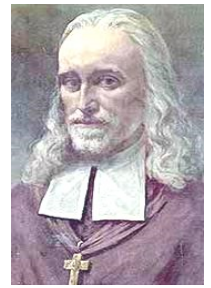


# St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

## HARRIS PARK



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

### 17 March 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

**Tuesday to Friday:** 7:00 am

#### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

**Saturday:** Vigil 5:30 pm

**Sunday:** 8:00 am & 10:00 am

**OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesday & Friday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Wednesday 8:00 am - 12:30 pm

#### 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

Give me justice, O God,  
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.  
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,  
for you, O God, are my strength.

Cf. Psalm 42:1-2

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Everyone who lives and believes in me  
will not die for ever, says the Lord.

John 11:26

#### LOOK FOR LENTEN REFLECTION SHEET FOR SUNDAY WEEK 5

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



#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**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.

#### From Fr Paul's Notes:

#### STATUE RESTORATIONS IN THE CHURCH

Over the next few weeks, our statues will be restored and repainted. Last week, the statues of Jesus and Mary on the sanctuary were taken away for restoration, but rest assured they will soon be back. In subsequent weeks, our other statues, St Therese and Joseph and Jesus, will also be away for restoration.



#### ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP MAKE PALM CROSSES?

Last year, we had a team of willing volunteers help make Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday. Palms are being delivered on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March. Could we arrange for volunteers to come to the seminary dining room to make palm crosses on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March from 4:30 pm.



**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**16 & 17 March**



The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities.

Caritas Australia partners with the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) to support communities living in urban slums in the Philippines, with Caritas Samoa to assist communities to have increased access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene and with the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi through the A+ program.

#### **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](http://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, 23/24 MARCH 2024**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. **Gerard Pinto / Olivia Estibeiro | Jackie Perumal / Jim Hanna**  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. **Anne Haddad / Victoria Micalizzi | Anthony Melham / Katherine Katrib**  
10:00 a.m. **Geoff & Monica Officer | Patricia & Christian Armao**



*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.*

**Recently Deceased:** Cynthia Pimento | Ruby Moses | All those who died recently, especially those who used to be part of this parish community as parishioners or relations of our parishioners

**Deceased:** Emily & Louis Gracias | Pantaleon Jimenez, Geronimo Jimenez, Pascuala Dionson, Meliton Ortiza, Joel Tan, Cleta Albina, Nicodemus Tagnipis, Jerick Kagaon | 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; Jabour & Doura Nicholas: Queenie & Nicholas Nicholas; Namtullah & Christine Coorey; All deceased members of the Nicholas, Coorey, Budwee and Norman families | Joe Boulous | Clare Boulous | Isaac Moses | 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 | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

**Anniversary:** Querino & Filipina Andrade

**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 | Freloquio Fernandes | Wap-Hill & Kimberley

**Thanksgiving:** Sebastian & Angelina Fernandes

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 [harrisparm@parracatholic.org](mailto:harrisparm@parracatholic.org). For mass offerings or special intentions, you may use the envelopes provided at the church foyer.

**PEACE JUSTICE ECOLOGY TABLE TALK – “HARMONY WEEK: EVERYONE BELONGS”: 21 MARCH**

Join us for an evening filled with engaging conversations as we celebrate Harmony Week 2024. It's an opportunity for our community to come together in discussion and reflection. Our event provides a platform to hear inspiring stories, engage in meaningful conversations, ask questions, and play a vital part in creating positive social change. The event will be held on Thursday 21 March from 6.30pm at Catholic Care Mamre House & Farm, 181 Mamre Road, Orchard Hills. Parking is available on-site. To register, please visit <https://parracatholic.org/events/harmony-week-walking-with-refugees-table-talk-21-march/>

**FREE ONLINE FORMATION ON SYNODAL SPIRITUALITY**

Dive into 'Synodal Spirituality' with this FREE online short formation course, taught by Sr Patty Andrew OSU. Part of the FaithLIFE series hosted by the Mission Enhancement Team, the course offers an exploration of communal discernment, active engagement, and creative faith responses to challenges in the mission of the Church today. Enrol now and take part in Pope Francis's vision for a synodal Church: <https://pfparra.thinkific.com/courses/synodal-spirituality/>

**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.



**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 3: Tuesday 19 March (10.00am – 11.30am) To register, please visit <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?topic=safeguarding>

**MET FaithLIFE Theology Short Course: from 16 April**

Considering learning about theology? Wanting to expand your language for expressing your faith? Seeking ways to deepen the way you put your faith into practice? Sign up now for the 3-session FaithLIFE Theology short course with Dr John Collins on Tuesdays 16 + 23 + 30 April! Registration and more dates and details via QR or get in touch with the team via [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org)

Seminarian Menard Gaspi undertook the Rite of Admission to Candidacy to the Priesthood where he affirmed his vows during Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta for the commencement of the 2024 academic year of the seminarians at Holy Spirit Seminary.



Seminarians from the Diocese's Holy Spirit Seminary (L-R) Jeffrey Hood, Jose Valentine Lim, Menard Gaspi, Paul Tran, Macky Amores and Jason Irawan. Missing is Luke Huynh. Image: Diocese of Parramatta



**Message from Mary Aumae**

**St. Olivers Morning Tea – 17<sup>th</sup> March**

Our next Morning Tea will be held on **Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> of March** following the 10am mass. We will celebrate March Birthdays. It would be appreciated if you can bring a plate to share.

Thank you!

*From the Morning Tea Team*

