



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

11th June, 2023 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ - Year A



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
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Ben Gandy
Parish Office: 2 Weston Street
Fairfield NSW 2165
Presbytery: 18 Vine St. Fairfield 2165
Email: admin@olrfairfield.org.au
Phone: (02) 9724 5997
Emergency Ph: 0488 693 482

Parish Office Hours:
Mondays - Fridays 9am - 12pm & 1pm - 5pm
Parish Website: www.olrfairfield.org.au

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY MASS: 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 MASSES

Monday - Friday: 9.30am
Monday & Tuesday: 7pm
Friday Mass: 7.00pm First Friday of the month

Business Manager: Florbela Caxala Mb. 0472 862 509
Events & Marketing Co-ordinator: Kathryn Gerardino
Mb. 0491 602 332
Sacramental Co-ord: Simone Smith Mb. 0432 437 552
Liturgical Music Co-ordinator: Fr. Ben Gandy
Parish Safeguarding Support Officer: (PSSO)
Florbela Caxala - safeguarding@olrfairfield.org.au

Novena Prayer: Our Lady of Perpetual Help - 6.30pm on Wednesdays.
Novena Mass: 1st Wednesday of the Month at 6.30pm.

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 Mb. 0426 847 213 - Meeting 4th Thursday of month.

St Vincent de Paul: Meeting 1st Thursday of month - Marcel D'Abrera Mb. 0418 231 368

Spanish Group: Meets every Saturday in the Divine Mercy Room from 12.00pm - 2.00pm.

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 Florbela!

Email: manager@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
Mary Mackillop Hall 20 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165

Fairfield Montessori Academy Childcare Centre

20 Vine Street, Fairfield Tel: (02) 1300 000 162

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.



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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 80:17

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

First Reading

Dt 8:2-3. 14-16

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 147:12-15. 19-20. R. v.12

(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Second Reading

1 Cor 10:16-17

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 6:51-58

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.
Jesus said to the Jews:*

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;
and the bread that I shall give
is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly,
if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink his blood,
you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood
has eternal life,

and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food

and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood
lives in me

and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father,

myself draw life from the Father,

so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven;

not like the bread our ancestors ate:

they are dead,

but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Communion Antiphon

Jn 6:57

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

We Remember and Pray for

Recently Deceased:

Jorge Luiz Bauer Guimaraes & Churchill Vanderwert.

Anniversary of Death:

Oscar Da Silva, Vincenza Gagliano & Rejina Yousif,

In Loving Memory of: Michele & Rosina Inzitari, Kiem Joseph Dang, Hien Anna Dang, Giacomo-Raffaele Uglietta, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Maria Nguyen Thi Hien, Domenico Marzano, Domenico & Maria Cagliostro, Joseph Pham Kim Chuc, Joyce Martin, Carmel Windred, Domenico Cagliostro, Charlie Camilleri, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantar, Alan James Doel, Harold Aviet, Vincenza & Vincenzo Cagliostro.

Sick:

Pope Francis & Maria-Ly Pam.

Thanksgiving:

Gizelle Bautista (40th Birthday) & Lam Hoang (birth of a health grandchild).

Dear Friends,

Last week we celebrated the solemnity of the Blessed Trinity, where we were invited to contemplate the very life of God – a God who is always present to us, a God of tenderness, compassion, patience, forgiveness, justice and mercy. Today we celebrate the solemnity of the **Body and Blood of Christ**. It is appropriate that this mystery is given a separate liturgical date, because we can fail to appreciate the importance and significance of the Eucharist in our spiritual life if we see it only as an event that we celebrate and remember only on Holy Thursday at the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

The celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ brings us to the very life and core of our faith. The Eucharist is indeed the one sacrament that the Church insists that we celebrate and participate in as **frequently** as possible – even daily. Why? It is like a doctor telling a patient that they must receive the proper nourishment – both in quality and quantity – as often as possible to ensure the best for their lives. In the Eucharist, the Church is telling us that here we have a means of nourishing our spiritual lives.

Just as Moses in the first reading today reminds the Chosen People that as they take their first steps into the Promised Land, they are not to forget what the Lord God has done for them: ***'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness...made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna...to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone...but on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.'*** [Deut 8:2-3].

