

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

*6th Sunday of Easter
5 May 2024*

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*Fifth Sunday Of Easter
Year B*

*Our Lady Help of Christians Parish
Rosemeadow*

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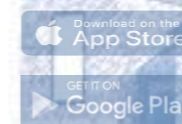
Office Hours

Parish Office Manager Mrs. Meshline Wolczak
Tuesday – Thursday 9.00am - 4.00pm (closed 1.00 – 1.30pm)
Friday – 9.00am – 2.30pm

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Parish APP



<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/olhc-rosemeadowparish/id1582260739#?platform=iphone>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=app.church>

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DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIETY STORE		AUDIO VISUAL	
	27/28 Apr	4/5 May	27/28 Apr	4/5 May	27/28 Apr	4/5 May	27/28 Apr	4/5 May
VIGIL 6PM	E Robinson J Azzopardi	G Bingham L Estrella	E Robinson	K Duncan	J Azzopardi	J Azzopardi	R D'Cunha	Robbie B.V.
8.30AM	E Villarin K Dillon	V Smith J Smith	E Villarin	E Villarin	K Knight	J Smith	M Murphy	D Knight
10.00AM	R Ventura Z Ventura	V Gabrio O Montano	A Espiritu	R Soares	D Tamayor	M Smith	N Lee	D Tamayor
CHOIR 10.00AM	Group 2	Group 1	READINGS					
			27/28 April 2024 Acts 9:26-31 1 John 3:18-24 Gospel: John 15:1-8		4/5 May 2024 Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 Gospel: John 15:9-17			
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2								
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS					
Monday – St Catherine Thursday – St Athanasius Friday – St Philip & St James			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
Sat. Vigil: 6.00pm Sunday: 8.30am Sunday: 10.00am	Tuesday: 6.30pm Wednesday: 9.00am Thursday: 9.00am Friday: 8.20am
VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC Saturday: 4.00pm	
DEVOTIONS: <i>All in the Church</i>	
Last Tuesday:	Men's Rosary - 7pm
Every Wednesday:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8am – 8.55am before Mass.
1st Friday:	Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;
CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm	
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 O Sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

RESPONSE I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

COMMUNION I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
available in the foyer

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Rhonda Brdge; K M Joseph

Anniversary: Mr & Mrs Walker; Fr John Whitty; Phong Bui; Lawrence Parcasio; Narcisa Parcasio;

Deceased: Charles-Rita Godwin; Oreste & Gaetana Meli;

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD St John Vianney spoke of the priesthood as the ‘love of the heart of Jesus.’ To be called to the priesthood and/or religious life is to love the people of God in a unique and dynamic way. (1 John 3) If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au

LIVESTREAM MASS Tuesday 6.30 pm weekday Mass. Access it from the Parish Website or Parish App or the Parish YouTube channel at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIQhkeubtYCBu_elfcglmaw

HOLY COMMUNION Please remember that when receiving Holy Communion, you must consume the Sacred Host immediately while facing the Altar, and NOT while walking way or returning to your seat. Thank you.

WEDDINGS: - Emma Randall & Andrew Harvey. *Congratulations and God’s blessings upon you.*

EASTER WATER You are welcome to take some Easter Holy Water from the container near the Baptism Font. **BYO bottle.**

Note: Just push the round button on the front to release water. Do NOT TWIST OR TURN TAP please.

MEN’S ROSARY Reminder that the Men’s Rosary continues this coming Tuesday 30 April, and every **last** Tuesday of the month at 7pm after the evening Mass.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament this coming first Friday 3rd April from 11am to 12 noon.

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER The new roster is now available. Please collect a copy from the Sacristy.

CATHOLIC CARE’S AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE FORUM is returning to Campbelltown on **Wednesday 8th May at Campbelltown Catholic Club** (20/22 Camden Road, Campbelltown) **at 9am-1pm.** This half-day information session provides seniors with practical information on the aged care system and healthy ageing, with presentations from CatholicCare staff, Seniors Rights Services NSW and NSW Fire & Resue Service. Places are limited. To register, call 02 4227 1122 or visit www.catholiccare.dow.org.au/events


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 (11 February) and Trinity Sunday (26 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.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT 2025 Applications for Kinder 2025 can now be located on our school website at: <https://olhcdow.catholic.edu.au/enrol/> You will be contacted for an interview with Fr Sarkis and Mrs Webb early next term. Please let family and friends know that **enrolment applications are now open and are due by Thursday 11th April 2024.** Children need to turn five (5) by July of the year that they will commence school.

NEW ROSTERS the new rosters for volunteers in **Reading, Extraordinary of Holy Communion, Choir Members, Piety Store, Church Audio, Church Open/ Close and Counters** are ready for collection, if you are a member any of this ministries, please collect your new roster from the front notice board. Thank you.

BELL RINGERS Calling all potential Bellringers! We need more people to join our team of Bellringers. Age is no barrier- young or mature! Practise is on Monday at 4pm in the rear Belltower Room. See Notice Board for more details or ring Brian on 0402 377 131.

AUDIO-VISUAL ROSTER We need more volunteers to operate the audio-visual display for all Masses. If you can help please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

 **CUPPA AFTER MASS.** Take the opportunity to meet fellow parishioners over a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit after the 10am Mass all arr welcome. We are also looking for more volunteers so please contact Ryan on 0412 939 705 if you are interested (would be no more than one morning per month). Thank you.

