

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

18 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165
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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 Josh Miechels
Assistant Priest: Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS
Seminarian: Adrian Simmons
Seminarian: Peter Khuong

PARISH OFFICE: 2 Weston Street
Fairfield NSW 2165

SECRETARY: Rosalia Nauqe
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Phone: (02) 9724 5997

Office Hours:
Monday to Friday: 9am-12pm, 1-4pm

CATECHIST COORDINATOR:
Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

LITURGICAL COORDINATOR
Manolo Patacsil: 0466 263 419

SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS
Lessie Pahimulin and Margaret Lim:
Contact the Parish Office

SUNDAY MASS
in English (Vigil): 6:00pm (Sat)
in Polish: 7:30am
in English: 9:00am, 10:30am
in Vietnamese: 4:30pm
in English: 6:00pm

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

RECONCILIATION
After mass Mon to Sat
5-6pm every Sat

MONTHLY MASS TIMES

ADORATION
7-9am Tue-Thu

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

Novena Mass: 1st Wednesday 6:30pm

Daily Rosary before and after Mass Mon - Sat

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 Enrolment form need 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. For emergencies, you can call the priest on duty on Ph: 0439 615 659

SCHOOLS

OLR PRIMARY SCHOOL

20 Vine Street, Fairfield Tel: (02) 9727 9064
Principal: 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) 97241247

MARY MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Girls Year 7–12 Tel: (02) 9725 4322 Principal: Ms. Gilda Pussich
info@mmcwakeley.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

PARISH GROUPS

Charismatic - Spanish: Saturday 11 am

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

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

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

St. Vincent de Paul: Last 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.

Sunday 24 February 2019

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading 1 Sm 26:2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him. Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice. David answered Abishai, Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them. David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13. R. v.8
(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

Second Reading 1 Cor 15:45-49

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

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment;
love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 6:27-38

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'



WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Br Joseph Byrne, John Patrick O'Brien, Beverley Bogdanich, Marie Morel

Anniversary of Death: Patrick Power & Connie Power

In Loving Memory of: Tegan Whittle, Paolina Climich, Richard Zamirovski, Emilio Gabriel, Specko Josip Paul, Henry Allison, Rose Bonello, Giuseppe Occhiuto, Yolanda Mapagu, Geoff & Nancy Burfoot, Sr. Concezione Giuseppe D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Karmenu & Vincenzo Cianta, Charlie Camilleri, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Vincenza & Vincenzo, Domenico, Stefano, Carmela Cagliostro, Concetizione & Concetto D'Amico, Graziella Ninna D'Amico, Gianni D'Amico, Francesco & Sam Musolino, Paul Pace, Georgina Bugeja, Maria Faccin, Harold Aviet, Christine Aviet, Karmenu, Vincenza Ciantar, Antonia & Tadeusz Konarski, John & Marjorie Windred, Steve Harsas, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Giuseppe Gagliano, Annunziata D'Amico, Domenico Marzano, Carmen & Anthony Spiteri, Charlie Camilleni, Joseph & Carmen Camilleni, Mary Rose Price, Emmanuel, John & Joseph Busuttill and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick & Infirm: Sandra Skarsky, Coralie D'Abrera, Sheila Aviet, Lyn Herbert, Carmel Windred, Baby Hayden, Joanna Silva.

Legion of Mary invites all members to the
Annual Acies Ceremony.

Date: Saturday, 02 March 2019

- 8:45am Rosary
- 9:15am Mass

Venue: Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic
Church (6 Kerrinea Road, Sefton 2162)



Training for Acolytes

Training to be conducted by the Archdiocese of Sydney Liturgy Office for Acolytes from 9am – 12pm on 9, 16, 23 March 2019 at Harrington Hall.

Subsequently, Bishop Tony will celebrate a Mass at 10:30am on 31 March at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney during which the Rite of Installation will take place. Application Forms are available at the Parish Office which have to be attached with a copy of your baptism certificate.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help.



You have a wonderful opportunity to send a petition to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Your petition will be read during the Novena on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. Simply put your petition in the designated petition box inside the church where the Mass guide is located. We write petitions to give thanks, express our pains, needs, hopes, fears, and above all our faith in Mary's intercession and the divine power of her Son, Jesus.

Message from our Parish Priest, Fr Michael

Bookkeeping for the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

If you take Holy Communion to anyone who is housebound, please write down the name of the person to whom you are bringing the Blessed Sacrament to receive Holy Communion in the book in the Sacristy. The records in this book will enable me to be aware of the pastoral needs of the parishioners in their homes.

