



# 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](mailto:admin@olrfairfield.org.au)  
**Phone:** (02) 9724 5997

**Office Hours:**  
Monday: 1pm - 4pm  
Tuesday to Friday: 10am - 12pm, 1 - 4pm  
*The Parish Office will be closed from the 23 Dec 2020 - 10 Jan 2021*

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**  
Contact Parish Office

**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

**NOVENA PRAYER**  
Wednesday 6:30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:info@mmcwakeley.catholic.edu.au)

### SCECS Outside School Hours Care

Ph: (02) 9568 8218 Website: [www.scecs.nsw.edu.au](http://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](mailto: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 Epiphany of the Lord

- Year B  
(3 January, 2021)

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Mal 3:1; 1 Chr 29:12

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;  
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

**First Reading** Is 60:1-6

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come,  
the glory of the Lord is rising on you,  
though night still covers the earth  
and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises  
and above you his glory appears.  
The nations come to your light  
and kings to your dawning brightness.

Lift up your eyes and look round:  
all are assembling and coming towards you,  
your sons from far away  
and your daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant,  
your heart throbbing and full;  
since the riches of the sea will flow to you;  
the wealth of the nations come to you;

camels in throngs will cover you,  
and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah;  
everyone in Sheba will come,  
bringing gold and incense  
and singing the praise of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13, R. see v.11

(R.) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

**Second Reading** Eph 3:2-3. 5-6

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians*

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

**Gospel Acclamation** Mt 2:1-12

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have seen his star in the East;  
and have come to adore the Lord.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**

Mt 2:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah,  
for out of you will come a leader  
who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

**Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Mt 2:2

We have seen his star in the East,  
and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

## We Remember and Pray for:

**Recently Deceased:** Anna Chuong, Anna Hoa, Peter Splari, Peter Chadwick, Ante Kapitanovich, Le Van Bac, Sister Valda Finlay, Edwin Maula, Hugo Sanchez, Irmgard Kacalak, Dorothy Vella, Nina Zammit, Milka Lucic, Rosario Pagano, Rosemarie Van Reyk

**Anniversary of Death:** Joanna Ty, Joseph Hy, Joseph Hien, Lorraine Thomson, Antonia Konarski, Aurea M. De Guzman, Drina Diaz, Lazarus De Souza, Maria De Souza, Antonio Zaccardi, Tadeusz Konarski

**In Loving Memory of:** Vincenza Cagliostro, Domenica Maria Cagliostro, Giacomo Uglietta, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Charlie Camilleri, Stefano Cagliostro, Antonio Fava, Mariag Domenica Cagliostro, Domenico Marzano, D'Agostino Carmela, Francesco Antonio Toscano, Harold Aviet, Raffaele Uglietta, Giacomo Uglietta, Vincenzo Cagliostro

**Sick:** Ted & Denise Cramsie, Marija Barclay, Carmel Windred, Adam Ciantar, Domenico Giuliano

## Message from Fr. Bob Bossini

Dear Friends,

After much anticipation and waiting we come to the end of the liturgical season of Christmas with the celebration today of the Solemnity of the **Epiphany of the Lord**. In other parts of the world, the Epiphany is a celebrated with greater joy than Christmas. In these countries, presents are exchanged on the Epiphany rather than Christmas, linking up with the gifts brought to the Christ-Child by the Magi and the celebration of the manifestation to the world of His birth.

When we consider the readings for this celebration there is more of a feeling of beginning rather than completion. **Isaiah** in the first reading [60:1-6] speaks of the beginning of a **new dawn** with the appearance of a **light** which not only brings glory to Jerusalem but also allows people to be attracted by it.

**Paul** in his letter to the **Ephesians** speaks of a **great mystery** which was revealed to him, but which is now **made known to all people**: Jews and gentile alike. In fact, Paul states that all people make up the parts of the same body, because the same promise has been given to all people in Christ Jesus [Ephesians 3:6].

Then we come to that very familiar scene described in today's Gospel [Matthew 2:1-12] of the **visit of the Wise Men** from the east to Bethlehem. In **following the star** they eventually **find the Child**, pay **homage** to him and **depart** for their homeland differently, since they have encountered the Light! They not only **go back a different way**, but **they are different**, since no one can really encounter Christ without being changed and challenged in their lives!

Epiphany calls to mind that the **Christ-Child belongs to all people** and not just to a select few. It challenges us to ensure that we play our part in **revealing this great mystery** to all by word and deed. The presence of **Herod** in the story reminds us of the **ever present dangers** within our world that are trying hard to **diminish and even extinguish the light of Christ**. As members of the Body that makes up Christ's Church, we need to ensure that our lives radiate the light of Christ. May our encounter with the Christ-Child this Christmas give us the strength and energy to be the presence of Christ to others.

**Fr. Bob Bossini,**  
*Parish Administrator*



CHRISTMAS CLOSEDOWN PERIOD

**Parish Office will be closed from  
23rd Dec 2020 to 10th Jan 2021.  
The office will reopen on  
11th Jan 2021. (Monday)**

Thank you and Merry Christmas.  
Have a blessed holiday break!

## Note to All Parishioners Regarding Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School Building Project

Dear Friends,

On **Tuesday December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020** work will begin on Our Lady of the Rosary Parish School Administration block. This work will continue until the end of **Term One, 2021**. During construction there will **no vehicle access from the Parish Car park to the Primary School Car park**. This is due to safety reasons. There will be pedestrian accessibility between the two car parks. The Parish will still be able to use the School Car park on Sundays, with access, both entrance and exist, from Vine Street. Normal entrance and exit for the Parish car park will operate. I ask for your patience and co-operation during this time, and to keep in mind the safety of all people using the car parks. If you have any questions, please feel free to approach me.

**Fr Robert Bossini**  
*Parish Administrator*

