

HOW TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH FAMILY FINANCIALLY

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.

Be a part of something important "Become a Catechist"

Share the most basic message of God's love and this brings great hope to young people. For people of faith, knowing you are participating in Christ's call to share the Good News, is a great source of joy and meaning. "Catechists make a difference."
 Kindly give the Parish contact number I think anyone interested needs to speak to Father Alan first.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

We would like to begin two instruction classes in the Parish.

One for adults - this adult class will go ahead - details to be announced.

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.

1 OCT 2023 - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME STARTS

When local standard time is about to reach Sunday, 1 October 2023, **2:00:00 am** clocks are turned **forward** 1 hour to Sunday, 1 October 2023, **3:00:00 am** local daylight time instead. Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on 1 Oct 2023 than the day before.

There will be more light in the evening.

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.

Dear Friends, once again you, your family & friends are cordially invited to attend our **33rd Annual Thanksgiving Mass** of our Lady of Fatima



Date - Saturday, 7th October 2023

Time - 11:30am (Rosary prayer will start at 11:00am)

Main Celebrant - Fr Ever Bernaldez

Venue - St Aidan's Parish Church

Address - Rooty Hill Road North, Rooty Hill 2766

For further information please contact Nina Chavez 0428 488 778

ATTENTION TO PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTOR NUMBER 73(Mr Miller), COULD YOU PLEASE CONTACT ELIZABETH AT THE OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS TUESDAY - FRIDAY, 10am - 4.30pm ASAP on (02) 9625 8404

TWENTY-SIXTH
 SUNDAY IN
 ORDINARY
 TIME
 YEAR A
 30th of
 SEPTEMBER - 1st
 of OCTOBER
 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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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

A WARM WELCOME TO BISHOP VINCENT

Bishop Vincent is saying the 10:30am Mass today and I would like to extend a warm welcome to him on behalf of everyone.

His Pastoral letter on the Voice is available at the back of the Church.

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 4:30pm-5:30pm

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

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THIS SUNDAY - 1st OF OCTOBER 2023

Parish Council Meeting will be held this 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.

St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 7th & 8th of OCTOBER 2023

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Stan Pakulski	Dave Santos	Myriam Amarilla	Cheryl Machado	
Sun 7:30am	Alma Espina	Walter Roberts	Anthony Pereira	Maribeth De Leon	
Sun 9:00am	Mary Bringera	David Portelli	Anna Santos	Sen Custodia	
Sun 10:30am	Evelyn Estacio	Sonny Balido	Jennifer Fernandes	Sharon Quiroz-C	John Quiroz
Sun 5:30pm	Christopher Salimbangon	Maribeth De Leon	Edgardo Pestano	TBA	

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 6th - 8th of OCTOBER 2023

Group 5	Marissa Rumerel	Tony Rumerel	Gianna Haladus
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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR A - 30th of SEPTEMBER -
1st of OCTOBER 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING Ezekiel 18:25-28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel
The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 24:4-9. R. v.6

(R.) Remember your mercies, O Lord.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. (R.)
2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. (R.)
3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

SECOND READING Philippians 2:1-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus. If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the

same as Christ Jesus:
His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 21:28-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.
Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Reming Biala, Karl Poelzl, Marilou Talastas, Adoracion Talavera, Edgar Castro, Talaole Vanu Semeatu, Barbara Madry, Ruben Malificado, Rodolfo E Santos, Nenita Tobias, John O'Rourke, Ian Henry Marks, Felicitas Walsh & Arlin Otico.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Mary Bonanno, Paul Bonanno, Paletto Abrigo, Rev Fr. Leonardo Polinar, Josephine Cortis, Maria Monardo, Jose Buenaventura, Poligena Tolentino, Mrs Koopelian, Conchita Roberts, Amparo Gimena, Weronika Bembenek, Josefino Frusa, Joseph Marc Frusa, Sophie D'Souza, Maria Elena Dayo Lazo, Mary Lourdes Ave, Alberto, Elena, Kodolfo Tobias, Victoria Rabanal, Aguido Gonzales, Susan Rigor, Micheal Meilak, Wilfredo, Aquilina, Raymunda, Leonida, Elsa, Carlota & Alberto.

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, Martin David Nikic, Lanie Cutchon, Antonino Mazacotte, Pedro Ruiz, John Benedict Rivea, Sanele Vaasili, Brigida Guevarra, Rolando Guevarra, Fenny Felizardo, Milagros Felizardo, Maryanne Santos, Lydia Ramos, Jay Rivera, Khrissy Pezzano, Nenita Gonzales, Milna Penafuente, Vishna Taylor, Lydia Maalat & Kevin Tollefsen.

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 8th of OCTOBER 2023
SUNDAY the 22nd of OCTOBER 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.

PRACTICAL MATTERS

If, while you are adoring Jesus, somebody comes to you asking for money please refer them to the Parish Office.
Do not give them anything yourself. If they refuse to leave, warn them you have been told to call the police. Do so if they don't leave. We will experiment with locking the door between the crying room and the Church at times when there are few people around.

THE FURROW ST JOSEMARIA

684 "This is my Body...", and the immolation of Jesus took place, hidden under the appearances of the bread. He is now there, with his Flesh and with his Blood, with his Soul and with his Divinity. He is the same as on the day that Thomas placed his fingers in His glorious wounds.

And yet, on so many occasions, you saunter by, giving not even a hint of greeting out of simple good manners that you would give to any person you knew when you met him.
You have much less faith than Thomas!

685 If, in order to gain for you your liberty, a close friend of yours had gone to prison, would you not try to visit him, to talk to him for a while, take him some present, console him and show him the warmth of your friendship? And, if that conversation with the prisoner were to save you from some evil and do you good, would you go without it? And if instead of a friend it were to be your father himself or your brother, what then?

686 Jesus has remained in the Sacred Host for us so as to stay by our side, to sustain, to guide us. And love can only be repaid with love.

How could we not turn to the Blessed Sacrament each day, even if it is only for a few minutes, to bring him our greetings and our love as children and as brothers?

687 Imagine the scene. An old sergeant or a young lieutenant sees coming towards him a fine-looking recruit, of an incomparably better quality than the officer, but the salute and its return are still given.

Meditate on the contrast. From the tabernacle of that church, Christ, perfect God, perfect Man, who has died for you on the Cross and gives you everything that you need, approaches you. And you go by without paying any attention to him.