

SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH
THIRD Sunday of EASTER
18 April 2021

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DEVINE MERCY
Second Sunday of Easter
Year B

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

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Presbytery
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Tuesday – Thursday
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DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL		AUDIO VISUAL	
	10/11 APR	17/18 APR	10/11 APR	17/18 APR	10/11 APR	17/18 APR	10/11 APR	17/18 APR
VIGIL 6PM	M Baert D Baert	E Robinson J Azzopardi	R Turner	E Robinson	Y Fenech	A Rojo	T Turner	T Kurisunkal
8.30AM	S Magua T Sto Domingo	B Buchanan K Dillon	S Lo Cascio	B Buchanan	K Dzevlan	G Rump	M Murphy	A Tonna
10.00AM	A Jachimczak D Peaker	V Gabrio O Montano	J Montano	A Jachimczak	D Peaker	M Matriano	B Peaker	A Failla
CHOIR 10.00AM	GROUP	GROUP	READINGS					
CHURCH CLEANING	GROUP	GROUP	10/11 APRIL Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31		17/18 APRIL Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 1 John 2:1-5 Luke 24:35-48			
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2								
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS					
			Parish (second Collection)		Clergy (first Collection)			
			BSB : 066 711 Acc No: 002395 Acc Name: Parish Church Reference: Family Name		BSB : 066 711 Acc No: 002026 Acc Name: Parish Presbytery Reference: Family Name			

SUNDAY MASS TIMES OLHC ROSEMEADOW	WEEKDAY MASS TIMES OLHC ROSEMEADOW
MASS BOOKINGS STILL REQUIRED VIA PARISH WEBSITE 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 st Saturday of the Month: 10.30am
VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC Saturday: 4.00pm	
DEVOTIONS – SUSPENDED except for: -	
1 st Friday: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;	
CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm Every 1 st Saturday 11am – 12 noon	
MARRIAGES by appointment	
BAPTISMS (1 st and 3 rd Sunday of the month) – by appointment	
SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS please visit parish website for dates & enrolment forms in Sacraments Tab	
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.

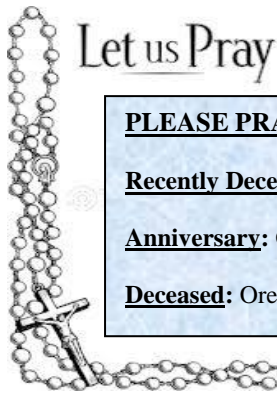
ENTRANCE Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

RESPONSE Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

COMMUNION Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
available in the foyer



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recently Deceased: Gonzald Abellana; Juanita Nunez; Kathleen 'Clare' Johnson;

Anniversary: George Joseph; Mariyamma Valkey;

Deceased: Oreste & Gaetana Meli; Charles, Rita & Godwin Fenech;

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

REQUEST PLEASE May I kindly ask all parishioner's not to start wiping seats or leaving the church *until after the priest has left the sanctuary* by the side or rear door. It is becoming too distracting now and happening earlier and earlier, sometimes even before the final Blessing. Thank you.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES Please return these to the container at the Notice Board, or the parish office. Thank you.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY This year we will not be able to hold the traditional Divine Mercy Devotions. Hopefully we will be back to "normal" next year.

EASTER WATER You are welcome to take some Easter Holy Water from the container near the Baptism Font. BYO bottle. *Push the round button on the front to release water. Do not twist or turn tap please.*

PASCHAL PRECEPT Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday (17 February) and Trinity Sunday (30 May) unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE Camp Australia have very successfully provided before (6.30am – 8.30am) and after school care (2.45pm – 6pm) for the past few years to children at our Parish school. This service is now open to all children regardless of where they attend school. For further information go to www.campaustalia.com.au or ring 1300 105 343 or go to the parish school website and click parent link www.olhcadow.catholic.edu.au

YOUNG ADULTS As Catholics, prayer should be part of our journey in coming to know our creator. Fr. Chris Sarkis will be presenting a talk on prayer, with a focus on *Scriptural Prayer*, and the importance of prayer in our lives. It will be Tuesday 27 April at 7:30pm in the Joachim Hall (the old church), Demetrius Road, Rosemeadow. Please note entry is limited to the young adults, 18 - 35 years, only. Coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided, donations greatly appreciated. All are warmly invited to attend 6:30 pm Mass before the talk. QR code registration will be required for Mass and the Hall.

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.*



The Christian community described in Acts understood and practised total stewardship. St. Paul reports that the believers did not claim anything as their own, but held everything in common, and distributed to each whatever was needed.

ATTENDENCE REGISTRATION All registration for Mass attendance is now by using Eventbrite on the Parish Website or by using the QR Code at the church entry with your mobile phone. *Without doing this, entry will not be possible.* It's best to use Eventbrite as QR code entry is only possible if seats are available. **SO PLEASE REGISTER BEFOREHAND.** Go to the parish website, 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. *Online registration closes at 3pm the previous day for weekday Masses, and 3pm on Saturday for the Vigil and Sunday Masses.* Please arrive **AT LEAST 15 MINUTES BEFORE the start of Mass** to avoid delay. *Once Mass starts, the doors will be closed.* **For all other parish gatherings, functions or meetings, registration will be by the QR Code only using your phone.** Thank you for your cooperation.

COVID PROTOCOLS AND RELATED MATTERS

- Gatherings for Religious Services including weddings and funerals is now **1 person per 2 square meter rule without any cap on numbers.** We can have up to 440 people in our church. The 1.5-meter social distancing between people should be maintained where possible. Where 1.5m social distancing cannot be maintained, a face mask is recommended.
- 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. **Please wait until the priest has left the Sanctuary before wiping. Thank you.**
- **HOTSPOTS:** If you have attended any designated "Covid hotspot" you must immediately self-isolate for 14 days and get tested even if you have no symptoms.
- 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.** Thank you for your ongoing financial support. We are 'paying our bills' but it 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 without it we simply could not continue to operate. Again, thank you.
- I strongly encourage parishioners who currently give by envelope to consider changing 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 in a separate envelope marked '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.*

CURSILLO in Wollongong will be holding a Three-Day Weekend at Hartzer Park Retreat Centre (Near Moss Vale) from Thursday evening 1st July to Sunday afternoon 4th July 2021 for both women and men. Listen to talks and join in small group discussion and discover a way to live the Gospel in everyday life refreshed and with friends. Enquiries please ring Denise on 0438254139 or email denisedamore0@gmail.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 retreat will be 30 April - 2 May 2021. A confidential individual online reflection is also available. All enquiries, phone: 0400 092 555 or website, www.rachelsvineyard.org.au

PIOUS GOOD STALL the Pious Goods Stall is reopening on 10 April. More volunteers are needed for all Masses. You would only be required to open the stall before and after Mass for approximately 15 minutes. If you are able to assist in this valuable ministry, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS FOR PERU MISSIONS Mary MacKillop International is collecting used postage stamps. Please find in church foyer container to place your used stamps and continue this support. It is through your efforts that the legacy of Saint Mary MacKillop continues in Peru today.

*Every time I hear a televangelist emphasise a personal relationship with Christ,
I thank God that I'm Catholic.
For only here can I receive the Lord - body, blood, soul and divinity.
It doesn't get much more personal than that.
Fr William Casey*