

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.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION

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THE PARENT INSTRUCTION EVENING IS THIS COMING THURSDAY the 4th of MAY, 2023

7.30pm in Mary MacKillop Hall

If you have been **UNABLE TO REGISTER PLEASE COLLECT THE FORMS AFTER MASS THIS WEEKEND** and return them to the parish Office this coming Tuesday or Wednesday between 10:00am and 5:00pm

THE 1ST CLASS for the Children is at 8:30am Sunday the 7th of May in the classroom block on the right side of the school grounds.

CHILDREN'S SESSIONS:

Sunday mornings 8.30am Mary MacKillop Hall
 7th MAY, 2023 14th MAY, 2023
 21st MAY, 2023 28th MAY, 2023
 4th JUNE, 2023

PRACTICE SESSIONS:

TUESDAY, 13th JUNE, 2023
 THURSDAY, 15th JUNE, 2023
 7.30pm in the Church

Confessions will be available during practice Sessions

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED:

Tuesday, 20th June 2023, 7:30pm
 Thursday, 22nd June, 2023, 7:30pm



Mission: Transform Lives - theirs . . . and yours

Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills and knowledge with those who have few other chances for training. Build enduring global relationships while assisting sustainable, self-reliant, community development.

Explore 35 positions by scanning the QR code below. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.

Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know:

RING: 02 9560 5333 or 0422 472 567.

WEB: www.palms.org.au

MET FAITHLIFE SCRIPTURE COURSE: STARTING 2 MAY

Want to learn more about different ways to pray? Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on "Prayer" with Br Barry Donaghue, brought to you by the Mission Enhancement Team (MET). 6:30PM to 8:30PM on three Tuesday: 2 + 9 + 16 May.

Downstairs at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. RSVP via

<https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/>

FOURTH
SUNDAY
OF
EASTER
YEAR A
29th & 30th
APRIL 2023

St Aidan's Parish and Other News



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Parish Priest: Fr Alan Layt
 Assistant Priest: Fr Neil Bulathsinhalage
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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) 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

Anthony Pereira 0422 884 160

YOUTH

YOUTH CONTACT: Maelody Gevero: 0426 263 081

Josh San Pedro: 0481 372 544

EMAIL: staidans.eucharistic youth@gmail.com

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

St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 6th & 7th of MAY 2023

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Stan Pakulski	Dave Santos	Anna Santos	Myriam Amarilla
Sunday 7:30am	Monica Flores	Rizaldy Guintu	Anthony Pereira	Sen Custodia
Sunday 9:00am	Rosie D'Souz	TBA	TBA	Lina Vaasila
Sunday 10:30am	Nora Piliae	Justino Gutierrez	Gertrude Elmo	Jennifer Fernandes
Sunday 5:30pm	Jocelyn Salimbangon	Sanele Vaasili	Evelyn Estacio	Sharon Quiroz-Candelaria

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 5th - 7th of MAY 2023

Group 3	Chryzshamel Prudencio	Ryan Rozario	----
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ST AIDAN'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, 11th May, 2023
 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Inviting one representative from each parish group to attend.

Thank you Fr. Alan
 All are Welcome



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Please refer to the full notice on the back page....

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MASS DURING THE DAY

YEAR A
29th & 30th of APRIL 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made,
alleluia.

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

FIRST READING Acts 2:14. 36-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.
On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the
Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The
whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made
this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'
Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to
Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?'
'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of
you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for
the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift
of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you
and your children, and for all those who are far away, for
all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He
spoke to them for a long time using many arguments,
and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse
generation.' They were convinced by his arguments,
and they accepted what he said and were baptised.
That very day about three thousand were added to their
number.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 22:1-6. R. v.1

- (R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
- The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)
 - He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. (R.)
 - You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R.)
 - Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Pt 2:20-25

A reading from the first letter of St Peter
*You had gone astray but now you have come back to
the shepherd and guardian of your souls.*
The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punish-
ment patiently when you are punished after doing
your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because
Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to
follow the way he took. He had not done anything
wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth.
He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults;
when he was tortured he made no threats but he put
his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our
faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might
die to our faults and live for holiness; through his
wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray
like sheep but now you have come back to the
shepherd and guardian of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Jn 10:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
I am the gate of the sheepfold.

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who
does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but
gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The
one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of
the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear
his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and
leads them out. When he has brought out his flock,
he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow
because they know his voice. They never follow a
stranger but run away from him: they do not
recognise the voice of strangers.'
Jesus told them this parable but they failed to
understand what he meant by telling it to them.
So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate.
Anyone who enters through me will be safe:
he will go freely in and out
and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes
only to steal and kill and destroy.
I have come
so that they may have life
and have it to the full.'

The Creed is said.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Archbishop of Samoa Alapati Mataeliga , Audrey
Patchell, Phyllis Pereira, Delia Camat, Anthony
Duivenvoorde, Lauretta Reid, Ester Castillo
Santos, Michael Angelo Alfonso, Robert Bacawat.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Ruben Regacho, Sofronio & Benita Casinto, Roberto
Camarines, Leslie Clarke, Keith Dunn, Paul Cortis,
Frank and Carmen Testa, Danilo N Jimenez Sr.,
Francis Bastiam Pellai, Private Edward Cunningham,
(Private Alexander Cunningham, Private James
Cunningham and all who died in World War 1
defending Australia)

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:
John Carney, Jasmin Fray Parada, Wieslawa Taylor,
Katarzyna Haladus, Norma Maso, Leticia Cruz,
Gloria Lazaro, Romeo Susi, Maximilian Norma
Maso, Julian Rosita Badua, Antonio Badua, Ramon
Montenegro, Nenita Gonzales .Songse Qiu,
Hernando Guerra, Lydia Maalat, Shirley Cameron,
Sylvia Gondi, Leticia Cruz, John Zvoney Mlinaric &
Fr Leonard Testa

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

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 3rd of MAY 2023

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 14th of MAY 2023
SUNDAY the 28th of MAY 2023



PERPETUAL ADORATION
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

If you are interested in
participating in our Perpetual
Adoration which begun on Sun-
day, 20th November 2022,
please just click on this link
<https://forms.gle/MzaQAEaCv7Sc4aB69>
and fill in or you can scan this QR code.

I would like to thank all those who have
been so faithful in their adoration of
Jesus. He is very pleased with this.
Fr Alan

OVERNIGHT ADORATION

THIS FRIDAY THE 5th OF MAY
following 7:00pm mass till Saturday
morning mass at 9:00pm.
Although we have perpetual
adoration we are continuing our
practice of an overnight adoration
every FIRST FRIDAY to which
everyone is invited.

Hope to see you there.
Fr Alan

DIOCESAN SYNOD

Bishop Vincent is about to convoke
a Diocesan Synod.
If you wish to know more about a
Synod there are two online
sessions :

Monday the 8th of May
6:30pm–7:30pm

Thursday the 11th of May
6:30pm–7:30pm

If you are interested go to
synod2023parracatholic.org
to register.