



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

27 June 2021 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B



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

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Office Hours:

Monday: 1pm - 4pm

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

Parish Website: www.olrfairfield.org.au

SATURDAY: 8:30am

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

Monday, Tuesday: 7pm

Novena Mass: 1st Wednesday of the Month 6:30pm

Novena Prayer: Wednesday 6:30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Holy Hour: Vietnamese Community 6pm 1st Friday of the Month

Catechist Coordinator

Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

Catholic Women's League: Sandra Skarsky
9724 3561 and 0425 285206 or Matilda Petersen on
0426 847213

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SACRAMENTS DURING THE PANDEMIC

Confession

Saturday 5:00pm-5:30pm, Before/After Mass or by appointment.

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

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@mmwakeley.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.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Entrance Antiphon Ps 46:2

All peoples, clap your hands.
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

First Reading Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

(R.) I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.

Second Reading 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15

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

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Tm 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 5:21-24. 35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick.'

Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

Communion Antiphon Ps 144:15

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.

We Remember and Pray for:

Recently Deceased: Joe Bugeja, Yanina Plaza, Mollie Traynor.

Anniversary of Death: Lope C. Mapagu, Jimmy R. Butacan, Joseph Hy, Joseph Hien, Geneviva Da Costa, George Tsom, Rijina Yousif,

In Loving Memory of: Iola Mota, Fernando Leong, Leong Ten Liung, Jose Augusto, Charlie Camilleri, Joseph and Carmen Camilleri, Karmenu and Vincenza Ciantar, Maria Emilia Martires, Ruben Joao Braz de Carvalho, Antonio Mota, Karmenu and Vincenza Ciantar, Giacomo Raffaele Uglietta, Harold Aviet

Sick: Archer, Jedi Kingston Zarb, Carmel Windred, Baby Grace,

CONSTRUCTION WORK AT THE PARISH

Construction for the Montessori School will be commencing above the Harrington Hall on the week of the 21 June 2021. For safety measures, the Harrington Hall and Mother Mary Room will not be available for use during the period of construction which will take up to the end of the year.

Dear Friends,

Last week's Gospel presented us with the experience of the disciples' fear of their boat being swamped by waves while Jesus slept soundly at the stern of the boat, seemingly oblivious to the danger being faced by the disciples. This fear is echoed in their cry: **'Lord, do you not care? We are lost!'** [Mark 4:39]. It seems an unreal question to ask of someone who they experienced actually reaching out to people with compassion: the curing of so many people with different types of physical and spiritual ailments [Mark 1:21-27; 29-34; 2:1-12; 3:1-6].

It is this same care and compassion that Jesus shows today in the Gospel passage [Mark 5:21-43], not only once, but twice. Firstly, Jesus is approached by Jairus, the synagogue official who pleads with him to come and cure his daughter who is **'desperately sick'** [v. 23]. Jesus agrees to the man's request and follows him to his home. His journey is interrupted when he looks for the person among the huge crowd who touched him – as he felt power gone out from him [v. 30]. Finally a woman who had been ill for twelve years admits to having touched his cloak. One could imagine the frustration of Jairus as this episode is being played out in front of him. He would be wanting Jesus to hurry up and attend to his sick daughter before her health deteriorated even more. Through this 'interruption' we come to a realisation that Jesus is the one in control of matters, not those around him. This episode becomes yet another teaching on the importance and centrality of faith in the life of the disciple, as Jesus proclaims of the woman: **'My daughter, your faith has restored you to health'** [v.34].

Jairus' faith is brought to its extremity as people come up to him and rather coldly announce that his daughter had died, and therefore there was no more need for Jesus' presence [v. 35]. Again Jesus responds with an invitation to move from fear to faith as he says: **'do not be afraid, only have faith'** [v.36]. His call to faith is met with ridicule on the part of the people who have gathered to mourn the death of the young child. In the face of all this Jesus takes the child by the hand and brings her back to life.

Both of these stories – the healing of the woman with the flow of blood [Mark 5:2-34] and the raising of the daughter of Jairus [Mark 5:32-24.35-43] tell us of what happens when we have faith in Jesus. The woman's faith broke through the prejudice of the time: she risked everything – even socially alienating Jesus if it was discovered that she, a woman who was ritually unclean because of her condition had touched Jesus. Her faith was stronger than her fear.

Jairus too did not react to the hard news of his daughter's death, but seems to draw strength from the encouraging words of Jesus: **'do not be afraid, only have faith!'** Faith is the one and only response that Jesus asks of us, even in the face of death. Like the disciples who thought that they were not only going to perish in that huge storm, and who believed that Jesus did not care about their situation, we too can find ourselves giving way to fear and anger, rather than holding onto faith, when we experience difficult and life threatening situations. We are challenged to live out a **faith that is tempered by humility**. We experience this type of faith in today's Gospel when both Jairus and the woman – both from a non-Jewish background - fall at the feet of Jesus and plead with him. Prayer, openness to the Scriptures, having a good spiritual mentor or guide are ways in which this type of faith can be strengthened and deepened, so that when we experience those difficult moments, we can allow our fear and anger to turn into faith in Jesus the giver of eternal life.

Fr Robert Bossini
Parish Administrator



Renewal

Session 3

**MARY
AND
JOSEPH**

*Bearers and
Protectors of the
Divine Mystery*

30th June 2021
Wednesday, 7-8pm
Location: Fr Terry Room

Limited spots available



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

- 125 people are now **ALLOWED** inside our church
- Make sure you **bring your own masks** when attending mass.

23 JUNE 2021



EVERYONE MUST WEAR A MASK

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield



Parish Secretary, Our Lady of the Rosary, Fairfield

Our Lady of the Rosary is urgently inviting applications for the position of Parish Secretary. The primary purpose of this full-time position (37.5 hours per week) is to: provide a range of office support services to ensure the smooth and effective operation of the Parish Office; set up the church for services when required; and contribute co-operatively and collaboratively with the OLR Parish Office team and visiting clergy. The most desirable applicant will have: tertiary qualifications in an area that is relevant to this role; and demonstrated experience in administrative assistance and communications. At least intermediate experience is required with Microsoft Office Suite (i.e., Outlook, File Explorer, Internet Explorer, Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint). 6 Month contract and likely to extend, full-time salary negotiable.

The Position Description is attached. On the job training will be provided. Applications are only open for people who already have the required Visa to work in Australia. For enquiries, contact the Priscilla, Parish Operations Manager: 9724 5997 or 0490 099 551 or priscilla@olrfairfield.org.au

Applications are to be submitted in writing, including a CV and cover letter, and close on 5th July 2021. Only successful applicants will be contacted.

<https://catholicjobsonline.com.au/job/parish-secretary-fairfield-nsw-2/>



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