

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.



A BIG THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who organized and came to celebrate my Birthday last Sunday.

Thank you also for all your gifts to me which were very generous and thank you to all those who prayed for me and wished me well.

In particular I would like to thank those who organized and ran the party on Sunday, especially Rosemary Estigoy, Clarita Robles, Emma Piliae, Helen Navea & Moises.

Thank you also to the Cambandcheros for the music and announcements, to the Eucharistic Youth who entertained us with Samoan dancing and Vena Talione and Margaret Taito who helped to organize all this. Thank you to Terry Smith who looked after the sound on the occasion and loaned us his sound system. Finally thank you to Lito & Nina Chavez, Minad and Joy, Ellen Patiag, Danny Garcia, Marivic Ayap Flores, James Agorto who provided us with all the equipment and the roast pork for the party and to everyone else who donated food.

I am profoundly touched by your affection and generosity in celebrating my Birthday, but it is

important to remember that everything good that has happened in this Parish is the work of God the Father and Jesus through the Holy Spirit and through the intercession of Our Lady, St Joseph & St Aidan.

Thank you once more and May God bless you and let His face shine upon you all.

Fr Alan

TLC'S 16TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING DINNER

Saturday 25th of November 2023

Venue: Blacktown Leisure Centre, Sentry Drive, Stanhope Gardens

\$120 per person—Book through Humantix
<https://events.humanitix.com/tlcdinner>

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Will be held on Sunday the 3rd of December, 2023 in the Mary MacKillop Hall. A representative from each group should be in attendance..



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St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 11th & 12th of NOVEMBER 2023

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Stan Pakulski	Joel Apostol	Terisa Apostol	Rita Di Stefano	
Sun 7:30am	Maribeth De Leon	Walter Roberts	Anthony Pereira	Clarita Robles	
Sun 9:00am	Mary Bringera	Justino Gutierrez	Sen Custodia	Anna Santos	
Sun 10:30am	Nora Piliae	Emmanuel Mata	Aurora Mata	John Quiroz	Sharon Quiroz-C
Sun 5:30pm	Celestine Salimbangon	Anthony Pereira	Maribeth De Leon	Edgardo Pestano	

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 10th - 12th of NOVEMBER 2023

Group 5	Marissa Rumeral	Tony Rumeral	Gianna Haladus
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THIRTY-FIRST
 SUNDAY IN
 ORDINARY
 TIME
 YEAR A
 4th & 5th of
 NOVEMBER
 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
 Parish Secretary: Elizabeth Idaszak
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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_VjPTdVO/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

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YOUTH

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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

Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Oblate Apostles of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary will be celebrating Mass at St. Aidan's Church, Rooty Hill at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday, 9th November.

Fr. Justin is visiting Australia from The Philippines to share his ministry, which emphasises the Love of Jesus and Mary for all. Mass will be followed by anointing for those who wish to partake in this gift of Healing. We all have a need of some type of healing, whether emotional, physical, or spiritual.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

FIRST READING Malachi 1:14 - 2:2. 8-10

A reading from the prophet Malachi
You have strayed from the way, you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.
I am a great king, says the Lord of hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration. Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 130

- (R.) In you, Lord, I have found my peace.
- O Lord, my heart is not proud
nor haughty my eyes.
I have not gone after things too great
nor marvels beyond me. (R.)
 - Truly I have set my soul
in silence and peace.
A weaned child on its mother's breast,
even so is my soul. (R.)
 - O Israel, hope in the Lord
both now and for ever. (R.)

**SECOND READING
1 Thessalonians 2:7-9. 13**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians
We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.
Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only

the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you. Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
You have one Father, your Father in heaven;
you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 23:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
They do not practise what they preach.
Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.
'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

We pray for all the deceased relatives and friends listed in the November Masses Folder.

NOVEMBER MASS

If you would like to have deceased family members and friends remembered at all the Masses during the month of NOVEMBER, please write their names on the envelopes which are in the gathering area of the Church and place them in the collection basket.
Thank you, Fr. Alan Layt.

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:
Katarzyna Haladus, Bronia Flak,
Sarah Jane Milner, Romeo Susi,
Wieslawa Taylor, Martin David Nikic,
Lanie Cutchon, Antonino Mazacotte,
Pedro Ruiz, John Benedict Rivea, Julie Davey, Seak Keo, Ilbra & Kevin McHugh.

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 6th of DECEMBER 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 12th of NOVEMBER 2023
SUNDAY the 26th of NOVEMBER 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.

PERSONAL INVITATION

We are in need of more Adorers. Personal invitation works best and it is a worthwhile apostolic activity to invite friends and relatives to join you and possibly commit to one hour per week.
You are already aware by now of how it alters your personal relationship with Jesus, protects you from sin, and gradually changes your life for the better. It is a gift you should invite others to share.

**THIS EXTRACT IS TAKEN FROM
ST JOHN PAUL II "JESUS SON and SAVIOR."
REMEMBER THAT THE RISEN JESUS WHO HAS
ASCENDED TO THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER
IS THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.**

Peter, the apostles and the disciples understood perfectly that their principal mission was to be witnesses to the Lord's resurrection. Faith in Christ and the acceptance of his saving message depends upon this unique and amazing event.
Every Christian, in every age and place, is a witness to the risen Christ. He sees with the eyes of Peter and the apostles. He is convinced of the glorious resurrection of Christ crucified and therefore believes completely in him who is the Way, the Truth, the Life and the Light of the world. He proclaims Jesus with a serene courage. The paschal witness is thus the specific characteristic of the Christian.

St. Paul therefore writes to the Colossians: "If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God" (Col 3:1-3).

Rightly then does St. Ambrose observe in a discourse on the sacraments: "God has anointed you; Christ has marked you with his seal. In what way? Because you have been marked to receive the imprint of his cross, to conform you to his passion. You have received the seal that makes you like to him, so that you may be able to rise to his image, to live by imitating him who was crucified to sin and lives for God. Your old self has been immersed in the font and has been crucified in sin, but is risen for God" (Discourse V1, 2, 7).

The whole life of a Christian must be paschal! I invite you all to bring to your families, your work, your daily concerns, your schools, your professions, your free time and also to your suffering, the serenity and peace, the joy and trust that come from the certainty of Christ's resurrection! May Mary Most Holy accompany you and strengthen you in your paschal witness!

Scimus Christum surrexisse a mortuis vere: tu nobis, victor rex, miserere! "Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor king, ever reigning!"