St Aidan's Parish and Other News

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Year C
19th & 20th of APRIL 2025

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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

HOW TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH FAMILY FINANCIALLY

Name of Bank:	Commonwealth Bank
BSB:	067 950
Account Number:	00000529
Account Name:	Rooty Hill Catholic Church
Reference:	YOUR NAME IN FULL

PERPETUAL ADORATION IS CARRIED OUT IN THE CHURCH 24/7

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.

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 Boy Torres on 0468 853 857 or Fr Alan.

PARISH SACRISTAN

Anthony Pereira - 0422 884 160

FORMATION FACILITATOR / CO-ORDINATOR

Precious Tamayo
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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

SAVOUR (18+)

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

SRE & RCIA CO-ORDINATOR

Mrs R Estigoy - (Contact Parish Office)

SACRAMENTAL CO-ORDINATOR

Elizabeth Portelli - (Contact Parish Office)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Thursday	8.00pm - 9.00pm
Saturday	4:00pm - 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
Naomi Crowley - (02) 8886 9800
ST. AGNES CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
Janette Holland - (02) 8882 0700
CATHWEST INOVATION COLLEGE-LOYOLA CAMPUS
Paul Stenning - (02) 8886 9500

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday the 27th of April is Divine Mercy Sunday There will be adoration in the Church from 12:00pm. Confessions will be from 1:00pm with the Divine Mercy Mass celebrated at 3:00pm

HAPPY EASTER

We would like to wish everyone a very happy and Holy Easter. May you rejoice in the Resurrection of Jesus and the Salvation he has won for all of us by his passion and death.

Fr Alan, Fr Matthew, Deacon Jerome and the Parish team

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.
Peter addressed Cornelius and his household:
'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
   for his love has no end.
   Let the sons of Israel say:
   'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
   his right hand raised me up.
   I shall not die, I shall live
   and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected
   has become the corner stone.
   This is the work of the Lord,
   a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.
Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 20:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.
It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'
So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Luisito Bautista Quebuyen, Edgardo Magdadaro, Cyrylle Agdam, Ramon N Rivera & Eric Rizzo

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Consolacion Manansala, Domingo Andal, Sherry Rose Andal, Alma Sadang Galeng, Juan Monier Gomez, Elizabeth Jimenez,

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, Adrian Magee, Peter Mallonga, Dolores Dola Torre, Lanie Cutchon, Benjamino Enpeigne & Gilbert Jolicoeur, Sadie Katherine Stewart, Leo Bel Geopano,

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on *Sunday the 6th of JULY at 3pm* in *Mary MacKillop Hall*. At least one representative from each group needs to be in attendance.

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 7th of MAY 2025

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 27th of APRIL 2025
SUNDAY the 11th of MAY 2025

Perpetual Adoration

This will cease from midnight on Holy Thursday night and resume after the Easter Vigil on Saturday.

This is the period from the moment Jesus puts Himself into the hands of wicked men.
His passion death and the three days in the tomb.
During this time the Bridegroom is taken away from us.

Make an IMPACT- Volunteer Abroad!

Use your knowledge to build self-reliance for those with little opportunity.
Join Palms online for a special session showcasing how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities, from those who've done it before.
Explore our unique opportunities and match your life experience to the experience of a lifetime!

Venue: Online- Scan the QR or register at palms.org.au/events
Date: Thursday 22 May 2025
Time: 6 pm – 7 pm
02 9560 5333 palms@palms.org.au

ST AIDAN'S EUCHARISTIC YOUTH

Savour Bible studies series
SUNDAY, 27th APRIL, 2025 - 5:30pm: Mass
6:30pm: Light snacks + fellowship
7-8pm: Bible study by Precious Tamayo and Q+A.
Location: Mary McKillop Hall
(enter via Rooty Hill Road North)
Young adults: 18-35 yrs old
We will start off with the gospel of Luke.
Please bring your Bible, Catechism, journal, highlighters + pens!

Going forward Bible Studies will be taking place every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month

Caritas AUSTRALIA | PROJECT COMPASSION UNITE AGAINST POVERTY this Lent

Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!
As we celebrate this season of hope and renewal, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion this Lent.
As we reflect on the Easter message of love, compassion, and new beginnings, we are reminded of the incredible impact your contributions make. Together, we are building a world where no one is left behind. **Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2025 Lenten appeal. It's not too late to donate.** You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above. **Or online at**: caritas.org.au/project-compassion **Or by calling:** 1800 024 413
Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

LIVE-IN CARER OPPORTUNITY

Our beautiful 96 year old father lives at home. He is of Anglo-Indian decent, speaks English and is still mobile. We are looking for a special person to help home care for him in either a full-time or part-time capacity. He lives in The Hills area and has family support next door. The job would suit a nursing student or someone that is good with people. If you would like more information, please contact Jason on jason@jjmail.me or 0414987206.

ROOM AVAILABLE

One bedroom available in Rooty Hill, female preferred. Please contact Mrs. Cortes on 0421137953 for more information.

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CONFESSION and CONTRITION

1451 Among the penitent's acts contrition occupies first place. Contrition is "sorrow of the soul and detestation for the sin committed, together with the resolution not to sin again."
1456 (Excerpt) Confession to a priest is an essential part of the sacrament of Penance: *"All mortal sins of which penitents after a diligent self-examination are conscious must be recounted by them in confession."*
1457 (Excerpt) According to the Church's command, *"after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year."* Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion, even if he experiences deep contrition, without having first received sacramental absolution, unless he has a grave reason for receiving Communion and there is no possibility of going to confession.
1458 Without being strictly necessary, confession of everyday faults (venial sins) is nevertheless strongly recommended by the Church.
1490 The movement of return to God, called conversion and repentance, entails: (1) sorrow for and abhorrence of sins committed, and (2) the firm purpose of sinning no more in the future. Conversion touches the past and the future and is nourished by hope in God's mercy
1492 Repentance (also called contrition) must be inspired by motives that arise from faith. If repentance arises from love of charity for God, it is called "perfect" contrition; if it is founded on other motives, it is called "imperfect."

For specific scenarios involving the topic above, please discuss with the priest and/or your spiritual director. Reference: Catechism of the Catholic Church

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SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 26th & 27th of APRIL 2025

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTAR SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Nati L	David P	Myriam A	Rita D	Jennifer F
Sun 7:30am	Monica F	Anthony P	Clarita R	TBA	Rosemarie E
Sun 9:00am	Micaela L	Beth K	Fernando S P	Joshua S P	
Sun 10:30am	Nora P	Justino G	Sonny B	Myla P	Mary B
Sun 5:30pm	Margaret T	Vena T	Emmanuel M	Sharon Q-C	Evelyn E

ALTAR SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 26th - 27th of APRIL 2025

MASS	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER
Vigil 6:00pm	Ethan Gian P	Micha Ewan P	Kava M
Sun 9:00am	Joaquin L	Maddison L	Mathias F
Sun 10:30am	Angelina U	Mauryce P	Rafaelle A
Sun 5:30am	Euane B-D	Thomas P-D	Annie V

Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 25th - 27th of APRIL 2025
Group 1
Gianna H
Marissa R
Tony R