

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946





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

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

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

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

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>safeguardingenquies@sydnevcatholic.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.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 26:7,9

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help.

Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

First Reading

Ez 17:22-24

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 115:12-13. 15-18. R. v.13

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Second Reading 2 Cor 5:6-10

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 4:26-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of
God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and
day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is
sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its
own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the
ear, then the full grain in the ear.

And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he start to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

Communion Antiphon Ps 26:4

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Joe Bugeja, William Way, Melita Sina, Evaristo Erguiza, Norma Belon, Anton Jarkey, Danilo B. Cuaresma.

Anniversary of Death: Vittorio Bogna, Silvestro Climich, Rosemarie Van Reyk, Rijina Yousif, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Maria Thuc Trinh Dang, Karolina Zizius.

In Loving Memory of: Ninna Zammit, Anna Russo, Pauolina Climich, Mariano and Visitation Badillos, Charlie Camilleri, Joseph and Carmen Camilleri, Karmenu and Vincenza Ciantar, Maria Emilia Martires, Ruben Joao Braz de Carvalho, Antonio Mota, Jose Luis Mota, Pulgueria Mota, Irmgard Kacalak, Leon Kacalak, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Isabel Tuyet Dong, Karmenu and Vincenza Ciantar, Giacomo Raffaele Uglietta, Harold Aviet

Sick: Eden Lloyd, Carmel Windred, Baby Grace,

Special Intentions: All the Souls in Purgatory

Vote for our Parish Pastoral Council!

In the coming weeks, we are inviting all parishioners to a voting system where you can select 6 nominees to be part of the Parish Pastoral Council.

Please note:

- 1. Each Parishioner can only vote once and must include their complete contact details to ensure the vote is valid
- **2.** If one of the nominees had been in a Parish Pastoral Council in previous years and were to be re-elected again, the nominees will be able to serve for only 1 year as a PPC member. This will allow a chance for other parishioners to serve the church.

Dear Friends,

The liturgy today challenges us to consider the elements and characteristics of the Kingdom of God, that term that is used so often by the Evangelists to speak about the reign of God – how God's will can be realised within our world.

It is no wonder that Jesus takes an image from agriculture to allow the people to come to some form of understanding of the Kingdom of God. He firstly states that it is like a person throwing seed randomly around the field. As the man goes about his duties, the seed germinates, grows and becomes a harvest ready for reaping. The man cannot explain how this comes about – he only knows that it happens.

The second image that Jesus uses here to further explain the Kingdom of God is that of the mustard seed. People were aware of the smallness of this seed, yet how when it germinates it becomes a huge tree that gives shelter to every kind of bird and wildlife. Here we see a comparison with the first reading [Ezekiel 17: 22-23] where the Lord speaks of providing a tree which will become a noble cedar and where 'every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.'

What do these images tell us of the Kingdom of God? Firstly, that the establishment of God's kingdom does not depend directly on us. We may be able to frustrate its growth through our attraction to sin, but ultimately it is God's Kingdom. These images tell us that the Kingdom's growth is imperceptible but constant and inevitable. We may not be able to understand how it all takes place: all we know is that it will take place! Our response then to the Kingdom needs to be one of patience, hope and preparedness.

The image of the Kingdom of God as a mustard seed in Mark's Gospel today – the only parable that Mark relates [Mark 4:26-34] suggests that there is a place for everyone in God's Kingdom – of all kinds of opinions and theologies. Often we can think of the Kingdom as being selective and the property of only those truly dedicated to God. God's ways are not our ways, and Mark tells us today that God's love and providence is all embracing. St Francis de Sales (1567-1622) makes an analogy between the mustard tree and our spiritual lives in that our spiritual growth is dependent on our doing the little virtues extraordinarily well: "Put your hand to strong things, by training yourself in prayer and meditation, receiving the sacraments,

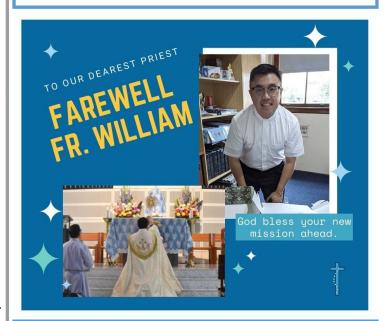
bringing souls to love God, infusing good inspirations into their hearts and, in fine, by performing big, important works according to your vocation

But never forget...those little, humble virtues that grow like flowers at the foot of the cross: helping the poor, visiting the sick, taking care of your family, with all the responsibilities that accompany such things and with all the useful diligence which prompts you to not stand idle...Great opportunities to serve God rarely present themselves, but little ones are frequent...you will profit greatly in God's sight by doing all these things because God wishes you to do the." [Introduction to the Devout Life: III, 35]

Fr Robert Bossini Parish Administrator

CONSTRUCTION WORK AT THE PARISH

Construction for the Montessori School will be commencing above the Harrington Hall on the week of the 21 June 2021. For safety measures, the Harrington Hall and Mother Mary Room will not be available for use during the period of construction which will take up to the end of the year.



There will be a special collection on the weekend of the 12/13 June 2021 during the Mass.

We will be having a Farewell Morning Tea on Sunday 20th June at 11:30am (after the 10:30am mass). It will be located at the Harrington Hall (opposite of the church)

Refreshments will be provided. You are also welcome if you would like to bring a dish.

Register by contacting the parish during office hours 02 9724 5997, or contact Kathryn on events@olrfairfield.org.au



SEEKING THE FACE OF JESUS

YOUTH RETREAT DAY
FOLLOWED BY A MERCY NIGHT

FEATURING SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATA AND MISSIONARIES!

21TH JUNE 2021, SUNDAY

TO BE ANNOUNCED TIME

WHERE FR TERRY MEETING ROOM

2 WESTON STREET, FAIRFIELD (FOLLOWED BY ADORATION IN THE CHURCH)

REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL

CONTACT KATELYN SACRAMENTAL@ OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU OR 0432 431 552

SCAN THE QR CODE TO ALSO REGISTER!



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