

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
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

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.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

(31st January 2021)

Entrance Antiphon Ps 105:47

Save us, O Lord our God!
And gather us from the nations,
to give thanks to your holy name,
and make it our glory to praise you.

First Reading Dt 18:15-20

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.'"

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.9

(R.) If today, you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Second Reading 1 Cor 7:32-35

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

The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:16

Alleluia, alleluia!
A people in darkness have seen a great light:
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 1:21-28

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 30:17-18

Let your face shine on your servant.
Save me in your merciful love.
O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Lalli Teodora, 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,

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

In Loving Memory of: Albertin & Joseph Jabro, Vincenzo Cagliostro, Rosemarie Van Reyk, Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantar, Giacomo-Raffaele-Ugletta, Isabel Tuyet Thi Dang, Domenica Maria Cagliostro, Giacomo Ugletta, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Charlie Camilleri, Stefano Cagliostro, Antonio Fava, Mariag Domenica Cagliostro,

Sick: Shamoon Yakoob, Rawaa Ragdaa, Gaydaa & Family Ted & Denise Cramsie, Marija Barclay, Carmel Windred, Adam Ciantar, Domenico Giuliano

Special Intention: Michael, My Huong, Lizzie Pace & Fam-

ASH WEDNESDAY UPDATE

Due to COVID safe regulations, The Imposition of Ashes will be sprinkled on the heads of the faithful rather than signing a cross on the forehead.

Message from Fr. Bob Bossini

Dear Friends,

When we think of the term 'prophet', what often comes to mind is the image of the person standing on a street corner vested in a sandwich board which bears the ominous message: 'The end is near!' This image portrays one aspect of the vocation of the prophet – to in some way 'predict' or 'foretell' a future event. The Bible presents us with another image of the prophet. It speaks of the prophet not so much as the predictor of future events, but as the person who clearly and passionately puts before the people an issue concerning their present situation.

One has only to think of the prophet Jonah, who was presented to us in last week's liturgy. Here is a person who receives the message and mandate from God to go to the people of Nineveh and tell them that they are not living a life in accordance with God's ways. The message goes on further as it pronounces a dire future for them if they do not repent of their ways [*Jonah 3:1-5.10*].

Therefore, from the Old Testament perspective, a prophet can be seen as having a distinctive role to play. Firstly, and most importantly, the prophet speaks not in his own voice, but in God's name. The prophet receives his authority from God. Secondly, the prophet needs to place his faith and trust in the message and meaning of the word that God delivers to him. He needs to be faithful to the requirements and demands of that message. The prophet needs to be reliant on God for direction, courage, and therefore to be committed to the religious community he has been asked to serve on God's behalf. When we consider the ministry of Moses among the Chosen People, we gain an idea of the fidelity required of a prophet.

In today's Gospel [*Mark 1:21-28*] we see in the life and ministry of Jesus the authenticity of a true prophet. Here he commands authority – an authority that comes from God – as he heals the demoniac on the Sabbath. We are told just prior to this that *'his teaching made a deep impression on them, because unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority'* [*Mark 1: 21*].

Jesus indeed has the authority of his God to preach and minister in his name. He truly speaks in God's name. He is named and proclaimed by the demoniac as *"Jesus of Nazareth...the Holy One of God"* [*1:22*]. Do we recognise Jesus and his God given authority over the powers of evil and sin? Are we ready to ask him to free us from the power of sin and evil?

Are we committed enough to him so as to allow this continual conversion and transformation to occur in our lives? Conversely, as baptised and confirmed members of the Church we too have been commissioned by the same Spirit as Jesus to speak and act with the same authority as Jesus within our world.

This is the mission of every baptised Christian. Pope Francis reminds us of this task when he states that *'The Holy Spirit gives us the courage to proclaim fearlessly what we believe, both with words and with lives lived convincingly'* [*The Gospel of Joy (2013), n. 259*]. Are we ready and willing to be directed in our words and actions by this same Spirit and so to be true prophets in our world of God's message?

Fr Robert Bossini
Parish Administrator

OLR Hospital Visits

Any Parishioners who are Housebound and sick or know of anyone who is sick and would like a priest to visit them, please contact the parish office to make a request for a priest to visit.

Please remove your mask before receiving

Holy communion during Mass



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



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
☎ (02) 9724 5997



PARISH STAFF IN OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY



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PARISH ASSISTANT
(CASUAL)



Our Lady of the Rosary

Please keep us in your
prayers

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

We are having a
**MOVIE
NIGHT**

12th February, Friday
Parish Hall, 6:30 PM
(Food and drinks will be provided)



RSVP KATHRYN AT 0491-602-332 OR
EVENTS@OLRFAIRFIELD.ORG.AU

COVID-19 UPDATE

125 people are now allowed inside the church.
Everyone must bring their own masks as the
parish won't be providing them.

You'll find more information here: [https://
www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/](https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/)

A SERIES OF PARISH FAITH FORMATION TALKS THAT WILL
RUN THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

Renewal

STARTS 24TH FEB 2021
7PM-8PM AT PARISH HALL

2021 PARISH GATHERING

An opportunity for parishoners to grow in
their faith through human, spiritual,
intellectual and pastoral foundations.

"BUT IN YOUR HEARTS REVERENCE CHRIST AS LORD.
ALWAYS BE PREPARED TO MAKE A DEFENSE TO ANYONE
WHO CALLS YOU TO ACCOUNT FOR THE HOPE THAT IS IN
YOU, YET DO IT WITH GENTLENESS AND REVERENCE"
1 PETER 3:15

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**GO MAKE DISCIPLES
SYDNEY!** *A Renewal Plan for
the 2020s and beyond*



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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**