



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

9th October, 2022 - Twenty-eighth 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
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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.

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Entrance Antiphon

Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

1st Reading

2 Kgs 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading

2 Tm 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.
If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.
If we disown him, then he will disown us.
We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful,
for he cannot disown his own self.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Thes 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia!
For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

We Remember and Pray for

Recently Deceased: Dominic Pedavoli.

Anniversary of Death: Eileen Small,
Giuseppe Licciardello, Rosemary Van Reyk
& Richard Zamirowski.

In Loving Memory of: Ana Maria Oliveira & Mauricio Pereira, Giacomo-Raffaele-Uglietta, Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantai, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Charlie Camilleri, Carmel Windred, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Giuseppe & Vincenza Gagliano, All Souls, Harold Aviet, Stefano Cagliostro, Domenica Cagliostro, Domenico Marzano, Domenica Toscano, Chester Allan Bondocan, Nina D'Amico, Giuseppe & Vincenza Gagliano, Francisco Cubelo, Harry Small & Angelina De Fina.

Sick: 9 Year old Archer.

Thanksgiving for Birthday: Darren Van Reyk

Thank you to all who have collected their Planned Giving Envelope sets for Financial Year 22/23. For those that are yet to collect them they are available from the Parish Office.

The Parish Office Staff are in the process of contacting the holders to update their details; if the Planned Giving Envelopes sets are not picked up by the end of October, they will be reissued.



Dear Friends,

Last week's Gospel reminded us of the importance of the gift of faith [Luke 17:5-10], when Jesus in answer to the disciples' request to increase their faith, simply stated that if their faith were the size of a mustard seed, then they could achieve many and great things. Today's liturgy combines the gift of faith with that of gratitude and thankfulness towards the source and origin of our faith: God.

Today's Gospel tells us of the encounter between Jesus and ten lepers. The encounter occurs while Jesus and his disciples are on their way to Jerusalem, traveling through foreign territory. While all three Synoptic Gospels have a story of the encounter and cure by Jesus of a single leper (Matthew 8:1-4; Mark 1:40-45; Luke 5:12-16), this story is found only in Luke. The point of the encounter that we have in today's Gospel is not so much the healing of the ten lepers, but rather the fact that only one – a Samaritan – came back to give thanks to Jesus for the cure [Luke 17:15-16]. Jesus' remark is filled with both sadness and astonishment: *'were not ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?'* [v. 17]. The Samaritan is reminded of the gift of faith that has been given to him, and that this gift has been not only his re-entry into society but also his means of salvation.

The gift of faith that is the focus of our last two Sunday liturgies becomes the gift that truly allows a Christian community to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. At the beginning of **Chapter 17**, Luke reminds us of two elements in the living out of our Christian communal calling that require faith. He says that true members of a Christian community should never give scandal to others, especially those who are 'innocent' with the community [Luke 17:1-2]. He then goes on to say that forgiveness should be at the basis of our relationship with those within the community who wrong us and ask for our forgiveness, no matter how many times they wrong us and ask for that forgiveness [Luke 17: 3-4]. It is this faith, the size of a mustard seed [Luke 17:5-6] that allows us to always give thanks to God for the good that he bestows on us.

As we hear this story of the encounter between Jesus and the ten lepers, I can ask myself: with whom do I associate in this story – with the nine lepers who failed to give thanks or with the Samaritan who returned and gave thanks to God for his cure? When we look at our lives we find that our sense of thankfulness to God can waver between these two responses. Sometimes we can be grateful for what God has done for us, especially in hearing and answering our prayer. At other times we can neglect God for what God does for us and continually demand from God – a little like taking

for granted a friend who is always there for us. As we enter into this Gospel story, perhaps we can stop and think of the many good gifts that God has given us, especially those gifts which we have taken for granted, and in faith give thanks to God for his continual love and care of us.

Today we celebrate as a community our Parish feast day – Our Lady of the Rosary. As we hear these scripture readings that speak of faith and thanksgiving, may we take as our example Mary – a true model of thanksgiving and faith in the ways of God as she says: *'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit exults in God my Saviour...the Mighty One has done great things for me, holy is His Name'* [Luke 1:46-47.49].

Fr Robert Bossini
Administrator



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Please note that on Wednesday 12th October, 'Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School' will be attending the 9.30am Mass to celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. We ask parishioners to be mindful that the school community will be sitting in the front pews of the church.



Spanish Group

Just a reminder that the Spanish Group meets every Saturday in the Father Terry Room from 12.00pm—2.00pm.

Didaskō

Online Catholic Adult Faith Formation

In His Great Commission, Our Lord commanded the Apostles to make disciples and "teach them the commands I have given you" (Mt 28:20). *Didaskō* seeks to support parishes to respond to this by building a culture of formation in which disciples are encouraged to grow by investing time in spiritual, intellectual, human and practical formation.

Introduction to Scripture

Dr Peter Holmes

Wednesdays 12, 19 and 26

October - 7:30pm - 8:45pm



Cost: \$25.00 per course (includes three sessions).

This course will be delivered online via Zoom.

Registration essential. More information, contact Helen at parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org



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PARISH NEW EVANGELISATION SEMINAR

Life in Christ

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 9:00AM – 2:00PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 11:45AM – 4:00PM

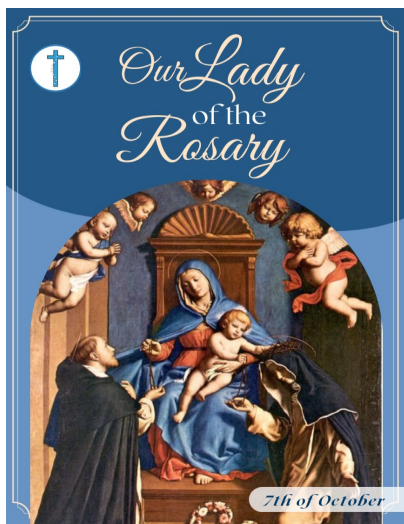
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Queen of the Most Holy Rosary

O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the Rosary.

By meditating on the mysteries of our redemption that are recalled therein, may we obtain the graces and virtues that we seek, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer. *Amen.*



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JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR

28TH OF OCTOBER, FRIDAY • 7PM - 8PM
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