

St. Oliver Plunkett Parish HARRIS PARK

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27 September 2020 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

Reconciliation, Baptism, Marriage and Funerals, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings are allowed to take place under strict government guidelines with regards to social distancing (at least 4 square metres of space for each person is observed), hygiene (hand sanitising) and registering names and contact details.

Reconciliation: by appointment or 4 pm Saturday

COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) REMINDERS

Parishioners are reminded to continue to practice hand sanitising, hygiene and physical distancing measures. Please stay at home or seek medical advice if you are feeling unwell or have been in contact with anyone that is either a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19.

LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Livestreamed Masses from across the Diocese of Parramatta are still available on the Diocesan website https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#online.

DISPENSATION: From the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Sunday 22nd March 2020), Catholics in the Diocese of Parramatta are dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligations until further notice (Canon 1248 §2 and Catechism 2181)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, 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.

Daniel 3:31, 29, 30, 43, 42

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low. Cf. Psalm 118:49-50

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.



PARISH READING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK: 3/4 OCTOBER

Saturday 5:30 pm Maria Lawton / Stuart Walker Sunday 8:00 am Jade & Jedson Hermogenes

Sunday 10:00 am Seminarians

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive

You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.



WE ARE CALLED TO ACTION:

"In the faces of the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the sick, strangers and prisoners, we are called to see the face of Christ who pleads with us to help," Pope Francis Message of His Holiness Pope Francis, for the 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, 2020



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.

Deceased: John Langtry | Family of Jaoa, Adeline, Felix Caeiro | Francis Lyle Villahermosa | George Adib Lattouf | Theresa Hien | Elvira SP Bernal | Theresa Samy | Clare Boulous | Joseph Boulous | Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Maurice Coorey | Christine Coorey | Coorey, Budwee, Norman & Nicholas Families | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Ray Malkoun | Samiha Frome | All those who died recently | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

Anniversary: Theresia Romanos | Jerome Fernandes

Special Intention: Wap-Hill Imbun

Sick: All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community

Please call (02) 8863 8801 or email: stoliva@bigpond.net.au if you have any request for mass offerings or home/hospital visit for the sick.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

The Parish's financial situation is currently healthy, although we expect it will worsen as the impact of COVID-19 continues.

We recorded a small deficit of \$1,001 for the 12 months to 30 June 2020. A large reduction in collections and other income (due to COVID-19) was largely offset by the government's JobKeeper subsidy. However, the next 12 months will be much more difficult as the COVID-19 situation is expected to extend beyond Christmas and JobKeeper will be phased out. Wages, insurance and parish maintenance remain our main expenses.

Thank you very much for your generous support each year. Our parishioners are among the most giving in the diocese when it comes to mission appeals and designated collections, with nearly \$14,000 raised in the last financial year. Thank you again for your generosity and we look forward to your continued support..

Jim Hanna 0414 828 629



Thank you to you all who have helped keep our parish operating especially during these difficult times. Your generosity and loyalty to St Oliver's parish has been overwhelming and so desperately needed. I appreciate that these hard financial times has required so much more from everyone. Again thank you. My deep thanks, too, to those who have helped us manage during these times, here I want to thank our finance committee and especially Deacon Leon, Michael Machado and Jim Hanna.

Fr Chris

<u>MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY: 27 SEPTEMBER</u>

All are invited to celebrate Migrant and Refugee Sunday on 27 September. "Like Jesus Christ, Forced to Flee" is the theme for this year, and resources including videos, prayers and actions so that we can be in solidarity with migrants and refugees are available at <u>www.parracatholic.org/socialjustice</u> or through contacting Social Justice Coordinator Patrice Moriarty on patrice.moriarty@parracatholic.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 FOOD AND TOILETRIES DRIVE

Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by running a food and toiletry drive or donating yourself. For more information, contact Patrice Moriarty 0409 399 505 or, House of Welcome office@houseofwelcome.com.au or JRS amelia.savage@jrs.org.au

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA CELEBRATES THE SEASON OF CREATION

The Diocese of Parramatta is celebrating the Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October) by creating a video to be released on 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. We invite all parishioners to be involved. Send your photograph, video, art or poetry of your favourite nature spot in the Diocese to comms@parracatholic.org. Details can be found at https://www.parracatholic.org/socialjustice/

POSITIONS VACANT:

•Full-Time Teacher (Years 5/6) – Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School – Zuccoli, Northern Territory – Applications close Friday 2 October

For more details, please visit https://www.ceont.catholic.edu.au/employment/current-vacancies/

COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) UPDATE: NEW WEDDING GUIDELINES

From September 14, new Government regulations were introduced that affect all weddings, and Church properties. Up to 150 people are now allowed to attend a wedding service at a place of public worship. This number was previously limited to 100 people. Social distancing and the 4 square metre per person requirements are still in place.

MASKS ARE NOW HIGHLY RECOMMENDED TO BE WORN AT ALL MASSES

On consideration of the most recent NSW Health advice, the Diocese of Parramatta highly recommends all worshippers at Masses in the Diocese to wear a mask to, during and from Mass and other services. We sincerely thank you for understanding and for playing your part in keeping our community safe.

Due to COVID-19, please take this bulletin with you or dispose of it in the rubbish bin when leaving the church. Please do not put it back in the pile. Thank you for helping keep everyone safe.