

# Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Fairfield

Archdiocese of Sydney Est. 1946

25th September 2022 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C



## 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  
**Assistant Priest:** Rev Fr Tibebeselassie Abza  
**Assistant Priest:** Rev Fr Ben Gandy  
**Parish Office:** 2 Weston Street  
Fairfield NSW 2165  
**Presbytery:** 18 Vine St. Fairfield 2165  
**Email:** [admin@olrfairfield.org.au](mailto:admin@olrfairfield.org.au)  
**Phone:** (02) 9724 5997  
**Emergency Ph:** 0488 693 482

**Office Hours:**  
Mondays - Fridays 9am - 12pm & 1pm - 5pm

**Parish Website:** [www.olrfairfield.org.au](http://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 & 6pm  
in Vietnamese 4.30pm

### WEEKDAY MASS

**Monday - Friday:** 9.30am

**Monday & Tuesday:** 7pm

**Friday Mass:** 7.00pm First Friday of the month

**Novena Mass:** 1st Wednesday of the Month 6.30pm

**Novena Prayer:** Wednesday 6.30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Holy Hour:** Vietnamese Community 6pm on the last Friday of the Month.

### Catechist Coordinator

Heather Watt: Contact Parish Office

### Catholic Women's League:

Matilda Petersen on 0426 847 213 - Meeting 4th Thursday of month.

**St Vincent de Paul** - Meeting 1st Thursday of



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## SACRAMENTS

### 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 needs 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.

*For all church or room bookings, please contact Priscilla!  
Email: [priscilla@olrfairfield.org.au](mailto:priscilla@olrfairfield.org.au)*

## SCHOOLS

### OLR Primary School

20 Vine Street, Fairfield Tel: (02) 9727 9064  
Principal: Ms. 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) 9724 1247

### Mary Mackillop Catholic College

Girls Year 7–12 Tel: (02) 9725 4322  
Principal: Ms. Gilda Pussich  
[info@mmcwakele.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@mmcwakele.catholic.edu.au)

### SCECS Outside School Hours Care

Ph: (02) 9568 8218 Website: [www.scecs.nsw.edu.au](http://www.scecs.nsw.edu.au)

## 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 & 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 Gadigal People of the Eora Nation, the traditional custodians of this land.

## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

**Entrance Antiphon** **Dn 3:31,29,30,43,42**

All that you have done to us, O Lord,  
you have done with true judgement,  
for we have sinned against you  
and not obeyed your commandments.  
But give glory to your name  
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** **Am 6:1. 4-7**

A reading from the prophet Amos

*You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.*

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion  
and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Sa-  
maria.  
Lying on ivory beds  
and sprawling on their divans,  
they dine on lambs from the flock,  
and stall-fattened veal;  
they bawl to the sound of the harp,  
they invent new instruments of music like David,  
they drink wine by the bowlful,  
and use the finest oil for anointing themselves,  
but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.  
That is why they will be the first to be exiled;  
the sprawlers' revelry is over.

**Responsorial Psalm** **Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2**

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

**Second Reading** **1 Tm 6:11-16**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

*Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.*

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly  
and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gen-  
tle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself  
the eternal life to which you were called when you made  
your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of  
many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life  
and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for  
the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty  
of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or  
failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who at the due time will be revealed  
by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all,  
the King of kings and the Lord of lords,  
who alone is immortal,  
whose home is in inaccessible light,  
whom no man has seen and no man is able to see:  
to him be honour and everlasting power.

Amen.

## Gospel Acclamation

**2 Cor 8:9**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,  
to make you rich out of his poverty.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel

**Lk 16:19-31**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*During your life good things came your way just as  
bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being  
comforted while you are in agony.*

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man  
who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast  
magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a  
poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who  
longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the  
rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his  
sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away  
by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man al-  
so died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abra-  
ham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he  
cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus  
to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my  
tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son,"  
Abraham replied "remember that during your life  
good things come your way, just as bad things came  
the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here  
while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us  
and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if  
he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to  
stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send  
Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five broth-  
ers, to give them warning, so that they do not come to  
this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the  
prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them."  
"Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if  
someone comes to them from the dead, they will re-  
pent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not  
listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not  
be convinced even if someone should rise from the  
dead."

## Communion Antiphon

**Cf. Ps 118:49-50**

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,  
by which you have given me hope.  
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Dear Friends,

The Gospel for today [Luke 16: 19-31] presents us with a second parable dealing with wealth and riches. Last week we read the Gospel that dealt with the wasteful steward [Luke 16:1-13], with the challenge from Jesus that we cannot serve two masters. We need to either serve God or money. This parable urges us to be astute with the elements of God, rather than money and worldly items. Luke tells us in that parable that the steward was shrewd enough to use money in order to win him some friends after he was dismissed from his position. He had asked his master's debtors to write off the amount they owed him (the steward) so that he may be accepted by the people when he was eventually dismissed from service. He used his own money and wealth in order to better his position among his peers. The central point of last week's parable was that we cannot serve God and selfishness.

