



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

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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 Priest: Fr Michael de Stoop
Assistant Priest: Fr Francisco Regala
Assistant Priest: Fr Josh Miechels
Seminarian: Peter Khuong

PARISH OFFICE: 2 Weston Street
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SECRETARY: Rosalia Nauqe.
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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday: 9 am - 4 pm.
Closed for Lunch: 12 pm - 1 pm

CATECHIST COORDINATOR:
Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

LITURGICAL COORDINATOR
Manolo Patacsil: 0466 263 419

SUNDAY MASS

Vigil: 6:00pm (Sat)
Polish Mass: 7:30am
Parish Mass: 9:00am 10:30am
Vietnamese: 4:30pm
Evening: 6:00pm

WEEKLY MASS

Mon to Fri: 9 am
Saturday : 8:30 am
Tuesday: 7 pm

RECONCILIATION

- * After every weekday mass (Mon– Sat)
- * 5-6 pm every Sat

Novena Mass

1st Wednesday:
6:30 pm

MONTHLY MASS TIMES

1st Friday: 9 am Mass and Devotions
6 pm Holy Hour (Vietnamese)
7 pm Mass & Anointing
1st Sat: 8:30 am Mass and Holy Hour
1st Sunday : 1:30 pm Burmese Mass

* *The Rosary is prayed daily before and after every Mass Monday to Saturday.*

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

First Sunday of the Month. First part of the Baptism Ceremony takes place during the 10:30am Mass and continues after the Mass. A Baptism preparation class is required prior to Baptism. Baptism form to be submitted to the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

After every weekday Mass, Saturday 9am and 5pm or by appointment.

MARRIAGES By appointment – six months notice required and undergo Marriage Preparation Course. Check with Parish Secretary for more information

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Friday of the month during 7pm Mass and last Saturday of the month during 8.30am Mass. Emergency, please call Parish mobile on 0439 615 659

SCHOOLS

OLR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

Principal: Br Nicholas Harsas fsp
info@olrfairfield.catholic.edu.au

PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE

Boys Year 7–12 Tel: (02) 9728 4488

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PARISH GROUPS

Charismatic - Spanish: Saturday 11 am

Children's Liturgy: 2nd Sun of the Month 9am Irene Taylor

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wed 6:30 pm c/o Roger

Maltese Rosary: Every Thur 9:30 am c/o Georgina

St. Vincent de Paul: 1st Thursday of the month 6:30 pm c/o Marcel

Holy Communion for the Sick & Elderly - Antoinette 0412015469

Catholic Women's League: 4th Thur of the month, 12:30 pm Sandra
Legion of Mary: Sunday at Parish Meeting Rm. Junior group at 10:30am. Adult group at 4pm c/o Josephine 0447 438 302

Church Cleaning Saturday: After 8:30 am Mass. All welcome to help.
Parish Choir : 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the church.

Spiritual Gym and Bible Study Group: Every Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Parish Meeting Room. Everyone is invited.

This Parish pays respect to the Cadigal People of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians of this land.

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist Year B 24 June 2018



First Reading

Is 49:1-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Behold I will make you a light to the nations.

Islands, listen to me, pay attention, remotest peoples. The Lord called me before I was born, from my mother's womb he pronounced my name. He made my mouth a sharp sword, and hid me in the shadow of his hand. He made me into a sharpened arrow, and concealed me in his quiver. He said to me, 'You are my servant Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; while I was thinking, 'I have toiled in vain, I have exhausted myself for nothing'; and all the while my cause was with the Lord, my reward with my God. I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial

Ps 138:1-3. 13-15. R. v.14

(R.) I praise you for I am wonderfully made.

Second Reading

Acts 13:22-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Christ's coming was announced beforehand by the preaching of John.

Paul said: 'God made David the king of our ancestors, of whom he approved in these words, "I have elected David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart, who will carry out my whole purpose." To keep his promise, God has raised up for Israel one of David's descendants, Jesus, as Saviour, whose coming was heralded by John when he proclaimed a baptism of repentance for the whole people of Israel. Before John ended his career he said, "I am not the one you imagine me to be; that one is coming after me and I am not fit to undo his sandal." 'My brothers, sons of Abraham's race, and all you who fear God, this message of salvation is meant for you.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 1:57-66. 80

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

John is his name.

