

SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH  
23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9 September 2018

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DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL	
	1/2 SEPT	8/9 SEPT	1/2 SEPT	8/9 SEPT	1/2 SEPT	8/9 SEPT
VIGIL 6.00PM	M Peebles M Rolfe	D Fonseca S Fonseca	K Duncan	S Fonseca	J Webster	M De Roo
8.30AM	V Smith C McManus	S Joseph A Fazio	C McManus	E Villarin	G Knight	M Mourin
10.00AM	L Fenech	T Morell H Morell	E Robinson	T Morell	C Izen	M Smith
CHOIR 10.00AM	GROUP 2	GROUP 1	<b>READINGS</b>			
CHURCH CLEANING	GROUP 5	GROUP 6				
CHURCH FLOWERS	V Dally-Khadka	D Barry J Webster	1/2 SEPTEMBER Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 James 1:17-18,21-22,27 Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23		8/9 SEPTEMBER Isaiah 35:4-7 James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37	
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO: 1 STATUE NO: 2	R Fernandes M Sto Domingo		<b>FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK</b>			
ALTAR SOCIETY	E Guntan E Guntan	A Jachimczak	Monday St Gregory the Great, <i>pope, doctor</i> Saturday The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary			

# Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

Father Christopher G. Sarkis, Parish Priest

**Presbytery**  
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**Office Hours**  
Tuesday – Thursday  
9.00am – 4.00pm (Closed 12.45 - 1.15pm)  
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**SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

**OLHC ROSEMEADOW**

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

**VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC**

Saturday: 4.00pm

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

**OLHC ROSEMEADOW**

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

**ST. BEDE'S APPIN**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month 5pm

**DEVOTIONS**

Wednesday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8am – 8.55am before Mass.

Thursday: Rosary following Mass (*Rosemeadow*).

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

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday: Mass 10.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11am - 3pm.

**CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH**

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

MARRIAGES AND BAPTISMS by appointment

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE Tuesdays 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.

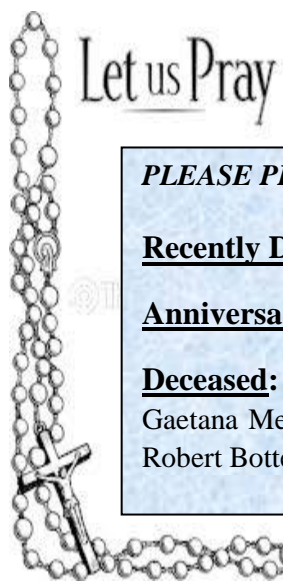
**ENTRANCE** Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call you.

**RESPONSE** The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

**CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK**  
Catholics gather with Francis in Dublin



**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Recently Deceased:** Sr. Mary Flynn PBVM; Roman Cwuk;

**Anniversary:** Maria Tran-Thi-Men; Penny Austen; Dorothy Davies; Subadra Wati; Janell Radzieta

**Deceased:** Giuliana Giordani; deceased members of the Gregory Family; Holy Souls; Oreste & Gaetana Meli; William Wales; Alex Russell; Michael Botterill; Peter Scott; Eric Stanley; Sid Scott; Robert Botterill; Joseph & Mary Bonello; Henk DeRoo; Carmen Ebejer;

**EXPOSITION** of the Blessed Sacrament before Wednesday Mass 8am – 8.55am.

**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD?** "I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst." "Lord, send us priests after your own heart to give us the Food of everlasting life - Your very Self in the Eucharist." Consider a call to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. Please contact Fr Duane Fernandez, Vocations Director, on 0414 626 357, [priesthood@dow.org.au](mailto:priesthood@dow.org.au)

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS** There will be Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament this coming first Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September from 11am to 12noon.

**ALPHA** is about building faith and belonging in our parish. Whether you're a lifelong believer, unsure or you feel like you've slipped away over time, Alpha is a great way to meet new people and explore life's big questions. If this is you, come along and bring a friend. There's no pressure, just a meal, a short film clip and relaxed conversation. Starts Tuesday 11 September at 7pm, in the parish meeting room. Contact Dudley Knight on 0421 475 133 or [dudleyk@iinet.net.au](mailto:dudleyk@iinet.net.au) for more information or to book your spot so we can make sure there's plenty of food for you!

**THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL** To support the retirement and health of clergy: caring for those who have cared for us. It is the responsibility of our Diocese, through the provision of accommodation, transport assistance and health care, to support and care for the retirement and health of our diocesan clergy. In our Diocese, this support is partly funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal, which will be held in our parish next weekend. Donations can also be made online via the Diocese of Wollongong's website [www.dow.org.au](http://www.dow.org.au)

**ARISE AND BUILD CONFERENCE** 8th September 2018, 2-5 PM at Cedars Christian College. Can you help bring Christ to the people of the Illawarra? Arise and Build is the annual gathering of City Women Illawarra. Topics to be covered include:

- Supporting women in crisis pregnancies - Jenny Cotter Gurry, Diamond Women's Support.
- Creating a city free from porn - Letitia Shelton.
- Saving women from sex trafficking - Jessica Ferriday, RAHAB.
- Supporting children through foster care - William Campbell, William Campbell Foundation.

