

# Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

18 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165  
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Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield



## 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  
**Email:** admin@olrfairfield.org.au  
**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: 9:15 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: 9:15 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

**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.

**Bible Study Group: (Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible)** Every Thursday at 7 :30pm. 8 Weeks Session. Held in the Harrington Hall.

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

Sunday 24 March 2019  
3rd Sunday of Lent Year C



**First Reading** Ex 3:1-8. 13-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God. And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.' Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 102:1-4. 6-8. 11. R. v.8  
(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

**Second Reading** 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12

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

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert. These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer. All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Gospel** Lk 13:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

**WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:**

**Recently Deceased:** Robert Percy Mullen, Fatima Cham, John Patrick O'Brien, Beverley Bogdanich, Marie Morel.

**Anniversary of Death:** Maria Luisa Cubelo, Anna Nguyen, Agnes Dias, Manuel Dias, Cleotina Di Domenica.

**In Loving Memory of:** Francesco, Francesca, Antonia, Domenic, Domenico, Antonio, Joseph, Domenica, Maria, Bruno, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Analiza Baogbog Poblador, Salvador & Milagros Poblador, John Brady, Fr Roberto Poblador, David Jug & Marcia Stevenson, Francisca Santoso, Domenic & Rita, Gonzales, Patrick Power & Connie Power, Hashal & George Haddad, Catarina Nguyen & Mathew Nguyen Hue, Agnes Al-eck, Lazarus & Maria D'Souza, Felisa Aguila, Tegan Whittle, Marcia Stevenson, Antonio Fava, Courtney Topic, John Patrick O' Brien, Maria Dinh Thi Lieu, Paolina Climich, Richard Zamirovski, Sr. Concezione 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 Ninae 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 & Infirmed:** Mary Nguyen, Maria Pham, Carmel Windred, Baby Hayden.

**Feast Day**

23 March - St Turibius of Mongrovejo, *Bishop*

25 March - The Annunciation of the Lord.

02 April - Commemoration of St Francis of Paola, *Hermit*.

04 April - Commemoration of St Isidore, Bishop, *Doctor*.

05 April - St Vincent Ferrer, *Priest*

11 April - Commemoration of St Stanislaus *Bishop, Martyr*

13 April - Commemoration of St Martin 1 *Pope, Martyr*

14 April - PALM SUNDAY

**Mass Intentions - Fr Josh**

16 March	Susan Dondonilla
17 March	Maria Dinh Thi Lieu
18 March	Giuseppe Gagliano
19 March	Sr Concezione-Graziella D'Amico
20 March	Ignac Gjura
21 March	Annunziata Concetto D'Amico
22 March	Norman and Stanley Small

**Station of the Cross**  
every Friday after  
9:15am Mass and at 7pm



## Message from our Assistant Priest, Fr Josh

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH

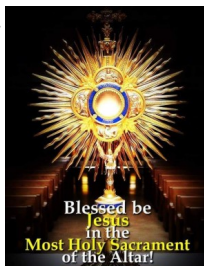
Flowers are a beautiful way to make our offerings and prayers to God, to remind us of God's beauty and goodness to us, and our own vocation to be fragrant blossoms of God's love for others in the world. It is for this reason we have a parish Flowers Team who very generously volunteer to be responsible for flowers in the church.

If you would like to personally contribute, there are two ways you can do this:

1. Make a donation for the flowers to the Parish Secretary, who will pass it on to the Flowers Team.
2. Make an offering of your own flowers in one of two places: Our Lady of the Rosary, or the Grotto. **Please do not place flowers in the niches of the saints:** reverence to the saints is not just for a few but for everyone, there is not space for the flowers there, and they dirty and damage the statues and niches, requiring cleaning and expenditure by the Parish. Thankyou for your understanding!

### Parish Lenten Event: 24 Hour with the Lord

On the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of March, Parishes of the Archdiocese are invited to respond to Pope Francis' annual call to participate in **24 Hours for the Lord** for Lent. The aim is to have churches all around Sydney open for some time so that people can encounter Jesus in Adoration and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Our Parish is invited to take part. "Your participation can range from 1, 2, 4 or 6 hours of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament right through to a full 24 hours, depending upon our parish resources.

Roster is available in the foyer, please invite your prayer group, family and friends to come and participate in this world event during Lent.

### 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 a copy of this Novena and to register, go to: [www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53](http://www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53) or Email: [ozrosary53@gmail.com](mailto:ozrosary53@gmail.com) or contact Jane: 0476 535 595.



## School News:

The Primary school has invited students from Years 3-6 to join the Mini Vinnies team. Mini Vinnies is about doing good works in the community. The Vinnies model of 'See, Think, Do' is a great way to get young people thinking and talking about their spirituality; by connecting their beliefs and values with service activities and issues in their community, they can help make their faith real, meaningful and relevant. This year we have 74 students who would like to give of their time to help those who are less fortunate. We are thrilled to have such giving students in our school.

Jackie Vella

Principal



### First Reconciliation Program:

Session starts this week.

- 1st Session - 23/24 March
- 2nd Session - 30/31 March
- 3rd Session - 6/7 April

**Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation:** Wed 10 April - 5pm & 7pm

### First Holy Communion:

Parent Information Night - 7pm Thursday 02 May

- Enrolment Sunday 19 May
- Session 1 - 25/26 May
- Session 2 - 1/2 June
- Session 3 - 15/16 June
- Retreat Day - 21 June (Friday)

**Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion:** 22 Sat / 23 June (Sun)

### One Hour Retreat Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 26 March 2019 at 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Our Lady of the Rosary Church

organised by

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

All are welcome



### Ministries and Liturgical Coordinators: 28 March

Your meeting will be held on Thursday 28th March at 6:30pm in the Parish Boardroom. All members are asked to attend this meeting.

### Vietnamese Community Retreat: 28 - 29 March

Thursday and Friday 7 - 10pm in the Church.

### 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.







**MARY MACKILLOP**  
CATHOLIC COLLEGE WAKELEY

**Enrolling Now for 2020 & 2021**



**SCHOOL  
TOURS  
WITH THE  
PRINCIPAL**

**Wednesday,  
27 March 2019  
6pm**

Contact the college on P (02) 9725 4322 or  
E [rosemary.gerardis@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:rosemary.gerardis@syd.catholic.edu.au) to register

[www.mmcwakeley.catholic.edu.au](http://www.mmcwakeley.catholic.edu.au)



**WEEK 3:  
SOLOMON ISLANDS**  
3RD SUNDAY OF LENT 24 MARCH 2019

*"I alone cannot change the world, but  
I can cast a stone across the waters  
to create many ripples."*

- St Teresa of Calcutta

**PROJECT  
COMPASSION**

**Third Sunday of Lent  
24<sup>th</sup> March 2019**



Peter goes to a boarding school in the Solomon Islands which has experienced water shortages for 60 years. Previously, students would have to walk kilometres each day in search of clean water, which was particularly challenging for Peter who is living with a disability. With Caritas Australia's support, the school has created a new reliable water system. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of focusing on his studies, providing him with brighter future.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help young people with disabilities gain access to clean water in the Solomon Islands, providing hope for a brighter future.**

**Lives change when we all give 100%.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.