

SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH
PENTECOST Sunday
23 May 2021

	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL		AUDIO VISUAL	
DATE	15/16 MAY	22/23 MAY	15/16 MAY	22/23 MAY	15/16 MAY	22/23 MAY	15/16 MAY	22/23 MAY
VIGIL 6PM	F Bugeja K Duncan	M Baert D Baert	F Bugeja	R Turner	Y Fenech	A Rojo	T Kurisunkal	R D'Cunha
8.30AM	M Burke R Burke	S Magua	M Rolfe	S Lo Cascio	K Dzevlan	G Rump	M Murphy	D Knight
10.00AM	M Matriano E Villarin	R Ventura Z Ventura	T Kurisunkal	E D'Mellow	D Peaker	M Matriano	N Lee	N Lee
CHOIR 10.00AM	GROUP 2		<div> <div>15/16 MAY</div> <div>Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 4:1-13 Mark 16:15-20</div> </div> <div> <div>22/23 MAY</div> <div>Acts 2:1-11 Galatians 5:16-25 John 15:26-27; 16: 12-15</div> </div>					
CHURCH CLEANING	GROUP	GROUP						
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2								
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS					
Tuesday	St John I, <i>pope, martyr</i>		Parish (second Collection)		Clergy (first Collection)			
Thursday	St Bernadine of Siena, <i>priest</i>		BSB :		BSB :		066 711	
Friday	St Christopher Magallanes, <i>priest and companions, martyrs</i>		Acc No:		Acc No:		002395	
Saturday	St Rita of Cascio, <i>religious</i>		Acc Name:		Acc Name:		Parish Church	
			Reference:		Reference:		Family Name	

SUNDAY MASS TIMES
OLHC ROSEMEADOW

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES
OLHC ROSEMEADOW

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
1st Saturday of the Month: 10.30am

VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC
Saturday: 4.00pm

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.

Bulletin 16 May 2021

The ASCENSION of the LORD
Year B

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

Father Christopher G. Sarkis, Parish Priest

Presbytery
80 Demetrius Road
Rosemeadow NSW 2560

Office Hours
Tuesday – Thursday
9.00am – 4.00pm (Closed 12.45 - 1.15pm)
Friday 9.00am - 2.30pm

Parish Office Manager (Tuesday – Thursday) Mrs. Meshline Wolczak
Administrative Assistant (Friday) Mrs. Vicki Lo Cascio

Phone: 4628 1385

Fax: 4625 7213

Email: rosemeadow@dow.org.au

Website: www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au

Postal Address

PO Box 3010
Rosemeadow NSW 2560

OLHC School

Principal: Mrs. Jane Webb
Phone: 4626 5655 Fax: 4626 7227

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.

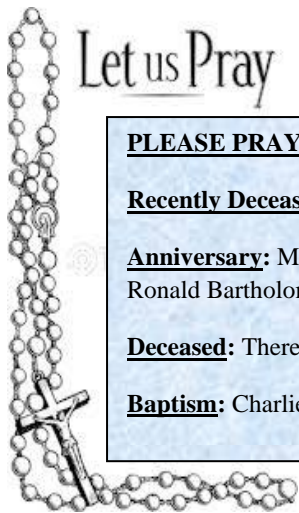
ENTRANCE Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia

RESPONSE God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel, I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

COMMUNION Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
available in the foyer



Let us Pray

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recently Deceased: Jozef Widenka; Rodolfo Mendoza; Gonzalo Abellana;

Anniversary: Mavis Boterill; Higinia & Romulo Matriano; Carlos & Gloria Ramos; Rey Matriano; Ver Supan; Therese & Ronald Bartholomeusz;

Deceased: Therese Wales; Mary Brechney; Oreste & Gaetana Meli; Therese Wales; Mary Brechney; Maria Soi; Maria Che;

Baptism: Charlie Desborough; George Anthony Clark; Lucy June Oakes; Georgia Marie Leite

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

MISSION APPEAL This weekend we are having our first Annual Mission Appeal. If you wish to contribute something then please place your donation in the box provided in the foyer, or use the "Tap and Go" machine next to it. Thank you.

PARISH FEAST DAY Our Parish Feast Day is **Monday 24 May**. Mass will be celebrated at **7pm**. Unfortunately, we are unable to have our usual celebratory supper because of Covid restrictions. However, I encourage as many as possible to attend Mass to give thanks to Our Lady for the many blessings bestowed upon us, especially in comparison to the tragic conditions in other countries throughout the world, and to seek her continuing protection and guidance upon us, our Parish and our Nation.

NOVENA As usual we will pray our nine (9) day novena to Our Lady Help of Christians, **commencing Sunday 16 May**, for the intentions of our Parish and ourselves. The Novena's and the prayer cards to write your intentions are near Our Lady's statue. Place your intentions in the box provided and they will be offered up during the Feast Day Mass.

PLEASE NOTE There will be NO MASS this coming Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jenkin Liao and Philip Mercado who will be married this week. Congratulations and God's blessings upon you as you begin married life.

