

HOW TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH FAMILY FINANCIALLY AT THIS TIME:

As you would be aware with the closing down of our Churches, the financial support of our parish is now very different. The parish is receiving very limited income at this time. We are very appreciative of those who continue to drop in envelopes each week and also those who are taking advantage of online contributions. As we continue to receive our expenses each week, it is important, that, if it is at all possible, parishioners continue to offer their financial support to our parish family. This can be done **ELECTRONICALLY VIA Internet banking to St. Aidan's Church, Rooty Hill NSW 2766**, you can make a **direct deposit into our account**. All contributions are greatly appreciated and will help meet the upkeep needs of our Parish.

The details are as follows:-



Name of Bank: Commonwealth Bank
BSB: 067 950
Account Number: 00000529
Account Name: Rooty Hill Catholic Church
Reference: YOUR NAME IN FULL



You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413. PLEASE RETURN ALL PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES ASAP.



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DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT:

Young Christian Students Worker (full-time) – Parramatta Young Christian Workers – Applications close Monday 30 April **More details at: parracatholic.org/employment**

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA COVID-19 UPDATE

Parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have COVID-Safety plans in place requiring social distancing, maximum attendance figures and other safety measures. It is currently highly recommended that masks be worn to Mass and other services. You are encouraged to check with your parish on what measures they have in place before attending. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website www.parracatholic.org/covid19

'THE WELL' OFFERS NEW REFRESHMENT IN 2021

'The Well' is back in 2021. The team are hoping to drip-feed new and relatable content every 72 hours that supports your ministry with family, friends, students, colleagues and strangers. A range of new resources for Holy Week and Easter will be uploaded this week, including a full re-enactment of the Passion of the Lord. Check it out on www.thewell.org.au

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP RESOURCES AVAILABLE

The Office For Worship has a range of resources available for purchase for individuals and parishes. Resources such as parent material for a child's baptism and a collation of prayers can be purchased from the Office For Worship by contacting (02) 8838 3457.

ST BERNADETTE'S LALOR PARK WEDNESDAY EVENING DEVOTIONS

St Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park, is hosting weekly devotions to Mary Immaculate and St Bernadette every Wednesday evening at 7pm, followed by Mass at 7.30pm. All are welcome. For more information, contact the parish office on (02) 9672 4037 or admin@stbernadetteslalorpark.org.au

SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 FOOD AND TOILETRIES DRIVE

Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by running a food and toiletry drive or donating yourself. For more information, contact House of Welcome on office@houseofwelcome.com.au or (02) 9727 9290 or JRS on foodbank@jrs.org.au or (02) 9098 9336.

LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY OFFICE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Dates for the Diocesan Life, Marriage and Family Office's in-person marriage preparation weekend courses in 2021 are now available, with the SmartLoving Engaged Online course another option to prepare for your marriage. For more information, or to book your course, visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp or call (02) 8838 3460.

JOIN THE BELLRINGERS OF ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

The Peal of Bells of St Patrick's Cathedral have been officially installed. Bell ringing commences 10.30am Sundays ahead of the Solemn Mass. If you would like to enquire about learning to ring the bells, please contact Fr Christopher Del Rosario on Christopher.Del-Rosario@parracatholic.org. For further information, please visit <https://stpatscathedral.com.au/bellsofstpatricks/>

PASTORAL COUNCIL FORMATION AND TRAINING

The Pastoral Planning Office are hosting monthly Zoom sessions offering tips, tricks and best practice in a variety of areas for healthy and productive parish, deanery and diocesan pastoral councils. Sessions will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 7.30pm to 9pm. If you are on a council or work closely with our councils, claim this date. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/serving-christs-mission> or contact Lisa for more information on 0448 652 720 or lisa.bright@parracatholic.org

Second Sunday of Easter

Year B

10th-11th April, 2021



Parish And Other News



General Directory - 9 Adelaide Street, Rooty Hill N.S.W. 2766.

PARISH OFFICE
MONDAY CLOSED
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, 10.00am - 4.30pm.
FRIDAY 9.30am-2pm

WEEKEND/WEEK DAY MASSES
Vigil: 6.00pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am 5.30pm
Monday: 9.00am
Tuesday: 9.15am
Wednesday: 9.15am; 7.00pm
Thursday: 9.15am
Friday: 9.15am & 7.00pm
Saturday: 9.00am.

THE FOLLOWING MASSES ONLY WILL BE LIVE STREAMED

Please use this link to watch St. Aidan's Daily Mass at anytime during the day.

Live streaming times are:-

Sunday 9.00am
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.15am
Wednesday 9.15am
Thursday 9.15am

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCy5n3vxtKz7yEY_VjPTdVQI live

Terence Smith youtube.com

YOUTH

YOUTH CONTACT: Lawrence Jadraque 0422 149 558

EMAIL: staidans.eucharisticyouth@gmail.com

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

8.00pm-9.00pm every THURSDAY
4pm-5pm every SATURDAY

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By Appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

At least six months notice required, plus birth, baptism certificates.

