

SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH  
31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4 November 2018

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DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL	
	27/28 OCT	3/4 NOV	27/28 OCT	3/4 NOV	27/28 OCT	3/4 NOV
VIGIL 6.00PM	D Pottier J Webster	F Bugeja K Duncan	J Webster	F Bugeja	Y Fenech	A Rojo
8.30AM	G Harmour M Peebles	M Burke R Burke	M Peebles	M Burke	A Landrigan	A Landrigan
10.00AM	E Villarin	R/Z Ventura M Matriano	J Montano	E D'Mellow	V Lo Cascio	Volunteer Needed
CHOIR 10.00AM	<b>GROUP 3</b>	<b>GROUP 3</b>	<b>READINGS</b>			
CHURCH CLEANING	<b>GROUP 5</b>	<b>GROUP 6</b>				
CHURCH FLOWERS	M Sayasanne	M Abdalla	<b>27/28 OCTOBER</b> Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52		<b>3/4 NOVEMBER</b> Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28-34	
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO: 1 STATUE NO: 2	M Smith -	J Sto Domingo M Smith	<b>FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK</b>			
ALTAR SOCIETY	J Tonna K Siciliano	D Mason	<b>Thursday</b>	All Saints	<b>Friday</b>	All Souls

# 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** let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

**RESPONSE** The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

### 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.

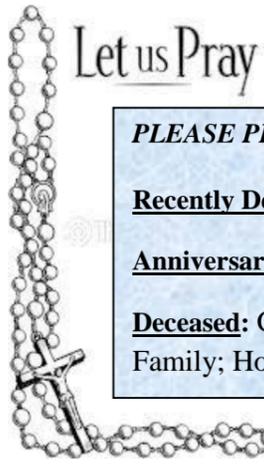
### CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH

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.

**CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK**  
Blessings for the Cute and cuddly



Let us Pray

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Recently Deceased:** Rommel Diaz;

**Anniversary:** Zenaida Alulod; Peter Lo Cascio

**Deceased:** Giuliana Giordani; Oreste & Gaetana Meli; deceased members of the Gregory Family; Holy Souls;

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

**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?** "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)

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Brian and Deborah Peaker who celebrate the Golden Anniversary, and Madona and Arul Jacob who celebrate the Silver Anniversary of their marriage. May God who united you in this holy sacrament, continue to sustain and bless you as you live out this Sacrament of love and witnessing to God's faithful love in the world. Blessings and happiness to you both!

**ALL SAINTS DAY** occurs this Thursday 1 November. Mass as usual at 9am.

**ALL SOULS DAY** occurs this Friday 2 November. Mass will be celebrated at **8.20am and 7.30pm**.

**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.

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS** there will be Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament this coming first Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, from 11am to 12noon.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

**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. Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Contact Dudley Knight on 0421 475 133 or [dudlevk@iinet.net.au](mailto:dudlevk@iinet.net.au) for more information or to book your spot.

**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020** Every Catholic parish in Australia is now involved in responding to the request of the Australian bishops to respond to three questions:

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the Church you would like to share?

Visit the website, [plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au) to take your submission.

**CHURCH READER REQUIRED** we require 1 reader. If you regularly attend 8.30am and are interested in this ministry, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.



Today's psalm says, "the Lord had done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.

**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** As announced last weekend, the Solemn Dedication of the church will occur on Friday 8 March 2019 at 7.30pm by Bishop Brian Mascord. It will be concelebrated by clergy from the Diocese of Wollongong and visiting clergy from other dioceses. As well as invited guests, notice will be given via the Parishes throughout the Diocese inviting any past parishioners who have moved, to return for this Mass. Following the Mass, a catered hot supper will be served in John Therry Hall. Further arrangements will be released as we get closer to the date. But the important thing now is to **mark off this date in your diary now**. Such an event usually occurs only once in a lifetime and it promises to be a most wonderful evening, both spiritually and as a celebration of our Parish 'coming of age' so to speak, where, by God's Grace and Our Lady's intercession, all the planning, effort and arduous work of 25 years will come to fruition.

On the donation front, we need about \$170,000 to reach the million-dollar mark required for the sacred and religious items needed for the church. Of the 46 stained glass windows, 33 have been donated. There is one window of the Mysteries of the Rosary left, (the Scourging of Our Lord), and it would be wonderful to have it as it would complete all the windows in the nave of the church. The other windows still available are in the chapels of Our Lady and Our Lord, and in the cupola above the sanctuary. If you have been thinking about contributing to the church but have not done so yet, please seriously think about doing so now. God is never outdone in generosity, and as we give to His Work, so we will receive back in ways beyond our imagination for truly, "the amount we give, is the amount we will be given back...and much more besides." Thank you.

**CHRISTMAS LITURGY MEETING** There will be a meeting to organise the Christmas Mass music on Thursday 8 November at 8pm in the Parish Office. It is essential that a representative of every choir is present. Thank you. **NOTE:** *We will also discuss arrangements for the church consecration at this meeting.*

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS** 2018 Calendars are now available from the Piety Store for \$9 each.



**INFORMATION AND ENROLMENT NIGHT FOR SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES FOR 2019**

An information and enrolment night will be held on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm** in the Primary School Multi-purpose hall for any parents/caregivers wishing to present their children **for any of the sacramental programs in 2019**. It is important you attend this night for all information and dates of the programs, as well as to enrol your children for **Reconciliation (Confession), First Holy Communion (year 3 and above) and Confirmation (year 6 and above) in 2019**. Please bring a copy (to attach to the enrolment form) of **birth** certificate and **baptism** certificate. If your child was baptised at OLHC or Appin,

you only need to bring a copy of their birth certificate. Fees may be paid on the night (\$25.00 Reconciliation, \$25.00 First Holy Communion, \$25.00 Confirmation). Thank you.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** 16–18 November 2018 at Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville. Book online at [www.wme.org.au](http://www.wme.org.au) or contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or [adrian.janet1@bigpond.com](mailto:adrian.janet1@bigpond.com)

**GETTING TO KNOW YOU GROUP** Once again the GTKY Group are holding a Melbourne Cup day. This year we are going to have a high tea lunch. If you haven't already made plans for the day come and join your fellow parishioners for a fun afternoon with a couple of sweeps and a craft stall. And, of course, don't forget to bring your plate of food for the High Tea and your fancy plate cup and saucer to eat from. Any money raised will be donated to the Parish. Come along, it will be great to see you all. Hats are optional



**FORGET ME NOT GROUP 2019** The Forget-Me-Not Group is starting up again in time for Christmas. You may be interested in being a part of this friendship group. Details of how it works are on the form at the front noticeboard. If you wish to join please fill out a form and place it in the box by Sunday 2 December, so new friends can be allocated by Christmas. Thank you the FMNG Co-ordinators

*"It is a holy and pious thought to pray for the dead  
that they may be loosed from their sins."*

2 Macc12:46