



# 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 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

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

 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](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.

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Year B  
(17 January, 2021)

### Entrance Antiphon Ps 65:4

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,  
and shall sing to you,  
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

### First Reading 1 Sm 3:3-10.19

*A reading from the first book of Samuel*

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening.  
Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am'. Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'  
Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv. 8.9

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

### Second Reading 1 Cor 6:13-15. 17-20

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

Your bodies are members of the body of Christ.

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, which is in you since you have received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

### Gospel Acclamation

*Jn 1:41. 17*

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah:

Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

*Jn 1:35-42*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

### Communion Antiphon

*Cf. Ps 22:5*

You have prepared a table before me,  
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

### We Remember and Pray for:

**Recently Deceased:** Moveen Stuart, 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:** Maria Canh, Cecilia Anh Thi Nguyen, Maria Nguyen, Vincenza Cagliostro, Lorraine Thomson, Joanna Ty, Joseph Hy, Joseph Hien, Lorraine Thomson, Aurea M. De Guzman, Drina Diaz, Lazarus De Souza, Maria De Souza, Antonio Zaccardi,

**In Loving Memory of:** Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantar, Giacomo-Raffaele-Uglietta, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, 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

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

**Special Intention:** Michael, My Huong, Lizzie Pace & Family, Sandra Maccan, Antoine Man, Marie Son

## Message from Fr. Bob Bossini

Dear Friends,

With this Sunday's liturgy we return to the Ordinary Sundays of the church's year. These Sundays are called Ordinary, not because they are not extraordinary, but because they follow an order beginning from week one through to week thirty-four. This year the Gospel for the majority of Sundays is taken from Mark.

These next six weeks are like an interval: we have just completed the season of Christmas and we look forward to the season of Lent, which begins on February 17th. The Scripture readings we have for these Sundays have to do with DISCIPLESHIP – the way in which we follow in the life and ways of Jesus Christ. Contrary to popular belief, discipleship is not just the domain of priests and religious or those who have consecrated themselves to God. It is open to all, as it accompanies the commitment made at our Baptism. It has to do with the way in which ordinary people live out and proclaim the Gospel. Jesus chose ordinary people who were involved in ordinary everyday activities to follow in his way. The important thing to remember is that the call to discipleship begins and ends with Christ. Our response needs to be one of faith that the God who calls us will also accompany us on the way.

The first reading [1 Samuel 3:3-10.19] – the call of Samuel - reminds us that we require the help of good spiritual people to assist us in discerning the will of God for us in life. Here Eli helps the young Samuel to respond to the Lord by simply saying: 'Speak Lord, your servant is listening' when he next hears God calling

The Gospel [John 1:35-42] tells of the call of the first disciples. There is a significant difference here in John's version of the calling of the first disciples compared to the way in which the other evangelists report the calling of the first disciples. Here we see that it is not Jesus who calls the first disciples. The call comes from two intermediaries: John the Baptist and Andrew. John the Baptist points his disciples towards Jesus – and they leave John's presence in order to follow Jesus. After staying some time with Jesus, Andrew brings his brother, Simon Peter to Jesus. We know the result of this encounter.

In reflecting on these two Scripture readings, we can ask ourselves some important questions. Firstly, in answer to the question asked of the disciples by Jesus: 'What do you want?' This question leads us to asking ourselves what are the deepest desires of my heart? What are the things that are important to me in life? What are the issues or goals that I seek?

Secondly, as we ponder the calling of Samuel, Andrew and Simon Peter we can ask: 'Who are the people who have led me to Jesus?' and 'Who are the people I have led to Jesus?' These questions lead me to ask how I discern the will of God in my life.

Most of us cannot achieve this on our own: we require the assistance of a spiritual guide or companion to help up to address the issues here. Similarly, have I led others through my companionship of them to be able to discern the will of God for them? In all this we need to remember that Samuel, Andrew and Simon Peter did not know what the Lord was asking of them. All that was required on their part was a deep, personal and intimate encounter with the Lord. The rest was disclosed to them in due time. As we begin this new year, we make a resolution to be more aware of God 'speaking' to us in prayer, through the Scriptures and through the lives of others, in and through our experiences, so that we can respond like Samuel: 'Speak Lord, your servant is listening.'

*Fr Bob Bossini*  
*Parish Administrator*



### A Reminder

If you would like to enter your child for the Sacramental Program. Contact the Parish Sacramental Coordinator Katelyn to receive Enrolment Form. Email: [sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au](mailto:sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au)



For Year 3 and UP

## Sacramental Program



First Reconciliation  
First Holy Communion




### REGISTRATION REQUIRED:



Must give in your form by the **25th January 2021** by sending an email to the Sacramental Coordinator (email below) Or Register at the [Parish Office](#).

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT **KATELYN:**

 [SACRAMENTAL@OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU](mailto:SACRAMENTAL@OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU)  
 (02) 9724 5997







# OF LIFE AND LOVE

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE 2021

### OF LIFE AND LOVE

gives particular emphasis to the spiritual and sacramental dimensions of marriage, while also paying due attention to the practical elements of relationship building.

Presentations cover the beauty of Christian marriage, openness to life, a critical understanding of 'love', and communication fundamentals.

This marriage preparation course consists of four sessions and will take place on two separate occasions during 2021.



### DATES

1. Saturday 27 February 10am - 1.30pm and Thursday evenings 4, 11, 18 March 7pm - 10pm

2. Saturday 14 August 10am - 1.30pm and Thursday evenings 19, 26 August and 2 September 7.00pm - 10.00pm

### PLACE

The Assisi Centre, 3 Keating Street Lidcombe NSW

### MORE INFO

Life, Marriage and Family Office  
0415 600 290 or steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org



## KIDS CORNER

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY ONLINE

**Our Lady Of The Rosary Children's Liturgy has put together an Online Children's Liturgy which families can share with their children at home. It's a great way to continue to develop your child's faith and spend quality time together in these unprecedented times.**

**New Children's Liturgy resources are published with reflections, activity sheets, colouring pages based on the Sunday Gospel where they can be downloaded in PDF.**

**Visit website on the following link.**

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

**Irene Taylor: Children's Liturgy Coordinator.**

### COVID-19 update

In keeping with NSW Health directives, anyone attending a church now must wear a face mask. Children under the age of 12 are exempt from this rule, but are encouraged to wear face masks where practicable. NSW Health can impose a \$200 fine on each individual failing to abide by this rule. Up to 100 people can attend Masses as well as other ceremonies including funerals, baptisms and weddings, providing a four square metre rule is observed. Churches are required to keep records of all attending Masses for contact tracing purposes.

### Lenten Discussion Groups

The Patrician Brothers Community will be hosting a **Lenten Discussion Group** at their residence every **Tuesday** evening during Lent from **7.30-8.30 pm**.

There is a maximum of eight (8) people. Those interested please contact **Brother Thomas** on **0432 751 384**



## GO MAKE DISCIPLES SYDNEY!

*A Renewal Plan for the 2020s and beyond*



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### Go Make Disciples

Thank you to all our parishes and Eucharistic communities for your support following the successful launch of our new Archdiocesan Mission Plan, Go Make Disciples.

The plan has come after over five years of consultation with clergy and laity through the 'Parish 2020' process, focused on how best to ensure our parishes are true centres of the new evangelisation so they can nurture the faith of future generations of Catholics.

Visit the Go Make Disciples website (<http://www.gomakedisciples.org.au>) where you'll find a downloadable copy of the full plan and a summary version.