

HOW TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH FAMILY FINANCIALLY 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

We also 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.

IMMACULATA MISSION SCHOOL 2023

"Victory of the Cross"

Come and begin the new year with Christ and, like Mary, let us magnify the Lord. Join us for 10 days of prayer, daily Mass, awesome speakers, mission, recreation and much more.

DATE: 1-10 January 2023

LOCATION: NEGS (New England Girl's School), 13-83 Uralla Road, Armidale NSW 2350

COST: For 15-35 year olds = \$490

COST FOR FAMILIES AND 35+

(from 5th Jan, 2023)

\$310 (adults & teens 16+)

\$290 (12-15 year olds)

\$200 (4-11 year olds)

Donation (3 years and under)

Cost includes accommodation and all meals

Register Now! (Close 20th December, 2022)

sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims

For more info, search "The Sisters of the

Immaculata" on Facebook

ADVENT/SUMMER 2022 CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE OUT NOW!

The Advent | Summer 2022 version of the Catholic Outlook Magazine is out now! This edition, discover how our multicultural families across the Diocese are celebrating Christmas, learn about using Christmas to deepen your marriage and read Bishop Vincent's Christmas message. Pick up your free copy from parishes and offices across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains today or read it online via catholicoutlook.org/magazine

ST AIDANS CATHOLIC CHURCH CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION TIMES

FIRST RITE: Saturday, 17th December, 2022 3:00pm - 5:00pm

FIRST RITE: Wednesday, 21st December, 2022 10:00am - 12:00pm

7:30pm - 9:00pm

FIRST RITE: Thursday, 22nd December, 2022 7:00pm - 9:00pm

FIRST RITE: Saturday, 24th December, 2022 10:00am - 12:00pm

3:00pm - 5:00pm

MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS

DAWN MASS

FRIDAY December 16th, 2022 through to

SATURDAY, 24th December, 2022, 4:30pm

SATURDAY CHRISTMAS EVE

24th December, 2022

6:00pm Vigil

11:00pm Carols

SUNDAY, 25th December, 2022

12:00am MIDNIGHT MASS

7:30am Morning Mass

9:00am Morning Mass

10:30am Morning Mass

5:30pm Mass



MONDAY, 26th December, 2022 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

9:15am Mass

TUESDAY, 27th December, 2022

9:15am Mass & 7:00pm Charismatic Mass

WEDNESDAY, 28th December, 2022

9:15am Mass & 7:00pm Mass

THURSDAY, 29th December, 2022

9:15am Mass

FRIDAY, 30th December, 2022

9:15am Mass & 6:00pm Mass

SATURDAY 31st of December, 2022

9:15am Mass & 6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, 1st JANUARY 2023 - Feast of Mary, Mother of God

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 5:30pm

MONDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 2023

9:15am Mass

St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 24th & 25th of December 2022

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Stan Pakulski	Joel Apostol	Teresita Apostol	Myriam Amarilla
Sunday 7:30am	Alma Espina	Anthony Pereia	Walter Roberts	TBA
Sunday 9:00am	Rita Di Stefano	Jerome Canares	Mona Canares	Lina Vaasilli
Sunday 10:30am	Edith Garsuta	Rizaldy Guintu	Mary Bringera	Sen Custodia
Sunday 5:30pm	Romeo Aranda	Emmanuel Mata	Aurora Mata	TBA

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 23rd - 25th of December 2022

Group 4	Margaret Taito	Peter Taito	-
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FOURTH
SUNDAY OF
ADVENT
YEAR A
17th & 18th
of
DECEMBER
2022

St Aidan's Parish and Other News



9 Adelaide Street, Rooty Hill, NSW 2766

Parish Priest: Fr Alan Layt
 Assistant Priest: Fr. Galbert Albino
 Deacon: Jerome Emmanuel
 Parish Secretary: Elizabeth Idaszak
 Phone: (02) 9625 8404
 Email: staidanschurch@bigpond.com
 rootyhill@parracatholic.org
 Website: http://rootyhillparish.org.au

PARISH OFFICE OPERATING HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

10:00am - 4:30pm

WEEKLY MASSES

Monday: 9:15am

Tuesday: 9:15am

Tuesday: 7:00pm Charismatic Mass

(Mary's Little Children)

(This Charismatic Mass will resume at the end of January, 2023)

Wednesday: 9:15am & 7:00pm

Thursday: 9:15am

Friday: 9:15am & 7:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am & 6:00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am 5.30pm

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:-

Monday 9:15am

Tuesday 9:15am

Wednesday 9:15am

Thursday 9:15am

Sunday 9:00am

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCy5n3vxtKz7yEY_VjPTdVQ/live

Terence Smith youtube.com

ST AIDANS PARISH LEGION OF MARY JUNIOR PRAESIDIUM

Parents and Children of age 6-16 years

6:00pm-7:00pm- Every Friday at St Aidan's Parish Centre.

