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.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
WILL BE HELD IN THE
MARY MACKILLOP HALL ON
SUNDAY, 9TH JUNE, 2024 AT 3.00PM

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM CONFIRMATION

CHILDREN'S SESSIONS:
Sunday mornings 8.30am Mary MacKillop Hall
19th MAY, 2024 26th MAY, 2024
2nd JUNE, 2024 9th JUNE, 2024
16th JUNE, 2024

PRACTICE SESSION:
THURSDAY the 20th JUNE
7.30pm in the Church
(*Confessions will be available during the practice sessions*)

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED:
Thursday the 27th of June, 2024 at 7.30pm

Standard 3:

Families and communities are informed and involved

As you'd be aware, the Diocese is committed to keeping children, young people, and vulnerable adults safe. We have processes in place to keep this commitment. The Diocese Safeguarding website has links to Government and non-Government safeguarding websites with useful information for parents in relation to keeping their children safe (https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding).

Our relationships with our children, however, place us in a privileged position where we can have important conversations about how they can keep themselves safe, and who to talk to when they don't feel safe.

It's not always easy to know where to start the "safety" conversation, but a range of resources are available to parents on the internet which can advise parents on what to discuss and even how to approach the conversation! Age Specific Information - https://raisingchildren.net.au/ Personal Safety - https://www.napcan.org.au/tips-for-talking-to-children-about-personal-safety/

Online Safety - https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents

St. Aidan's Church SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 25th & 26th of MAY 2024

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTER SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Marilyn Winn	Dave Santos	Rita Di Stefano	John Quiroz	
Sun 7:30am	Alma Espina	Anthony Pereira	Gertrude Elmo	Clarita Robles	
Sun 9:00am	Beth Kuzmic	David Portelli	Edith Garsuta	Cheryl Machado	
Sun 10:30am	Nora Piliae	Emmanuel Mata	Aurora Mata	Walter Roberts	Evelyn Estacio
Sun 5:30pm	Crystelle Salimbangon	Anthony Pereira	Edgardo Pestano	Maria Arroyo	

St. Aidan's Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 24th - 26th of MAY 2024

Catherine Nursoo	Laura Nursoo	Joe Gomez

Pentecost Sunday
Year B
18th & 19th of MAY
2024

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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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/channelUCCy5n3vxtKz7yEY_VjPTdVQ/live
Terence Smith youtube.com

PERPETUAL ADORATION IS CARRIED OUT IN THE CHURCH 24/7

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
FORMATION CO-ORDINATOR
Precious Tamayo (Contact Parish Office)

YOUTH
YOUTH CONTACT: Maelody Gevero: 0426 263 081
Josh San Pedro: 0481 372 544
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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

SAVOUR (18+)
Every last Thursday of the Month 6:00pm - 7:30pm
Eucharistic Adoration inside the Church followed by fellowship

SACRAMENTAL CO-ORDINATOR
Elizabeth Portelli - 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

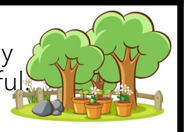
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
At least six months notice is required, plus birth and Baptism certificates.

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

MOTHERS DAY ROSES

Thank you to everyone from our Eucharistic Youth for your generous support of this fundraising effort.

PLEASE PROTECT OUR GARDEN!



The gardens in front of the Church have been created for us largely by Marianne, Joshua, Clarita & Moyses to whom we are very grateful. However we need to ask everyone to please look after them by:

1. NOT DROPPING OF ANY RUBBISH IN THEM SUCH AS TISSUES AND WRAPPERS.
2. NOT ALLOWING SMALL CHILDREN TO PLAY IN THERE BECAUSE THEY TRAMPLE ON THE PLANTS.
3. NOT CUTTING FLOWERS FROM THEM.

Thank you *Fr Alan*

Pentecost Sunday

Year B
18th & 19th of MAY 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.
When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.
Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

(R.) Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.
or
(R.) Alleluia!

1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.
No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.
There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.
Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.
In the evening of 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.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Simeona Ilagan, Kenneth Ilagan, Edna Alcayra, Josie David & Dominador Manuel Jr.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

John Carney, Theresa D Contreras, Rody Tobias, Elpidio Taranilla, Maria Lina de Rueda & Loretta Julia Abolencia.

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:
Precious Tamayo, Tina King, Lyn Pickard, Romeo Susi & Federico Manzo, Katarzyna Haladus, Helen Janic, Louise Janic.

(Names listed in our sick list will remain for one month. At the beginning of each month names will be removed unless we are informed Otherwise. Thank you.)

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 5th of JUNE 2024

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 MAY 2024
SUNDAY the 9th of JUNE 2024

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.

SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

1. We now have a security screen on the tabernacle door in the crying room and a new security screen door.
When doing adoration of a Saturday, Sunday or Monday please lock that security screen door from the inside, especially if you have to leave the Blessed Sacrament with the screen in front of it because there is no one there.
Do not ever leave that Crying Room Chapel unlocked if there is no-one there while the Church is open.
2. The Blessed Sacrament must not be left exposed if no adorer is present.
Every adorer is authorized
* If in the Church, to go into the Sanctuary and close the sliding door in front of the monstrance.
* If in the Crying Room/Chapel to put the screen in front of the Monstrance and lock the screen door of the Crying Room, leaving by the other door which will lock behind you.
* During the school holidays the monstrance will be moved to the Crying Room about 10:30am and remain there for the rest of the day.

St. Irenaeus (Born 130 AD)

Luke says that the Spirit came down on the disciples at Pentecost, after the Lord's ascension, with power to open the gates of life to all nations and to make known to them the new covenant. So it was that men of every language joined in singing one song of praise to God, and scattered tribes, restored to unity by the Spirit, were offered to the Father as the first fruits of all the nations.

This was why the Lord had promised to send the Advocate: he was to prepare us as an offering to God. Like dry flour, which cannot become one lump of dough, one loaf of bread, without moisture, we who are many could not become one in Christ Jesus without the water that comes down from heaven. And like parched ground, which yields no harvest unless it receives moisture, we who were once like a waterless tree could never have lived and borne fruit without this abundant rainfall from above. Through the baptism that liberates us from change and decay we have become one in body; through the Spirit we have become one in soul.