

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

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18 Vine Street, Fairfield NSW 2165
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www.olrfairfield.org.au
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 William Chow

Parish Office: 2 Weston Street
Fairfield NSW 2165

Email: admin@olrfairfield.org.au

Phone: (02) 9724 5997

Office Hours:

Monday: 1pm - 4pm

Tuesday to Friday: 10am - 12pm, 1 - 4pm

Sign up to the OLR

Mailchimp Mailing List

Go to <https://www.olrfairfield.org.au/sign-up/>

Catechist Coordinator

Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

Liturgical Coordinator

Manolo Patascil: 0466 263 419

Safeguarding Officer

Lessie Pahimulin: Contact Parish Office

ONLINE EVENTS with the OLR Priests



1. Live-streamed **Daily Morning Prayer** with Priests & Seminarians *everyday* at **9am**
2. Live-streamed **Weekend Rosary** with Priests & Seminarians *Friday-Sunday* at **8pm**
3. Live-streamed **Tuesday-Sunday Adoration & Mass** with Fr Josh
6:30am- Adoration
7:30am- Mass
4. **Q & A** with the Priests & Seminarians
All Clergy are available to answer questions.
An event page will be created for each topic with a poll.
Topics will vary each time.

<https://www.olrfairfield.org.au/>

SACRAMENTS

Confessions — Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday to Friday: 8:45 - 9:05am.

Saturday: After the 8:30am Mass and 5 - 6pm.

Baptisms

First Sunday of the Month. A Baptism preparation class is required prior to Baptism. Baptism Enrolment form need to be submitted to the Parish Office.

Marriages

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

Anointing of the Sick

During the Saturday morning Mass on 25 January, 25 April, 25 July and 24 October or by request at any other time.

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

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 Thurs 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

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 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.



Like our Parish Facebook page

Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield Parish

for more updates and info on news and events.

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A
(10 May, 2020)

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 97:1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 6:1-7

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19. R. v.22

(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Second Reading 1 Pt 2:4-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 14:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me? 'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. 'I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'



Block, C. H., 1834 - 1890, *Christus Consolator*, Brigham Young University Museum of Art.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 15:1,5

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Lucia Portolesi, Henri Louis Chretien, Concetta Filippini, Carmen Vera, Nino Bricio, Saverio Treccase.

Anniversary of Death: Josef Munchen, Eleontina Didomenica, Antonio & Gracinda Dossantos, Jadwiga Zamirowska, Lynette Yvonne Herbert.

In Loving Memory of: Joseph Binh, Cham Liam, Rita Pereira Da Silva, Femely Gabriel-Vazzoler, Giuseppe Gagliano, Graziella Nina D'Amico, Sr Concezione & Giuseppe D'Amico, Gianni D'Amico, Giacomo & Raffaele Uglietta, Concetto & Annunziata D'Amico, Charlie Camilleni, Joseph & Carmen Camilleni, Karmenu & Vincenza Cianta, Giuseppe Petrella, Maria Fiore and all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Special Intention: Lizzie Pace & Family.

Message from the Parish Priest

In the Catholic Church's Liturgical Calendar, we have a number of solemnities to commemorate moments in Our Lord's life, such as the fast approaching Ascension of the Lord Jesus. In the rich tradition of the Catholic Church, we also have particular days or months when we are encouraged to foster certain devotions, such as Divine Mercy Sunday on the first Sunday after Easter. In the month of May, we are encouraged to look more closely at the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary in order to foster a deeper relationship with her, as she is daughter of the Father, the mother of the Son, and the spouse of the Holy Spirit. This month, Pope Francis has encouraged all the faithful to pray the Rosary more regularly, as he explains that "contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial." I encourage you to pray the Rosary with your families and loved ones. If you are new to the Rosary or perhaps 'out of practice,' begin with praying a decade a day. I also invite you to join myself, Fr Josh, Fr William, and our seminarians Peter and Adrian, in praying the livestreamed Rosary every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night at 8 pm on our Facebook page: Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield Parish.

It is fitting that we celebrate Mothers Day in May! As we pray to draw closer to our heavenly Mother, this weekend we honour in a special way our earthly Mothers. I wish all mothers, a very happy and peaceful Mother's Day. I pray that Our Lady holds you all, ever closer to her maternal heart. May God bless you for accepting each day the beautiful vocation of Motherhood.

Mass Intentions of Fr. Joshua Miechels

- 09 Repose of the soul of Jim Haefele
- 10 Repose of the soul of Peter's mother
- 11 Marcia Catherine Stevenson
- 12 Concetto and Annunziata D'Amico
- 13 Graziella Nina D'Amico
- 14 Giuseppe Gagliano
- 15 Josef Munchen



Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat."

May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

Amen.



