

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.



SACRED CONNECTIONS

WITH THERESA ARDLER & SR ANTONIA CURTIS OSB

JAMBEROOD ABBEY ONLINE RETREAT

ABOUT

In this retreat we will be pondering the values of Silence, Listening, Reverence and Community, all three of which are integral to both Aboriginal Spirituality and Benedictine Spirituality. In bringing this retreat to you we are stretching out our hands in friendship toward each other - honouring both ways and striving to live in harmony and peace. We hope you will join us.

DETAILS

There are 6 conferences in this retreat plus a video recorded conversation between Theresa and Sr Antonia at the end of the retreat. There will be one conference each Sunday as well as questions for reflection.

COST

The cost of the retreat is \$500. If there is a problem with the cost please do not hesitate to contact us.

CONTACT

Register online at: jamberoobbey.org.au/retreats/online-retreats. You will also find many other online retreats on our website.

DATE

Retreat begins February 12th 2023
 All videos and texts will be available on our website for as long as you need access.

We are increasingly recognising and accepting, respecting and celebrating our cultural diversity. Julie Bishop

FIRST CONFESSION

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Thursday, 16th February, 2023
 7.30pm Mary MacKillop Hall

REGISTRATION

18th - 19th FEBRUARY, 2023
 SACRISTY in the Church after all the weekend Masses

PARENT INSTRUCTION EVENING

Thursday, 23rd FEBRUARY, 2023
 7.30pm Mary MacKillop Hall

CHILDREN'S SESSIONS

Sunday mornings 8.30am, Mary MacKillop Hall
 26th FEBRUARY, 2023 5th MARCH, 2023
 12th MARCH, 2023 19th MARCH 2023

PRACTICE SESSIONS

TUESDAY 21st MARCH, 2023
 THURSDAY 23rd MARCH, 2023
 7.30pm in the Church

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED

TUESDAY 28th MARCH, 2023 7.30pm
 in the Church
 THURSDAY 30th MARCH, 2023 7.30pm
 in the Church



St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 28th & 29th of January 2023

| MASS | LECTOR | ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER | SPECIAL MINISTER | SPECIAL MINISTER |
|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Vigil 6:00pm | Darlene Palermo-Dabbagh | Dave Santos | Myriam Amarilla | Anna Santos |
| Sunday 7:30am | Maribeth De Leon | Anthony Pereia | Clarita Robles | TBA |
| Sunday 9:00am | Rita Di Stefano | Justino Gutierrez | Evelyn Estacio | Lina Vaasili |
| Sunday 10:30am | Mary Jean Brunner | Ramie Tirol | Edgardo Pestano | Sen Custodia |
| Sunday 5:30pm | Aurora Aranda | Sanele Vaasili | TBA | TBA |

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 27th - 29th of January 2023

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| Group 4 | Margaret Taito | Peter Taito | ----- |
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The cleaning Rosters for the month of MARCH through to JULY 2023 will be ready for collection in February.

THIRD
 SUNDAY IN
 ORDINARY
 TIME
 YEAR A
 21st & 22nd
 January
 2023

St Aidan's Parish and Other News



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Parish Priest: Fr Alan Layt
 Assistant Priest: Fr. Galbert Albino
 Deacon: Jerome Emmanuel
 Parish Secretary: Elizabeth Idaszak
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 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

FR GALBERT IS LEAVING US

Fr Galbert is being transferred to Windsor Parish as assistant priest soon. 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.

Unfortunately his replacement Fr Neil has had to return to Sri Lanka because his mother is seriously ill, so we can't say exactly when Fr Galbert is going. Please keep Fr Neil, his mother and family in your prayers.

We are organizing a farewell for Fr Galbert and a welcome for Fr Neil on the first Sunday in March, that would be the 5th of March.

Fr. Alan

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

In his presence are majesty and splendour,
strength and honour in his holy place.

FIRST READING **Is 8:23 - 9:3**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone.

You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase, they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor, these you break as on the day of Midian.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps 26:1. 4. 13-14. R. v.1**

(R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

- The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; Before whom shall I shrink? (R.)
- There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. (R.)
- I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness

in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! (R.)

SECOND READING **1 Cor 1:10-13, 17**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean

are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ'. Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Mt 4:12-23**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.

Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali!
Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan,
Galilee of the nations!
The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light;
on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death
a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him.

Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him.

He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Rommel Malion, Cardinal George Pell,
Barbara Bulbert & Lorna Hall.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Gavino Nool, Florencia 'Puring' Francisco,
Thomas Smith, Flora Toledo & Michael Wiggins.

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, Milagros Felizardo & Napoleon Felizardo, Chez Montgomery, Mr Ravneet Ram, Ms Joanne Rhee, Mrs Tara Ram, Wieslawa Taylor & Pedro Hugo BogadO, Pedro Hugo Bagada, Simon Sereno, Avelina Cabalar Yu, Nobby Alcala, Wieslawa Taylor, & Frederick Ochynski Sam.

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 22nd of JANUARY 2023
SUNDAY the 12th of FEBRUARY 2023

PERPETUAL ADORATION NEWS

This is part of a Meditation on the eucharist of St John Vianney, the Cure of Ours. It explains one of the reasons why Jesus has remained with us in the Blessed Sacrament.

BY THE END FOR WHICH HE THEREBY OFFERS HIMSELF

"Knowing that the time has come to return to his Father, he cannot bring himself to leave us alone on the earth among so many enemies who all seek nothing but our ruin. He wants us to have the blessedness of finding him whenever we will; and by this great Sacrament he pledges himself to remain in the midst of us, day and night, to be our Father, Consoler, and friend. Happier than those who lived during his mortal life, when he was only in one place. We find him today in every corner of the world; and this happiness is promised to us till the end of time. Oh tremendous love of God for his creatures! How great is the tenderness of the Father!"

Some Practical Issues

- * Please be on time. The adorers before you can't be expected to stay because someone is late.
- * Remember to see this as your appointment with Jesus. It is the most important appointment you will have over the coming weeks.

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.

DIocese of Parramatta Notices

Positions Vacant:

Parish Office Administration Assistant -
St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Springwood.
More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

Toongabbie Parish Position Vacant

St Anthony of Padua Parish, Toongabbie, is advertising for a Sacramental/SRE Coordinator. The successful applicant will be in charge of the Sacramental Program, the Special Religious Education (SRE) Program and provide administrative assistance to the Parish Priest and Parish Secretary. Hours will be 18 hours per weeks worked over 3 days. Please forward applications and resumes to the parish Secretary by 1 February 2023 to secretary@stanthonychurch.org.au