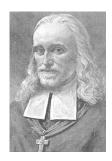


St. Oliver Plunkett Parish HARRIS PARK

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12 November 2017 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Priest: Rev. Chris de Souza PP

Parish Secretary: Lilia Tolentino School Principal: Barbara Young School Tel: (02) 9682 1244

Weekday Mass Times

No Weekday masses while the church is undergoing renovations.

Weekend Mass Times

(Temporarily celebrated at the school hall)

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

Office Hours: Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sacraments @ St Oliver's

Reconciliation: Please contact the parish office to make an appointment.

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.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS:

We are pleased to announce the launch of *The Catholic Foundation* next weekend (18 & 19 November), when it will officially replace the *Diocesan Works Fund* as the central charity for the good works of the Diocese of Parramatta.

The Catholic Foundation will support the Seminary, CCD, the Ephpheta Centre and Catholic Care. In support of The Catholic Foundation, our Parish will be holding a special collection next weekend. Appeal Envelopes will be provided at the Masses, and we invite all Parishioners to support the good works of the Diocese of Parramatta, by coming prepared and giving generously to The Catholic Foundation Appeal next weekend.

NOVEMBER MASSES: BOOK OF THE DEAD 2017

Every mass celebrated at St Oliver's during the month of November will be offered for all those who have died, especially for those our parishioners have asked to be remembered and whose names are recorded in the **Book of the Dead**. All prayer requests for the dead during this month will be entered into this book.

PARISH CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

Thank you to all the groups who volunteer to help clean our church on the weekends. God bless. Rostered this week, 11/12 November: Filipino Group; Next week, 18/19 November: Lasalo-Maka Family

PARISH READING ROSTER

Thank you also to our Readers at weekend Masses. God bless. Rostered for Next week, 11/12 November:

Saturday 5:30 pm - Jackie Perumal / Jim Hanna

Sunday 8:00 am - Anne Haddad / Anthony Mwaokorie

Sunday 10:00 am - Savea Family



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.

Sick: All the Sick

<u>Deceased:</u> All Mass Intentions for the Deceased will be entered into the "Book

of the Dead" and will be offered for the whole month of November.

(Envelopes for Mass Intentions are available at the church or please contact or visit the parish office if you have any request for mass offerings or home/hospital visits for the sick.)

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION: PREPARATION FOR RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST 2017-2018

Upcoming sessions of preparation are as follows:

Sacrament of Penance 3: Saturday 25th November, 4 pm - Parent and Children Session

Please note that sessions of preparation are held in conjunction with Parramatta parish and take place at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall

The reception of the Sacrament of Penance at St Oliver Plunkett's Parish, Harris Park will be on Wednesday **29th November**, **7:00pm**

SPECIAL EDITION OF CATHOLIC OUTLOOK

At the request of Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, Catholic Outlook will be back in print for a special, one-off December 2017 Christmas edition. This special edition will be a beautifully bound, 40-page, A4 magazine and will showcase the work of the parishes, ministries and agencies of the Diocese of Parramatta. Look out for copies in your parishes and schools from Monday 4 December.

HEALTH CARERS AND THE ASSISTED DYING BILL 2017

The proposed legislation to legalise assisted suicide and euthanasia will be debated in the Parliament of New South Wales on the 16 November. A similar bill has passed the Lower House in the Victorian Parliament. Such changes will place at risk the most vulnerable patients as well as undermining the relationship between patients and Healthcare Professionals which is based on trust and mutual respect. Rather than the legalisation of assisted suicide and euthanasia all Doctors, Nurses, Allied Health Professionals are asked to let your Members of Parliament know that you support increased access to better aged care and mental health services, disabilities assistance and excellent palliative care. There is an open letter against the legalisation of assisted suicide and a petition which has been organised by concerned healthcare professionals. You are asked to add your name to their petition by going to the link: www.healthprofessionalssayno.info

OLMC PARRAMATTA OPEN MORNING TOUR: 15 NOVEMBER

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on Wednesday, November 15, 2017- the last tour of the year. Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team. Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.

WESTMEAD OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION: 26 NOVEMBER

Members of the St. Vincent's Westmead Old Boys Association are invited to the Annual Mass and 96th Reunion on Sunday 26 November at 11.00am, Sacred Heart Church, 14 Ralph St Westmead, BBQ Lunch at 12.30pm. Enquiries to Bob McDonald 0417 214 822.

CARITAS GLOBAL GIFTS

This year Caritas Australia, is encouraging Australians to help to create a lifetime of change for some of the world's poorest communities. Global Gifts can be purchased from as little as \$10 and come with a card for a friend or family member. To learn more or to purchase a Global Gift visit: www.globalgifts.org.au or call 1800 024 413. Caritas media contact: Nicole Clements 0408 869 833 nicolec@caritas.org.au.

<u>THE EPIPHANY PILGRIMAGE</u>

The Epiphany Pilgrimage is a 7 day, 110 km Catholic pilgrimage through the Blue Mountains which coincides with the Feast of the Epiphany. The pilgrimage begins at Emu Plains on January 2 2018 and finishes at Bell on January 8 2018. For further information and to register for all or part of the pilgrimage see www.epiphanypilgrimage.org or for general information and current news see https://www.facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage/

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE OF GALBERT ALBINO: 25 NOVEMBER

Most Rev Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta, will be the principal celebrant for the Vigil Mass of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe with the Rite of Ordination to the Diaconate of Galbert Albino on Saturday 25 November 2017 at 6.00pm. The ordination will take place at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes 2145. Light refreshments to follow. RSVP by 17 November 2017: For catering purposes please RSVP to parish secretary tel (02) 9631 8135, parishoffice@olqp.org.au.