



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

26th June, 2022 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 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
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Tibebeselassie Abza
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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
Monastery: (02) 9724 1247

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.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 46:2

All peoples, clap your hands.
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

1st Reading

1 Kgs 19:16. 19-21

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Elisha rose and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 15:1-2. 5. 7-11. R. cf. v.5

(R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Second Reading

Gal 5:1. 13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

My brothers, you were called to freedom.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Sm 3:9; Jn 6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening;
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 9:51-62

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you will go.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Rodney Teague, Vincenza Gagliano

Anniversary of Death: Silvestro Climich, Vittorio Bogna & Christine Aviet.

In Loving Memory of: Littorio Kenk, Silvana Gruber, Vincenza & Guiseppe Gagliano, Giacomo & Raffaele Ugliettia, All Souls, Phero Dang Thang, Carmel Windred, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantai, Charlie Camilleri, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Ashley Aviet, Irmgard & Leon Kacalak, Molly Traynor, Milagros Poblador, Annaliza B. Poblador, Stewart Rehu, Angelo Kenk, Floriano Chaves, Chaves family, Grandparents Chaves, Judict da Costa, Celina Sousa, Rudy & Escolastica D'Souza, Diego & Tony D'Souza, Alan Doel, Joyce Martin, Alice Eather, Giuseppe Gagliano, Concetto & Annunciata D'Amico, Pulqueria Mota & Luis Mota.

Sick: 9 year old Archer

For Success of Medical procedure—Norrie Howard

KIDS ONLY Drawing Competition! Ages 5-12

Draw and colour characters that celebrate differences in our community. *The best and most creative designs will be featured in a new Children's activity book and an article in the Catholic Weekly!* See competition entry in the **Church Foyer** and return by **June 27th**.

Dear Friends,

Today we take up the Ordinary Sundays of the Liturgical Year until the celebration of the Solemnity of Christ the King. In today's Gospel [Luke 9:51-62] we come to an important and crucial section of Luke's story. Here Jesus makes a sincere resolution to journey to Jerusalem, knowing full well what awaits him there – persecution, imprisonment, suffering, death and resurrection. He has already spoken about this to his disciples [see Luke 9:22-24], in the hope that they will understand that what he is saying may make an impression on their lives.

Today he places before us some conditions that we need to take on board in order for us to fully and faithfully follow him as his disciples. As Jesus resolutely sets his face towards Jerusalem [v.51] he sends some of his disciples ahead of him to some Samaritan (non-Jewish) towns. The end result is that these people did not welcome a group of wandering Jews into their midst. The response of James and John is for them to *'call down fire from heaven to burn them up'* [v. 54]. Jesus' rebuke of their suggestion tells us that the first condition of true disciples is the **way of peace** and not violence. **Violence** should not be a means of obtaining conversions!

Next we see a series of three encounters with three different people who either approach Jesus or are approached by him to become disciples. Jesus' response to these three people form the other conditions for discipleship. The first claims that he *'will follow him anywhere'*. Jesus responds by describing the uncertainty of following in his ways [v. 58]. To follow Jesus we need more than just **enthusiasm**; it requires also **commitment**. We can dream, but we need to be part of the process that allows the dream to become a reality!

Jesus approaches the second person to follow him. The man responds by asking permission to bury his father first. Jesus' response sounds harsh, but the point he is making is that we **should not put conditions** on when we wish to follow in Christ's way. We should not be dictating the conditions, but should have enough trust in the ways of the Lord to be able to follow when we hear the call.

The third asks to go and farewell his family first. Jesus' response that one should not look back once a person has made the decision to follow emphasises the fact that **half-heartedness** cannot be part of the disciples' call – the commitment has to one hundred percent. Jesus says to us today that if we wish to follow in his ways then we need to allow our methods to be based on **peace** and not violence; that we need to add

commitment to our enthusiasm; that we need to be not only dreamers but also participants in bringing about a better world; that we cannot insist on our **own conditions** for following Jesus and that we need to give of our **total selves** to the mission, rather than be half-hearted in our attempts to follow Jesus.

