

# St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

## Harris park



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31 May 2026 | The Most Holy Trinity

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father,  
and the Only Begotten Son of God,  
and also the Holy Spirit,  
for he has shown us his merciful  
love.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Since you are children of God,  
God has sent into your hearts the  
Spirit of his Son,  
the Spirit who cries out: Abba,  
Father.

Galatians 4:6

### Weekday Mass times

Tuesday to Friday 7:00 am

### Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

**Administrator:** Fr Paul Marshall  
**School Principal:** Pascale Rone  
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### OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday & Friday: 10:00 am. - 3:00 pm  
Wednesday: 8:00 am - 12:30pm

### 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.

### Gospel Reflection

#### The Most Holy Trinity Yr. A



A renowned scientist, Dr. Henry Morris notes that the entire universe is Trinitarian in nature. The universe consists of three things: matter, space and time. Take away any one of these and the universe would cease to exist. But each one of these is itself a trinity. Matter= mass + energy + motion. Space = length + height + breadth. Time=past, present and future. Thus, the whole universe witnesses to the character of the God who made it. (cf. Psalm 19.1 "The heavens declare the glory of God")

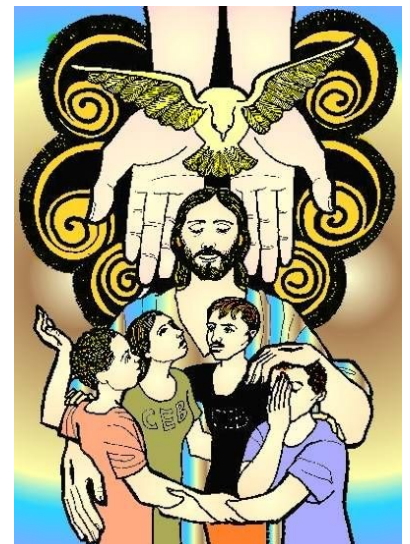
But that simple and ubiquitous thing we call 'water' also has a trinitarian character.

Did you know that it is possible to create a situation where WATER exists as liquid, steam and ice simultaneously? It is called the triple point- the triple point is reached when the atmospheric pressure is reduced to 0.006 atmospheres (0.611kPa and the temperature is reduced to 0.01 degrees Centigrade (273.1 degrees Kelvin).

Under this form, we see the trinitarian nature of water, and under these circumstances ice, liquid and gas can co-exist together. They are three different forms of water-but one substance namely H<sub>2</sub>O. So it is, that God co-exists as three persons, yet He is of one substance. Just as water has three different forms-ice, liquid and vapour, nevertheless, it is only one substance 'water'. This helps us understand how three persons can be of one substance in the Holy Trinity. But the Trinity has an energy, magnificence and a deeper personal character.

How do we approach the unapproachable? How do we imagine the unimaginable? This is not a Trinity which is remote, distant, inaccessible. For me, the Trinity touches my life when my being resonates in compassion with someone suffering because it is of the nature of the Trinity not to be self-centred but outward-looking; when we relate compassionately to another, the Trinity is there; when we are an advocate for someone experiencing injustice, the Trinity is there. The Trinity is not impartial and distant but rather influences how I relate to others by prompting me to listen to others, hear their story, and become a part of their story, knowing that listening to their story is part of the never-ending story who is God!

Fr. Paul



## Other News and Events

### Christian Unity Ecumenical Concert

One Sydney-Together in Christ is a groundbreaking ecumenical gathering that brings together believers from more than 55 denominations at the Sydney Opera House Concert Hall on Sunday, 14th June 2026 for two performances at @.00pm (Matinee) and 7.00pm (Evening). Website and Bookings: [www.onesydney.org](http://www.onesydney.org)

### Pro-life rally outside NSW parliament: 2 June

A pro-life rally is to be held outside NSW Parliament House at 6pm on June 2nd in support of a bill banning the practice of sex-selective abortion. A show of significant numbers will greatly help this cause as we advocate for the protection of all unborn children and particularly our baby girls who are especially vulnerable. They have no voice but ours. Please do all you can to attend and bring others with you. This will be a family friendly event. More information can be found at: <https://www.drjoannahowe.com.au/sydneyrallyforlife2026>

### Tim Fischer Oration 2026: 17 June

The third Tim Fischer Oration for Ethics in Public and Political Life will be held on Wednesday 17 June, 6:00–8:00pm at Rosehill Gardens, NSW. Dr Mary Healy will present Citizens of the Kingdom in a Secular Age. Parishioners are encouraged to sponsor Years 11–12 students. Register at [tfo.org.au](http://tfo.org.au).

