



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

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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

Dean/Parish Priest: Very Rev Fr Michael de Stoop
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Josh Miechels
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS
Seminarian: Adrian Simmons
Seminarian: Peter Khuong
Parish Secretary: Rosalia Nauqe
PARISH OFFICE: 2 Weston Street
Fairfield NSW 2165
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

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

4th Sat: Anointing 9am Mass

1st Sunday: 1:30 pm Burmese Mass

Novena Mass: 1st Wednesday 6:30pm

Daily Rosary before and after Mass Mon - Sat

ADORATION

7-9am Tue-Thu

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@mmwakeley.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

Divine Mercy Novena:

Every Saturday at 7:20 pm

Charismatic - Spanish:

Every Saturday 11am

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:

1st Thurs of the month 6:30pm 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:

Every Sunday Junior group at 10:30am.
Adult at 4pm c/o Josephine 0447 438 302

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

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 and 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 Cadigal People of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians of this land.

Sunday, 12 May 2019:

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year C

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth. It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3

(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Second Reading Rv 7:9, 14-17

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 10:27-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

I give my sheep eternal life.

Jesus said: 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'



WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Lucia Nguyen Thi Te, Paul Mirabello, Joseph Murdaca, Virisine Racumu, Vincenzo Mura, Mary Patrick

Anniversary of Death: Irene Madeira, Josef Munchen, Caetan Fernandes, Lazarus & Maria D'Souza, Joseph Busuttill, Vince Mura.

In Loving Memory of: Juse Tran Dinh Cam, Maria Tran Thi Phuong, Fidalma Veneziani, Ferruccio Carnioto, Esteban Lagas, Pulqueria Mota, Gabriel & Vazzoler, Lynette Herbert, Alfred Zammit, Fatima Cham, Shiela Love, Fortunata Butacan, Paul Mifsud, Thelma Helena Go Peleaz, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Lazarus & Maria D'Souza, John Brady, Gabrielle & Robert Raicevich, Anna Russo, Neil Land, Rosemary Cruipi, Norelle Checutti, Mavis David Jug & Marcia Stevenson, Maria Luisa Cubelo, Anna Nguyen, Agnes Dias, Manuel Dias, Catarina Nguyen & Mathew Nguyen Hue, Tegan Whittle, Marcia Stevenson, Cortney Topic, 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, Paul Pace, Georgina Bugeja, Maria Faccin, Harold Aviet, Christine Aviet, Karmenu, Vincenza Ciantar, 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 & and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick & Infirm: Lucy Bugeja, Mary Nguyen, Maria Pham, Carmel Windred, Baby Hayden.

Special Intention: Lizzie Pace & family, Graham Windred.

We invite you all to our Parish

Feast Day celebration of Our Lady of Fatima

Monday 13th May

6:30pm - Holy Rosary with Exposition

7:15pm - Holy Mass

8:15pm - Fraternal Agape at Harrington Hall - Everyone are asked to bring a plate of food.



PRAYER INTENTIONS

All parishioners are invited to place prayer intentions in the Prayer Intention box in the church foyer. These will be collected and presented during the Holy Rosary on Monday 13th May at 6:30 pm.

Kids Corner:

Our Lady of Fatima Colouring Competition.



There will be a colouring competition for children in the Children's Liturgy Room this Sunday after 9am Mass. All colouring pages are to be returned on 26th of May 2019. There will be lot of great prizes to be won. Winners will be announced in the bulletin on Sunday 2 June.

First Holy Communion 2019

First Holy Communion will take place on June 22 at the 6pm Vigil Mass and June 23 at the 10:30am Mass. Please note the following dates that you have to attend:

- Enrolment Sunday 19 May (1st Reconciliation Certificate will be distributed at this Mass.)
- Session 1 – 25/26 May 4:30pm
- Session 2 – 1/2 June 4:30pm
- Session 3 – 15/16 June 4:30pm
- Retreat Day – 21 June (Friday) 9am – 3pm
- Sacrament of (First) Holy Communion: 22 Saturday 6pm and 10:30am 23 June (Sunday)

World Day of Prayer for Vocations and Mother's Day

World Day of Prayer for Vocations always falls on the 4th Sunday of Easter, which is also called Good Shepherd Sunday because of the Gospel readings. In 2019, the 12th May also happens to be Mother's Day. How can we celebrate these two important days together in a harmonious way? We can start by remembering the words of Pope St Pius X, *"Every vocation to the priesthood comes from the heart of God, but it passes through the heart of a mother."*

Pope Francis's Mother Surprised by His Vocation

In an interview for a Spanish-language newspaper, Pope Francis's only living sibling, María Elena Bergoglio, recounts how their mother discovered he was interested in the Priesthood. At age 19, young Jorge Bergoglio initially felt that he wanted to study medicine. Wanting him to have a quiet place to study, his mother prepared a special room for him by cleaning out a cluttered room on the family's terrace.



