

**SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH**

*Fifth Sunday of Lent
21st March 2021*

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*Fourth Sunday of Lent
Year B*

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

Father Christopher G. Sarkis, Parish Priest

Presbytery
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Tuesday – Thursday
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DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL		AUDIO VISUAL	
	13/14 MAR	20/21 MAR	13/14 MAR	20/21 MAR			13/14 MAR	20/21 MAR
VIGIL 6PM	M Peebles M Ward	L Fenech S Fonseca	K Duncan	S Fonseca			T Turner	T Kurisunkal
8.30AM	V Smith A James	S Joseph A Fazio	Z Robinson	E Villarin			M Murphy	D Knight
10.00AM	S Hurley S Issac	A Mathew	S Hurley	A Espiritu			N Lee	B Peaker
CHOIR 10.00AM	GROUP	GROUP	READINGS					
CHURCH CLEANING	GROUP	GROUP	13/14 MARCH 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21		20/21 MARCH Jeremiah 31:31-34 Hebrews 5:7-9 John 12:20-33			
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2								
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS					
Wednesday	St Patrick, <i>bishop</i>		Parish (second Collection)		Clergy (first Collection)			
Thursday	Collect of St Cyril of Jerusalem, <i>bishop, doctor</i>		BSB : 066 711		BSB : 066 711			
Friday	St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary		Acc No: 002395		Acc No: 002026			
			Acc Name: Parish Church		Acc Name: Parish Presbytery			
			Reference: Family Name		Reference: Family Name			

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MASS BOOKINGS STILL REQUIRED VIA PARISH WEBSITE

www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au

Sat. Vigil: 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.30am
Sunday: 10.00am

Tuesday: 6.30pm
Wednesday: 9.00am
Thursday: 9.00am
Friday: 8.20am

VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC
Saturday: 4.00pm

1st Saturday of the Month: 10.30am

DEVOTIONS – SUSPENDED except for: -

1st Friday: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;

CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH

Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm
Every 1st Saturday 11am – 12 noon

MARRIAGES by appointment

BAPTISMS (1st and 3rd Sunday of the month) – by appointment

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS please visit parish website for dates & enrolment forms in Sacraments Tab

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9.30am - 12.30pm at the Food Hub (Ambarvale Squash Courts), 65 Woodhouse Drive Ambarvale.

PARISH VISION STATEMENT

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish will strive to be a Christ-centred community, led by the Holy Spirit to bear witness to the Gospel message, nourished and strengthened by the Eucharist and the Sacraments. Following the model of Mary our Mother, our parish will be a place of welcome and mutual encouragement to all who seek to love God and their neighbour, and to manifest this love in their daily lives. In this way we will build up the Kingdom of God in our local community.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL

(Promulgated by Pope Leo XIII)

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into Hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

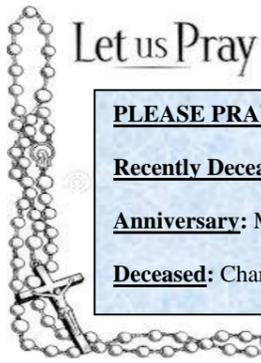
ENTRANCE Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be Joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

RESPONSE Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

COMMUNION Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
available in the foyer



Let us Pray

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recently Deceased: Auti Krystyna;

Anniversary: Matilda Sant;

Deceased: Charles, Rita, & Godwin Fenech; Oreste & Gaetana Meli; Thomas McVittie;

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD? God's love for us has been revealed: "Love one another as I have loved you. The world is in need to see people who are striving to love others with all their hearts. What about you? Please contact the Vocations Team at priesthood@dow.org.au

HOLY WEEK MINISTERS Thank you to all who put their names down for the Holy Week Ceremonies. I need a Reader for Holy Thursday at 7.30pm. Updated roster is on the Notice Board. Please check it.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS Every Tuesday during Lent following Mass at 6.30 pm, the Rosary will be prayed at 7pm and the Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm. *Please remember for the Rosary and Stations you must register using the QR code before entering the church.*

PASCHAL PRECEPT Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday (17 February) and Trinity Sunday (30 May) unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

CONGRATULATIONS to Georgina Knight & Alexander Rump and to Jacqueline Pace & Tyler West. Both couples will be married here this weekend. May the Lord who joins you in Holy Matrimony fill you with the grace of the sacrament and enable you to be faithful in love "until death do you part". Blessings and happiness upon you.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE Camp Australia have very successfully provided before (6.30am – 8.30am) and after school care (2.45pm – 6pm) for the past few years to children at our Parish school. This service is now open to all children regardless of where they attend school. For further information go to www.campaustrialia.com.au or ring 1300 105 343 or go to the parish school website and click parent link www.olhcdow.catholic.edu.au

LENTEN PENANCE On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday all who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to *fast and abstinence*. All who have completed their 14th year are bound to *abstain from meat*. Pastors, teachers, parents are to ensure that even those who, by reason of their age, are not bound by the law of fasting and abstinence from meat, are taught the true meaning of penance.

KINDERGARTEN 2022 APPLICATIONS Application forms can be collected from the primary school office or downloaded from the Catholic Education Office, Wollongong website. Applications, with all necessary attachments, are to be returned by Thursday 1st April. Should you have any questions, please telephone the office on 4626 5655.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS FOR PERU MISSIONS Mary MacKillop International is collecting used postage stamps. Please find in church foyer container to place your used stamps and continue this support. It is through your efforts that the legacy of Saint Mary MacKillop continues in Peru today.

