

**SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH**

*32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time  
8 November 2020*

Bulletin 1 November 2020

*All Saints  
Year A*

# Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

Father Christopher G. Sarkis, Parish Priest

**Presbytery**  
80 Demetrius Road  
Rosemeadow NSW 2560

**Office Hours**  
Tuesday – Thursday  
9.00am – 4.00pm (Closed 12.45 - 1.15pm)  
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READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL		AUDIO VISUAL	
DATE		31 OCT/ 1 NOV	7/8 NOV			31 OCT/ 1 NOV	7/8 NOV
VIGIL 6PM		E Robinson	K Duncan			Tremayne	Tomin
8.30AM		B Buchanan	Z Robinson			Alison	Maree
10.00AM		J Montano	E D'Mellow			Brian	Nancy
CHOIR 10.00AM	GROUP	GROUP	READINGS				
CHURCH CLEANING	GROUP	GROUP	31 OCT/1 NOV Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12		7 /8 NOVEMBER Wisdom 6:12-16 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13		
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2							
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS				
Tuesday St Martin de Porres Wednesday St Charles Borromeo			PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS				
			Parish (second Collection)		Clergy (first Collection)		
			BSB : 066 711	BSB : 066 711			
			Acc No: 002395	Acc No: 002026			
			Acc Name: Parish Church	Acc Name: Parish Presbytery			
			Reference: Family Name	Reference: Family Name			

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES  
OLHC ROSEMEADOW**

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**MASS BOOKINGS STILL REQUIRED VIA PARISH WEBSITE**

[www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au](http://www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au)

Sat. Vigil: 6.00pm  
Sunday: 8.30am  
Sunday: 10.00am

Tuesday: 6.30pm  
Wednesday: 9.00am  
Thursday: 9.00am  
Friday: 8.20am  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month: 10.30am

**VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC**

Saturday: 4.00pm

**DEVOTIONS – SUSPENDED except for: -**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;

**CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH**

Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm  
Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 11am – 12 noon

**MARRIAGES** by appointment

**BAPTISMS** (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month) – by appointment

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE** Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9.30am - 12.30pm at the Food Hub (Ambarvale Squash Courts), 65 Woodhouse Drive Ambarvale.

**PARISH VISION STATEMENT**

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish will strive to be a Christ-centred community, led by the Holy Spirit to bear witness to the Gospel message, nourished and strengthened by the Eucharist and the Sacraments. Following the model of Mary our Mother, our parish will be a place of welcome and mutual encouragement to all who seek to love God and their neighbour, and to manifest this love in their daily lives. In this way we will build up the Kingdom of God in our local community.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL**

(Promulgated by Pope Leo XIII)

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into Hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

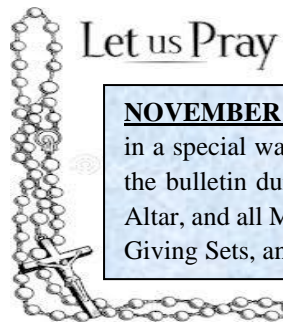
**ENTRANCE** Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

**RESPONSE** Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION** Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

**CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK**  
available in the foyer



## Let us Pray

**NOVEMBER MASSES** November is the month of the Holy Souls. While we pray for the Faithful Departed always, in a special way we remember the Holy Souls during November. Therefore, no individual names will be printed in the bulletin during November. November Mass Offering Envelopes with names of the dead will be placed on the Altar, and all Masses during November will be offered for them. Mass offering envelopes are included in the Planned Giving Sets, and at the Front Notice Board.

**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD?** God's love for us has been revealed: "Love one another as I have loved you. The world is in need to see people who are striving to love others with all their hearts. What about you? Please contact the Vocations Team at [priesthood@dow.org.au](mailto:priesthood@dow.org.au)



**CHURCH READER REQUIRED** we require 1 reader at the 10am Mass. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS** There will be Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament from 11am to 12 noon this coming first Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November. *Please remember to register if you are coming.*

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Marilyn and Denis Baert who last weekend celebrated their Golden Jubilee of marriage. What a wonderful tribute and witness to faithful married love, and the living witness for young married couples to aspire to. May God continue to bless you with happiness and joy!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all the young members of our Parish Confirmed this weekend. May the Holy Spirit fill you with His Gifts and enable you to use them to be faithful Catholics throughout your life.

