

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.

Diocese of Parramatta Notices

Positions Vacant:

Policy Coordinator – Diocese of Parramatta
Communications and Digital Manager – Diocese of Parramatta
Communications Assistant – Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

Toongabbie Parish is hiring! Parish Secretary and Bookkeeper

St Anthony of Padua Parish, Toongabbie, is looking for a Parish Secretary and Bookkeeper. This is a permanent part-time position with 30 hours per week worked over five days. Please forward applications and resumes to the Parish secretary at secretary@stanthonyschurch.org.au by 18 April 2023. If you would like more information regarding this position, please contact the office on (02) 9631 3316.

CCD St Matthew's Gospel Series: Starting 28 April

CCD is hosting Dr Laurie Woods presenting A Study of St Matthew's Gospel - April 28; May 5, 12, 19 & 26. 10 am to 2pm at Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. To book please email Maree Collis ccd.training@parracatholic.org

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/>

St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 22nd & 23rd of APRIL 2023

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Dave Santos	Joel Apostol	Teresita Apostol	Myriam Amarilla
Sunday 7:30am	Maribeth De leon	Walter Roberts	Anthony Pereira	Clarita Robles
Sunday 9:00am	Edith Garsuta	Sonny Balido	John Quiroz	Lina Vaasili
Sunday 10:30am	Mary Jean Brunner	Rizaldy Guintu	Jennifer Fernandes	Susan Ringo-Parsons
Sunday 5:30pm	Rosie D'Souza	Angelo Armas	Juliet Armas	Evelyn Estacio

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 21st - 23rd of APRIL 2023

Group 1	Alex Almazan	Charlie De Souza	Eunice De Souza
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SECOND
 SUNDAY OF
 EASTER

 YEAR A
 15th & 16th
 APRIL
 2023

St Aidan's Parish and Other News



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Parish Priest: Fr Alan Layt
 Assistant Priest: Fr Neil Bulathsinhalage
 Rev Deacon: Jerome D'Rozario
 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)
 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
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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



Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future.
PLEASE RETURN ALL BOXES ASAP THANKYOU



To all those who contributed to our Easter Ceremonies this year.
 Thankyou to our acolytes, servers, lectors and sacristans.

Thank you to our choirs and their organiser Mr Terry Smith.

A special thank you to Helen Navea, Emma Piliae who prepared the sanctuary and flowers so beautifully.



**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
MASS DURING THE DAY**

**YEAR A
15th & 16th of APRIL 2023**

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure,
spiritual milk,
that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts 2:42-47

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117:2-4. 13-15. 22-24. R. v.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.' (R.)

2. I was thrust, thrust down and falling
but the Lord was my helper.

The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just. (R.)

3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Pt 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter
He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time

have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold - only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire - and then you will have praise and glory and honour.

You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Jn 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Creed is said.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Leah Ebarle, Rowena Dioyan, Ramon Rivera, Danilo Modelo, Roberto Jagoring.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Marian Malachowski, Sionoy Fernandez, Nina Abrigo, Emilia Contreras, Frank So, Gorge Cordero, Anton Balthazaar, Linda Balthazaar, Abraham Lagrito, souls in purgatory, Tony Mirosic, Catalino S Decena, Maria Buenaventura, Carina Diaz, Ilse & Fritz Pritting.

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, **Maria Santos, Fr. Leonard Testa, Jojo Mcinerney** 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. Nenita Gonzales.

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 16th of APRIL 2023
SUNDAY the 23rd of APRIL 2023**



**PERPETUAL ADORATION
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

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

We are still asking for people willing to volunteer to adore Jesus in the blessed Sacrament in the following time slots:

- SUNDAY 3:00PM-4:00PM**
- MONDAY 12:00PM-1:00PM**
- TUESDAY 1:00AM-2:00AM**
- TUESDAY 1:00PM-2:00PM**
- WEDNESDAY 1:00AM-2:00AM**
- WEDNESDAY 5:00AM-6:00AM**
- WEDNESDAY 12:00PM-3:00PM**
- THURSDAY 1:00AM-2:00AM**
- FRIDAY 12:00PM-1:00PM**
- SATURDAY 12:00PM-3:00PM**
- SATURDAY 7:00PM-8:00PM**

Thank you to all of those who have already volunteered to cover one of these times

**INVITATION TO REGISTER FOR CPR
TRAINING**

You are invited to register for this accredited CPR Course being offered by Surf Life Saving NSW as part of a project being offered by The University of Sydney, Westmead Applied Research Centre. The course runs for 2.5 hours and will be presented at two locations across the Diocese. St Thomas Aquinas Springwood on Saturday 13th May beginning at 10am, or Bishop Bede Heather Centre Blacktown on Monday 5th June at 4pm. Please contact the Parish Office for information on how to register for the venue of your choice.

EUCCHARISTIC YOUTH EVENTS IN APRIL



STAY meeting for those in High School, UNI or TAFE Friday the 21st of April, 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.

Young Adults meet Friday the 28th of April at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre

All are Welcome