



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

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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 Administrator: Rev Fr Bob Bossini
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Josh Miechels
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr William Chow
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Andrew Fu

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

Catechist Coordinator
Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

Liturgical Coordinator
Manolo Patacsil: 0466 263 419

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

WEEKDAY MASS
Monday - Friday: 9:30am
Novena Mass: 1st Wednesday of the Month
6:30pm

Saturday: 8:30am commencing on the 28th
November 2020.

 Like our Parish Facebook page *Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield Parish*

SACRAMENTS DURING THE PANDEMIC

Confession

Before or after Mass or by appointment. Saturday 5:00pm-5:30pm

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office to make an appointment. A Baptism preparation class is required prior to Baptism. Baptism Enrolment form need to be submitted to the Parish Office.

Marriage

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

Anointing of the Sick

Please check the Parish Bulletin for future dates for the administration of this Sacrament during Mass. Outside Mass times, requests to be anointed can take place after any Mass or by appointment.

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

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.

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

**The Thirty-Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time - Year A
Christ the King (22 November, 2020)**

Entrance Antiphon Rv 5:12; 1:6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading Ez 34:11-12. 15-17

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading 1 Cor 15:20-26. 28

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

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel Acclamation Mk 11:9-10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 25:31-46

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats.

He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Jesus said to his disciples: ‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left.

Then the King will say to those on his right hand, ‘Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me.’ Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?’ And the King will answer, ‘I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me.’ Next he will say to those on his left hand, ‘Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me.’ Then it will be their turn to ask, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?’ Then he will answer, ‘I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me.’ And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.’

Communion Antiphon Ps 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Death Anniversary/ Memorial Masses

Nina Zammit, Tuesday 24 November 2020 at 7pm
Antun Lukac, Saturday 28 November 2020 at 6pm

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Dorothy Vella, Nina Zammit, Milka Lucic, Rosario Pagano, Rosemarie Van Reyk, Francisco Corte-Real

Anniversary of Death: Drina Diaz, Lazarus De Souza, Maria De Souza, Antonio Zaccardi, Tadeusz Konarski, Caterina Giuliano, Richard Zamirowski, Marion Zezula, Harold Aviet, Adela Zezula, Robert Zamirowski

In Loving Memory of: Karmenu & Vincenza, Charlie Camilleri, Carmen & Joseph Camilleri, Dominic Gonzalez, Annie Gonzalez, Mathew Gonzalez, Carmine Bruzzese

Sick: Adam Ciantar, Domenico Giuliano

Special Intention: Antoine Man, Marie Son, Thomas Tien, Bedour & Jamil Sadig, Albertine & Joseph Jabroo, Sonya Vong

Message from Fr. Bob Bossini

Dear Friends,

With this week's liturgy, we come to the end of the Church's liturgical year. This Sunday – the **34th Sunday of the Year** - is always celebrated as the **Solemnity of Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe**. The allocation of the Gospel for this Solemnity across the three liturgical years is interesting. The Gospels for Year "B" and Year "C" are taken from the Passion Narratives [John 18:22-37 in Year B and Luke 23:35-43 in Year C] Today's Gospel, **Matthew 25:31-45**, however, has Jesus speak to us through another parable – that of the final judgement. In the past two weeks we heard two other parables: the wise and foolish virgins (**Matthew 25:1-13**) and the Parable of the Talents (**Matthew 25:14-30**). These two Gospel passages brought out the topics of vigilance and the need to utilise to the best of our ability, with the grace of God, the talents each of us has been given. They encourage us to strive to enhance the cardinal virtues of **Wisdom (Discernment)** and **Fortitude (Strength of Character)**. Today's Gospel is not about vigilance or staying awake, but rather about our concern for others.

Jesus stated in Matthew's Gospel that the greatest commandments are two and that they are intrinsically linked: the **love of God** with our **complete being** and the **love of neighbour as ourselves** [22:36-40].

In today's Gospel of the final judgement we see how important that commandment is, simply because our eternal reward or punishment – and indeed our judgement - hangs on the way in which we have lived out this central and important commandment. In this Gospel, Jesus addresses **two** groups of people: the **sheep** and the **goats**. To one group is offered a place in the eternal presence of God's kingdom. To the other is offered '*eternal fire*'. The basis of these promises rests on whether the people being judged (the sheep and the goats) **ministered to**, or **failed to minister** to the most marginal of people - the *hungry*, the *thirsty*, the *stranger*, the *naked*, the *sick* and the *imprisoned*. The list contains those who are most vulnerable in society -those who have no-one to care or minister to them, in many ways echoing something of the list of people who are named '**Blessed**' in the Beatitudes [Matthew 5:1-11]. There is no mention of ministering to the rich, wealthy or powerful.

