

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

*3rd Sunday of Easter
14 April 2024*

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*Second Sunday Of Easter
Devine Mercy
Year B*

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

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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	
	6/7 Apr	13/14 Apr	6/7 Apr	13/14 Apr	6/7 Apr	13/14 Apr	6/7 Apr	13/14 Apr
VIGIL 6PM	J Webster A Pottage	F Bugeja K Duncan	J Webster	F Bugeja	J Webster	A Rojo	L Estrella	Robbie B.V
8.30AM	G Harmour B Buchanan	P Kenyon P Kenyon	G Harmour	M Rolfe	J Smith	C Vujanovic	M Murphy	D Knight
10.00AM	M David A Issac	F Rowe D Walles	J Montano	A Jachimczak	S Isaac & M David	M Smith	D Tamayor	B Peaker
CHOIR 10.00AM	No Choir	Group 2	READINGS					
			6/7 April 2024 Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 Gospel: John 20:19-31			13/14 April 2024 Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 1 John 2:1-5 Gospel: Luke 24:35-48		
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2								
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS					
Monday: The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD Thursday: St Stanislaus			PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS					
			Parish (second Collection) BSB : 066 711 Acc No: 002395 Acc Name: Parish Church Reference: Family Name		Clergy (first Collection) 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 Like a 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: Michelle S;

Anniversary: Mamerto Sebastian Sr.; Gonzalo Abellana;

Deceased: Gloria Ramos; Matriano & Ramos Families; Oreste & Gaetana Meli; Holy Souls; Janette Decesare;

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD Despite our lack of faith, Christ still calls and gives the strength to respond. Bring your questions to Him, that He might answer your doubts with His gentle, but persistent love. (John 20:19-31) If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au If you want to talk about your discernment, 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.

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.*

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

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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Following our Parish Retreat Evenings held last year, and after discussion with the current PPC, we will be moving forward by using the Bishop's document, "Come and See, Go and Make" as a guide for our future direction. To commence this process, **I am inviting any interested parishioners to attend a series of six (6) sessions that will work through this document.** At the conclusion of these evenings, I will appoint a new PPC from among those attending. The sessions will be held on **Fridays: 15 & 22 March; 5, 12, 19 & 26 April, from 7.30 – 8.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room** adjacent to the parish office. Please ring the Parish Office if attending so we have an idea of numbers please.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Will be celebrated here today, **SUNDAY 7th April at 2.30PM IN THE CHURCH.** The Devotion will consist of Exposition, Scripture Reading and Sermon; the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and conclude with Benediction. Please let others who are interested know, even if they are from other parishes, that this devotion will be celebrated here on **SUNDAY 7th April at 2.30PM IN THE CHURCH.**

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. **On Sunday 7th April, after the 10am Mass, Mrs Webb, the school Principal, will open the school for families who wish to have a tour of the school. All are welcome.**

POSITION VACANT *Executive Assistant- Welcoming and Information.* An exciting opportunity exists for a suitably experienced and qualified person for this position at the Diocesan Offices in Wollongong. Visit the website dow.org.au/JOBS/ Email applications (closing Tuesday 9 April) to: recruitment@dow.org.au For all enquiries, call Robin Williams on (02) 4222 2402

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,



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.



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.

MEN'S RETREAT A Reflection Day for men at Mt Schoenstatt. 9am – 4pm Saturday, 20 April 2024. What does it mean to be a Schoenstatt Man. Fr Pawel OP. More info: Jim Jankiewicz 0432 487 927 Email: mensbranch@schoenstatt.org.au.

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. RSVP: Mon 8 March. Enquiries: Jude Hennessy (02 4222 2407 / jude.hennessy@dow.org.au or Info-CCFCWeekend

EMMAUS SILENT RETREAT Friday 19 - Sunday 21 April, Varroville. Embark on the sacred journey of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. This retreat is run by the MGL Sisters and is for both men and women; trybooking.com/CNSXX

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

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 – Emmaus Centre (Suite 3.01, Building B, Level, 3, 4 Hyde Parade, Campbelltown). Time: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Enquiries / Registration to Sue Clark- Office: 4222 2416; Mobile: 0457 427 583. Email: support@ccdwoollongong.com

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>

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.ascensionpress.com/ciy Highly recommended.

Peace is that deep interior knowledge that no matter what may be happening in our lives, or the world, in God's time all will be well because Christ has Risen!