PIOUS GOOD STALL the Pious Goods Stall is reopening soon. More volunteers are needed for all Masses. You would only be required to open the stall before and after Mass for approximately 15 minutes. If you are able to assist in this valuable ministry, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

YOUNG ADULT FAITH CIRCLES Every Monday evening 7:30 - 8:30pm we gather in the new Church meeting room the (Martha room) to reflect and prepare for the coming Sundays Gospel. In the midst of the business of our lives Christ wants to speak to you. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Ryan on 0412 939 705.



"All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. We are the work of God, says St. Paul in today's second reading, 'created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.'"

A WALK THROUGH ROSEMEADOW IS NOW AVAILABLE this beautiful hardcover book on the theology and spirituality underpinning the design of the church written by Fr Christopher Sarkis contains full colour pictures of all the windows, art works and photos from Mass of Dedication. This book captures and explains the design & art of the church and a gives simply spiritual synthesis of what we believe as Catholic Christians. Available to purchase in Pious Goods Store parish price \$59.95 (retail \$69.95) with cash or credit card **ONLY**; for EFTPOS facilities, please visit parish office during business hours. If you would like Fr Sarkis to sign the book for you, call in to the Sacristy with it and he will happily do so. *Please note, that all proceeds from the book will go to the church.*

ATTENDENCE REGISTRATION All registration for Mass attendance is now by using Eventbrite on the Parish Website or by using the QR Code at the church entry with your mobile phone. *Without doing this, entry will not be possible.* Its best to use Eventbrite as QR code entry is only possible if seats are available. **SO PLEASE REGISTER BEFOREHAND.** Go to the parish website, www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au and click the **Register for Mass** button. Follow the prompts to whichever Mass you want to attend and complete the details. **For all other parish gatherings, functions or meetings, registration will be by the QR Code only using your phone.** Thank you for your cooperation.

MASS UPDATE AND RELATED MATTERS Gatherings for Religious Services is now *1 person per 2 square meter rule without any cap on numbers*. We can have up to 440 people in our church. For Weddings and Funerals however, there is a cap of 300 people. **The 1.5-meter social distancing between people should still be maintained. While wearing a face mask in church is no longer mandatory, it is still very highly recommended, especially where social distancing cannot be maintained.** In Summary:

- At Rosemeadow 440 people attend religious services. Weddings and funerals can have 300.
- All registrations are online or by using the QR code.
- Online registration closes at 3pm the previous day for weekday Masses, and 3pm on Saturday for the Vigil and Sunday Masses.
- Temperature check and other protocols apply. Please arrive **AT LEAST 15 MINUTES BEFORE** the start of Mass to avoid delay. *Once Mass starts, the doors will be closed.*
- Face masks are highly recommended.
- After Mass please take a disinfectant wipe (provided on each pew) to rub over surfaces where you have been sitting or come in contact with and place them in the bins provided as you leave.
- **Social gatherings after Religious Services is not permitted.** Please *do not gather outside the church after Mass.* Unfortunately, we must leave immediately upon exiting the church.
- **HOTSPOTS:** If you have attended any of the hotspots listed on the notice in the foyer, you must immediately self-isolate for 14 days and get tested even if you have no symptoms.
- Since collection plates can no longer be used, **please place your offerings for both first and second collections in the marked containers in the foyer.** Thank you for your ongoing financial support. We are 'paying our bills' but it has necessitated very careful budgeting and financial oversight. I am very conscious of the financial strain of many people, but I sincerely ask that you try, if you are able, to maintain your usual offering as without it we simply could not continue to operate. Again, thank you.
- I strongly encourage parishioners who currently give by envelope to consider changing to Direct Debit or Credit Card contributions to ensure the regular income of the parish continues. *Please contact the parish office to arrange this.*
- **If you are not yet coming physically to Mass, please drop your Planned Giving Envelope into the secure letter box at the front entry to the Parish Office each week.** Please don't forget the first collection for the sustenance of the clergy (as we still have to live too!) If using the letter box, place this donation in a plain envelope and mark it 'First Collection'. **Thank you.**
- If you are not in the Parish Financial System and would like to join to support the Parish, forms are available at the Foyer Notice Board, or contact the parish office. *Thank you for your support.*

DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR Suitably experienced and qualified persons are encouraged to apply for the full-time role of Youth Ministry Coordinator in the Diocese of Wollongong. Applications close on Tuesday, 16 March. For more information and a detailed role description, please go to <http://dow.sh/CYMWJob> or for enquiries contact helen.bennett@dow.org.au

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE Campbelltown has a vacancy for a HSC presiding officer commencing July 2021, and will be responsible for ensuring the HSC examinations are conducted efficiently and in accordance with NESA policies and procedures. More information at www.saintpatricks.nsw.edu.au Applications to be sent by 4pm Wednesday 17 March to The Principal, PO Box 943, Campbelltown NSW 2560 Email: employment@saintpatricks.nsw.edu.au

*"The Cross will not crush you;
if its weight makes you stagger,
its power will also sustain you."*

St Pio of Pietrelcina