The **two common** features of the dialogue between Jesus and the two groups is firstly that he mentions the **same list** of people to be ministered by each group. In fact, Jesus goes as far as **identifying himself** with these **vulnerable** people. Secondly, **both** the **good** (the sheep) and the **bad** (the goats) fail to **recognise** that Jesus was **present** in those ministered to or ignored.

The point of this Gospel passage is that **judgment** is obtained in and through the **deeds rendered** to these vulnerable people. Even though it speaks volumes about God's judgment, it also has a lot to say about our **own judgment**.

In the end, the final judgment is heavily impacted by the manner and method we use in **relating to one another**, day in, day out, in the most unique, as well as the most ordinary, of life's events, circumstances, responsibilities and demands. May we continue to experience and recognise Jesus in those to whom we minister, especially the poor and those in need.

Today's parable completes the series that comprises **Matthew 25**: the parable of the wise and foolish maidens [Matt 25:1-12]; the parable of the talents [Matthew 25:13-40] and the parable of the last judgement [Matthew 25: 31-46]. In this chapter, Matthew, through the use of these parables advises us of the characteristics we require in order to live as disciples in this in-between time, as we await the second coming of Christ. We need to be continually **prepared** and **alert** and **vigilant**. Are we prepared to develop the cardinal virtues in our lives: Wisdom and Prudence (*Discernment*); Temperance and Fortitude (*Strength of character in abstaining from all that distance us from God and others and to have the courage to utilise our gifts*) and Justice (*the ability to bring about the righteousness of the Kingdom through our actions*). We need to **recognise** and **utilise** our **talents** for the betterment of the Kingdom and thirdly we need to **reach out** and **minister** to others as if we were ministering to Jesus himself, found primarily in the marginalised. As we develop these traits, we become more devoted to God and God's ways and we grow in charity as members of his Kingdom.



Fr. Bob Bossini,
Parish Administrator



ADVENT 2020 REFLECTIONS

FRIDAY EVENINGS 7-8PM



FR BOB



FR WILLIAM



FR JOSH



FR ANDREW

TALKS BY OUR PRIESTS

NOV 27, DEC 4, 11, 18

LOCATION: INSIDE THE CHURCH (OLR FAIRFIELD)

NO NEED TO BOOK ONLINE. MUST REGISTER UPON ENTRY AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH DOORS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

WWW.OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU

[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/OLRFairfield](https://www.facebook.com/OLRFairfield)

OUR MISSION

WE EXIST TO HELP PEOPLE LIVE A LIFE
OF GRACE THROUGH

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S GRACE,
GROWING IN GOD'S GRACE, AND
GIVING GOD'S GRACE TO OTHERS.

Invitation to Thanksgiving Mass for Holy Communion Ministers, Lectors and Acolytes

Thanksgiving Mass
will be celebrated by Fr Bob Bossini on
**Tuesday 24 November 2020 at 5:30 – 6:30
pm** at Our Lady of the Rosary Church

All are welcome.

For enquiries: Antoinette Balamoan - Coordinator
of H.C. Ministry for the Sick and Housebound on
0412 015 469 or 9892 3683

KID'S CORNER

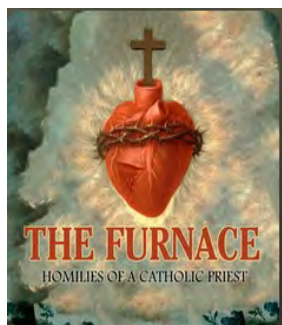
CHRIST THE KING

KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Today we celebrate the Feast of
Christ The King. It is the last
Sunday in Ordinary time. Please
check out OLR Website under
Resources for Children's Liturgy
and fun activities.

<https://www.olrfairfield.org.au/resources/children-liturgy/>

The Furnace— Homilies of a Catholic Priest



Father Josh has created a daily pod-
cast 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 Ap-
ple Podcasts, or follow this link
<https://the-furnace.captive.fm/>



*Our Lady of the
Rosary invites you:*

To celebrate the great work and
efforts of ALL the Volunteers of
the Parish!

13th December, SUNDAY
12 PM - 3PM

Volunteers Christmas Party



WHERE: PATRICIAN
BROTHERS HALL

SIGNUP REQUIRED:
Must RSVP by the 4th Dec by
sending an email to the Events
Coordinator (email below)
Or Register at the Parish
Office

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT KATHRYN:
EVENTS@OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU



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CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

Your local charity

Your donation supports the work of charitable
agencies in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney.

CWF November Parish Appeal

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) November Ap-
peal will be happening this weekend and we need your
help. Your donation will help those most vulnerable in
Sydney - including our local Aboriginal community, as
well as single mothers facing homelessness, people
struggling with mental health issues and many others.

Special envelopes are available at the parish.
Alternatively, you can learn more and donate securely
at www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf. Donations of \$2 or
more are tax deductible.