New Staff in the Parish Office

As noted in last week's Parish Bulletin, now that the Parish's bank loan has been discharged, a shift of focus is taking place to engage in more pastoral outreach. A new staff member has been employed as an Events and Marketing Coordinator to help coordinate such outreach. As you may recall, advertisements were published in the Parish Bulletin last year seeking the assistance of a volunteer. Consequently, only one person – a university student – responded, but he was only able to assist for two hours per week during his holidays. When he returned to university, he was not able to continue helping the Parish. We need someone to be consistently available for this important work, hence, the paid position of Events and Marketing Coordinator was advertised earlier this year. The primary purpose of this position is to assist the Parish's clergy, staff and volunteers to coordinate social and faith-renewal activities in order to build up the Parish's faith-community.

Another new staff member will commence work at a date yet to be decided as a Secretary/Personal Assistant/Bookkeeper who will be working on an executive level so that I can be more available to provide for your pastoral needs.

Accordingly, you can look forward to various retreats, talks, more frequent pastoral visits to your homes and the classrooms of the many schools in the Parish, and other activities to help build up our faith-community.

This new position will also enable me to be available to carry out two duties the Archbishop has appointed me to undertake outside the Parish; namely: Acting Dean which involves providing pastoral care to the priests within the South Western Deanery (a Deanery is cluster of parishes); and another appointment yet to be finalised.

If you have any questions regarding the shift of focus to provide more pastoral outreach and the corresponding need to employ more staff for the Parish Office, you can contact the members of the Parish Finance Committee and the members of the Parish Pastoral Council.

The photographs of these members will be featured on the Parish Notice Board sometime soon. In the meantime, the names of these parishioners are:

Parish Pastoral Council: Sandra Skarsky (Chairperson), Magy Giuliano (Secretary), Jackie Vella (Principal of OLR Primary School), Marcel D'Abera, Lich Phan, Maria Phuong Cheng, Minh, Thuyet, Barbara Novak, Lessie Pahimulin, Thelma Osoteo, Norberto Sia, Antoinette Balamoan, Michael Matty, Manolo Patacsil, Arthur Silva.

Parish Finance Committee: Ted Malicki (Chairperson), Vic Meli (Secretary), Paul Popischil, Linh Nguyen, and Maria Phuong Cheng.

Change of Mass Time on Weekdays

Last Sunday, a message was published in the Parish Bulletin requesting your feedback regarding whether or not you think the weekday Mass time should be changed from 9:00 to 9:15 am. This question was asked because the Parish's car park becomes congested while students walk through it to go to the Primary School as the 9:00 am Mass approaches on weekdays. Consequently, a number of children have almost been run over. You may recall that a number of messages were published in the Parish Bulletin about this danger last year, yet children have still almost been run over by cars in the car park. Given that all the feedback received is in favour of changing the weekday Mass time, Masses on Monday to Friday will start at 9:15 am, but this change will not commence until Ash Wednesday (6 March).

In other words, all Masses prior to Ash Wednesday will still start at 9:00 am. This change of Mass time will also enable the parents who attend the School Assembly to come to Mass on weekdays before Mass begins.

World Day of Prayer – All Saints Parish Liverpool

All Saints Parish Liverpool invites parishioners and friends to the World Day of Prayer Service at 7pm on **Friday, 1 March 2019** in All Saints Church, and to supper following in Loreto Place. The World Day of Prayer is a worldwide ecumenical movement, led by Christian women from different denominations in over 170 countries. They gather on the first Friday of March each year to pray for justice and peace for a specific country. This year, it is Slovenia. World Day of Prayer is a practical way of joining with our local Christian sisters and brothers in a witness of ecumenical spirit.



Enquiries and RSVPs: Kim Mannix: 9602 8466 (office hours); kim.allsaints@gmail.com

Oz Rosary Around Australia

In October, 2017 on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, well over one million lay people gathered in Poland around the Polish borders to pray the Rosary for the protection of their country and to intercede for their young people. Last year on 13 May, over 250 locations participated in Oz Rosary under the patronage of Bishop David Cremin. This year, Oz Rosary will be holding a similar event over the weekend of Friday 24 May to Sunday 25 May, which is the weekend of the feast day of Australia's Patroness, Our Lady Help Of Christians. A 54-day Novena will take place leading up to the event starting on 1 April.

To obtain an copy of this Novena and to register, go to: www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53 or Email: ozrosary53@gmail.com or contact Jane: 0476 535 595.



Patrician Brothers' College FAIRFIELD



Open Day

**TUESDAY,
5 MARCH 2019
4pm-7pm**

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MEN'S WEEKEND

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23 - 24 March 2019

All Saints Senior College Casula
Leacocks Ln Casula NSW

For more information, contact:

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*\$50.00 per person
Includes : Workshops, morning and
afternoon tea and
Dinner on Saturday*