



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

21 November 2021— Solemnity of Christ the King - 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 Andrew Fu

Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Tibebelessie Abza

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

On Tuesday 23rd November, the 7pm Mass will be cancelled due to the Ordination of Adrian Simmons.

Friday Mass: 7:15pm

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 356 - 0425 285206 or Matilda Petersen on 0426 847213 - Meeting 4th Thursday of month.

St Vincent de Paul—Meeting 1st Thursday of month: Marcel D Abrera 0418 231 368



Like our Parish Facebook page *Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield Parish*

SACRAMENTS

Confession

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

Please note—Confessions will be held on Fridays during the Advent reflection sessions between 6.30pm – 7.30pm

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

For all church or room bookings, please contact Priscilla!

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

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.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year B

Entrance Antiphon Rv 5:12; 1:6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading Dn 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his
servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

(R.) The Lord is king;
he is robed in majesty.

Second Reading Rv 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

*The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of
kings, priests to serve his God.*

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the
dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has
washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of
kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be
glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is com-
ing on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who
pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over
him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega'
says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the
Almighty.

Gospel Acclamation Mk 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

You say that I am a king.
'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied,
'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to
you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew?' It is your own
people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me:
what have you done?'

Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my
kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to
prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom
is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is
you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born
for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the
truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

Communion Antiphon Ps 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS

Envelopes for Masses for the Holy Souls During
the month of November are available in the church.

The Book of Remembrance is located at the front of
the Baptismal font.

"But the souls of the righteous are in the hand
of God, and no torment will ever touch them."
Wisdom 3:1

MASS DEDICATED FOR THE
**DECEASED VOLUNTEERS
OF OUR PARISH**

30 NOVEMBER 2021, TUESDAY
7PM

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield



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Support our Archdiocesan ministries today.

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Our Lady of the Rosary Acolytes, Senior Altar Serv-
ers, Ministers of Holy Communion for the sick &
housebound are invited to attend a meeting on Tues
7th Dec. 2021 at 5.30pm-6.30pm at Fr. Terry's room.
To discuss important matters together with Rev; Fr
Bob Bossini, Fr Andrew Fu & Fr Tibbe Abza.F or
more information please call: Antoinette Balamoan,
Coordinator of H.C. Ministry for the sick and house-
bound 0412 015 469 - 9892 3683.

Dear Friends,

This Sunday, the Solemnity of Jesus Christ the Universal King, celebrates the end of our liturgical year. This celebration has seen some changes since its inception in 1925 by **Pope Pius XI (1922-1939)**, when it was celebrated on the last Sunday of October. **Pope John XXIII (1958-1963)** in 1960 retained the feast on the same date, but raised it to a first class feast. In 1969 **Pope Paul VI (1963-1978)** changed the date to the final Sunday of the liturgical year; changed the name to: Jesus Christ, King of the Universe and raised it to the status of a solemnity. The origin of this solemnity tells us something about its celebration. During the reign of Pius XI, Europe had seen some tremendous changes. Many of the old kingdoms and empires had been destroyed in the aftermath of World War I, leading to the emergence of new nations. There was a rising sense of nationalism and the beginnings of dictatorships. Russia had fallen to the communist manifesto through the work of Lenin in 1917 and was now, in the mid-1920s under the dictatorship of Josef Stalin, a position he held until his death in 1953. This type of leadership allowed atheism to emerge among nations. Added to this was a greater sense of individualism and secularism. God was beginning to be moved out of the equation. Pius XI wrote his encyclical ***Quas Primas*** on December 11th, 1925 instituting the feast of Christ the King. Through this encyclical, the Pope wished to bring about the following effects: *that nations would see that the Church had the right to freedom and immunity from the State; that leaders are bound to recognise the presence of, and give respect to, Christ; and that the faithful in times of persecution and rising secularism would gain strength and courage through the celebration of Christ the King [Quas Primas # 32-33].*

The world today seems to be no different to the time of Pius XI, especially as we see the rise of individualism, secularism and a type of benign atheism or agnosticism and a complacency with regard to religious issues. There seems to be little room in our modern lives for the presence of Christ in any form, let alone as King. Just as Pius XI hoped that people would gain a sense of strength, courage and hope in seemingly Godless times, so too a proper understanding and celebration of this Solemnity can allow us to refocus our lives on Christ and his Kingdom. What type of Kingdom are we celebrating here? When we consider the way in which Jesus refers to God's Kingdom in the Gospels we receive the idea that it is one that goes beyond the temporal understanding of kingship and kingdom. In answer to Pilate's question in today's Gospel [**John 18:33-17**], Jesus states that his kingdom is not of this world. Jesus' kingdom is a spiritual one. He reminds us that we need to repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand. He tells us that it is not those who call out his name but rather those faithful to his words who will enter the Kingdom, reiterating the message that faith, repentance and conversion of heart are the way in which we become members of His Kingdom. Jesus continually reminds us in the Gospels that the kingdom of God is among and within us [**cf Luke 17:21**].

