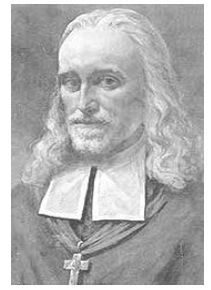




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27 February 2022 - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

Reconciliation, Baptism, Marriage and Funerals. Please ring or email the parish office for assistance. **Reconciliation** is by appointment or 4 pm Saturday at the parish office. **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).** Thinking about becoming a Catholic or know someone who may be interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Contact the Parish Office for more details on joining the RCIA program.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Friday: *7:00 a.m.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS : Tuesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please Note: EXTRA MASS ON ASH WEDNESDAY, 2nd of March, at 6 PM.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord became my protector.
 He brought me out to a place of freedom;
 he saved me because he delighted in me.

Cf. Psalm 17:19-20

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, I am with you always,
 even to the end of the age, says the Lord.

Matthew 28:20

ASH WEDNESDAY, 2nd of March 2022

Ash Wednesday (2nd March 2022) is the **beginning of Lent**. Lent is the great annual penitential season in the Catholic Church for prayer, self-denial and helping others. This is the way the whole church prepares annually to celebrate Easter.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence.

The law of **fasting** binds those who have completed their **eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year**. Fasting means having **one full meal and two smaller meals that together are Not equal to a full meal**.

The law of **abstinence** binds those who have completed their **fourteenth year**. Abstinence means **refraining from eating meat (or luxury foods)**.

Also, Catholics are obliged to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion at least once between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday.



Project Compassion Sunday
 26 & 27 February



Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

SACRAMENTS AT ST OLIVER'S

Currently, for families who are intending to enrol their child/ren into the Sacraments (Reconciliation and Eucharist) and their child is currently in Year 2 or above.

Please use the following link to enrol your child into the Sacrament of Reconciliation 2022.

<https://forms.gle/sr4mqwpKAN5Tfwup7>

Please contact Mrs Jaquelin Dib if you require any further information.

PARISH READING ROSTER NEXT WEEK: 5/6 MARCH 2022

Saturday 5:30 p.m. **Jim Hanna / Tram Nguyen**

Sunday 8:00 a.m. **Tony Andrade / Joseph Karam** || 10:00 a.m. **Geoff and Monica Officer**



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: Cecelia Moras | Kathirgamanatnau & Anushiya | Charles Ratsomana Gomi | Joe & Clare Boulous | Isaac Moses | Salwa Zaiter | Judith-henry | Fr Elias Ayoub | Gretta Charbel | Rita Jabbour | Raymond, Etory & Joe Romanos | Esther Romanos & her family | Carmel & John Estphen | Fayez & Hind Melhem & all deceased of the Melhems | Amie Hassal | Coorey, Budwee, Norman & Nicholas Families | Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Antoinette & Maurice Coorey | Christine Coorey | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Frank & Ray Malkoun | Badwani & Samiha Frome | Fr. Rizcullah Coorey | Patricia Coorey | Chrisinta Namtallah Coorey | Nicholas | All those who died recently | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

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

Special Intention: Richard Imbun

To our parishioners who would like to request for a home or hospital visit for the sick, please call the parish office on (02) 8863 8801 or email harrisparke@parracatholic.org. For mass offerings or special intentions, please use the envelopes provided at the church foyer.

Please read the following adjustments to COVID-19 settings:

† **Face masks**

Masks are no longer required but wearing of face masks at places of worship continues to be strongly recommended, especially indoors and when social distancing is not possible.

† **Check-In with the QR Code**

Check-in using the NSW QR Code and record keeping of all attendees are no longer required for places of worship.

† **No More 2 square metre rule per person**

No more density limits (previously one person per 2sqm rule) but keeping a safe distance from others not in your household is highly recommended.

† **Congregational singing is allowed.**

† **Wash your hands with soap & water regularly or Use hand sanitiser**

GET VACCINATED FOR THE COMMON GOOD

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

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.



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

POSITIONS VACANT:

• Peace, Justice and Ecology Facilitator – Mission Enhancement Team, Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close Monday 7 March

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

SYNOD OF BISHOPS LOCAL SUBMISSIONS

EXTENDED! The local consultation period for the global Synod on Synodality has been extended. Submissions can now be received through the online portal until **Sunday 13 March**. Don't miss out on this chance to take part in a global conversation about the Catholic Church. How are we called to walk together as Christians? How can we listen to one another in making important decisions about our faith and our mission? Find out more and share your contribution at bit.ly/synod2023

MASTERCLASS FOR MENTOR MARRIED COUPLES: 18 MARCH

The Diocese is looking to more deeply accompany couples preparing to be married. Have you been married for more than 5 years? Committed to living the sacrament of Marriage? Willing to give time limited assistance to couples preparing for marriage? Join us for a Masterclass on Friday 18 March at 7.30pm at the Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on Mentoring engaged couples in your Parish using the SmartLoving Engaged Online program. To book your attendance or to ask further questions, please email met@parracatholic.org or phone Marisa 0412 280 017.

HAIL HOLY QUEEN

Hail, holy queen, mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Amen.