TOPIC: Pentecost, Confirmation and The Holy Spirit

Topic #4 (1 May-12 May 2020)

for Q & A on 31 May 2020.

Submit Questions by 12 May 2020



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Q & A

WITH PRIESTS

WE POST A NEW TOPIC TO DISCUSS

CLERGY ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

Please email events@olrfairfield.org.au for your questions



OFFICE HOURS

Please note;

If you have any enquiries, **call or email Parish Office**, for **first option** and for urgent matters, office is still open for you to visit in the hours below.

(Please be mindful of physical distancing protocols).

Monday 1pm to 4pm

Tuesday - Friday 10am to 4pm

Contact us during office hours on: **97245997** or email admin@olrfairfield.org.au and for urgent matters which you require a priest please call **0412 206 225**.



MONTHLY WISDOM

"Mary is the simple way to heaven."

Fr Josh Miechels

LIVE STREAM MASSES AROUND THE WORLD



LINKS TO MASSES IN OTHER LANGUAGES

POLISH

<https://msza-online.net/msze-swiete-nazywo-po-polsku/>

VIETNAMESE

<https://trungtamhanhmalav.org.au/?fbclid=IwAR3lr1SAG3Y99Jy0E9VsXttD2IBD9snezCeKhykfi-qGWIR9FKB3uaaBU>

ARABIC

<https://www.facebook.com/SaintCharbelSydney/>
<https://www.woi.org.au/>
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCKJcWGHNBimWwUJBqciQ>

MANDARIN

<https://mass-online.org/holy-mass-in-mandarin/>

ITALIAN

<https://www.youtube.com/user/vatican/videos>

SPANISH

<http://www.catholicv.org/masas/la-santa-misa>

More options for Mass in Languages other than English:

[HTTP://MULTICULTURALCARE.ORG.AU/DIVERSITY/FAITH-ONLINE/](http://MULTICULTURALCARE.ORG.AU/DIVERSITY/FAITH-ONLINE/)

Daily Masses around the World Calendar:

[HTTPS://MASS-ONLINE.ORG/DAILY-HOLY-MASS-LIVE-ONLINE/](https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online/)

Understanding change, loss and grief brought about by COVID-19

In this seminar we will explore the impact of the COVID-19 environment and the grief that it can cause.

- Job loss / isolation / physical distancing
 - Restrictions on being with our sick and aged friends and family
 - Restrictions on funerals
- And how best to take care of ourselves and others who are suffering from these effects.

This 1.5 hour seminar will be conducted via Zoom.

Please express your interest by emailing Leonied@catholiccemeteries.com.au and we will arrange the time to suit those wishing to participate.

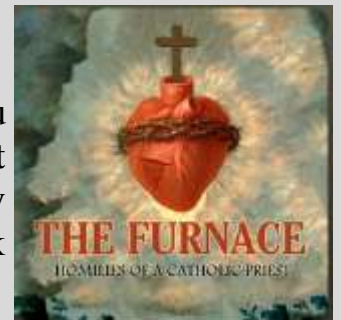


We offer care, empathy and compassion to nurture all to live their grief



The Furnace - Homilies of a Catholic Priest

Father Josh has created a daily podcast called *The Furnace*. We invite you to take a couple of minutes each day to listen to these thought provoking podcasts! You can listen to the podcast for free on many platforms such as, Spotify and Apple Podcasts, or follow this link <https://the-furnace.captivate.fm/>



Sacred Space Competition - The Results Are In!

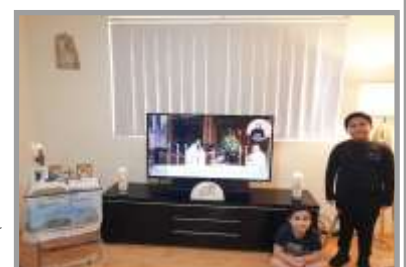
Congratulations to the two winners for their submission of their Sacred Space photos and answers to the questions, “How does this sacred set up help you and your family to pray the Mass and other Church activities? How does it facilitate and create an atmosphere to pray at home?”

Salaalii Tuui (First place)

“Having a sacred altar and space in my home is mainly for family prayer. It is very important to us as a family because we come to feel the connection to each other through Jesus Christ. Sacred prayer place reminded us as a family to live and be holy family like our Father in Heaven is holy.”

Rafael Davila (Second Place)

“This space reminds us constantly that we are the domestic church and those words of scripture where 2-3 are gathered in my name there I am in the midst. It allows us to unite our prayers to those of our church, of our family and community by means of universality in the way we pray and keep in close contact with all his prayers and live streams.”



Fr Michael had a hard time choosing the top 2 winners, but chose the first winner because it had the “Greatest array of religious items to inspire prayers” and the second winner because it had the “Greatest presentation of faith-related reasons relating to the use of each religious item.” Each winner will receive a \$50 e-gift card from Woolworths.