For more information please call

Fr Alan Layt on (02) 9625 8404

or Boy Torres on 0468 853 857

PARISH SACRISTAN

Stephen Pritchett 0431 499 208

ASSISTANT SACRISTAN

Anthony Pereira 0422 884 160

YOUTH

YOUTH CONTACT: Maelody Gevero: 0426 263 081

Josh San Pedro: 0481 372 544

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JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB

Every 1st Sunday of the Month 11:30am-2:00pm

In the Mary Mackillop Hall

ST AIDANS YOUTH

Every 3rd Friday of the Month 7:30pm-9:00pm

In the Parish Centre

YOUNG ADULTS FORMATION

Every 4th Friday of the Month 7:30pm-9:30pm

In the Parish Centre

SACRAMENTAL CO-ORDINATORS

To make contact please ring the Parish office

During operating hours

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Thursday 8.00pm-9.00pm

Saturday 4:00pm-5:00pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By Appointment

Every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

At least six months notice is required,

plus birth and Baptism certificates.

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

ST. AIDANS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs Marian Bell

(02) 8886 9800

ST. AGNES CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Mrs Janette Holland

(02) 8882 0700

LOYOLA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mrs Cathy Larkin

(02) 9832 4455

EARLY DAWN MASSES

Early Dawn Masses will be

held here at St Aidan's

Parish from Friday the

16th of December at

4:30am through to the

24th of

December 2022, 4:30am.

All are Welcome to attend



We would like to wish everyone a very happy and Holy Christmas and a blessed New Year!

Fr Alan, Fr Galbert,

Deacon Jerome and the whole Parish team



FOURTH SUNDAY
OF
Advent

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Drop down dew from above, you heavens,
and let the clouds rain down the Just One;
let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.
The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest)
is not said.

FIRST READING **Is 7:10-14**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
The virgin will conceive.
The Lord spoke to Ahaz and said, 'Ask the
Lord your God for a sign for yourself coming
either from the depths of Sheol or from the
heights above.' 'No', Ahaz answered 'I will not
put the Lord to the test.'
Then Isaiah said:
'Listen now, House of David:
are you not satisfied with trying the
patience of men
without trying the patience of my God,
too?
The Lord himself, therefore,
will give you a sign.
It is this: the maiden is with child
and will soon give birth to a son
whom she will call Immanuel,
a name which means "God-is-with-us".'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps 23:1-6. R. see vv 7. 10**

(R.) Let the Lord enter;
he is king of glory.
1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. (R.)
2. Who shall climb the mountain of the
Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. (R.)
3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. (R.)

SECOND READING **Rom 1:1-7**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
*Jesus Christ, a descendant of David, is the Son of
God.*
From Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus who has been
called to be an apostle, and specially chosen to

preach the Good News that God promised long
ago through his prophets in the scriptures.
This news is about the Son of God, who, according
to the human nature he took, was a descendant of
David: it is about Jesus Christ our Lord who, in the
order of the spirit, the spirit of holiness that was in
him, was proclaimed Son of God in all his power
through his resurrection from the dead. Through
him we received grace and our apostolic mission
to preach the obedience of faith to all pagan
nations in honour of his name. You are one of
these nations, and by his call belong to Jesus
Christ. To you all, then, who are God's beloved in
Rome, called to be saints, may God our Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ send grace and peace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
A virgin will give birth to a son;
his name will be Emmanuel: God is with us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Mt 1:18-24**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew
*Jesus was born of Mary, the betrothed of Joseph,
a son of David.*
This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His
mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph; but before
they came to live together she was found to be
with child through the Holy Spirit. Her husband
Joseph, being a man of honour and wanting to
spare her publicity, decided to divorce her
informally. He had made up his mind to do this
when the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a
dream and said, 'Joseph son of David, do not be
afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because
she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit.
She will give birth to a son and you must name
him Jesus, because he is the one who is to save his
people from their sins.' Now all this took place to
fulfil the words spoken by the Lord through the
prophet:
The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son
and they will call him Emmanuel,
a name which means 'God-is-with-us'. When
Joseph woke up he did what the angel of the Lord
had told him to do: he took his wife to his home.

