



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

1st May, 2022 - Third Sunday of Easter - Year C



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
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Office Hours:
Mondays - Fridays 9am - 12pm & 1pm - 5pm

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 & 6pm
in Vietnamese 4.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Friday: 9.30am

Monday & Tuesday: 7pm

Friday Mass: 7.00pm First Friday of the month

Novena Mass: 1st Wednesday of the Month 6.30pm

Novena Prayer: Wednesday 6.30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Holy Hour: Vietnamese Community 6pm on the last Friday of the Month.

Catechist Coordinator

Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

Catholic Women's League:

Matilda Petersen on 0426 847 213 - Meeting 4th Thursday of month.

St Vincent de Paul - Meeting 1st Thursday of



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SACRAMENTS

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 needs 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 by appointment.

For all church or room bookings, please contact Priscilla!

Email: priscilla@olrfairfield.org.au

SCHOOLS

OLR Primary School

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

Principal: Ms 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
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Mary Mackillop Catholic College

Girls Year 7–12 Tel: (02) 9725 4322

Principal: Ms. Gilda Pussich
info@mmcwakele.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 & 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 Gadigal People of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians of this land.

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Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 65:1-2

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

1st Reading

Acts 5:27-32. 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

(R.) I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.

Second Reading

Rv 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 21:1-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'

'I tell you most solemnly,
when you were young
you put on your own belt
and walked where you liked;
but when you grow old
you will stretch out your hands,
and somebody else will put a belt round you
and take you where you would rather not go.'

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

Communion Antiphon

Lk 24:35

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

Dear Friends,

Can you imagine how Peter felt in our Gospel passage today [**John 21:1-19**]? Here was the man who had boldly declared that he would follow Jesus to the end – that he would lay down his life for Jesus [**John 13:36-38**]. This was the same man who had denied he ever knew Jesus, not only once but three times [**John 18:15-27**]. Even though Peter had gone back to the life where he felt comfortable and competent – to his fishing profession, there was a part of him that was restless and uncomfortable.

As we encounter Peter in today's Gospel he seems unhappy, restless and morose. As he declares that he is going fishing, it seems as if he is doing this more as a distraction than out of joy. Did Peter feel less of himself among the other disciples for having denied Jesus? Did he feel that the others thought he was a weak leader for not having followed Jesus to his death, even though they had done the same? Did he feel that John, the Beloved Disciple, who remained faithful to Jesus to the end, may have been judging him as unworthy of him being their leader? All these feelings and thoughts would have been going through Peter's mind, adding to his guilt and unease.

No wonder he failed to recognise Jesus when he called out from the shore [**21:5**]. It was only when John declared that it was indeed Jesus that Peter was able to recognise and receive him, clothing himself appropriately in order to welcome Jesus [**v 7-8**]. After this Jesus takes Peter aside and converses with him about the level of his love towards him. The setting and unfolding of this encounter is important, as it becomes not only a meeting between Jesus and Peter, but also a reinstatement of Peter's relationship with Jesus and the other disciples. There is a **charcoal fire** present, just as there was one when Peter denied Jesus at his arrest [compare **John 21:9** with **John 18:18**]. At Jesus' arrest Peter **three times** denied knowing Jesus. Here Jesus asks Peter **three times** how much he loves him. Each time Jesus adds a mention of pastoral leadership and concern – once to feed his lambs [**v. 15**] and twice to feed his sheep [**v. 16 & 17**]. With these words Jesus gives back to Peter the role of **pastoral leader**, entrusting him with the personal and intimate care of Jesus' flock.

We can see the tremendous change in Peter's character as we hear him speaking to the members of the Sanhedrin in our first reading today: "**Obedience to God comes before obedience to men...we are witnesses to this, we and the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him**" [**Acts 5:29.32**]. Peter's strength comes from his conviction that the Risen Jesus has forgiven his faults and empowered him.

This episode, like all the encounters between Risen Lord and his disciples, are accounts which speak of a significant transformation in the lives of the disciples. When they encounter and eventually recognise the Risen Lord, their lives are changed forever. They receive the fullness of the Spirit and are able to continue faithfully the work initiated by Jesus. When we consider the person of Peter in today's gospel it becomes a sign of hope for us all. We recognise that even in our weakness, infidelity and doubting times, that Jesus receives us and strengthens us with his Spirit. In faithfully encountering the Risen Jesus, may we too hear his invitation to feed his lambs and sheep through faith-filled and loving service of them.

Fr Robert Bossini
Administrator

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Maria Tran Thi Le Son & Jame Van Bang Tran.

Anniversary of Death: Maria Tran Thi Tuyet & Dominico Nguyen Van Hiet.

