

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



Fifth Sunday of Easter

Year B

1st-2nd May, 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/UCCy5n3vxtKz7yEY_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
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rootyhill@parracatholic.org
Website: <https://rootyhillparish.org.au>



Parish Sacristans
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Michael Piliae
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.



PLANTS FOR SALE IDEAL FOR MOTHER'S DAY GIFT



Sale commences on Saturday, 1st May, 2021 9.00am at 14 Wattle Place, Rooty Hill. Please contact Clarita 0455 380 996. Proceeds will go to our needs. Thank you and see you all very soon. This Fundraising is with consent of our Parish Priest Fr. Alan Layt.

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. 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.



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ANNIVERSARY MASS IN COMMEMORATION OF VENERABLE EDEL QUINN 1907-1944

LEGION ENVOY TO AFRICA



The legion of Mary is inviting all parishioners to join us in the mass offered in commemoration of the anniversary of Venerable Edel Quin on Saturday 15th May 2021 at St Aidan's Parish. Opening prayers and rosary will begin at 8:30a.m followed by Mass at 9:00a.m and adoration till 10.30am.



HELP FOR MARRIAGES UNDER STRESS:

The BreakThrough Online Course created by SmartLoving will enable you to identify your conflict triggers, learn strategies to de-escalate an argument and find constructive ways to re-establish connection. Restore hope for your relationship's future. Visit: smartloving.org/breakthrough
Divine Mercy Discount - 50% until May 10, 2021.

DIocese OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT:

Head: Formation for Mission – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close Monday 10 May
Head: Mission Engagement – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close Monday 10 May 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

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 exemption from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday for the duration of the Covid19 Pandemic.
FACE MASKS ARE RECOMMENDED AT ALL MASSES



Fifth Sunday of Easter - MASS DURING THE DAY - YEAR B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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.

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

FIRST READING ACTS 9:26-31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 21:26-28. 30-32. R. V.26

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever! **(R.)**

2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **(R.)**

3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.' **(R.)**

SECOND READING 1 JN 3:18-24

A reading from the first letter of St John
His commandments are these: that we believe and that we

love one another.

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JN 15:4-5

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

GOSPEL JN 15:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.
Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away - he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

The Creed is said.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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.



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

Please remember in your prayers recently deceased, Pascasio Del Rio Vicario II, Francis Bastiampillai, Antonija Kuzmanovski, Alexander Lolesio Tonga, Jose Agtuca, Arnold S Ocampo, Tan-Ah-Bah, Sr. Mary Francis Anover, Reynaldo Maligalig, Ramon Nonato Lucas, Ramona Venta, Norma & Jorge Jardin, Fortunato Fontimayor, Rose Broderick, Ricardo dela Paz.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Rita Hili, Paul Cortis, Fr Jack Soulsby, Roberto Camarines, Dimitria Balite, Amor & Virginia Fontimayor, Ely & Norma Favor, Susan A Baquiran, Tom Mills, Patrick & Olga Thomas, Allwyn & Daisy Assey.

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, Mary Catania, Mariafe Young, Maria Fe Young, Jeanne Arena, Ronnie, Amelita Coleman, Alf Diaz, Susan Aranez-SMith, Teodora Concepcion, Mirjana Kljajic, Vicki Chown, Milagros Sunga, Ramon Rivera, Antonio Samson Noemilita Jara, Logan Sebastian Cruz, Mariles Hollero, Elizabeth Tiqui Bueno, Katarzyna Haladus, Jasmin Fray Prada, .

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*

MOTHER'S DAY ROSES



Give your mum a rose this Mother's Day! St Aidan's Eucharistic Youth will be selling Mother's Day roses to fundraise for their youth activities.

When: May 8-9 after the Saturday Vigil 6:00pm, Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am & 10:30am Masses

Cost: \$5 per rose or \$9 for 2 roses

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 machines are 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 - 9th MAY, 2021 (Mother's Day)

4th SUNDAY - 23rd MAY, 2021 (full)

SACRAMENT OF

Confirmation

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	

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED

Tuesday, 15th June, 2021 - 7.30pm
Thursday, 17th June, 2021 - 7.30pm