### Holy Hour for Vocations at Our Lady of Lourdes, Seven Hills: 2 July

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration with the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. An hour with Jesus in prayer and adoration followed by a fellowship at 7pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Seven Hills. All are warmly welcome.

## Fr Paul's Corner

### Is our Safeguarding up-to-date?



All clergy, employees and volunteers in parish ministry are required by the NSW Children's Guardian Act 2019 to be current and complete their Safeguarding Training every 2 years. This is different to a Working with Children Check (WWCC).

- If you are new to ministry or have not yet completed any Safeguarding training, you need to complete the Introductory Modules 1 to 3 (Cycle 1)
- If you completed Modules 1-3 in 2024 or earlier, you are now due to complete Modules 4&5 (Cycle 2)
- If you completed Modules 4&5 in 2024 or earlier, you are now due to complete the Refresher Module 6 (Cycle 3)

Safeguarding Training Modules can be completed online at: <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/>

We had a safeguarding face-to-face training on Saturday 9th May for Modules 1-3 (Cycle 1), at Harris Park, but another face-to-face Mandatory Training will be available on the 19th September for Modules 4&5 (Cycle 2) at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish at Greystanes. To enrol - contact OLQP Parish Office at Greystanes at [parishoffice@olqp.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@olqp.org.au) or phone: 9631 8135

*Fr Paul*

## Parish News & Updates

### City to Surf -Sunday 9th August

The Active4Vocations City2Surf Team, supporting our **Holy Spirit Seminary**, is up and training. Now is the time for you to get up and running too-whether you choose to walk, stroll, jog or run! For registration, please click on <https://tinyurl.com/city2surf-2026-join>

### School / Parish Toilets Renovations

Beginning early next month (June), major renovations are planned for the school toilets. The car park will still be accessible for parking at weekend masses but there will be trucks, construction and temporary toilets located in the car park facing Wigram Street. It is anticipated that the scope of works would extend from 4<sup>th</sup> June to mid-July 2026.

### Positions Vacant:

Housekeeper Supervisor – **Holy Spirit Seminary**, Harris Park  
Parish Secretary – St Monica's Catholic Church, Richmond  
More details at: [parracatholic.org/jobs](http://parracatholic.org/jobs)

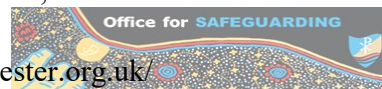
### Safeguarding Sunday Prayer

Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience to seek out assistance when required.

We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Amen

From: <https://parishofrochester.org.uk/>



### **Safeguarding In Our Parish:**

In our Parish of St. Oliver's, we aim to promote child safety in what we say and do. The Diocese of Parramatta's Statement of Commitment to Safeguarding outlines our commitment to being a community of safeguarding that actively promotes the dignity and rights of children and of all other persons, particularly those who may be at risk.

Most of our parishes have a Safeguarding Champion who co-ordinates the Safeguarding training of parish volunteers. Our Safeguarding person is Milly and the parish office team.

### **PARISH READING ROSTER : 6/7 June 2026**

Saturday 5:30 pm Jackie Perumal / Siji Devasia

Sunday 8:00 am Seini & Ipolito Lasalo

10:00 am Natasha & Kaitlyn Joseph

## Diocesan Notices

### Mass of Thanksgiving for the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Parramatta: 31 May

Join us on Sunday 31 May at 2 pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta for a special Mass to celebrate 40 years of the Diocese of Parramatta. Together, let's celebrate and give thanks for the growth, development and many blessings that have shaped our faith and Catholic Community over four decades.

### Feast of Corpus Christi Parish Celebration & Eucharistic Celebration: 7 June

This special celebration at Corpus Christi Parish, Cranebrook will include Holy Mass, a Eucharistic Procession, parish fellowship, music, and community celebrations as we come together to honour the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Parishioners from across the Diocese are warmly invited to join us for this significant feast day and a joyful witness of faith and unity within our diocesan community.