A strong and loyal kingdom will echo the traits of its king or leader. Today's celebration challenges us to consider the internal aspects of this solemnity. It is a kingdom that bears witness to the truth, that 'sets us free from slavery' (from sin) 'in order to render your majesty service' [**Collect of the Mass**]. The **Preface** for today inspires us to the elements that need to be instilled in us as members of Christ's ***eternal and universal kingdom: truth and life; holiness and grace, justice, peace and love***. If we abide by these principles and allow them to be present in our lives then we are truly members of Christ's kingdom. ***'The Lord is king with majesty enrobed...truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time.'*** [Psalm 92]

Fr. Robert Bossini

Administrator

We are excited to share with you these beautiful handmade watercolour designs exclusive for **Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield**. 🎨✝️

Order now to avoid disappointment!

Packets of 10 for \$15 - Postage will be additional

Order forms can be picked up at the front of the church or in the Parish Office.

Complete these forms & send to events@olrfairfield.org.au

Place orders by the 28th of November to ensure you receive them in the first week of December in time for Christmas!



Position vacant

The Patrician Brothers' Community Fairfield is seeking the services of a Cook commencing in February 2022.

The position is 4 afternoons P/W: - Mons/ Tues / Weds & Thurs. Commencing 3.30pm Finishing 6.30pm.

If interested, please submit a resume stating all your particulars and cooking experience to:

Brother Thomas Rice (Community Leader)
Patrician Brothers' Monastery, P.O. Box 980, Fairfield NSW 1860, or email: - thomasricefsp@gmail.com or contact him personally on 0432 751 384 to arrange an appointment/interview. All applications close on Friday December 10th, 2021.

Covid requirements are mandatory for this position.

OLR YOUTH PRESENTS...

The Advent Series

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
2 Weston Street, Fairfield

12TH NOV 2021
5PM-7PM
Hope and Waiting



26TH NOV 2021
5:30PM-7:30PM
Joy, Peace and Life



2021 BYE BYE

LAST YOUTH GROUP FOR THE YEAR!
...
New Year Resolutions
FRIDAY, 17TH DEC
5PM-7PM
FR TERRY ROOM

Our Lady of the Rosary invites you:
To celebrate the great work and efforts of ALL the Volunteers of the Parish!

5th December, SUNDAY
12 PM - 4PM

Volunteers Christmas Party

WHERE: OLR PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL

SIGNUP REQUIRED:
Must RSVP by the 24th Nov
Send an email to the Events Coordinator (email below)
Or Register at the Parish Office

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT KATHRYN:
EVENTS@OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO:


SENIORS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Let's all catch up, dance, and feast together as we draw near to Christmas.

10 DEC, FRIDAY • 12 PM - 3 PM
AT THE FR TERRY ROOM.
REGISTRATION FEE: \$15


Must RSVP by the 14th November.
Contact events@olrfairfield.org.au or come in the Parish Office during working hours to register.

If we don't have 20 people attending the event will be cancelled.



ADVENT 2021 REFLECTIONS

FRIDAY EVENINGS 6:30-7:30PM



A NIGHT OF PRAYER, ADORATION AND REFLECTION
NOV 26, DEC 3, 10, 17
LOCATION: INSIDE THE CHURCH

NO NEED TO BOOK ONLINE. MUST REGISTER UPON ENTRY AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH DOORS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE
WWW.OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/OLRFAIRFIELD

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

WHEN: Sunday, 19th December
TIME: 7:00pm - 9:00pm
WHERE: Fr Terry Room (2 Weston St, Fairfield)

Interested in joining our Kris Kringle? Contact Katelyn by FRI 26TH NOV 0432 437 552 sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au



Verso L'Alto!

OLR YOUTH OUTING

Calling all youth in Yrs 7-12!
Join us on a little adventure before the school summer break finishes!

WHEN?
Saturday, 15th Jan 2022

WHERE ARE WE HIKING?
Wentworth Falls, Blue Mountains

WHERE DO WE MEET UP?
OLR Fairfield @ 8am

MUST register for transportation purposes

HOW DO I REGISTER?
Contact Katelyn for a permission slip!
Hand back ASAP!
0432 437 552
sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au