mission! The effect on the disciples of this event is astronomical. They immediately leave the safety of the upper room and begin with zeal and energy their mission to preach the Gospel, which continues to this day.

Like a bushfire, Pentecost – and the presence of the Holy Spirit – clears the ‘undergrowth’ of fear, doubt and anxiety in our lives. The Spirit’s presence in us and in our Church is a unifying force for good. We have received the Spirit at our Baptism. We had that same Spirit given to us in its fullness and giftedness at our Confirmation. We should be able to recognise, through the presence of this same Spirit, the individual gifts we possess. A good exercise would be to read the list of the Spirit’s gifts or fruits which Paul mentions in **Galatians 5:22**.

With the assistance of the Spirit we are then able to utilise them for the good of the Christian Community. May we be always open to the presence of the Spirit and to his promptings:

***‘Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they will be created and you will renew the face of the earth.***

**Fr Robert Bossini,  
Parish Administrator**

### **Parish Pastoral Council 2021**

Dear Friends, after some prayerful discernment and consultation I have decided to dissolve the present Parish Pastoral Council. I take this opportunity to thank the Council for their years of service and ministry. I am calling for nominations to the Council. The Council requires six (6) to eight (8) elected members. Nomination forms will be available at the Church and are due **by 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021**.

Present Council members may be nominated. Please give this matter serious consideration as the Council does perform an important action in our overall Parish ministry.

Fr Robert Bossini

### **Novena to St Jude (Helper of the Hopeless)**

O Holy St Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles. Near Kinsman of Jesus Christ, Faithful intercessor of all who invoke you. Special Patron in time of need. To you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg you to help me know in my present and urgent need. (State petition/need) In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. **Say:**

**3 Our Fathers, 3 Hail Marys, 3 Glorias**

### **We Remember and Pray for:**

**Recently Deceased:** Vincent Barry Lloyd, Maria Trinh, Gordan Maisey, Claire Alyssa Gonzalez, Janice Sampson, Nhon Tran, Danilo B. Cuaresma, Ann Alessandro.

**Anniversary of Death:** Claudia Pineda Dimatulac, Caetan Fernandes, Maxima B. Mapagu, Renerio Gerardino Snr., Maxima B. Mapagu.

**In Loving Memory of:** Harold Aviet, Charlie Camilleri, Joseph and Carmen Camilleri, Karmenu and Vincenza Ciantar, Giacomo Raffaele Uglietta, Zenaida Noble, Romeo Noble, Estefania Gerardino, Renerio Gerardino Snr.

**Sick:** Eden Lloyd, Carmel Windred, Baby Grace,



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**MADE FOR MORE**  
FOR TEENS IN YEARS 7-12

**5-8 JULY**

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THE PARISH IS PARTIALLY SUBSIDIZING 10 YOUNG PARISHIONERS TO THE JULY Y-FACTOR. SAVE A SPOT FOR YOU TODAY!

To sign up, contact Katelyn  
0432 437 552  
sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au

**YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT**  
Years 6-12

*All or Nothing!!*  
Sr. Clare

watch the life story of saint-in-the-making: **Sr. Clare Crockett**

**FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE**

**WHEN**  
29th May // 7pm-9pm

**WHERE**  
Fr Terry Room Meeting Room  
2 Weston Street, Fairfield

**Register via QR Code or Contact Katelyn**

**6A**

For more information, contact KATELYN:  
0432 437 552  
sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au

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**WE NEED YOU!**  
**YOUTH CHOIR**  
**ALTAR SERVERS**  
**READERS**

**INTERESTED?**

Contact Katelyn  
Mobile: 0432 437 552  
Email: sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au

**Every 3rd Sunday**

**First Youth Mass:  
20th June 2021 @ 6pm**

### Farewell Fr. William

I would like to inform you of the fact that Fr. William Chow will be leaving our Parish Community. Archbishop Fisher has appointed Fr. William as Assistant Priest to the Parish of Rockdale. He will take up his new appointment on June 24<sup>th</sup>.



While this will open up many new aspects of pastoral ministry for Fr. William, he will no doubt be sadly missed here. I would like to thank him for his pastoral presence and dedication over the past year and half. We wish him well in his new appointment. There will be a future notice regarding his farewell Mass and function.

**There will be a special collection on the weekend of the 29/30 May 2021 during the Mass.**



### CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

#### CWF Our Lady of the Rosary May Parish Appeal

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) November Appeal will be happening this weekend and we need your help. Your donation will help those most vulnerable in Sydney - including our local Aboriginal community, Seminary of the Good Shepherd, CatholicCare, Chaplaincy Services as well as single mothers facing homelessness, people struggling with mental health issues and many others.

Special envelopes are available at the parish. Alternatively, you can learn more and donate securely at [www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf](http://www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf). Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

**Donations** are welcome to help fund-raise for the new Our Lady Help of Christians statue. Payment can be made online on our website or call the parish office. Website: [www.olrfairfield.org.au](http://www.olrfairfield.org.au)/ Phone: 02 9724 5997



### Volunteers Commissioning Mass

will be celebrated in ALL Sunday English Masses, 23rd May 2021.

**Come join us as we offer 1,000 Hail Mary to Our Lady.**

It will be either on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May or Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May After Morning Mass from 10.30am – 2.30pm at the OLR church.

For more information call Anna Batur 0459 650321