

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 Andrew Fu

Parish Office: 2 Weston Street

Fairfield NSW 2165

Presbytery: 18 Vine St. Fairfield 2165

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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

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.



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

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 Am 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading Eph 1:3-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ,

to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ

for his own kind purposes,

to make us praise the glory of his grace,

his free gift to us in the Beloved

in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us

in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head,

everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Mk 6:7-13

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

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.

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Joe Bugeja, Yanina Plaza, Mollie Traynor.

Anniversary of Death: Lope C. Mapagu, Jimmy R. Butacan, Joseph Hy, Joseph Hien, Genoveva Da Costa, George Tsom, Rijina Yousif,

In Loving Memory of: Iola Mota, Fernando Leong, Leong Ten Liung, Jose Augusto, Charlie Camilleri, Joseph and Carmen Camilleri, Karmenu and Vincenza Ciantar, Maria Emilia Martires, Ruben Joao Braz de Carvalho, Antonio Mota, Karmenu and Vincenza Ciantar, Giacomo Raffaele Uglietta, Harold Aviet

Sick: Archer, Jedi Kingston Zarb, Carmel Windred, Baby Grace,

Annual Leave of Parish Administrator

Fr Bob is away from 15th July to 15th Aug 2021

DEMOLITION WORK AT THE PARISH

Demolition/Construction for the Montessori School will be commencing above the Harrington Hall on Friday 9 July 2021. This will take up to 6 month. 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. Dear Friends,

At the beginning of each school year I am usually involved in the blessing and presentation of badges to the members of the School Representative Council, various school leaders and other students in representative positions. Usually this is accompanied by a commissioning prayer or ceremony, where the leaders are asked to be faithful to the principles of the school, to uphold their rules and to also lead others to be good members of the school community. They pledge that they will lead by example.

In today's Gospel [Mark 6:7-13] we have the commissioning of the disciples by Jesus. As we consider this episode in Mark, we realise that it bears a commonality with the other two Synoptic Gospels [see Matthew 9:35; 10:1.9-11.14 and Luke 9:1-6]. This event must have been an important element not only in the mission of Jesus but also to the early Church. This commissioning of the disciples follows a certain pattern, which we see repeated in all of the three Synoptic Gospels.

Firstly, it is Jesus who summons and calls the disciples. We are not sure why this happens at this stage in Mark's Gospel, as it follows immediately after Jesus' rejection in Nazareth. The fact remains that Jesus is the instigator of the call and the summons. The disciples do not ask to be sent, Jesus calls and summons them for mission.

Jesus sends them off in pairs. There is a communal and fraternal sense here. The mission is not an individual aspect of the lives of the disciples. They are to share in the mission and in the spread of the Gospel message. The pairing may have been advised simply because it was a safety factor – travelling the backroads of Palestine was a difficult and dangerous venture. This sending off in pairs also reflects the concrete missionary practice of the early church [1 Corinthians 9:2-6].

<u>Jesus gives the Twelve instructions before he sends</u> <u>them off</u>. These instructions follow a similar pattern throughout the three Synoptics:

Take nothing but a staff (an Old Testament symbol of power and authority, but also a practical 'weapon' to ward off danger);

Take no bread:

Take no haversack (an equivalent to today's sleeping bag)

Take no coppers (money)

Take no spare tunic

<u>Jesus emphasises that they are to stay in the</u> <u>home where they have been welcomed</u> – it is to be the base of their missionary work

If they are not welcomed there, they are to shake the dust off their feet before leaving [see Acts 13:51]. This gesture is one of judgement against the people who rejected them and their message.

Their message is one of repentance, casting out devils and curing the sick. The anointing mentioned here is probably a reflection of an early Christian practice [see James 5:14-15].

In all this, Mark is emphasising the centrality not only of the call to discipleship and mission, but also to the One who calls, instructs and sends - Jesus. The Church is to remember that it is a community of missionaries: that it exists in order to evangelise. We are reminded of the singlemindedness of the mission and of the message: we are to travel the way 'light' and not be bogged down with extras. The message - one of repentance and mercy is to be preached everywhere and continually. The theme of the rejected prophet – one begun with last week's liturgy - is hinted at today as well in both the Gospel and the first reading from the prophet Amos [7:12-15]. As Amos is rejected by the priests of the Northern Kingdom, he reminds them that it was the Lord who had taken him from his homeland and commissioned him to "Go, prophesy to my people Israel'. Our missionary activity needs to continue whether we are accepted or rejected - a mission that sees us continuing the mission of Jesus.

> Fr Robert Bossini Administrator



EVERYONE MUST WEAR A MASK

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