The call to discipleship is indeed demanding, but fidelity to it brings about its reward – eternal life. Today we are challenged to re-focus our lives on Jesus' call and not to be lost in the events of yesterday or the past or to be confused and disrupted by the uncertainties of tomorrow, but to live the present with enthusiasm, courage and commitment towards Jesus' call and his life with the presence of God's grace in our hearts.

Fr Robert Bossini
Administrator

Planned Giving Envelopes 2022/23

The new sets of Planned Giving envelopes for 2022/23 are now available for collection in the foyer.

If you are not a member of Planned Giving and would like to contribute, please contact the parish office to become a regular contributor.

Receipts for contributions for the end of this financial year will be issued at the beginning of July.

We would like to thank all contributors for their financial support of the parish.

Clothing Bin No longer available at Parish Carpark

Just a reminder that the clothing bin has been removed from the Parish Carpark due to OH&S issues.

Please do not leave any clothing items in the carpark.

The closest St Vincent De Paul clothing drive-through depo is on the cnr. of Humphries & Cabramatta Rds. Mt. Pritchard

San Lorenzo Ruiz Choir is Recruiting

Are you interested to be part of San Lorenzo Ruiz Choir? The group is an 'all male choir' who regularly sings during the Sunday 10:30am Mass at OLR church, is looking for new members. If you are a male who knows how to sing and willing to attend rehearsals, please see Waldo or any members of the group after the Sunday 10:30am Mass for more details.



Farewell Morning Tea



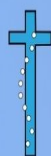
Juliette Kirkwood will be finishing her work in the parish as the Catholic Care Community Worker. We are very grateful for all her service here in the parish. Join us for morning tea as we farewell Juliette.

LOCATION

**PARISH HALL
(HARRINGTON HALL)**

**29TH JUNE
WEDNESDAY
10AM-11:30AM**

ALL ARE WELCOME!



ALL HIGH SCHOOL (YR 7-12) ARE INVITED TO OUR

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

TO MARY MACKILLOP PLACE

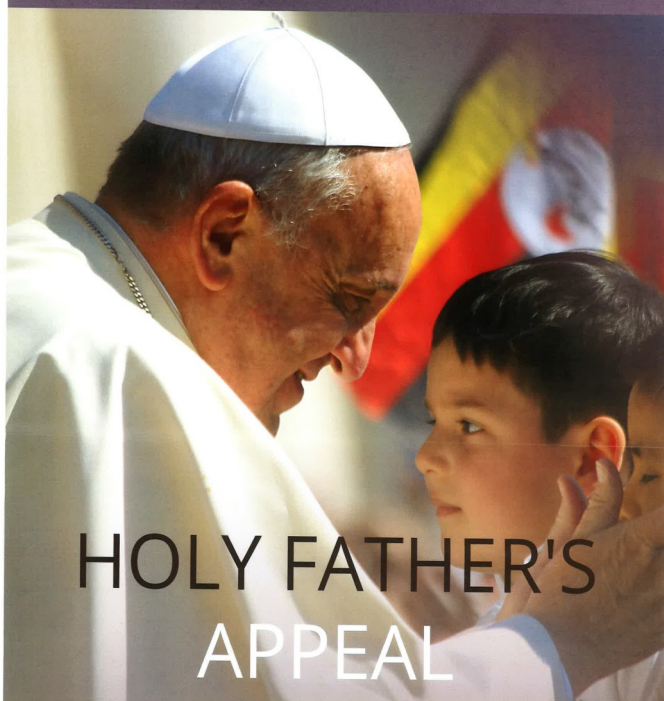
**WHEN TUES, 5TH JULY
TIME 9:30AM MEETUP!**

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**MUST RSVP TO KATELYN BY
FRI 1ST JULY**

youth@olrfairfield.org.au OR 0477 767 472

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HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL

25TH AND 26TH JUNE 2022

*How marvellous it would be if, at the end of the day, each of us could say:
today I have performed an act of charity towards others!*
- Pope Francis

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Congratulations to all the children who received their first Holy Communion last week-end.

We would like to thank Simone Smith the Sacramental Co-ordinator and all the volunteers, clergy & teachers involved in the preparations leading up to the 1st Holy Communion Mass.