PERSONNEL

Parish Priest: Fr. Alan Layt
Assistant Priest: Fr. Galbert Albino
Deacon: Jerome Emmanuel
Parish Secretary: Mrs Elizabeth Idaszak
Phone: (02)9625-8404.

Email: staidanschurch@bigpond.com
rootyhill@parracatholic.org

Website: <https://rootyhillparish.org.au>

Parish Sacristans

Stan Pakulski / Justice of the Peace 0417 428 875
Michael Piliac

Sacramental Co-ordinators

To contact please ring Parish Office

PRINCIPALS:

St. Aidan's Primary
Mrs Marian Bell
(02) 8886 9800;

St. Agnes Catholic High School
Ms Lisa-Maree Browning
(02)8882-0700;

Loyola Senior High School
Mrs Cathy Larkin
(02) 9832-4455.

SUNDAY MASSES IN THIS CHURCH

A congregation can be no larger than 225 during the 2 square metre rule. So we will have a Covid Marshall sitting outside and once we have reached 225, you will be asked to sit outside.



We have made some changes to encourage you to come back to Mass. We will now have a SUNDAY MASS at 5.30pm.

The Bishop has given us this exemption from the obligation for the duration of the Covid19 Pandemic. FACE MASKS ARE RECOMMENDED AT ALL MASSES

Second Sunday of Easter – MASS DURING THE DAY - YEAR B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING

ACTS 4:32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole group was united, heart and soul.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 117:2-4. 15-18. 22-24. R. V.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

- Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**
- The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. **(R.)**
- The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 JN 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St John

Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world. Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world;

– our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JN 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

GOSPEL

JN 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.' 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Creed is said.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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



DURING THE WEEK PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:-

Please remember in your prayers recently deceased, Silvestre Robles, Talaole Vanu Semeatu, Manolo Tan Calicdan, Teodora Concepcion, Lucita Losbanes, Jose Manocsoc.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Guillermo Manuel, Teresita Maningas, Janina Pakulski, Luciano & Saturnina Acido, Malia Piliae, Leslie Clarke, Sommai Tunhavasana, Malcolm Honse, Faith Fitzpatrick-Browne, Terence Fitzpatrick-Browne, Caterina Catone, Miguela Eclar Roncal, Rosevida S. Demerin, Jose Briones, Auralyn B Constantino.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

For those among us who are sick, may they be healed through the wounds of the crucified Jesus and the intercessory prayers of The Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, especially, Teodora Concepcion, Mirjana Kljajic, Vicki Chown, Milagros Sunga, Ramon Rivera, Antonio Samson Noemilita Jara, Logan Sebastian Cruz, Mariles Hollero, Elizabeth Tiqui Bueno, Katarzyna Haladus, Mario Bocasam, Stipe Mlinaric, Eugene Champion, Yolanda Sausa Lopez, Grozdana Maric Manalo, Jasmin Fray Prada, Mai Mascarenas, Teresita Rivera.

CONFESSIONS

I know many people have not been using this Sacrament nearly as much as they should.



So we will add 8.00pm - 9.00pm of a Thursday night to our confession times.

If you come between 8.00pm and 9.30pm on Thursday you will find me in the Church waiting for you. *Fr. Alan*

Movie will be screened as per following in the MacKillop Hall on the following days:-

Love And Mercy: Faustina

Saturday 17th April 7:00pm

Sunday 18th April 6:30pm

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

11th April, 2021

St. Aidan's Parish

1.00pm Adoration

3.00pm MASS

Confessions 1-3pm



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

We now have available

Donation Point in the Church

where you can

TAP YOUR CARD and GO.

Just place your card as shown on the machine and **\$10.00** will be donated to

St. Aidan's Church from your account.

Please make sure that your card has registered before touching the machine again otherwise it doesn't work.

The machine is located

in the gathering area of the Church.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**BAPTISMS AT ST. AIDAN'S CHURCH
WILL BE HELD EVERY 2ND & 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
AT 12.00PM**



NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION

Wednesday, 5th MAY, 2021

7.30pm Parish Centre Rooty Hill Road North Rooty Hill

(Please fill in Baptism Registration Form at the Parish Office during office hours and bring the child's birth certificate with you). If possible please do not bring toddlers to the instruction evenings as this can be very distracting.

Thank you Fr. Alan Layt

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND THIS INSTRUCTION YOU CHILD'S BAPTISM COULD BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FOLLOWING MONTH. GODPARENTS CHOSEN SHOULD BE CATHOLIC.

NEXT BAPTISM

2nd SUNDAY - 11th APRIL, 2021

4th SUNDAY - 25th APRIL, 2021 (full)

SACRAMENT OF

Confirmation

Parent Information Evening

Wednesday, 28th April, 2021

7.30pm Mary MacKillop Hall



Registration

1st-2nd May, 2021

**Sacristy in the Church
after all the weekend Masses**

Parent Instruction Evening

Wednesday, 5th May, 2021

7.30pm Mary MacKillop Hall

Children's Sessions

Sunday mornings 8.30am Mary

MacKillop Hall

9th May, 2021	16th May, 2021
23rd May, 2021	30th May, 2021
6th June, 2021	