

# St. Oliver Plunkett Parish HARRIS PARK



# 8 January 2017 - The Epiphany of the Lord

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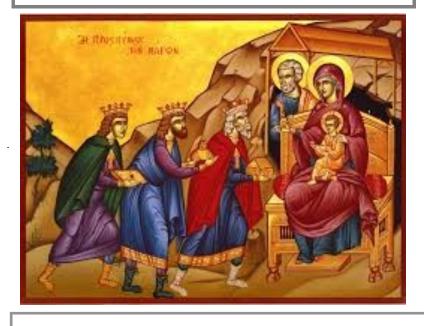
# Weekday Mass Times

Tue, Wed, Thu, Friday: 8:00 am (NO 9:15 am mass on Friday until further notice)

#### **Weekend Mass Times**

Saturday: Vigil 5:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Office will be closed on 24 December 2016 until 26 January 2017



#### Sacraments @ St Oliver's

**Confessions -** 8:30 - 9:00 am after mass, Tuesday - Friday

#### Baptism, Marriage and Funerals

Please contact the Parish Office for information and bookings

#### **RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Thinking about becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who may be interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Contact the Parish Office for more details on joining the RCIA program.

The Twelfth Night (Epiphany), commonly known as Three Kings' Day or the Feast of the Epiphany, means "manifestation" or "showing forth". It is also called Theophany ("manifestation of God"), especially by Eastern Christians. It celebrates 'the revelation of God in his Son as human in Jesus Christ'.

It commemorates the first of two occasions on which Jesus' divinity, was manifested: when the three kings (also known as wise men or Magi) visited infant Jesus in Bethlehem, and when John the Baptist baptized him in the River Jordan.

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

# **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem, and the nations will walk by its light.



Please pray for those who are sick, recently deceased, have an anniversary at this time and all those for whom you have a special intention.

<u>Deceased</u>: Gratian Leo D'Mello | Joseph Toufic Maroun | Grandfathers & Uncles of Rose

Nguyen | From the Faleono Family: Lucia & Regena | Alofaifo & Moe | Faleono

& Amana'I | Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas

Sick: Roxanne Jocson

Anniversary: Michael Moses | Coorey, Budwee, Norman & Nicholas Families

#### POSITION VACANT

The Institute for Mission requires a full time Team Assistant – Communications & Admin for their office in Blacktown. More details can be found at: <a href="http://parracatholic.org/employment">http://parracatholic.org/employment</a>

## FREE CATHOLIC SUPER PRE-RETIREMENT SEMINARS

The Government has recently shifted the incentive for saving via superannuation. Learn more about your superannuation, take control of your finances and plan for a rewarding future. Catholic Super's FREE seminars during January cover wealth-related issues as well as broader health and lifestyle issues to consider now and for retirement. Non-members, friends and family are welcome. Thursday 19 January from 10am-2pm at Burwood RSL Club, 96 Shaftesbury Rd, Burwood, and on Tuesday 24 January from 10am-2pm at Fairfield RSL Club, 14 Anzac Ave, Fairfield. For other dates and venues call 1300 658 776 or visit <a href="https://www.catholicsuper.com.au/seminars">www.catholicsuper.com.au/seminars</a>

# PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL INFORMATION NIGHT: 6 FEBRUARY

Fr Paul Marshall, Parish Priest of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Greystanes, is accompanying a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 7-21 October 2017. An information night will be held on Monday 6 February at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 198 Old Prospect Rd, Greystanes. RSVP for catering purposes (Middle Eastern treats) by Friday 27 January tel 1300 550 830 or katrina@olivetreetravel.com.au Bookings are being taken up to early February. For more details or booking forms, please contact the parish office tel (02) 9631 8135.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY COURSES

The Office for Worship is offering Liturgical Ministry Courses in 2017, open to all parishes and individuals seeking formation and training for serving at the altar. Held at the Diocesan Assembly Centre in Blacktown on Mondays and at St Nicholas of Myra in Penrith on Thursdays, the formation courses are for anyone who is interested in becoming a Minister of the Word, Holy Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying, Adult Altar Server or Acolyte. For more information and an enrolment form tel the Office for Worship (02) 8838 3456 or send an email to <a href="MLWalsh@parra.catholic.org.au">MLWalsh@parra.catholic.org.au</a> Bookings close 16 February 2017.



Every Holy Mass, heard with devotion, produces in our souls marvelous effects, abundant spiritual and material graces which we, ourselves, do not know...It is easier for the earth to exist without the sun than without the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!

- Pio of Pietrelcina