BELL RINGING Bell ringing practice has restarted and is now held between 4:00 and 6:00 pm on Mondays. All are welcome to join our small band; we are all rusty and relearning after a long break. No musical ability is needed, and the bells can be rung by ages 10 and upwards. Come to the big doors at the rear bell tower, all you need is a phone for the QR code! Information: Brian Peaker 0402 377 131

REQUEST PLEASE May I kindly ask all parishioner's not to start wiping seats or leaving the church *until after the priest has left the sanctuary* by the side or rear door. It is becoming too distracting now and happening earlier and earlier, sometimes even before the final Blessing. Thank 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.campaustalia.com.au or ring 1300 105 343 or go to the parish school website and click parent link www.olhedow.catholic.edu.au

GROUP 2 CHOIR Remember to sing at *Our Lord's Mass*, you are twice blessed! More members are required to sing at 10am mass, It is only once a month. For further information please contact parish office.

PIOUS GOOD STALL the Pious Goods Stall has reopened. More volunteers are needed for the Vigil and 10am 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.

PRAYER VIGIL On Tuesday 25 May there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 4pm to 6pm (finishing with Benediction and Mass at 6.30pm) for the candidates and the success of the Cursillo weekend. All welcome.



Jesus ascended into Heaven, blessing His disciples and promising that they would soon receive the power of the Holy Spirit. We who have received that promised gift of the Spirit, especially in Confirmation, are now empowered to be His witnesses to the ends of other earth – to use our time and talents to spread the Good News of salvation.

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. *Online registration closes at 3pm the previous day for weekday Masses, and 3pm on Saturday for the Vigil and Sunday Masses.* Please arrive ***AT LEAST 15 MINUTES BEFORE*** the start of Mass to avoid delay. *Once Mass starts, the doors will be closed.* **For all other parish gatherings, functions or meetings, registration will be by the QR Code only using your phone.** Thank you for your cooperation.

COVID PROTOCOLS AND RELATED MATTERS

- Gatherings for Religious Services including weddings and funerals is now ***1 person per 2 square meter rule without any cap on numbers.*** We can have up to 440 people in our church. The 1.5-meter social distancing between people should be maintained where possible. Where 1.5m social distancing cannot be maintained, a face mask is 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. ***Please wait until the priest has left the Sanctuary before wiping. Thank you.***
- HOTSPOTS:** If you have attended any designated "Covid hotspot" 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 in a separate envelope marked '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.*

CURSILLO Ladies, are you ready to step back out into life with your Faith community, following the forced Covid hibernation. Join us for a Cursillo 3-day weekend July 1-4 at Hartzer Park, Bowral. Private rooms, nourishing meals. Share your stories; increase the depth of your faith; listen to talks from our Spiritual Advisor and lay women; daily Mass. For further information please contact Denise D'Amore 0438254139.

POSITION VACANT Senior Executive Assistant to the Bishop– Catholic Diocese of Wollongong. Suitably experienced and qualified persons are invited to apply for this role. For information and detailed role description, go to <http://dow.sh/execbishop>. Enquiries contact helen.bennett@dow.org.au Applications close 21 May 2021.

MenALIVE This Men's Weekend, 12-13 June 2021, St Patrick's Church Catholic Church (Hall) 42 O'Donnell Street, Port Kembla is an opportunity for all men from 18 years of age to explore what makes them feel fully alive. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic, and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. Experienced leaders from menALIVE Team will be running the weekend. Register via brochure or online www.dow.org.au/events Enquiries: Helen Bennett (Diocesan Contact) 4222 2403; Anthony Rewak (Parish Contact) 0488 233 078 or Ian Boorman (menALIVE Contact) 0427 006 021

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE in honour of Mary Help of Christians, Friday 21 to Saturday 22 May. We walk in a spirit of joy to raise PRAYERS for Australia, knowing that prayer united with sacrifice, makes it more effective. You are warmly welcome to join us on either day or both days. Support vehicle provided all the way. Shuttle cars return to start on both days. Prayer books provided. Donations gratefully accepted. Enquiries contact Sue Hill: 0435 336 195 or Gabriella De Battista, (02) 4261 2500

ST JOSEPH PILGRIMAGE MOTOR BIKE RIDE Join with Catholic motor bike riders on an 800km, 3-day pilgrimage ride visiting 7 churches, including two in our Diocese, in honour of St Joseph. The ride will commence from Oatley Parish on Friday 11 June at 10am and conclude at Camperdown on 13 June at 6pm, with overnight stays in Moss Vale and Orange. You may simply wish to join the riders for an hour of prayer at St. Joseph's Church, Bulli on 11 June at 1.30pm or Kangaroo Valley Church at 3.45pm. To join the ride, contact Jim on 0432 487 927 or Branko 0411 281 299. For map of ride go to <https://tinyurl.com/ride4stjoseph>

The Memorare

Remember O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy aid, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother. To thee I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my prayers but in thy clemency, hear and answer me, Amen.