The Creed is said.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold,
a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;
and his name will be called Emmanuel.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Apolinario Reyes, Rommel S Santos, Nelia Stynes,
Elsie Nallos & Calisto R Cataquiz.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Josephine Cortis, Diana Fernandez, Jesus Zamo-
ra, Leslie Clarke, Corazon Susi &
Neil Barry Langan.

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, Jose Rommel, Jo Rhee, Mrs Tara Ram, Mrs
Joanne Rhee, Geronimo Zaragoza Amy Fitz, Gloria D
Amarilla, Cecilia Bautista, Pika Taateo, John Carney,
Katarzyna Haladus, Jasmin Fray Parada, Stipe
Mlinaric, Myra Chavez, Alma Espina, Virginia Casinto,
Amy Fitz, Josefina Wiggins, Logan Sebastian Cruz,
Romeo Susi, Marichu Walker, Reynaldo B Ramos,
Rosie Frago, Rommel S Santos, Myra Chavez, Boyet
Llave, Walter Roberts Sr., Mrs S Outschoorn, Felise
Faleono, Ravneet Ram, Nenita Gonzales, Manase
Fifita, Milagros Felizando, Cecilia Bautista, Mary
Mallett, Lydia Maalat, Tessie Demanuel & Fe Spliet.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please make sure you clearly write the name/s of the
person/s and what the intention is
(Sick, Deceased, Commemorative Deceased).
If this is not clearly marked, unfortunately the names
will not be able to be placed into the newsletter.



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

THE NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING IS ON
WEDNESDAY the 4th of JANUARY

7.30pm Parish Centre
Rooty Hill Road North Rooty Hill
(Please fill in the 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.

OUR NEXT BAPTISMS

SUNDAY the 18th of DECEMBER 2022
SUNDAY the 8th of JANUARY 2023

PERPETUAL ADORATION NEWS

1. Perpetual Adoration in this parish began on the 20th
November, the Feast of Christ the King, and has now been
running for three weeks. I would sincerely like to thank all
of our adorers for the commitment they have shown for
this adoration. I'm sure that Jesus is very pleased with
everyone who adores Him, especially those who are
committed to this on a regular basis.
2. We must try to understand what we are doing when we
commit to adoring the Blessed Sacrament on a regular
basis. It's easy to see this from a human perspective that I
am responding to those two questions that I mentioned
earlier:
"Do you love Me?"
"Will you spend one hour with Me?" by freely choosing to
adore Jesus. It is your free choice to respond to His love
for you by loving Him in this way in return.
3. This is perfectly true but it is not a fully supernatural
perspective. Such a perspective tries to see what you are
doing from God's standpoint.
4. Firstly we love Him because the love of God has been
poured into our heart with the gift, by the Father and the
Son, of the Holy Spirit to us.
5. It is this same Spirit who has moved us to love Jesus in
this particular way. A way that is a great gift.
6. In a real sense Jesus has invited us to spend one hour
with Him, conversing with Him face to face, regularly every
week.
7. This is an extraordinary act of love on His part. How
many people does He personally invite to do this? You
could say everyone, which is true, but in you His grace has
brought about an effective free response of; "Yes, I want to
spend one hour with You."
8. More than ever, now that you have chosen to love Jesus
in this way, having laid your hand to the plough, you do
not look behind you. You don't count the cost, you simply
plough straight ahead.

Some Practical Issues

* Afternoons from 12.00 to 2.00pm are proving a little
difficult to fill, as are Saturday and Sunday evenings. If you
have accepted an hour in these time-slots please let your
captain know if you can't make it or are experiencing
difficulties doing it every week.
* Please be on time. The adorers before you can't be
expected to stay because someone is late.
* Your captains will be calling or messaging to remind you
of when you are rostered so please don't become
annoyed by this.
* With the Christmas season coming, if you're going to be
away please let your captains know. We will have to
muddle through this period but we need to know in
advance.
* Remember to see this as your appointment with Jesus. it
is the most important appointment you will have all week.
God bless you all and thank you. Fr Alan



PERPETUAL ADORATION
EXPRESSION
OF INTEREST

If you are interested in participating in our Perpetual
Adoration which will begin on Sunday, 20th November,
2022 at 1.00pm just click on this link
<https://forms.gle/MzaQAEaCv7Sc4aB69>
and fill in or you can scan this QR code.