

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.



Bishop's Father's Day Appeal caring for those who have cared for us
Thank you to all those who made a contribution towards this appeal last weekend we raised \$2,002.70.

It is not too late to make a contribution.

Our priests never stop giving their lives in service to our community. They dedicate themselves to carrying out God's ministry for as long as they are able. This Father's Day, let us show our thanks and appreciation for our priests' lifelong gifts of faithful service. Your compassionate donation will help our Clergy Support Foundation to care for our priests, and provide them with personalised health and wellbeing support. Please give generously to the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal at parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal or scan this QR code. Thank you.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - SUNDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 2023

Parish Council Meeting will be held on **Sunday, 1st October 3pm - 4.30pm in the MacKillop Hall**. Could a representative of the St. Aidan's Parish Groups please attend this important meeting. Thank you, Fr. Alan.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS WHO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CHURCH PLANNED GIVING

Please make sure that you seal your planned giving envelope and write the amount on the front of the envelope. Thank you.



FIRST COMMUNION

PRACTICE SESSIONS:

TUESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER, 2023 & THURSDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER, 2023
 7.30pm In The Church

(Confessions will be available during the practice sessions)

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED:

SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER, 2023 - 12.00pm
 SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER, 2023 - 3.00pm

SYNOD NOVENA PRAYER

O God, who always walks with us on the journey of life, we call upon you to lead us forth united.

Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.

Keep us anchored in your love.

Open our hearts as we listen and discern.

Reveal to us the way we are called to go out into the deep. Give us the courage to pursue the mission with bold humility.

May we experience renewal in our local Church today, and for generations to come.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ, who in the power of the Holy Spirit continues to guide your Church, to the fullness of your kingdom now, and forever.

Amen

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop, pray for us.

St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 16th & 17th of SEPTEMBER 2023

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Darlene Palermo-D	Stan Pakulski	Ime Taateo	Myriam Amarilla	
Sun 7:30am	Veronica Malachowski	Walter Roberts	Anthony Pereira	Maribeth De Leon	
Sun 9:00am	Rosie D'Souza	Sonny Balido	Cheryl Machado	Gertrude Elmo	
Sun 10:30am	Mary Bringera	Fernando San Pedro	Joshua San Pedro	Evelyn Estacio	Edgardo Pestano
Sun 5:30pm	Jocelyn Salimbangon	Sanele Vaasili	John Quiroz	Sharon Quiroz-C	

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 15th - 17th of SEPTEMBER 2023

Group 2	Crawelle M. Dela Cruz	Cassidy Dizon	Rowena Dizon
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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A
 9th & 10th of SEPTEMBER 2023

St Aidan's Parish and Other News



9 Adelaide Street, Rooty Hill, NSW 2766

Parish Priest: Fr Alan Layt
 Assistant Priest: Fr Neil Bulathsinalage
 Rev Deacon: Jerome D'Rozario
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 Phone: (02) 9625 8404
 Office Assistant: Yvonne Lanau
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rootyhill@parracatholic.org
<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 2nd Sunday of the Month 11:30am - 2:00pm
 In the Mary Mackillop Hall

YOUTH CHOIR

Every 2nd Sunday of the month -
 at the 10:30am Sunday Mass (Subject to Change)

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

CATHWEST INOVATION COLLEGE-LOYOLA CAMPUS
 Mr Paul Stenning
 (02) 8886 9500

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

We would like to begin two instruction classes in the Parish.
One for adults who wish to know more about their faith:
 Two classes per month either of a FRIDAY or a SUNDAY.
A Catechism Class for children from 10.00am-10.30am of a SUNDAY.
 If you are interested, please ring the parish office -
 TUESDAY to FRIDAY 10am - 4.30pm on (02) 9625-8404.
 If you are interested in the adult class, please let us know whether
 you would prefer FRIDAY or SUNDAY.

CONFESSIONS OF A SATURDAY

As of Saturday the 23rd of September, 2023, confessions will be from
 4.30pm-5.30pm,
NOT
 4.00pm-5.00pm.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

FIRST READING Ezekiel 33:7-9

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel
If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.
The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8

- (R.) O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.
1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
 3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

SECOND READING Romans 13:8-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 18:15-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.
Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.
'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.
'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Marta Pedrozo, George Simotas, George Galdes, Jenny Jane Chan Park.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

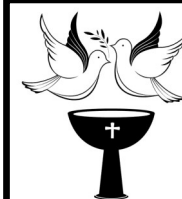
Francis Bastiampillai, Amada Valmeo, Doroteo Irlandez, Frank and Carmen Testa & Family, Cahyani Rusli, Teofila Villaron, Catherine Guevarra, Adela Topaz, Ramon Guevarra, Feliciano Guevarra, Pablo Topaz, Epifania Sano, Euprosina Cabogwang, Antonio Topaz.

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:
Bronia Flak, Katarzyna Haladus, Sarah Jane Milner, Romeo Susi, Wieslawa Taylor, Felicitas Walsh & Martin David Nikic, Lanie Cutchon, Antonino Mazacotte, Pedro Ruiz, John Benedict Rivea, Kristine Pezzano, Sanele Vaasili, Brigida Guevarra, Rolando Guevarra, Fenny Felizardo, Milagros Felizardo, Maryanne Santos.

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 4th of OCTOBER 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 10th of SEPTEMBER 2023
SUNDAY the 24th of SEPTEMBER 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.

A PRACTICAL NOTE

Please try to come on time for your period of adoration, it makes it easier for those in the hour before yours. It may be worth obtaining the phone numbers of those adorers who come before and after you so that you can contact them if there is any delay. There is no need to put the screen in front of the Blessed Sacrament for a 10 or 15 minute period when there wont be an adorer present .
Thank you Fr Alan

**FROM THE PASTORAL LETTER ON THE
MONS. OCARIZ EUCHARIST**

Before the mystery of faith and love, we fall down in adoration. Only thus can we adequately show that we believe that the Eucharist is truly Christ, really and substantially present: his Body, his Blood, his Soul and his Divinity. Only thus can our love, heartfelt and total, produce an adequate response to the immense love that Jesus has for each of us (cf. Jn 13:1; Lk 22:15). Our adoration of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, since he is God, includes both external gestures and internal devotion, love. It is not a conventional ritual, but a very personal self-offering, which is shown forth externally. "In the Holy Mass we adore our God. We fulfill lovingly the first duty of a creature to his Creator: "You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve" (Deut; 6:13; Mt 4.10). Not the Cold, external adoration of a servant, but an intimate esteem and attachment that befits the tender love of a son.'14
External signs of adoration - bowing our head our body, genuflecting, prostrating ourselves - are always intended to express reverence and affection, submission, total self-abandonment, a desire for union and service, and, of course, nothing at all of servility. True adoration does not mean separation, distancing, but loving identification. "A Child of God treats the Lord as his Father. He is not obsequious and servile, he is not merely formal and well-mannered: he is completely sincere and trusting."15

**PADRE PIO'S RELIC -
SUNDAY, 24th SEPTEMBER, 2023**

Padre Pio's Relic is coming to Padre Pio Parish at Glenmore Park from Thursday, 21s September till Sunday, 24th September 2023.
Please contact 4789 2232 for details.