In today's Gospel we have the parable of two individuals: **Dives** (the Latin for 'rich'), the rich and wealthy man who feasted sumptuously every day and **Lazarus**, who lived outside the rich man's gate and wished he could feed himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Their deaths become the turning point of the story – taking up the theme of reversal so prevalent in Luke's Gospel. Lazarus finds himself in the presence of Abraham, an indication that he has been rewarded and is now in heaven, while the rich man finds himself in Hades. Between them there is a great chasm, just as in life the gate of the rich man formed a chasm between them. In life, none of them excelled in vice or virtue. Lazarus was not particularly virtuous because of his extreme poverty, just as the rich man was not evil because of his excessive wealth. The sin of the rich man is that he lived his life of complacency and indifference to the needs of those around him - not noticing the existence of Lazarus at his very front gate. His non-action and non-concern for the plight of Lazarus was his downfall.

It is fitting that we have this Gospel parable today as we hear of the release of the **2022-23 Social Justice Statement by the The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference - Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse**. This statement points out that the roots of domestic and family violence *“lie in the abuse of power to control and dominate others”* and that *“this stands in contrast to the relationships to which God calls us”* and that our relationships should be *“marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control”*. There existed a type of abuse and inequality in the relationship between Dives and Lazarus: one which was seen in the indifference of the rich man towards Lazarus's state of poverty.

The Australian Bishops statement together with today's Gospel parable urge us to consider the needs of those less fortunate than ourselves, especially those

suffering the pains of poverty and abuse, both material and spiritual. Our non-involvement and non-action in these matters places us in the same mould as the rich man in today's parable. Complacency and inaction with regard to the poor and abused in our midst can amount to a personal and social sin. Let us take some time to consider how we can become aware of the needs of these people in our community and how we can address those needs.

**Fr Robert Bossini**  
**Administrator**



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### ***Spanish Group***

Just a reminder that the Spanish Group meets every Saturday in the Father Terry Room from 12.00pm—2.00pm.

### ***We Remember and Pray for***

**Recently Deceased:** Queen Elizabeth II.

**Anniversary of Death:** Silvana Bruber & Peter Van Ba Nguyen.

**Deceased Birthday:** Ashley Aviet

**In Loving Memory of:** Chester Allan Bondocan, Albertin & Joseph Jabroo, Giuseppe & Vincenza Gagliano, Nina D'Amico, Charlie Camilleri, Joseph & Carmen Camilleri, Karmenu & Vincenza Ciantai, Carmel Windred, Giuseppe & Vincenza Gagliano, All Souls, Francisco Cubelo, Harry Small, Angelina De Fina, Giacomo & Raffaele Uglietta, Vincenzo Cagliostro, Domenico Marzano, Vincenza Cagliostro, Joseph Hoang & deceased family members, Domenico Cagliostro, Leon Kacalak, Corry Wilson & Hanna Arriola.

**Sick:** 9 Year old Archer & Zaya Ballo.

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# Farewell Morning Tea



Priscilla Liem will be finishing up her role as the Operations Manager in the Parish Office. In the 5 years she has worked here, she has helped achieve many projects in the parish and has contributed so much in the community. We wish her nothing but all the blessings and success for the bright future ahead. Join us for morning tea as we farewell Priscilla.

LOCATION

**PARISH HALL  
(HARRINGTON HALL)**

**28TH SEPT  
WEDNESDAY  
10AM-11:30AM**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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# Feast Day Celebrations

## Our Lady of the Rosary



**SUNDAY, 9TH OF OCTOBER 2022**

9:45AM PROCESSION

10AM MASS

11 AM LUNCH AT PARISH HALL

LOCATION

**PARISH HALL  
(HARRINGTON HALL)**

TAKE NOTE: There will be NO 9am or 10:30am Mass on this day. The parish carpark will be closed. School carpark can be used and accessed from Vine Street and RSL carpark can be used.

MUSIC • FOOD • DANCE

YOUNG ADULTS ONLY (20S TO 30S)

TICKET  
\$12

# Fiesta

**SATURDAY**

**1ST OCT 7PM**

# Salsa Night



VENUE:  
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY,  
FAIRFIELD. (PARISH HALL)

DRESS ATTIRE:  
SMART CASUAL



REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL

REGISTRATION FEMALE:  
[WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CCNDM](http://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CCNDM)

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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL  
RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT  
OF  
CONFIRMATION  
IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEKEND

*"And you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses." (Acts 1:8)*