

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.

EILEEN ROSALINE O'CONNOR SERVANT OF GOD



Sunday, 15th January, 2023 from 2.30pm to 4.30pm
 You are invited to hear of the Life of Eileen Rosaline O'Connor by Dr Jocelyn Hedley, the President of the

Historical Commission for the Cause of Canonisation of Eileen Rosaline O'Connor, Servant of God.

Dr Hedley will open our eyes to the life and reasons Eileen O'Connor has already been proclaimed Servant of God. Let us get behind the cause to make Eileen Rosaline O'Connor Australia's Second Saint.

Don't forget-Sunday, 15th January 2023 at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church,

26 Swanston Street, St. Mary's from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

FAITH AND FORMATION SESSION FOR CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS: 11 FEBRUARY

You are invited to a faith and formation session for those who work and volunteer in the health care ministries of the Church on Saturday 11 February, from 9am to 10.30am at the All Saints of Africa Centre, 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown. Join us afterwards for the World Day of the Sick Mass at St Patrick's Church, Blacktown. Please RSVP for catering purposes by 6 February to met@parracatholic.org. For enquiries, please contact Michael.Tan@parracatholic.org

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR IS SEEKING NEW SINGERS

If you are a good singer and you sing alto/ countertenor or bass, St Patrick's Cathedral Choir is looking for you. The Cathedral Choir is offering paid scholarships, remunerating at \$100 per Mass/service sung (\$5700 per annum approximately). Hear more of the Cathedral choir at facebook.com/choirSPC. Interested applicants can submit their expression of interest at <https://bit.ly/3sLep7S>. The Choir will consider any application to any voice part, but at this time, are only offering paid positions to successful

St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 14th & 15th of January 2023

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Evelyn Estacio	Dave Santos	Eduardo Pestano	Anna Santos
Sunday 7:30am	Monica Flores	Anthony Pereira	Walter Roberts	TBA
Sunday 9:00am	Rita Di Stefano	Ramie Tirol	Mary Bringera	Lina Vaasili
Sunday 10:30am	Edith Garsuta	Sonny Balido	John Quiroz	Sharon Quiroz-Candelaria
Sunday 5:30pm	Celestine Salimbandon	Emmanuel Mata	Aurora Mata	TBA

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 13th -15th of January 2023

Group 2	Crawelle M. Dela Cruz	Cassidy Dizon	Rowena Dizon
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The Epiphany of the Lord
7th & 8th
January
2023

St Aidan's Parish and Other News



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

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YOUTH

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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

FR GALBERT IS LEAVING US

Fr Galbert is being transferred to Windsor Parish as assistant priest on Monday 16th January. He has been a great asset to this parish and has been of invaluable assistance to me while he has been here. I know he is highly respected and well known to everyone in the parish and will be sorely missed. He is an excellent priest and, most importantly, a holy priest. So I would like to wish him well in his new parish on behalf of every parishioner. Please pray for him in his new parish.

He will be replaced here, again on 16th by Fr Neil Kumar Bulathsinhale who is coming to us from Greystanes Parish. He is most welcome.

We cannot organize a fitting farewell for Fr Galbert or a welcome for Fr Neil before the 16th so we are planning to have a farewell and welcome on the first Sunday in March, that would be the 5th March. If anyone would like to help organize Fr Galbert's farewell and Fr Neil's welcome could you please let me know.
 Fr. Alan

The Epiphany of the Lord - MASS DURING THE DAY - YEAR A - 7th & 8th of January 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.
The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING

Is 60:1-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
The glory of the Lord shines upon you.
Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples.
Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness. Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and your daughters being tenderly carried. At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you; the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13, R. see v.11

- (R.) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.
- O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. (R.)
 - In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds. (R.)
 - The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him. (R.)
 - For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor. (R.)

SECOND READING

Eph 3:2-3. 5-6

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
The revelation means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body.

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 2:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
We have come from the East to worship the king.

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

The Creed is said.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Angel Capitle, Emma Englis, Alain Paul Englis, Nicky Tsohanika, Janko Cepuran

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Joseph Haliburn Snr., Joseph Haliburn Jnr., Josip Kosovich

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, Jojo Nayan, Ramon Rivera,

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 1st of FEBRUARY

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 8th of JANUARY 2023
SUNDAY the 22nd of JANUARY 2023

PERPETUAL ADORATION NEWS

- Perpetual Adoration in this parish began on the 20th November, the Feast of Christ the King, and has now been running for seven 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.
- I would like to wish all the adorers and all those who will visit Jesus over this Christmas season, a happy and Holy Christmas and a blessed New Year.
- As we celebrate Christmas we must remember that we can love Jesus, 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.
- It is this same Spirit who has moved us to love Jesus in this particular way. A way that is a great gift.
- In a real sense Jesus has invited us to spend one hour with Him, conversing with Him face to face, regularly every week.
- 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."
- 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

- * Please be on time. The adorers before you can't be expected to stay because someone is late.
- The Christmas season has arrived, 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 over Christmas and New Year.
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 begun on Sunday, 20th November, please just click on this link <https://forms.gle/MzaQAEaCv7Sc4aB69> and fill in or you can scan this QR code.