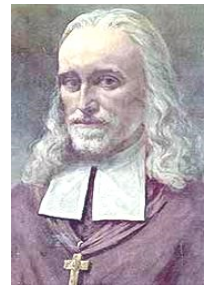


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25 February 2024 - Second Sunday of Lent

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 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
 Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

For Baptism, Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and Funerals, please ring or email the parish office for assistance.

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.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Remember your compassion, O Lord,
 and your merciful love, for they are from of old.
 Let not our enemies exult over us.
 Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.

Cf. Psalm 24:6, 2, 22

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Matthew 17:5

LENTEN REFLECTIONS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

At St Oliver's, during the season of Lent, a **reflection** will be printed off week by week and will be placed in the church.

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:30 pm. Please note that on Good Friday, it will be held at 10 am.



DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

Pope Francis tells us How:

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worried and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful
- Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be Compassionate.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled
- Fast from words; be silent and listen



Second Sunday of Lent
24 & 25 February



After the birth of her children, 22-year-old **Ronita** was at risk of having to leave school permanently. But, with the support of Caritas Australia's partners in the Philippines, she resumed her studies and secured a job at a call centre to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

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 caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

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, 2/3 MARCH 2024

Saturday	5:30 p.m.	Caroline Takchi / Siji Lino	
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Kim Imbun / Victoria Micalizzi	10:00 a.m. Geoff & 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: Elias Takchi | Reggie & May Perumal, John & Tripony Pasangha, Cyril Fernando, Rita Fernando, Quintus Fernando, Clement & Felix Fernando | Rachael Sumagui, Artemio, Abraham, Augustus, Rebecca & Tranquilina Patacsil, Yolanda & Donald Muir | Rizcullah & Patricia Coorey & family; Queenie & Nicholas Nicholas; Namtullah & Christine Coorey; All deceased members of the Nicholas, Coorey, Budwee and Norman families | Joe Boulous | Clare Boulous | Isaac Moses | Arthur Saad | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Frank & Ray Malkoun | Romanos Malkoun | Samiha Frome | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Pamela Romanos | Evelyn Betros | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | All those who died recently, especially those who used to be part of this parish community as parishioners or relations of our parishioners | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

Sick: Virginia, Agnes, Napoleon, Jorge, Manuel & Joaquin Patacsil | Elizabeth & Michael Perez | Naty & Maria Aurora Degamo | Erwin Ayuste | All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community

Special Intention: John Patacsil

Thanksgiving: Malcolm Malkoun & family

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 harrisark@parracatholic.org. For mass offerings or special intentions, you may use the envelopes provided at the church foyer.

SYNOD 2023 UPDATE: DECREE ISSUED AND DEVELOPMENT OF DIOCESAN PLAN BEGINS

In January, the Synodal Decree from our inaugural Diocesan Synod was issued, enabling us to move forward in the development of a Diocesan Plan. Join us in the next phase of our journey, as we discern a new path forward for our local Church in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. The Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church will launch at the Diocesan Gathering on Saturday 10 August. Learn more at parracatholic.org/synod

MET THE FAITHFEED: 15 MARCH

Interested in live music + curious conversations + life & faith stories from those in their 20s, 30s 40s? Sign up for The FaithFeed, Friday 15 March 2024 – Doors open 7PM w/ live music for 7:30PM. Downstairs @ Bishop Bede Heather Centre: 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown NSW 2148. RSVP via QR or get in touch with the team via met@parracatholic.org



DIOCESAN LENT & HOLY WEEK SCRIPTURE REFLECTION EVENING: 20 MARCH

Looking for a way to reflect on your experience of Lent as we enter Holy Week? Interested in praying with the Scripture readings for Holy Week? Register for the Diocesan Lent & Holy Week Scripture Reflection Evening Wednesday 20 March 2024 – 6:30PM to 8:30pm. RSVP via QR or get in touch with the team via met@parracatholic.org



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.



GLENBROOK PARISH LENTEN BIBLICAL STUDIES: 12 AND 19 MARCH

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting two Biblical Studies sessions on the Passion of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark on Tuesday 12 and 19 March at the parish hall from 7.30pm. Parish Priest Fr Joseph Lam OSA will lead the sessions. To RSVP and for more information, please contact secretary@stfinbars.org.au

SAFEGUARDING FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING OPPORTUNITY FOR CYCLE 1

Have you had a chance to complete your first three Mandatory Safeguarding Modules as yet?

Face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre Blacktown on Tuesday mornings in March.

Module 1: Tuesday 5 March (10.00am – 11.00am)

Module 2: Tuesday 12 March (10.00am – 11.30am)

Module 3: Tuesday 19 March (10.00am – 11.30am)

To register, please visit <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?topic=safeguarding>

FILIPINO CHAPLAINCY FEAST OF ST JOSEPH CELEBRATIONS: 16 MARCH

The Filipino Chaplaincy of the Diocese of Parramatta invites you to join Holy Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Joseph, the Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Saturday 16 March at 10:30AM at St Patrick's Church, Blacktown. There will be Novena Masses in preparation for the Feast from March 6 to 14 at 7:30PM (except Mar 6 and 13 at 8:00PM) at St Michael's Church, Blacktown South.

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