Jorge Bergoglio as a young priest

One day, the future pope's mom entered the room to clean it. But she ran into a surprise: books of theology. The pope's sister, the only one of his five siblings still alive, recounted the conversation between mother and son: "Jorge, come here.

You told me that you were going to study medicine." "Yes, mother." "Why did you lie to me?" "No, I did not lie to you mother; I am going to study the medicine of the soul." Surprised by the news, his mother wept, because she understood he would have to leave home to study. His father, however, rejoiced in his son's vocation. Eventually the entire family embraced his call to the priesthood. Jorge Bergoglio was ordained a priest in 1969 and elected Pope in 2013.

Pope Saint Pius X Kisses His Mother's Wedding Ring

Pope Pius X was a very humble man and had a saintly mother. Because they were so poor, she worked as a washer woman and a school janitor to earn enough money so that he could go to the seminary (in those days, the family had to pay for the seminarian's education). When elected pope, his mother was present at his installation and kissed his large papal ring, as is the custom. She then presented her tiny hand with her wedding ring and said, "Now you kiss my ring—for without it, you never would have received yours!"



In addition to praying that young people hear the Lord's voice, let's pray that their parents happily support and encourage them as they respond to His call. *Pope Pius X*

School News

This week has been a wonderful week of learning and celebration at our school. On Thursday morning we gathered as a school and parish community to celebrate a Mother's Day mass, it was wonderful to see the church so full. Also this week, the Year 6 students went on an excursion to Fairfield Local Council and the Year 2 students went to Symbio Wildlife park. While the excursions were so different, they both provided the students with exciting opportunities to learn through experience.

The enrolment period for Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School for 2020 will be finalised at the end of May. Enrolment packs are available from the school office.

Thank you.

Linda Katsibras,
Assistant Principal



Fr John Iacono will be leaving for Cebu in the Philippines for his annual leave. While in Cebu he will be helping build and upgrade the Seminary there. Today we have some volunteers who will be selling icons outside the Church, all money raised will be given to Fr Iacono for the seminary in Cebu.

You are all invited to buy icons or give donations for this worthy cause.

Catholic Women's League Lamington Sale!

Lamingtons will be on sale again this year on Mother's Day weekend.



Dates: Friday 10th May after school time, Saturday 11th May after Vigil Mass and Sunday 12th May after Morning Masses

Prices: \$15.00 pack of 12
\$8.00 pack of 6

Don't miss out, while stocks last!

Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea

Catholic Women's League Fairfield invite all parishioners to join them for Morning tea to raise funds for the Cancer Council.

Date: Thursday 23rd May 2019

Time: After 9:15am Mass

Location: Outside church



Ministry of Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to Sick/ Home bound.

Our next ministry meeting has been scheduled on 21 May, 2019 at 5:30pm at the Harrington Hall. We ask all members to make an effort to attend this important meeting.

Antoinette Balamoan - Coordinator

Election Guide Provided by FamilyVoice Australia

One of these parties will form government in the House of Representatives of Australia

| Key 2019 Issues | Know the Liberal Party | Know the Labor Party |
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| Sanctity of Life | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ No party position in support of abortion ★ Allows MPs a conscience vote | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Supports free abortions ★ Will force public hospitals to perform abortions by tying the issue to federal funding |
| Gender on Government IDs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Supports retaining gender on birth certificates and other government ID documents | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Supportive of removing gender from birth certificates and other government ID documents, according to the Yogyakarta Principles |
| Trangender Operations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ No policy to force taxpayers to publicly fund "sex-change" operations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Will require taxpayers to publicly fund "sex-change" operations |
| Safe Schools | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Cut all Federal funding to Safe Schools and other fluid-gender ideology programs in schools | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Supports Federal funding for Safe Schools and other fluid-gender ideology programs in schools |
| National Chaplaincy program | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Introduced and continues to support the National Chaplaincy program | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Flagged it may cut or dismantle the National Chaplaincy program |
| Freedom of Religion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Supports the conscientious freedom and right of faith-based organisations and schools to operate according to their ethos | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Pushing changes in law which threaten to constrain the ability of all faith-based organisations and schools to teach a traditional view of sexuality |
| Defense of Human Rights | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Will introduce a Freedom of Religion Commissioner | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Will introduce a Commissioner for Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Intersex Status issues |
| Freedom of Speech | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ No policy to criminalise subjectively offensive words except for racial discrimination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Will restrict freedom of speech around "LGBTIQ" issues |

Based on party statements, platform documents, policies and bills up to April 2019

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