### Relics of St Anthony of Padua in the Diocese of Parramatta: 6 & 7 June

The relics of St Anthony of Padua will be in two parishes on 6 and 7 June 2026. Details below:

#### SATURDAY, 6 JUNE: Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kellyville, Fr Christopher Shorrocks OFM Conv PP

9:30am Mass followed by Devotions | 4:00pm First holy Communion followed by Devotions | 6.00pm Vigil Mass followed by Devotions.

#### SUNDAY, 7 JUNE: St Padre Pio Church Glenmore Park

Fr Johnson Malayil Joseph CRS PP 7:30am Devotions. 8:00am Mass | 8:45 – 9:45am Devotions | 10:00am Mass followed by Corpus Christi Procession | 11:30am – 4:00pm Devotions.

### Safe Parishes Week 2026

This coming week, the Diocese of Parramatta celebrates Safe Parishes Week. We have been celebrating Safe Parishes Week over the past 5 years. The Office for Safeguarding Parramatta would like to thank the Clergy, Parish Office staff, Safeguarding Champions and all volunteers in ministry who have worked to embed safe practices across each Parish.

The work that has been done over the past five years has prepared us well for the upcoming Safeguarding Audit. Please keep all Parishes in your prayers as they make preparations to showcase 'The Parramatta Way of Safeguarding'.

### Acknowledgement and Recognition of Survivors of Abuse

*The Diocese of Parramatta offers its unreserved and deepest apologies to survivors of abuse and their families. In all our works, ministries and activities, we respond to the call of the Gospel to protect those who are vulnerable. We are committed to ensuring all children and adults are safe, respected, protected and supported whilst in our care.*

#### Bishop Vincent's Statement of Commitment

<https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/statement-of-commitment/>

#### The Parramatta Way:

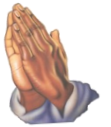
<https://parracatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/The-Parramatta-Way.pdf>

## Our Community

**Bishop Vincent will be celebrating Mass at St. Oliver's at 8.00 am this Sunday, 31st May.**



*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:** Rafael T. Paquia | Roberto Mamaril | Johnson Anthony | All those who died recently, especially those who used to be part of this parish community as parishioners or relations of our parishioners

**Deceased:** Michael Francis Ryan | Tonnie Soeterbroek, Fons Bazelmans | Clare Margaret Hastie | Joe & Clare Boulous, Isaac & Ruby Moses | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun, Frank & Ray Malkoun, Romanos Malkoun & Samiha Frome | Queenie & Nicholas Nicholas, Namtullah & Christine Coorey, Rizcullah & Patricia Coorey, Jeanette & Veronica Coorey, Jabour & Doura Nicholas & family, Saidie & Joseph Coorey & family, Najia & Toufic Samyia, Vincent Budwee, John Doumit, All deceased members of the Nicholas, Coorey, Budwee & Norman families | Artemio, Abraham, Augustus, Rebecca & Tranquilina Patacsil; Yolanda & Donald Muir; Rachael Sumagui, Melissa, Petronillo & Rebecca Llanillo | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Pamela Romanos | Evelyn Betros | Tony, Kevin & 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:** Samuel Diaz | For all those souls whose anniversaries occur around this time

**Sick:** Marcia Clayburn, Roseline & Craig Meyn | John Joaquin Patacsil, Virginia, Agnes, Napoleon, Manuel & Jorge Patacsil & his families, Elizabeth, Michael & Maryrose Perez, Naty & Maria Aurora Degamo, Erwin Ayuste, Ellen Patacsil | All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community

**Special Intentions:** John Joaquin, Agnes, Napoleon, Manuel, Virginia & Jorge Patacsil & his families; Elizabeth, Michael & Maryrose Perez; Erwin Ayuste | Wap-Hill, Sidney, Kimberley, Richard | 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 [harrispar@parracatholic.org](mailto:harrispar@parracatholic.org). For mass offerings or special intentions, you may use the envelopes provided at the church foyer.*

# Mass Readings

## First Reading

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

### *A reading from the book of Exodus*

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said, 'let my Lord come with us, I beg.

True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

### **The Word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

Daniel 3:52-56

℟ Gloria and praise for ever!

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. ℟

Blest your glorious holy name. ℟

You are blest in the temple of your glory. ℟

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. ℟

You are blest who gaze into the depths. ℟

You are blest in the firmament of heaven. ℟

## Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

### *A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians*

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

### **The Word of the Lord**

## Gospel Acclamation

cf Revelation 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

## Gospel

John 3:16-18

### *A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

### **The Gospel of the Lord.**

