



# St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

## HARRIS PARK



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

### 20 October 2024 - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

**Tuesday to Friday:** 7:00 a.m.

#### 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.

#### FOR HOME VISITS

Is there anyone you know who is in need of visitation in the parish area of Harris Park? Please inform Fr Paul and Fr John or contact the parish office and let us know of their situation, location and needs.



**FAMILY MASS:** Our next Family Mass involving our School families and, by extension, to all our extended parish families will be on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am. Let's make it a family re-union time in thanksgiving to God for the past year and make a special effort to invite those of our families not usually at Mass to come along and extend a welcoming hand to them. We come together to unite in our faith and to pray for peace and good-will within our families and for our world family. Let it be a door to Advent and Christmas.

#### **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.



#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.  
Guard me as the apple of your eye;  
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Cf. Psalm 16:6, 8

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Son of Man has come  
To give his life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LECTORS (Ministers of the Word) who were commissioned last Sunday:

We offer our thanks and congratulations to our parishioners and seminarians who were commissioned last Sunday at the 10.00am Mass to be proclaimers of God's Word to our faith community. Along with our SRE teachers, our Lectors are participating in the evangelization mission of the Church. We thank them for bringing God's Sacred Word to us.



#### FROM THE PASTORAL PLAN 2024-2028:

##### 'Behold, I Am With You Always'

"The Holy Spirit guides the Church on its synodal journey, ensuring it stays true to the teachings of the Gospel of Jesus. The People of God listen together to the Word of God in Scripture, the living Tradition of the Church and then to each other, to hear the promptings of the Holy Spirit which guides our human efforts..." (Pg. 10, Pastoral Plan). Learn about how our diocese is embracing synodality with our new pastoral plan: [www.parracatholic.org/synodality](http://www.parracatholic.org/synodality).

#### NEXT PARISH READING ROSTER: 26/27 OCTOBER

**Saturday 5:30 pm** Kristine Alba / Daisy D'Souza

**Sunday 8:00 am** Anthony Melham / Katherine Katrib || 10:00 am Patricia & Christian Armao

**MT SCHOENSTATT PILGRIMS OF HOPE RETREAT WEEKEND: 26-27 OCTOBER (MEN'S RETREAT)**

Join our men's retreat at Mt Schoenstatt, Mulgoa, organised by Schoenstatt Men and led by their Moderator, Fr Pawel OP. The retreat draws inspiration from the Jubilee Year 2025 with a focus on the theme of hope. You can choose to stay overnight for the full retreat, attend one day, or participate on both days as a day visitor. For more information and to register: <https://bit.ly/4coasdo>

**MET WORSHIP SERVING AT THE ALTAR WORKSHOP: 2 NOVEMBER**

Back by popular demand! We have decided to repeat the 'Back to Basics' Seminar for Acolytes and Ministers of the Altar (Senior Servers) who missed the last session and those who would like to attend again. This seminar will occur on Saturday 2 November from 9:30am to 3pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. RSVP by 26 October to [hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org](mailto:hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org) or 0488 000 211.

**DIOCESAN DELEGATION FOR SYDNEY ALLIANCE CONVENTION: 30 OCTOBER**

As a member of the Sydney Alliance, the Diocese of Parramatta invites you to be part of our delegation at the 2024 Sydney Alliance Convention. It will be an opportunity to come together from across faith-, community- and union-based organisations that reflect the diversity of Greater Sydney. The Convention will build momentum for affordable housing, clean energy, and action on climate ahead of the 2025 Federal Election: 30 October 2024, 6pm-8:45pm, Bowman Hall in Blacktown. Find out more and register online at [tinyurl.com/sa-convention24](http://tinyurl.com/sa-convention24)

**PARISH FUNDRAISING: 3 NOVEMBER**

Please join us on **Sunday 3 November after the 8am and 10am Masses** to commemorate the 49th anniversary of St Oliver Plunkett's canonisation and raise funds for the Parish. Several parishioners will generously be baking and selling fresh spinach triangles and 'manouche', a delicious Lebanese bread topped with thyme or cheese. All proceeds will be donated to help with the parish's operating costs.



**ACBC: SYNOD ON SYNODALITY PRAYER RESOURCES**

A range of liturgical resources have been prepared for parishes as we enter the second session of the Synod on Synodality in Rome. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference website has a range of related resources here: <https://www.catholic.au/s/article/XVI-Ordinary-General-Assembly-of-the-Synod-of-Bishops>

**POSITION VACANT:**

- Administrative Support, Risk, Governance & Compliance – Diocese of Parramatta – **Applications close 30 October**
- Administration Assistant – Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair – **Applications close 31 October.**

More details at: [parracatholic.org/about/jobs/](http://parracatholic.org/about/jobs/)

**PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

- Sr. Deborah Harmeling, O.S.B.

O God of Mercy and Tender Compassion,  
We cry out to you in this time of crisis.  
Hear the cries of the people of the Middle East.  
Bring healing to those suffering from violence  
and comfort to those mourning the dead.

O God of Hope,  
sustain those who labour for peaceful and just  
solutions.  
Inspire leaders and decision makers to choose the  
way of peace over the way of violence.  
Deliver all your children from the threat of war  
and teach us to encounter one another with rever-  
ence and love.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ  
Who came to bring to peace on earth  
And who abides with you and the Holy Spirit,  
now and forever.

*Please be advised that the NSW Faith Affairs Council, to which the Diocese of Parramatta is a signatory, has released a statement calling for peace in the Middle East and promoting peace, harmony, and understanding in NSW and to stand together as fellow Australians.*



*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:** Ignatius Lasarado | All those who died recently, especially those who used to be part of this parish community as parishioners or relations of our parishioners

**Deceased:** Rachael Sumagui; Artemio, Abraham, Augustus, Rebecca & Tranquilina Patacsil, Yolanda & Donald Muir | Rizcullah & Patricia Coorey & family; Jabour & Doura Nicholas; Queenie & Nicholas Nicholas; Namtullah & Christine Coorey; Saidie & Joseph Coorey; Kevin Coorey; All deceased members of the Nicholas, Coorey, Budwee and Norman families | Joe & Clare Boulous | Isaac & Ruby 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 | All Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

**Anniversary:** George Adob Lattouf | Joy Antony Varavumkal | Molly Toy | Pantaleon Jimenez | For all those whose anniversaries occur around this time

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

**Special Intention:** Wap-Hill, Sidney, Kimberley & Richard | John Patacsil | For all our special intentions and for those who have asked us for prayers

**Thanksgiving:** For all our blessings and prayers for thanksgiving

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