FREE CATHOLIC PODCASTS *Bible in a Year* with Fr. Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins. At: www.ascensionpress.com/biy
Catechism in a Year at www.ascensionRress.com/ciy Highly recommended.



In today’s Gospel, Jesus says that God is glorified when a disciple, grafted in Christ, produces abundantly and bears much fruit. The disciple must then be a good steward of that fruit which he has received.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024 This Sacrament will be celebrated on **Saturday 1st June 2024.** It is available to all children who are in Year 6 or above and have made their First Communion. If you wish your child to receive this Sacrament you **MUST** attend the first lesson for this programme on **Saturday 4th May 2024 commencing at 4.15p.m.** Please bring a photocopy of your child’s full birth certificate, and if they were not baptised in Rosemeadow Parish, a copy of their baptism certificate. Children will participate in lessons in the St. Joachim Parish Hall. This is the last opportunity for you to enrol for 2024. The programme fee of \$25 is also payable at the first lesson. **NOTE:** If you will be enrolling at the first lesson, then please arrive at **3.45pm to the Parish Hall before the lesson** to complete the paperwork. Thank you.

OLHC YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT CHOIR St Augustine said “*to sing is to pray twice*”. Dear youth/ young adults, you are warmly invited to join the new Youth Choir at OLHC Parish. Come and share your talents, whether it be an instrument or your voice, a beginner or a seasoned musician, all are welcome. Together, led by a great team, let's raise our community in praise and worship. For any questions or to register please contact Chris or Candice on +61 431 861 472. We look forward to hearing from you,

PENTECOST INTENSIVE RETREAT 17 - 22 May @ Carmel House, Varroville. Join the MGL Sisters as we discover the depths of God’s love through our Banquet Intensive and accept the invitation to radical intimacy with the Trinity. Discover the charismatic generosity of God in your own life of mission and discipleship. Enquiries: mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com Registrations: <http://www.trybooking.com/CNSXA>

COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKERS CatholicCare is seeking Community Support Workers. It will give you a career that you love, whilst providing a valuable connection to people living with a disability or the aged in our Diocese. Information at: catholiccare.dow.org.au/get-involved/careers/ or call 4227 1122.

RESTORE PALLIATIVE CARE FUNDING In the last State budget, \$150 million was slashed from palliative care, contradicting guarantees made at the time of the passing of new laws for Euthanasia. No one should be pushed into euthanasia because of funding issues. We need to urgently stand up for the sanctity of human life by objecting to these cuts. Please sign this petition and invite friends and family to do the same <https://bit.ly/restorethefunding>

CATHOLIC FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND | Fri 17 – Sun 19 May, Guntawang-Wooglemai Catholic Camping Facility, Oakdale. For families of every age, couples with or without children, single parents with their children, grandparents. Cost: \$30 per adult or \$70 per family. Enquiries: Jude Hennessy 02 4222 2407 or jude.hennessy@dow.org.au or [Info- CCFCWeekend](http://Info-CCFCWeekend)

CATECHIST TRAINING COURSE LEVEL 2 for SRE Teachers and Helpers to take their knowledge of teaching and the Catholic Faith deeper. Six Weeks. Mondays commencing 29 April– Wollongong – Xavier Centre (36 Harbour St, Wollongong) Fridays commencing 3 May – Campbelltown Catholic Club (20/22 Camden Road, Campbelltown). Time: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Enquiries / Registration to Sue Clark- Office: 4222 2416; Mobile: 0457 427 583. Email: support@ccdwoollongong.com

AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE CatholicCare is hosting a half-day information session for seniors with practical information on the aged care system and healthy ageing. Expert presentations from CatholicCare, Seniors Rights Services NSW, and NSW Fire & Rescue Service. Campbelltown Catholic Club, Wednesday 8 May at 9.30am-1pm. To register, call 02 4227 1122 or visit www.catholiccare.dow.org.au/events For information, contact Jane Hollier on 0417 018 152 or janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au

FOSTERING FUTURES PROGRAM CatholicCare are seeking separate foster care forever homes for two boys, aged 11 and 9 years. Lachlan is a happy, loving boy would like a family who can take him to the park to ride his scooter, kick a football around or push him on the swing. Jacob has a strong connection to his Samoan heritage and loves to play Pokemon on his Nintendo switch and watch superhero movies. He enjoys swimming, soccer, and basketball. (*names have been changed*). There is a critical shortage of foster carers at the moment. CatholicCare have over 30 years' experience helping carers give vulnerable children a loving home and a brighter future. Carers receive comprehensive support including training, worker support and career allowance for the child's day-to-day financial needs. If you can provide a safe and supportive home for these and other kids, please call 0418 783 956 or email fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au for more information and we will support you every step of the way.

THE CHOSEN Free to view TV series about Jesus, now in its third season, that beautifully and creatively presents the life of Christ and his followers. Go to: watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen or get the free app on your phone / laptop via *The Chosen app* (download), or for your Smart TV.

FAITH CIRCLES is a free weekly resource to help individuals but mainly small groups to come together in Parishes. It assists the development of faith and community, and is available for free to download. It is easy to use with simple questions and prayer points. Download at www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/ or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.

menALIVE reFUEL is a weekly hour-long gathering of men every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm on Zoom providing the chance to catch up with great men from across Australia and New Zealand, gain strength and inspiration by the witness of other men and pray together. Join at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468>

“You were made for perfect happiness.
That is your purpose.
No wonder everything short of God disappoints you.”
Archbishop Fulton J Sheen