**ALL SOULS DAY** occurs this Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Mass will be celebrated at **6.30pm**. *Please remember to register if you intend to attend that Mass. Thank you.*

**PLENARY INDULGENCE** may be gained for the Holy Souls in Purgatory by visiting a church on that day and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions.

**NOTE** For this year because of covid19 restrictions, the Holy Father has extended this indulgence for the whole of November.

**CCD FAITH EDUCATION OFFICER** Suitably experienced and qualified persons are invited to apply for the role of CCD Faith Education Officer in the Diocese of Wollongong, commencing December 2020. Applications close Friday 13 November. For information and detailed role description, go to [dow.sh/ccdjob](http://dow.sh/ccdjob) or for enquiries contact [helen.bennett@dow.org.au](mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au)

**iWitness CONFERENCE** is an annual, summer conference drawing together 100's of young (18-35-year-old) Aussie Catholics for a weekend of prayer, formation and fun. Theme: Awake, O Sleeper. Dates: 10 – 13 December 2020. Where: The tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops. More information go to: <https://www.iwitnessconference.com/>

**HEALING AFTER ABORTION** Rachel's Vineyard Ministries Weekend Retreat offers women and men a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment. The next healing retreat will be held 4-6 December 2020.

**2020 ADORE ADVENT PROGRAM** Daily Reflection for Advent & Christmas available in church foyer \$2 each via *honest system*, please place money in box and take a copy. Thank you.

**YOUNG ADULT ALPHA 18-30 years of age.** We all know someone who might be searching, lost or asking, *is there more to life than this?* If so, join us for Young Adult Alpha online every Monday @ 7pm on Zoom to watch a short video and discussion in an open, safe and friendly environment. Register at: <https://dowcatholic.zoom.us/j/585228573> or by putting the **Meeting ID: 405 884 828** into - Join a meeting on Zoom. You will receive an email about joining the meeting. *Please note meetings will be strictly limited to adults over 18 years of age.* Contact Ryan on 0412 939 705. Please **Pray for this Group** and its success, for without prayer it will fail.

**FAITH CIRCLES** online every Wednesday, 7:30pm. An opportunity to meet in a safe online space for a reflection on the coming Sunday Gospel, followed by discussion and prayer. All are welcome. Click on the link below if using a computer, or download the Zoom App for your tablet, iPad or smart phone and enter the Meeting ID. <https://dowcatholic.zoom.us/j/585228573> Meeting ID: 585-228-573

**THE CHOSEN** Great Family Viewing on the Life of Jesus. This new, crowd funded series on the life of Jesus is receiving wide acclaim around the world and is well worth a look. It is a high-quality production that explores the life of Jesus through the eyes of those around Him. The easiest place to watch the whole first season for free is through a free membership on VidAngel at <https://www.vidangel.com/>



*We fulfil the commandment to love our neighbour when we exercise good stewardship - joyfully sharing our gifts or life, abilities, and resources to meet our neighbour's need.*

**MASS UPDATE AND RELATED MATTERS** Up to 300 people can now attend Religious Services provided the "one person per 4<sup>2</sup>meter" rule as well as 1.5meter social distancing is observed. **In our parish church we will be able to accommodate 220 people for Mass.** Please note however, that under the definition of "Religious Services", it does NOT include weddings and funerals. Therefore, the current 150 people for weddings and 100 people for funerals still applies. **Registration is still required beforehand.** Go to the parish website, [www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au](http://www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au) and click the **Register for Mass** button. Follow the prompts to whichever Mass you want to attend and complete the details. Please remember to sit **ONLY ON THE MARKED GREEN SPOTS** *even if you are living in the one household*, to ensure 1.5meter social distancing between ALL parishioners. In Summary:

