

St. Oliver Plunkett Parish HARRIS PARK

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A warm, welcoming space for all to worship and experience the love of God

14 May 2023 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Friday: 7:00 a.m.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: Vigil 5:30 p.m.

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

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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.

SYNOD PRAYER

O God, who always walks with us on the journey of life, we call upon you to lead us forth united.

Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.

Keep us anchored in your love. Open our hearts as we listen and discern.

Reveal to us the way we are called to go out into the deep.

Give us the courage to pursue the mission with bold humility.

May we experience renewal in our local Church today, and for generations to come.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ, who in the power of the Holy Spirit continues to guide your Church, to the fullness of your Kingdom now, and forever.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Cf. Isaiah 48:20

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

John 14:15-16

ANNUAL SCHOENSTATT MARIAN PILGRIMAGE: 21 MAY The Mt Schoenstatt Shrine and Retreat Centre's Annual Marian Pilgrimage will be held on Sunday 21 May. Reconciliation from 9.30am. Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv will celebrate Mass and recommission pilgrim mother coordinators. After mass, Eucharistic Procession from the valley to the Shrine. Please bring your own chairs. Hot food, tea and coffee available for sale or BYO. Any enquiries, please call (02) 4773 8338 or email info@schoenstatt.org.au





<u>St. Oliver's Morning Tea – May</u> Our next Morning Tea will be held on Sun-day 21st May following the 10am mass. We will celebrate both April and May Birthdays. It would be appreciated if you can bring a plate to share. -- Mary

Invitation from Fr Chris for all parishioners

You are invited to our parish consultation meeting for the Diocesan Synod on Sunday, the 28th of May at 11 am (after the 10 am mass) in the parish hall.

Fr Chris

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: 20/21 MAY 2023

Saturday 5:30 p.m. Kristine Alba / Daisy D'Souza

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Kim Imbun / Anthony Melham || 10:00 a.m. Maria De los Reyes / Floria Mascarenhas



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: Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Frank & Ray Malkoun | Romanos Malkoun | Samiha Frome | Cecilia Moussa | Mrs Meena D'Souza | Norm & Christine Coorey, Queenie & Nicholas, Johmny Tanna | Hasna Takchi, Gabriella Wehbe, Moueis Takchi | Abraham, Artemio, Augustus & Rebecca Patacsil, Yolanda & Donald Muir | Joseph Toufic Maroun | Joe & Clare Boulous | Isaac Moses | Evelyn Betros | 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

<u>Sick</u>: Rachael Sumagui | Virginia, Agnes & Manuel Patacsil | Elizabeth Perez | All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community

Thanksgiving: Anthony Infant Roshan & Annie Vincy

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 harrispark@parracatholic.org. You may use the envelopes provided at the church foyer for mass offerings or special intentions.

<u>Catholic Care Community Refugee Sponsorship Infor-</u> mation Session: 21 May. Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are hosting an information session to learn more about the Community Refugee Sponsorship program on Sunday 21 May at 2pm at Mamre House and Farm, Orchard Hills. RSVP to Rita on 0477 952 024 or email <u>Rita.Hakkoum@catholiccarewsbm.org.au</u> to join via Zoom. You can make a difference and help a refugee family start a new life in Australia.

FREE ENGLISH AND CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are offering English and Citizenship classes at its All Saints of Africa Centre, 63 Allawah St, Blacktown. Courses are subsidized by the New South Wales Government. Please register to participate in the program by contacting 0477 952 024. You can also contact Nepean Community College on (02) 4724 9000.

ROSARY IN HONOUR OF MOTHER MARY. Please join us in praying the rosary on the 19th of May at 11 am at 21 Denison Street Parramatta. For more information, please contact Victoria on 0414 212 943.

Walking Together - Youth PoWR Meets the Uluru Statement: 28 May. In view of the upcoming referendum on the Voice to Parliament, Youth PoWR and the Challenging Racism Project at WSU are hosting a free interactive workshop led by Youth Off the Streets to foster purpose and understanding among non-Indigenous youth so they can confidently walk the path of reconciliation with First Nations people. For young adults aged 18-35. Please join us: Sunday 28 May @ 12-4pm, Peter Shergold Building, WSU Level 9, 169 Macquarie St, Parramatta 2150. Register your attendance FREE at Humanitix: <u>events.humanitix.com/youthpowr-meetsuluruses at its All Saints of Africa Centre, 63 Allawah St, Blacktown.</u>

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.

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL for Aboriginal Catholic Care at Emerton. Will you be the face of Christ for our First Nations people in need? Your compassionate generosity and prayers will support a welcoming place where Aboriginal people can express their identity, share their culture and knowledge within our community, access practical support and development opportunities, and make social connections. Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal or scan this QR code. Thank you for being a Good Samaritan to our First Nations people.





DIOCESAN SYNOD 2023 - THE TIME IS NOW!

Over the next six weeks, Bishop Vincent is travelling throughout the Diocese and listening directly to people's stories and suggestions about our Church. Join him at one of four locations to have your say. Events start at 6.30pm with light refreshments:

•Saturday 20 May at St Columba's Catholic College, Springwood.

•Saturday 3 June at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

•Saturday 17 June at St Andrew the Apostle Primary School, Marayong.

Saturday 24 June at Holy Spirit Primary School, St Clair.

There will also be a youth-focussed consultation on Thursday 18 May from 7pm at at West HQ, Rooty Hill.

To register for your local consultation and to learn more about the Diocesan synod, visit <u>par-racatholic.org/synod2023</u>