

St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

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

3 March 2024 - Third 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


My eyes are always on the Lord,
 for he rescues my feet from the snare.
 Turn to me and have mercy on me,
 For I am alone and poor.

Psalm 24:15-16

COMMUNION ANTIPHON


The sparrow finds a home,
 and the swallow a nest for her young:
 by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my Kings and my God.
 Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
 for ever singing your praise.

Cf. Psalm 83:4-5




Caritas AUSTRALIA

**Third Sunday of Lent
2 & 3 March**




PROJECT COMPASSION
FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS



Samoa may be a country surrounded by water, but access to clean drinking water is scarce in some areas, with many families facing extreme hardship as a result. Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for **Leaia** and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

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.

LENTEN REFLECTION SHEET FOR SUNDAY
WEEK 3 NOW AVAILABLE

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


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. This week, the statues of Jesus and Mary on the sanctuary will be 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.

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



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, 9/10 MARCH 2024

Saturday	5:30 p.m.	Kristine Alba / Daisy D'Souza		
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Seini & Ipolito Lasalo		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.

- Recently Deceased:** Anton Hoang Huynh | Ruby Moses | Elias Takchi | All those who died recently, especially those who used to be part of this parish community as parishioners or relations of our parishioners
- Deceased:** Salomon Frangie | 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; Jabbour & 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
- 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 | Sidney & Richard Imbun
- 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 harrisparke@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

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



POSITIONS VACANT:

- Parish Cook (part-time) - St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Parramatta – Applications close 4 March
More details at: parracatholic.org/about/jobs/
- Administration Assistant (part-time) - Sacred Heart Parish, Mt Druitt South and Permanent Diaconate community – Applications close 10pm Monday 11 March
More details at: parracatholic.org/about/jobs/

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 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.

MOUNT SCHOENSTATT SHRINE TIME HOLY HOUR FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

The Mount Schoenstatt community invite young and young adults for Holy Hour every fourth Sunday of the month from 7pm to 8pm at the Mt Schoenstatt Shrine, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa, followed by a social gathering afterwards. There will be opportunities for praise and worship, prayer, reflection, confession and benediction. For more information, please contact Sr M Rita on 0493 026 628 or srrita@schoenstatt.org.au

Catherine McAuley Westmead

Year 7 Enrolment 2025
Closing 28th March 2024 (first round offers)



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- A Sense of Community and Belonging

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