

SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 September 2018

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DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL	
	25/26 AUG	1/2 SEPT	25/26 AUG	1/2 SEPT	18/19 AUG	1/2 SEPT
VIGIL 6.00PM	E Robinson J Azzopardi	M Peebles M Rolfe	J Denniss	K Duncan	M Wolczak	J Webster
8.30AM	K Dillon	V Smith C McManus		C McManus	A Landrigan	G Knight
10.00AM	S Lo Cascio S Issac	L Fenech	S Lo Cascio	E Robinson	V Lo Cascio	C Izen
CHOIR 10.00AM	GROUP 3	GROUP 2	READINGS			
CHURCH CLEANING	GROUP 4	GROUP 5				
CHURCH FLOWERS	M Abdalla	V Dally-Khadka				
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO: 1 STATUE NO: 2	- -	R Fernandes M Sto Domingo				
ALTAR SOCIETY	M Turner C Jacobs	E Guntan E Guntan				
		25/26 AUGUST		1/2 SEPTEMBER		
		Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69		Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 James 1:17-18,21-22,27 Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23		
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK						
		Monday St Monica		Tuesday St Augustine, <i>bishop, doctor</i>		Wednesday The Passion of St John the Baptist, <i>martyr</i>

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

Father Christopher G. Sarkis, Parish Priest

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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 Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

RESPONSE Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

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
1st Saturday of the Month: 10.30am

ST. BEDE'S APPIN

1st Sunday of each month 5pm

DEVOTIONS

Wednesday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8am – 8.55am before Mass.
Thursday: Rosary following Mass (*Rosemeadow*).

1st Friday: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;
1st Saturday: Mass 10.30am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11am - 3pm.

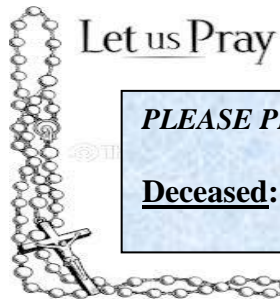
CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH

Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm
Every 1st 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.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
Available at the Front Notice Board



Let us Pray

PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

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

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS There will be Mass at 10.30am, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 11am to 3pm this coming first Saturday 1st September.

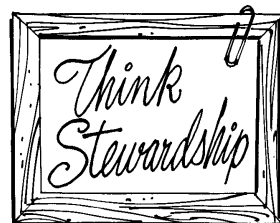
CONGRATULATIONS to David and Rosemary Olsson who celebrate the 40th (ruby) anniversary of their marriage. May the Lord who united you in the sacrament of matrimony continue to bless you with His grace and happiness.

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. Contact Dudley Knight on 0421 475 133 or dudleyk@inet.net.au for more information or to book your spot so we can make sure there's plenty of food for you!

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 Listen to what the Spirit is saying. Local animators of the Plenary Council 2020 for the Diocese of Wollongong were welcomed and encouraged at Mass celebrated with Bishop Brian Mascord at St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow. Most Local Animators for parishes have completed training to enable them to draw parishes into the processes of listening to what the Spirit is saying. As individuals and parish communities, there are some simple but important things you can do right now to participate. Visit the website www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au which provides great resources that will enable individuals and groups to learn more, pray for guidance, commence dialogue and subscribe for regular updates.

LIVE FESTIVAL 2018 On Friday 31 August, LIVE Festival is happening again! This is your opportunity to be a key part of the biggest Catholic youth and young adult event in the Diocese of Wollongong. LIVE Festival combines amazing live music, powerful guest speakers, workshops, food and games to create a powerful context for youth and young adults to encounter Jesus Christ. If you're over the age of 18 and can help out between 8am and 8:30pm, please get in touch with us via the details below. We look forward to seeing you there! Bethany Parrish: bethany.parrish@dow.org.au or 4222 2427

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



IN TODAY'S FIRST READING, JOSHUA CHALLENGES THE PEOPLE TO DECIDE WHOM THEY WILL SERVE. RECALLING GOD'S FAITHFULNESS TO THEM AND TO THEIR ANCESTORS, THE PEOPLE DECLARE, "WE ALSO WILL SERVE THE LORD, FOR HE IS OUR GOD." MAY WE, TOO, BE MINDFUL OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US AND RENEW OUR COMMITMENT TO SERVE HIM WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS.

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 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 Web: 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 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.

NSW DROUGHT APPEAL The Rural communities in NSW are in desperate need of assistance because of the severe drought. The St. Vincent de Paul Society has launched an Appeal to send funds to farmers to help feed livestock, groceries and pay bills. If you wish to donate something, please place donation in poor box located at Parish Notice Board or visit www.vinnies.org.au

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

The Eucharist is the secret of my day.

It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service

to the Church and to the whole world.