- **All registrations are online.** We will be printing a list, so *you do not need to print your ticket.*
- Please **ONLY phone the parish office if you do not have online access.** Thank you.
- **Online registration will close at 3pm the previous day for weekday Masses, and 3pm on Saturday for the Vigil and Sunday Masses.**
- **Temperature will be taken** as well as other protocols and health requirements, so please **arrive AT LEAST 15 MINUTES BEFORE the start of Mass.** *Once Mass starts, the doors will be closed.*
- **FACE MASKS** are not compulsory but are highly recommended to be worn.
- After Mass please take a disinfectant wipe (provided on each pew) to rub over surfaces where you have been sitting or come in contact with and place them in the bins provided as you leave.
- **Social gatherings after Religious Services is not permitted.** Please *do not gather outside the church after Mass.* Unfortunately, we must leave immediately upon exiting the church.
- Please note that **toilets will NOT be open.**
- **HOTSPOTS:** If you have attended any of the hotspots listed on the notice in the foyer, you must immediately self-isolate for 14 days and get tested even if you have no symptoms.

On a practical level may I also once again bring to your attention the following matters.

- Since collection plates can no longer be used, **please place your offerings for both first and second collections in the marked containers in the foyer.** Changing our long-held behaviour patterns is difficult, and I want to thank you for your understanding and support about this. The collections have been on average, about two thirds of what they were before the restrictions occurred. This has enabled us to 'pay our bills' but has necessitated very careful budgeting and financial oversight. I am very conscious of the financial strain of many people, but I sincerely ask that you try, if you are able, to maintain your usual offering as we cannot keep operating as normal at two thirds of our normal budget.
- If you have not yet collected your **Planned Giving Envelopes** from the church foyer, please do so as we are not posting them due to the high cost. I strongly encourage parishioners who currently give by envelope to change to Direct Debit or Credit Card contributions to ensure the regular income of the parish continues. **Please contact the parish office to arrange this.**
- **If you are not yet coming physically to Mass, please drop your Planned Giving Envelope into the secure letter box at the front entry to the Parish Office each week.** Please don't forget the first collection for the sustenance of the clergy (as we still have to live too!) If using the letter box, place this donation in a plain envelope and mark it 'First Collection'. **THANK YOU.**
- If you are not in the Parish Financial System and would like to join to support the Parish, forms are available at the Foyer Notice Board, or contact the parish office. *Thank you for your support.*
- The church still cannot be left open during the day at the moment.

**LIVESTREAM MASS** With the increased numbers now able to attend Mass, from Saturday 7 November, the Vigil Mass will **no longer be livestreamed.** However, for the benefit of sick, homebound and elderly parishioners, I will livestream the Tuesday 6.30pm Mass from Tuesday 10 November. The link to the parish YouTube channel is: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiQhkeubtYCBu\\_elfcglmaw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiQhkeubtYCBu_elfcglmaw)

**A WALK THROUGH ROSEMEADOW IS NOW AVAILABLE** this beautiful hardcover book on the theology and spirituality underpinning the design of the church written by Fr Christopher Sarkis contains full colour pictures of all the windows, art works and photos from Mass of Dedication. This book captures and explains the design & art of the church and a gives simply spiritual synthesis of what we believe as Catholic Christians. Available to purchase in Pious Goods Store parish price \$59.95 (retail \$69.95) with cash or credit card **ONLY**; for EFTPOS facilities, please visit parish office during business hours. If you would like Fr Sarkis to sign the book for you, call in to the Sacristy with it and he will happily do so. **Please note, that all proceeds from the book will go to the church.**

**CASUAL CLEANERS** are required for Mt Carmel Retreat Centre for 2021. Successful applicants will need to be fit, able to handle tasks involving lifting and carrying, and be able to work independently, and also harmoniously in a team environment. Information and enquiries, call John Ransom, 0435 857 690

**KINDERGARTEN 2021 APPLICATIONS** for our Parish Primary School are still being accepted and second round interviews will be held and conducted via telephone. Application forms can be downloaded from the Catholic Education Office, Wollongong website or collected from the primary school office. If downloading from the website, please remember to include a family photograph. Should you have any questions, please telephone the office on 4626 5655.

*"It is a holy and pious thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins. (2Macc12:46)*