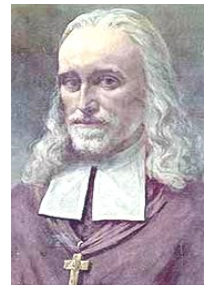


# St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

## HARRIS PARK



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### 4 December 2022 - Second Sunday of Advent

#### 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.  
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

There will be no 7 am mass on weekdays from Dec 5 - Feb 6 2023 while the Holy Spirit Seminary is closed. Please keep the seminarians in your prayers.

#### SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

**Reconciliation, Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion, Marriage and Funerals.** Please ring or email the parish office for assistance. **Reconciliation** is by appointment from 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.

#### ST. OLIVERS MORNING TEA

The final Morning tea for 2022 will be held on Sunday 11th December 2022 following the 10am mass (Not the first Sunday). We will celebrate Christmas as a community as well as Birthdays in December. Please feel most welcome to bring a plate to share. - *Menard*



#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O people of Sion, behold,  
the Lord will come to save the nations,  
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard  
in the joy of your heart.

Cf. Isaiah 30:19, 30

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,  
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Baruch 5:5; 4:36

#### The Advent Wreath - Second Sunday of Advent



Last Sunday we lit the First Candle in our Advent Wreath, and celebrated the patriarchs, this First Candle reminded us of our hope in Christ. We light it again as we remember our Saviour, born a king in the line of King David. Jesus was born in Bethlehem, and we believe that he will come again to fulfil all of God's promises to us, to rule the world wisely and bless all nations.

Now we light the Second Candle of Advent, the Candle of Peace. We remember the prophets who spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a Saviour would be born, a king in the line of King David. The prophet Isaiah called Christ "the Prince of Peace". They told us how he would rule the world wisely and bless all the nations.

**Second Week: Peace (Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12)**

God of peace, during this Advent season, keep us from getting caught up in the busyness and chaos of the world around us. Help us to slow down, so that we may find rest in the Prince of Peace, your son, Jesus Christ. As we prepare for his coming, make us instruments of your peace in our homes, in our schools, in our work and in our world.  
*Amen.*



#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands in which the Diocese of Parramatta sits, the land of the Darug and Gundungurra people.

We would like to pay our respects to the Aboriginal Elders past, present and future for they hold the traditions, memories and wisdom of Mother Earth on which we place our feet upon today.

#### **PARISH READING ROSTER NEXT WEEK: 10/11 DECEMBER**

**Saturday 5:30 p.m. Jackie Perumal / Olivia Estibeiro**

**Sunday 8:00 a.m. Kim Imbun / Anthony Melhem || 10 a.m. Carol Isaac / Catherine Elias**



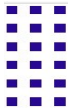
Please pray for those who are sick, recently deceased, have an anniversary at this time and all those for whom you have a special intention.

**Deceased:** Mila Concepcion | Flory Fernandes | Joe & Clare Boulous | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Frank & Ray Malkoun | Romanos Malkoun | Samiha Frome | Deceased members of Coorey, Budwee, Norman & Nicholas Families | Rizcullah & Patricia Coorey | Jeanette Coorey | Maurice & Antoinette Coorey | Nicholas & Queenie Nicholas | Namtallah & Christine Coorey | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | All those who died recently | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

**Anniversary:** Noreen Andrade

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

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](mailto:harrisparke@parracatholic.org). You may use the



## PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE, BLACKTOWN



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### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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## MARSDEN PARK FAITH COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROLS: 10 DECEMBER

You are invited to join the St Luke's Catholic Faith Community, Marsden Park, for their annual Christmas Carols event on 10 December, 6.30 to 8.30pm, at St Luke's Catholic College, Frontier Ave, Marsden Park. Raffle tickets are \$2 each (1st prize \$1,000 cash)! There will also be food and drinks for sale, games for the kids, and a visit from the man in red!

## GLENMORE PARK ADVENT PARISH MISSION: 16 AND 17 DECEMBER.

St Padre Pio Parish, Glenmore Park, is organising a Parish Mission during Advent on the theme of 'Bethlehem - House of Bread' on Friday 16 December at 7pm and Saturday 17 December at 5.30pm. Come and receive the Grace of God from Adoration, Mass and Preaching. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Fr Suresh on 0488 448 844 or visit the event Facebook page: <https://fb.me/e/2itSOhcKf>

## SYNOD OF BISHOPS CONTINENTAL STAGE

The Church around the world has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups around the country are praying with and responding to the Document for the Continental Stage, which was published recently. Download prayer resources, including for use in liturgies, read the document and access the submission portal at: [www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch](http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch)

## BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR CATHOLIC CARE'S ASSISTANCE WITH CARE AND HOUSING SERVICE.

No one should be homeless or without support. Your Christmas gift today will enable Catholic Care to give homeless people practical and emotional support, and a safe place to call home. Please stretch out your hand to the poor and give generously via the Bishop's Christmas Appeal envelopes, at [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal) or scan this QR code. Thank you for your prayers, heart-felt compassion, and help to end homelessness.



 CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

No one should be without a place to call home.

"Stretch out your hand to the poor."

Sir 7:32



Please give generously to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal)

## PALMS AUSTRALIA – ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES, MAKE A DIFFERENCE OVERSEAS

Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities in countries such as American Samoa, Cambodia, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tanzania and Timor-Leste are asking for qualified and experienced Australians to mentor their people in education, health, administration, agriculture and more. Embrace one of the Palms Australia mission opportunities abroad by visiting [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au), or by calling (02) 9560 5333 or 0422 472 567

## 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.