Book online at <https://bit.ly/arisebuild> Tickets \$25 per person or \$100 for a group of 5.

Contact [info@citywomenillawarra.com](mailto:info@citywomenillawarra.com)



*Every worthwhile gift, every genuine benefit, comes from above says St. James in the second reading today. But, he reminds us, true worship of God involves using those good gifts to benefit the less fortunate. Good stewardship is not optional; it is the hallmark of our faith!*

**BE AWAKE NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE** 19-21 October 2018, Stanwell Tops Conference Centre. MenALIVE and the Young Men of God Movement (YMG) have united to host a life changing event for the men of this nation. Bringing together over 30 years of powerful ministry experience and capability led by a dedicated leadership team. Be inspired, be transformed. An event not to be missed! Registration now open <https://dow.sh/BeAwake2018>

**GROWING GOOD MEN** Diocese of Wollongong Father and Son Camp. A life changing father and son weekend will be held from 2-4 November at Cataract Scout Camp, Appin. Spots are limited to just 15 fathers with their son aged between 12-16. One of the most important influences in the lives of men is the relationship they had with their father, or significant father figure. The encouragement and affirmation that this relationship could and should provide is a key ingredient for how young men view themselves and embrace their gifts as they take their place in the world. This is a unique opportunity for dads and their sons to embark on a quest of discovery with Robert Falzon and the team from menALIVE. You don't get this time back so make this opportunity a priority! Contact Jude Hennessy on Ph: 4222 2407 or [jude.hennessy@dow.org.au](mailto:jude.hennessy@dow.org.au) to register or ask any questions.

**NEW CHURCH** Thank you to all who continue to give generously to our new church. As Our Lord said, "The amount you give out is the amount you will be given back." There are still many items of all prices still needed, as well as stained glass windows. General donations of any amount may be given as a contribution to any of the larger items listed as well as for general purposes relating to the new church and its furnishings. **Please Note:** Please go to our parish website to see what items are still available. While the list in the church is correct for the items needed, it is out of date regarding which items have been donated and to save paper we are not reprinting them. Alternatively, just call the parish office. A new, updated stained glass window list is available at the table. Thank you.

**PILGRIMAGE** Harvest Pilgrimages have asked me to lead another pilgrimage as chaplain. I have agreed to do so after the completion of the new church and will lead a 10-night pilgrimage to the **Lands of St Paul** leaving on 15 July 2019. The pilgrimage follows St. Paul in his missionary journey through ancient Greece and Turkey. There is an **optional extension to Malta** where Paul was shipwrecked on his way to Rome for trial which ended in his martyrdom. Some brochures are available at the Notice Board if you are interested or contact Harvest direct on P: 1800819156 E: [info@harvestjourneys.com](mailto:info@harvestjourneys.com) Web: [www.harvestjourneys.com](http://www.harvestjourneys.com)

**BETHANY BEREAVEMENT GROUP** meets on the first Wednesday of the month, 9.30 – 11.30am in the Parish Meeting Room. It is a simple gathering where you can meet and talk with people who are also grieving the loss of someone close. It includes prayer, reflection, and conversation with morning tea. Facilitated by the Catholic Cemeteries Trust. Enquiries & RSVP to Nancy 9646 6908 or email: [bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au](mailto:bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au) See Flyer on Notice Board.

**CURSILLO WEEKEND** 13-16 September at Hartzler Park, Bowral. This informal weekend is a wonderful experience aimed at developing your relationship with God, by sharing our faith through friendship and allowing you to really know how much you are loved by Him. Single rooms and home cooked meals add to a memorable experience. Men and Women's weekend run concurrently. For more information contact Ken 0417244059 or Geraldine 0421329365.

**GROUP 2 CHOIR – URGENTLY** requires more Adult and junior singers. Have you considered joining the OLHC Choir – to lead the parishioners with hymns for our lords Mass. Please consider as we need more singers. Remember to sing at *Our Lord's Mass*, you are twice blessed! For further information please contact the Parish Office on 4628 1385

**'HAPPY FATHER'S DAY'!**

**MAY ST. JOSEPH, THE GENTLE AND STRONG MAN OF FAITH, BE THE INSPIRATION AND PATTERN FOR ALL HUSBANDS AND FATHERS TO FOLLOW. MAY GOD THE FATHER BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU, MAY HE SHINE HIS FACE UPON YOU, AND MAY HE REWARD YOU FOR ALL THE SACRIFICES YOU MAKE FOR YOUR FAMILIES. AND MAY THOSE FATHERS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US, RECEIVE THE REWARD OF THEIR GOODNESS IN ETERNAL LIFE.**