



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

04 July 2021 – Fourteenth 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 Andrew Fu

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Presbytery: 18 Vine St. Fairfield 2165

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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

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SCECS Outside School Hours Care

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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 Cf. Ps 47:10-11

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First Reading Ez 2:2-5

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The spirit came into me and made me stand up,
and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son
of man, I am sending you up to the Israelites, to
the rebels who have turned against me. Till now
they and their ancestors have been in revolt against
me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am send-
ing you to them, to say, "The Lord says this."
Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall
know there is a prophet among them.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 122. R. v.2

(R.) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.

1. To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens:
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves
on the hand of their lords. **(R.)**
2. Like the eyes of a servant
on the hand of his mistress,
so our eyes are on the Lord our God
till he shows us his mercy. **(R.)**
3. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
We are filled with contempt.
Indeed all too full is our soul
with the scorn of the rich,
with the proud man's disdain. **(R.)**

Second Reading 2 Cor 12:7-10

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

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revela-
tions, to stop me from getting too proud I was giv-
en a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me
and stop me from getting too proud! About this
thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for
it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is
enough for you: my power is at its best in weak-
ness.'

So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses
my special boast so that the power of Christ may
stay over me, and that is why I am quite content
with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships,
persecutions, and the agonies I go through for
Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am
strong.

Gospel Acclamation See Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 6:1-6

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples ac-
companied him. With the coming of the sabbath he
began teaching in the synagogue and most of them
were astonished when they heard him. They said,
'Where did the man get all this? What is this wis-
dom that has been granted him, and these miracles
that are worked through him? This is the carpenter,
surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and
Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they
not here with us?' And they would not accept him.
And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised
in his own country among his own relations and in
his own house'; and he could work no miracle
there, though he cured a few sick people by laying
his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of
faith.

Communion Antiphon Ps 33:9

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

We Remember and Pray for:

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

Anniversary of Death: Lope C. Mapagu, Jimmy
R. Butacan, Joseph Hy, Joseph Hien, Genoveva 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, Ru-
ben Joao Braz de Carvalho, Antonio Mota, Kar-
menu and Vincenza Ciantar, Giacomo Raffaele
Uglietta, Harold Aviet

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

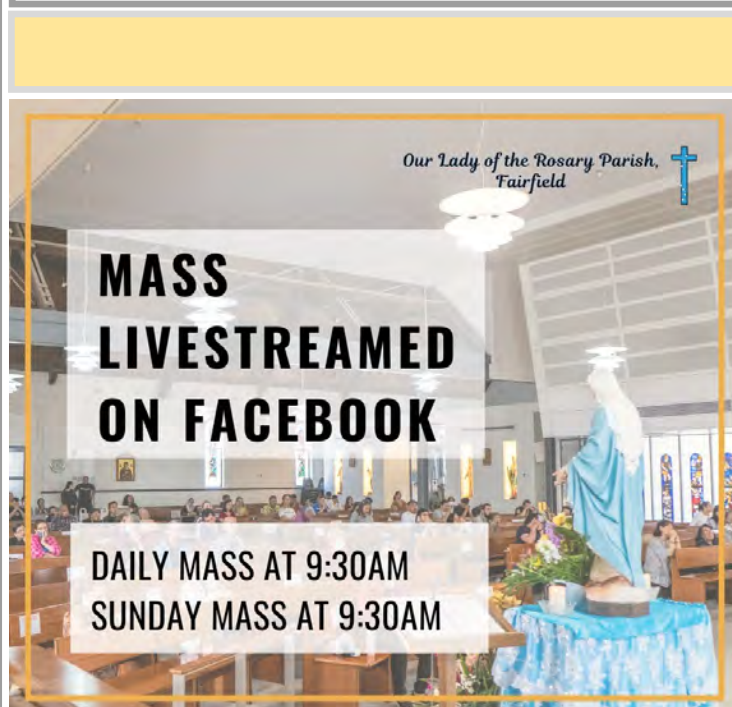
Dear Friends,

In these last two weeks the Gospels have given us an account of some of the miracles that Jesus enacted: the calming of the storm [Mark 4:35-41]; the healing of the woman with the haemorrhage [Mark 5:25-34] and the raising of the daughter of Jairus [Mark 5:21-24.35-43]. While proclaiming his power through these actions, Jesus encounters some negativity from those around him. Twice he is chided by his disciples: firstly, as they comment about his lack of interest and compassion in their plight as they face the storm on the Sea of Galilee [Mark 4:39] and secondly, as Jesus tries to identify the person who, amongst the crowd, had touched him, since he noticed that power had gone from him [Mark 5:31]. As Jesus faces news of the death of Jairus' daughter, he proclaims that she is not dead but asleep. To this those around him laughed and ridiculed him [Mark 5:40].

These rather scattered incidents prepare us for today's Gospel, where we see Jesus facing not so much a hostile crowd, but rather a group of people who cannot believe in him as the Son of God. The previous episodes challenge us to see that the role of the prophet can be one that can bring him into confrontation with others. Here we need to consider that the role of the Biblical prophet is not one of foretelling the future or making predictions about coming events. The role of the Biblical prophet is to be the mouthpiece of God. The prophet is the person who is selected by God to bring God's message to the people. We see in our first reading [Ezekiel 2:2-5] that he is sent on an arduous mission: to a group of rebels, people who have turned away from the ways of God and who need to be reminded of it. They are described as being 'defiant' and 'obstinate'. God has sent Ezekiel to preach his message of repentance and conversion to the people. It is hoped that they would hear the message, recognise that they have gone astray and amend their ways. But in this reading the author gives us a hint that they may continue their rebellion and not listen to God's message as preached by the prophet. The important element is that the prophet has been sent to preach the message: *'whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know that there is a prophet among them'* [2:5].

The prophetic mission of Jesus is not deniable. From the very first words that he utters in Mark's Gospel we hear him challenging people to conversion. Jesus has come to bring the good news of our salvation to us, challenging us to change from our sinful ways and to break the hold of Satan on us. Today's Gospel speaks of Jesus return to his hometown. One would expect that a happy reunion and reception awaits him. This in fact is the initial response of the people. They are astonished at his teaching and wisdom. Then their questioning turns to the matter of his origin: they know where he comes from – they are aware of his parentage and kinship. Their astonishment turns to non-acceptance, due to their lack of faith. How different they are from the people we heard of in last week's Gospel: the woman with the blood flow and Jairus. This has Jesus pronounce those most haunting words: *'a prophet is only despised in his own country and among his own relation and in his own house'* [Mark 6:4]. The mission of the prophet entails at times rejection and disbelief in the message spoken. We, as prophets of God's message through our Baptism, need to be prepared for both acceptance and rejection of the message we preach. The important element in all this is that the people recognise that a prophet is indeed in their midst, ready to preach the message of God in season and out of season.

Fr Robert Bossini
Administrator





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CatholicCare

1. Juliette is still available during the lockdown period if anyone needs support and she can be contacted on 0409 987 296 or Juliette.kirkwood@catholiccare.org
2. July Morning Teas have been postponed until August.



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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 cooperatively 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