

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

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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@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.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - YEAR B

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 80:17

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

First Reading Ex 24:3-8

A reading from the book of Exodus

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

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

(R.) I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

Second Reading Heb 9:11-15

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus,
'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

Communion Antiphon Jn 6:57

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

We Remember and Pray for:

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

Anniversary of Death: Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Maria Thuc Trinh Dang, Karolina Zizius, Claudia Pineda Dimatulac, Caetan Fernandes, Maxima B. Mapagu, Renerio Gerardino Snr.

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

Sick: Eden Lloyd, Carmel Windred, Baby Grace,

Special Intentions: People in India, All Souls in Purgatory, Madalena Dang Thi Lien, Catarina Pham Thi Gioi, and Pham Thi Ngu.

We pray for Joseph 'Joe' Bugeja who has recently passed away. Joe had been heavily involved in serving the Parish community for many years. His funeral will take place on Monday 7 June at 11am at OLR Fairfield. We pray for the repose of his soul and the comfort of his family and friends.

Dear Friends,

We are all aware of the consequences of refraining from regular food and nourishment. Our health begins to suffer and often deteriorate. We find ourselves more susceptible to infections and ailments, since our immune system is weakened. Without regular food, over a long period we may even perish. The same can be said our spiritual lives. Without sustenance and nourishment on a spiritual level, we can, spiritually speaking, begin to be weakened. We can be at a level where, due to the lack of spiritual nourishment we cannot combat temptation and not grow in the spiritual life.

There are many ways in which we can be nourished spiritually. Our prayer, spiritual reading, outreach to others in service, our reception of the sacraments all become noble ways for us to grow spiritually. Today we celebrate liturgically, perhaps the greatest means at our disposal, for us to grow in our spiritual lives: the Eucharist. This sacrament, and our reception of it brings us into a close and intimate relationship with Jesus.

The celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ brings us to the very life and core of our faith. The Eucharist is indeed the one sacrament that the Church insists that we celebrate and participate in as **frequently** as possible – even daily. Why? It is like a doctor telling a patient that they must receive the proper nourishment – both in quality and quantity – as often as possible in order to ensure the best for their lives. In the Eucharist the Church is telling us that here we have a means of nourishing our spiritual lives.

The readings for today [Exodus 24:3-8; Hebrews 9:11-15 and Mark 14:12-16.22-26] all mention the term 'covenant'. Moses challenges the people to be observant of the elements mentioned in the Book of the Covenant. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that Jesus Christ has brought a new covenant to us as our Mediator, through his Death and Resurrection. Mark brings us to that night before Jesus died, where he shared the special Passover with them, giving them the new Covenant of his Body and Blood.

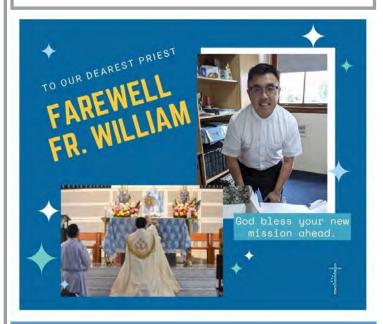
In our busy lives we can become complacent about the Eucharist, and fail to see it as the 'source and summit of the Christian life'. The Church reminds us that this sacrament above all the other sacraments is the one that we need to partake of frequently, if not daily: 'The Church strongly encourages the faithful to receive the holy Eucharist on Sundays and feast day, or more often still, even daily' [CCC # 1389]. In the Eucharist, Jesus makes an incredible and life giving promise: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.' [John 6:51]. In partaking faithfully of the Eucharist we indeed have the life of Jesus within us. What a tremendous blessing and promise!

May we recognise the great gift which Jesus gives us in this sacrament! May it truly be the source of everlasting life for us! St Thomas Aquinas [1225-1274] leaves us with a marvellous reflection in one of his sermons on the mystery and significance of the Eucharist: 'but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift.... It was to impress the vastness of this love more firmly upon the hearts of the faithful that our Lord instituted this sacrament at the Last Supper. As he was on the point of leaving the world to go to the Father, after celebrating the Passover with his disciples, he left it as a perpetual memorial of his passion. It was the fulfilment of ancient figures and the greatest of all his miracles, while for those who were to experience the sorrow of his departure, it was destined to be a unique and abiding consolation.'

This weekend we also congratulate our young people who have received the Eucharist for the first time. It is an important and significant step in their spiritual journey and one that, with the help of family and friends, they will cultivate for the remainder of their lives.

Fr Robert Bossini Parish Administrator



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 the 20^{th} June, Sunday, 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.

Must Register Here by contacting the parish during office hours02 9724 5997, or contact Kathryn on events@olrfairfield.org.au



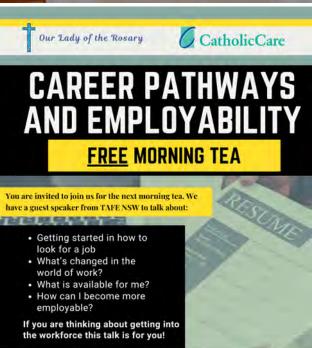
KID'S CORNER



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please pick up a Corpus Christi Pack for your children at this Saturday 9am Mass 6 June 2021.

Irene Taylor, Children's Liturgy



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Blessing of Bread

Parishioners are welcome to bring bread for a blessing on Sunday 13th June after the 9am Mass for the Feast Day of St Anthony of Padua.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AT THE PARISH

Construction for the Montessori School will be commencing the on week of the 21 June 2021 above the Harrington Hall. For safety measures, the Harrington Hall and Mother Mary Room will not be available for us during the period of construction.





11TH JUNE, FRIDAY | 10:15AM

LOCATION: PARISH HALL

2 WESTON ST, FAIRFIELD