The time came for Elizabeth to have her child, and she gave birth to a son; and when her neighbours and relations heard that the Lord had shown her so great a kindness, they shared her joy. Now on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother spoke up. 'No,' she said 'he is to be called John.' They said to her, 'But no one in your family has that name', and made signs to his father to find out what he wanted him called. The father asked for a writing tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And they were all astonished.

At that instant his power of speech returned and he spoke and praised God. All their neighbours were filled with awe and the whole affair was talked about throughout the hill country of Judaea. All those who heard of it treasured it in their hearts. 'What will this child turn out to be?' they wondered. And indeed the hand of the Lord was with him. The child grew up and his spirit matured. And he lived out in the wilderness until the day he appeared openly to Israel.

MASS INTENTIONS: We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Jessie Stella Grech, Giovanna Dei Rossi, Papalia Egiuseppe, J. Baptista Xavier.

In Loving Memory of: Bernadino Nunes, Maria Barbera, Georgina Bugeja, Maria Faccin, Maria Thuc Dang, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Dominic Tung Phuong Lam, Anton Sy Phuong Lam, Ignac Gjura, Thomas & Maria Le, Maxima Mapagu, Conchita Mapagu, Ida Marina, Rosenda Deola, Sr Mary Mok, Drina Sta Iglesia, Susanna Lolohea, Ana Fernandes Da Silva, Maria Nguyen, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Doreen Blackhall, Eileen Small, Catarina Pham Pham Thi Ngu, Mary Bugeja, Maria Rosa Marzano, Domenico Marzano, Vincenza & Vincenzo, Domenico, Stefano, Carmela Cagliostro, Concetizione & Concetto D'Amico, Nina Graziella D'Amico, Giuseppe & Antonina Papalia, Gianni D'Amico, Marjorie & John Windred, Sr Julieta Da Conceicao, Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantar, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Sam Musolino, Joseph, Charlie, Carmen Camilleni, Steve Harsas, Harold Aviet, Bill Magrin, Mary Rose Price, Joseph Busuttill, Carmela Borg, Cornie Busuttill, Emmanuel Borg, Giuseppe Gagliano, Annuziata D'Amico, Lazarus & Maria D'Souza, Maria Rosa Musolino, Antonia & Domenica Toscano, Fr Jose-Maria Enedaguila SJ and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick & Infirm: Sheila Aviet, Melita Dodds, Mary & Joe Borg & Baby Hayden.

Mass Intentions - Fr Josh

23 June Annuziata and Concetto D'Amico

24 June Concezione D'Amico

25 June Nicola Colaneri

26 June Giuseppe Gagliano

27 June Nina Graziella D'Amico

28 June George Thomas

29 June Charlie Camillieri

Planned Giving Programme

Since 1 July 2017, our Parish has being able to offer tax deductibility of **25%** on all donations made through the Parish Planned Giving Programme.

If you have not already registered for this programme, we invite you to help our Parish meet our costs in our pastoral outreach and maintenance programmes.

If you want to register for 2018 - 2019 tax receipt you need to sign a new form available inside your Planned Giving envelope box and then return it to the Parish Office or send it as a scanned attachment in an email. Contact the Parish Secretary if you want your tax receipt 2017 - 2018 which will be available after 30 June until 22 July, 2018.

Thank you for supporting our Parish.



25%

Kids Corner: Program for July.

K 9am Mass 8th July 2018: To all parents if your child would like to become reader for 9am Masses please contact Parish Office or come and see the Children's Liturgy Team after 9am Mass.

Thank you, Irene Taylor—Co coordinator for Children's Liturgy

Message from our Parish Priest Fr Michael

Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Terry Brady be coming to our Parish to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, 19 September 2018 at 7 pm. If you have a child who is in Year 6 (or older) whom you wish to receive this sacrament, you will need to pick up an Enrolment Form in the foyer of the church or come to the Parish Office to ask for a copy.

Refurbishment of Harrington Hall

Our Parish has gratefully received a Government Grant to refurbish Harrington Hall so that it can be used for social outreach activities that help build community, such as educational movies, art and craft classes, etc. These refurbishments include: substituting the carpet with a polished timber floor; replacing the old cupboards with new cupboards; enlarging one of the doors to make it into an emergency exit with a ramp for wheelchair access; and installing an audio visual system. Consequently, Harrington Hall is not available to be booked for a period commencing from a few weeks from now, as the refurbishments will most likely begin during July and may possibly extend into August. Specific dates will be published when the builder makes known the particular timeframe of the refurbishments.

Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to help remove cupboards and carpet and clearing hall for the builders, if you are available next Saturday 30th June from 10 - 2pm please come down to the hall and help as we need more volunteers to help clean up and clear the hall next Saturday.

2018 Holy Father's Appeal

Our Parish will hold the **Holy Father's Appeal** next weekend 1 July 2018 for which we'll ask your support. Through your gift you can help Pope Francis bring hope, opportunity and the spirit of Jesus Christ to our less fortunate brothers and sisters around the world. Envelopes available on the pews. Thank you

WHO WILL SHOW US HAPPINESS? (Psalm 4:6)

If Jesus really is God, then the lifestyle he proposes to us can only be far and away the simplest and most beautiful way of fulfilling what it means to be human – and becoming like God himself.

What never ceases to amaze is how little idea most Catholics have of what God is like, what his plan for us is and how overabundantly good life with him is.

At Fairfield Parish, we are proposing to rectify this by running a complete formation in all the basic elements of our faith for about an hour every Thursday night in Term 3 & Term 4 this year. Working together with the *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*, by the end of this formation, participants will be fully grounded in the key elements of Catholic belief, sacraments, ethics and prayer. The course is open to anyone 18 and over.

Each session will begin and end punctually (7:45pm-9pm) and comprise of i) a brief quiz (your eyes only) on the content of the week before, ii) 45 mins of teaching, and then iii) 15-20 mins of Q+A. It will be taught either by priests or lay experts in the relevant field. We will begin on the 26 July. Total cost is \$50 to cover the cost of handouts and other resources.

Places are limited, so for inquiries or to register please contact Fr Josh via the Parish Office or via joshmiechels@gmail.com

OLR SCHOOL NEWS



Refugee Week was June 17-23. It was important to celebrate this week in OLR School as we have welcomed so many children from refugee backgrounds into the school community over the past two years. We began the week with a special assembly prayer, prayer bookmarks created by the St Vincent de Paul Society were sent home for families and on Friday a group of students from St Ursula's College, Kingsgrove spoke to Year 5 about their refugee support project and donated bag packs for our refugee students. The OLR School Community is saddened by the sudden death of former long-serving staff member, Mrs Rose Benjamin, who retired from the school in 2013 after 26 years of service. We give thanks to God for the life of Rose and for her tremendous contribution to OLR School over so many years. May Rose rest in peace.

Brother Nicholas

PRINCIPAL

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE.



Our mid year bus trip will be on Wednesday 11th July to Mary McKillop Place, North Sydney.

We are booked in for a Museum tour, and lunch followed by Mass in the chapel at 1.00pm.

We will need to leave the church grounds of OLR by 8.45am. Our trips are open to everyone, men and women, not just members of CWL, so book in early, our bus only holds 20.

Please contact Sandra Skarsky on 9724 3561 or 0425285206. Looking forward to a great day out.

Liturgical Ministry - Fr Frank

In line with our Parish Liturgical Servers and Ministers Liturgical Formation program, Fr Frank will conduct training in the church on the following dates of which your preferred date can be chosen:

Acolytes & Altar Servers - June 26 and 29 at 7pm

New Readers & Commentators - June 27 at 7pm

Children's Liturgy Readers - June 27 at 7pm

Cost of living too high?

Interested in saving money in your electricity bills? Curious about some more money by installing solar panels? Don't know who to talk to? Sydney Alliance (a social justice group) is running an event called, *Voices for Power Table Talk: How to Save on Your Electricity Bills*, on **Tuesday, 26 June 2018, 7:30 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Hall**. In addition to learning practical tips from an energy expert on how to reduce your energy bill, the more people who come to this event to voice their experiences in meeting the rising cost of electricity, the more Sydney Alliance will be able to advocate the Government to lower the cost of electricity. Sydney Alliance have a good track record in such advocacy and are already making inroads with politicians regarding energy affordability. This event promises yet further benefit.

Specifically, the more people who attend this event, the more money you can save by virtue of buying solar power in bulk to install in your own home. In addition to assisting you with your livelihood, this event promises to be a good opportunity for community building and social outreach.

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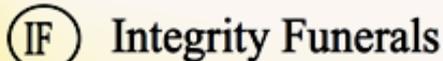
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