

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.

BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL TO BE HELD NEXT WEEKEND - 25/26 NOVEMBER 2023

Bishop's Christmas Appeal for Catholic Care chaplaincy services.

Will you support our chaplains to listen with the ear of the heart?

Your compassionate generosity and prayers will help our 15

Catholic Care chaplains to provide pastoral, spiritual, and sacramental support to seriously ill, lonely, and distraught people this

Christmas. Please give generously to the Bishop's Christmas

Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal or scan this QR code. Thank you.



IMMACULATA MISSION SCHOOL 2024: FISHERS OF MEN

Start the new year by going deeper in God's love through awesome speakers on the Catholic faith, daily Mass, Adoration and the Rosary, praise and worship, fellowship and more! There are two different programs, so there is something for everyone ...

Youth & adults (14 years & up): 1-6 January 2024

Married couples & families (specifically designed for married couples. Includes childrens and teens program): 7-10 January 2024

Special guest speakers: Dan & Stephanie Burke from the USA (co-founders of the Avila Institute, presenters on EWTN & Dan is an author of over 15 books on Catholic spirituality)

Where: NEGS (New England Girls' School), Armidale NSW

For costs, additional information and TO REGISTER visit: <http://www.immaculata.org.au/ims>

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.humantix.com/tlcdinner>



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St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 25th & 26th of NOVEMBER 2023

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Dave Santos	Joel Apostol	Terisita Apostol	Rita Di Stefano	
Sun 7:30am	Monica Flores	Anthony Pereira	Walter Roberts	Maribeth De Leon	
Sun 9:00am	Evelyn Estacio	Justino Gutierrez	Gertrude Elmo	Edith Garsuta	
Sun 10:30am	Mary Jean Brunner	Rizaldy Guintu	Aurora Mata	Emmanuel Mata	Sharon Quiroz-C
Sun 5:30pm	Jocelyn Salimbangon	Anthony Pereira	Maribeth De Leon	Edgardo Pestano	

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 24th - 26th of NOVEMBER 2023

Group 2	Crawelle M. Dela Cruz	Cassidy Dizon	Rowena Dizon
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THIRTY-THIRD
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YEAR A

18th & 19th 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 Bulathsinhalage
 Rev Deacon: Jerome D'Rozario
 Parish Secretary: Elizabeth Idaszak
 Office Assistant: Yvonne Lanau
 Phone: (02) 9625 8404
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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

[UCCy5n3vxtKz7yEY_VjPTdVO/live](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

ASSISTANT SACRISTAN

Anthony Pereira 0422 884 160

YOUTH

YOUTH CONTACT: Maelody Gevero: 0426 263 081

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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

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Will be held on Sunday the 3rd of December, 2023 at 3pm In the Mary MacKillop Hall.

A representative from each group should be in attendance..

PARISH OFFICE HOURS DURING THE NEXT 2 WEEKS (21st November to 5th December, 2023)

Our parish secretary Elizabeth will be on annual leave over the next two weeks.

Our office assistant Yvonne will be in the office on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 2pm. Thank you.



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

FIRST READING Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs
Give her a share in what she has worked for.
A perfect wife - who can find her?
She is far beyond the price of pearls.
Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit.
Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life.
She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands.
She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle.
She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy.
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise.
Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1

- (R.) Happy are those who fear the Lord.
- O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
 - Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R.)
 - Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians
The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.
You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.
But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 25:14-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.
Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.'"

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the 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, Charlie & Francesca Morello, Achaelus David, Emerenciano Albao Sr & Dave Saunders.

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 26th of NOVEMBER 2023
SUNDAY the 10th of DECEMBER 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!"