

St. Oliver Plunkett Parish HARRIS PARK

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

23 July 2023 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Please note that the 7 am weekday masses are cancelled from 24 July to 12 August 2023 while the seminary is in recess.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: Vigil 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. <u>OFFICE HOURS</u>: 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

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Psalm 53:6, 8

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

Psalm 110:4-5

WORLD YOUTH DAY PRAYER

Our Lady of the Visitation, you who arose and went with haste into the hill country to meet Elizabeth, lead us also to encounter all those who await us to deliver them the living Gospel: Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord

We, too, will go in haste, without distraction or delay, but with readiness and joy. We will go with peace because those who bring Christ bring peace, and well-being comes from being generous and loving in our deeds.

> Our Lady of the Visitation, through your inspiration, this World Youth Day will be a shared celebration of Christ, whom we bring to others, just as you did.

Please make this a time of testimony and sharing, of fratemity and thanksgiving, with each of us locking for opportunities to give to those who are waiting to receive. With you, we will continue on this path of encounter so that our world will join us, too, in fratemity, justice, and peace.



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Help us, Our Lady of the Visitation, to bring Christ to everyone, in obedience to the Father and in the love of the Holy Spirit!

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: 29/30 JULY 2023

Saturday 5:30 p.m. Gerard Pinto / Karen Fernandes

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Anne Haddad / Anthony Melham || 10:00 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.

Reggie & May Perumal, John & Tripony Pasangha, Xavier & Clara Fernando, Felix & Deceased: Rosita Fernando | Morris Takchi, Gabriella Wehbe | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Frank & Ray Malkoun | Romanos Malkoun | Samiha Frome | Abraham, Artemio, Augustus & Rebecca Patacsil, Yolanda & Donald Muir | Isaac Moses | 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: Imitiero & Calagancio Paes | Joe Boulous | Clare Boulous | Hasna Takchi

Sick: Rachael Sumagui | Virginia, Agnes, Napoleon, Jorge & Manuel Patacsil | Elizabeth & Michael Perez, Naty Degamo | All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community **Special Intention:** Soana Lasalo Sio (Birthday)

To our parishioners who would like to request for a home or hospital visit for the sick, please call the parish office on ($\hat{0}_2$) 8863 8801 or email harrispark@parracatholic.org. You may use the envelopes provided at the church fover for mass offerings or special intentions.

FR CARL ASHTON FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS: 25 JULY Fr Carl Ashton, Pastor Emeritus of Sacred

Heart Parish, Mt Druitt South, died on Thursday 13 July 2023, aged 86. A Vigil Mass will be held on Monday 24 July at Sacred Heart Parish, Mt Druitt South, from 7pm, followed by a prayer vigil. The Requiem Mass for Fr Carl will be held on Tuesday 25 July at 11am at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St Marys, followed by a committal at Pinegrove Memorial Park, Minchinbury. In your charity, please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Fr Carl and remember his family in your prayers.

FOLLOW OUR WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE **FROM HOME!**

170 young people from Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have officially taken off to World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal for an experience of a lifetime. Our pilgrimage will



travel through some of the most beautiful and sacred parts of Europe and you are invited to follow along from home. We will be posting videos, photos and articles throughout the trip, so you can see and hear what our pilgrims are experiencing. Sign up today by visiting catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News.

VOLUNTEER FOR THE HOUSE OF WELCOME

Volunteers are needed by the House of Welcome to do odd jobs around properties which house refugees and people seeking asylum. If you are a handyman or woman with a few hours you can donate, contact Maricar at m.tupaea@houseofwelcome.com.au.

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.

APPLY TO BE A MEMBER AT OUR DIOCESAN SYNOD

If you are someone with a commitment to discern prayerfully with others what God wants for the whole diocese, then you might be called to be a member at our first Diocesan Synod! Details of the selection criteria and requirements are available on our website now parracatholic.org/synod2023. Applications are welcome now until 31 July. Further enquiries can be sent via email synod2023@parracatholic.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSE

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in September. This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Liturgical Min-istries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Of-fice for Worship on 0460 037 795 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org or visit our website to download an enrolment form at https://officeforworship.org.au/

Get #Active4Vocations in the City2Surf: 13 August

Join the Parramatta Catholic Foundation #Active4Vocations team. Walk, stroll, jog, or run with our Holy Spirit seminarians, deacons, priests and community. Scan this QR code or visit tinyurl.com/Active4Vocations to register or donate. Funds raised support our Diocese's seminarians to become priests. Thank you for getting #Active4Vocations



YOUR STORIES MATTER! SEND YOUR SUBMIS-SIONS TO THE FIRST DIOCESAN SYNOD **BEFORE 31 JULY**

Our Diocesan Synod is calling you to share stories and have conversations at your parish, with a friend, or with family, about how we can walk together to become the Church that Christ calls us to be. The success of the Synod relies on your participation. Your submissions will inform the development of the agenda for the Synod, from 12-15 October 2023, which will gather clergy, consecrated and laity to discuss important matters relating to the life and mission of the Church. Applications to be a member at the Synod are now open. Apply to be a member or make a submission before 31 July: https://parracatholic.org/synod2023/

Amen.