In our busy lives, we can become complacent about the Eucharist, and fail to see it as the ***'source and summit of the Christian life'***. In the Eucharist, Jesus makes an incredible and life giving promise: ***'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.'*** [John 6:51]. In partaking, faithfully of the Eucharist, we indeed have the life of Jesus within us. What a tremendous blessing and promise! We must remember however, that our celebration of, and participation in, the Eucharist is not reduced to simply 'taking communion'. As richly significant and nourishing as this process is, the celebration of the Eucharist reminds us that we are fed and nourished in two ways: sacramentally, through our partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ and secondly, through the living word of God that is presented to us in the Scriptures. Here the Church gives us a year-long richness of God's word in the readings we encounter at each Mass. They prepare us for the sacramental reception of the Eucharist and they deepen our relationship with God. So it is important that we are physically, spiritually and mentally present for both the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

As we celebrate this mystery and as we give thanks for the young children in our Parish who will receive the Eucharist for the first time this Sunday, may we recognise the great gift which Jesus gives us in this sacrament! May it truly be the source of everlasting life for us!

Fr Robert Bossini
Administrator

The Parish office will be closed on **Monday the 12th June 2023**, Public Holiday - King's Birthday.

For urgent matters please ring the emergency Mb. No 0488 693 482.

Community Service Award

Congratulations to Joe Bazzana on receiving a 'Community Service Award' for his continuous commitment and service to 'Our Lady of the Rosary'. May God continue to show him with abundant blessings.



No 7pm evening Mass
on King's Birthday 12.06.2023

Parishioners please note!
that on Monday the 12.06.2023
(King's Birthday - Public Holiday)
there will be **no 7pm evening Mass.**

Thanks & God bless!

Dear Parishioners,

Please note that the 10:30am Mass on **Sunday, 11th of June** (Feast of Corpus Christi - the Body and Blood of Christ), will be moved to **11am for the First Holy Communion Mass**. Parishioners are welcome to attend but need to be aware that there will be extra people due to the family and friends of the First Communicants.

WALK WITH CHRIST

Open to ALL PARISHIONERS

If you are interested in attending this procession.

Reserve your spot on our bus!

Procession Details:

Date: 11th June 2023, Sunday

Bus Departure to event:

12pm from 18 Vine St. to arrive at Martin Place [City]

Meet at front gate of Church of 18 Vine St, at 11.45am

Arrive at Martin Place at 1pm | Procession starts at 2:30pm

Bus Departure Return:

4:30pm from St Mary's Cathedral to arrive at Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield Church.

For more information and to reserve your spot on the bus, please contact Kathryn at events@olrfairfield.org.au OR 0491 602 332.

Fr Ben will be accompanying the attending parishioners on the bus and the event.



Liturgy Corner

With Fr. Ben



Question: Where does a bishop's mitre come from?

Answer: Essentially, any headwear designates or says something about the Office of the one wearing it. Common in the ancient world, one could tell the role of someone else by the type and style of hat worn.

The pointed headwear of a bishop, an abbot, or a monsignor is a mitre. It is worn by him in liturgical functions such as Mass or presiding at the Divine Office, or at Confirmations.

By its shape it is meant to call to mind the flame that the apostles received at Pentecost. The name comes from the Greek word meaning 'headband'.

Not always a pointed hat, the mitre has undergone a radical shift in shape since the eleventh century. It was more of a cap in its earliest forms and worn only by popes until it gradually evolved into the shape we see today. Generally speaking, it has increased in height over the centuries.

Its two lappets (two pieces of fabric hanging from the back of the head down the back of the cleric) which signify the Old and New Testaments, from which he derives his Office as primary teacher of the Faith.

Youth Group Relaunch

Pentecost Series

Join us for Dinner, Prayer, Music and a series of talks by special guest speakers during this time of Pentecost!

2nd June	<i>I will send you the Holy Spirit</i> Who is the Holy Spirit and why did Jesus promise to send Him?
9th June	<i>Repent and Be Baptised</i> The importance of Repentance in opening us up to the Holy Spirit
16th June	<i>The Holy Spirit will come upon you</i> The Holy Spirit in relationship with Our Church and Our Lady
23rd June	<i>And you will be My witnesses</i> How to live out a relationship with the Holy Spirit and be witnesses of Christ



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FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED FIRST
HOLY COMMUNION THIS
SUNDAY!

"I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh" (Jn 6:51)