In Loving Memory of: Rey Hogan, Aida Tiu, Ashley Aviet, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Bedour & Jamil Sadiz, Carmel Windred, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Charlie Camilleri, Graziella & Nina D'Amico, Gianni & Salvatore D'Amico, Concetto & Annuciata D'Amico, Carmel Windred, Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantai, Giuseppe Gagliano, Giacomo & Raffaele Uglietta, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Martha Theresa Phuong Thao Nguyen Tran, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Maria Giuseppe Petrella Fiore, Elizabeth Sapienza, Stefano Cagliostro, Vincenza Cagliostro, Eleonora Di Domencia, Domenico Marzano, Ramon Masian, Cecilia Masian, Telesfora Masian & Melchor Masian.

Sick: 9 year old Archer & Violetta.

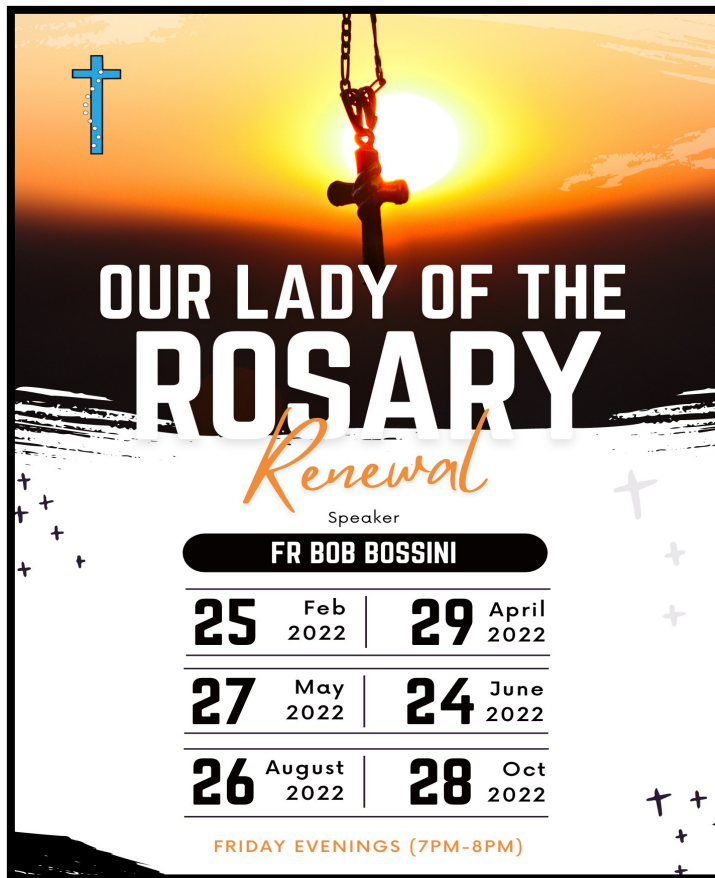
Birthday Thanksgiving: Paquito Mario Tiu, Eunice Tiu, Jeremy Tiu, Mae Tiu, Danny Tiu, Kelly Ann Tiu, Alice Adanza & Lorna Gallamora.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE FAIRFIELD

Will be hosting a jumble sale on the weekend of 30th April and 1st May, Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

All sorts of goodies available, home cooked food, soft goods, plants and pots, clothing etc. etc. and all at bargain prices. Come along and have a look, you might find a gift for Mum.





OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY
Renewal

Speaker
FR BOB BOSSINI

25 Feb 2022	29 April 2022
27 May 2022	24 June 2022
26 August 2022	28 Oct 2022

FRIDAY EVENINGS (7PM-8PM)

OLR YOUTH CHOIR OR ALTAR SERVING!

Age 12-18 years old.

Youth Choir Volunteers are needed!

Contact Katelyn or the Parish office

Mobile 0432 437 552

Email: youth@olrfairfield.org.au



HELPERS NEEDED FOR

YOUTH CHOIR

Do you have a gift in music?

Contact Katelyn
0477 767 472 or
youth@olrfairfield.org.au



Details

8th of May, SUNDAY
10:15am-11:30am

WHERE:
HARRINGTON HALL
2 WESTON ST, FAIRFIELD

Mother's Day Morning Tea

Refreshments will be provided



THERE WILL BE SPECIAL PERFORMANCES FOR OUR MUMS!

FREE EVENT FOR ALL MOTHERS, SINGLE MUMS, GRANDMOTHERS ETC.

RSVP BY THE 29TH APRIL TO REGISTER, CONTACT KATHRYN:
EVENTS@OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU OR 0491 602 332

YOUTH GROUP IS BACK!

BACK - 2 - BASICS!

catholicism 101

How do I read the Scriptures?

How do I keep the Sabbath holy?

Why do we do the sign of the cross?

Why is confession important?

Why do we pray the rosary?

FIRST YOUTH GROUP:

MON 2ND MAY

WHEN? EVERY MONDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM

TIME? 5PM-6:30PM

WHERE? FR TERRY ROOM 2 WESTON ST, FAIRFIELD

WHO? ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS WELCOME!