



# St Aidan's Parish and Other News

**SAINTS PETER  
AND PAUL,  
APOSTLES**  
**28th & 29th of  
JUNE 2025**

**9 Adelaide Street, Rooty Hill, NSW 2766**

Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Bass  
Assistant Priest: Fr Matthew Dimian  
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## PARISH OFFICE OPERATING HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
10:00am - 4:30pm

## WEEKLY MASSES

Monday: 9.15am  
Tuesday: 9.15am  
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, 20<sup>th</sup> 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  
EMAIL: [catechism.corner@outlook.com](mailto:catechism.corner@outlook.com)

## YOUTH

### YOUTH CONTACT:

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*  
Bible Studies is on the 1st & 3rd Sundays  
of the Month in the Parish Centre

## 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

**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO ALL THE  
CONFIRMATION  
CANDIDATES  
WHO RECEIVED  
THE SACRAMENT  
OF CONFIRMATION  
LAST  
TUESDAY AND  
THURSDAY.  
MAY GOD BLESS  
YOU AND YOUR  
FAMILIES.**

## PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

*The annual Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father will be held THIS WEEKEND 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025. The collection, usually held around the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, supports the Pope's mission, which extends throughout the entire world from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace and brotherhood among peoples. Every offering - large or small - will support the Holy Father in his ministry and in his charitable activities in response to emergencies and needs around the world. Please donate generously in our special collection.*

## ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

Is there anyone in the parish who may have a spare windows 11 laptop, that could be donated to the Church? Please let either Fr Andrew or Fr Matthew know.





# Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Year C -  
28th & 29th of JUNE 2025

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

These are the ones who, living in the flesh,  
planted the Church with their blood;  
they drank the chalice of the Lord  
and became the friends of God.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## FIRST READING Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*Now I know it is indeed true: the Lord has saved me from the power of Herod.*

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' – and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true,' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 33:2-9. R. v.5

(R.) The Lord set me free from all my fears.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times  
his praise always on my lips;  
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
2. Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free. (R.)
3. Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
This poor man called; the Lord heard him

and rescued him from all his distress. (R.)

4. The angel of the Lord is encamped  
around those who revere him, to rescue them.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. (R.)

## SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy  
*All that remains now is the crown of righteousness.*

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;  
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew  
*You are Peter, and I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus replied: You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Dutchie Azucena Alcasid, Felomino Pura,  
Margaret Vella, Abraham Peratta, Nina  
Untivero & Valentino Creus.

### COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Rodrigo Robles, P. V. George, Spiro Mizzi,  
Benita Casinto, Dominga Abolencia, Napoleon  
Felizardo, Honorato Felizardo, Eliseo Sagainza,  
Florencio Sagainza, Adelaida Patricio & Lucia  
Andrade.

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Baby Eve Carney, Carmel Testa, Bronia Flak,  
Olivia TamayoIngrid Assunta Bentham,  
Luzviminda G Rivera, Marivi Q Gonzales,  
Milagros S Felizardo, Fenny Felizardo &  
Rolando Guevarra.

### 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.

## ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

Both ADELAIDE STREET and ROOTY  
HILL ROAD NORTH car park entries will  
be CLOSED on FRIDAY MORNING,  
11th JULY, 2025 for CAR PARK  
LINE MARKING. Please park on the  
street on this day. *Sorry for any  
inconvenience.*



### 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 2nd of JULY 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 13th of JULY 2025

SUNDAY the 27th of JULY 2025

## THE FOUR MARKS OF THE TRUE CHURCH

### THE CHURCH IS ONE

813 The Church is one because her  
source: the Trinity, is One God. Her founder  
is Christ, and her "soul", is the Holy  
Spirit. Unity is of the essence of the Church.

815 What are these bonds of unity?

- profession of one faith received from the  
Apostles;
- common celebration of divine worship,  
especially of the sacraments;
- apostolic succession through the  
sacrament of Holy Orders.

### THE CHURCH IS HOLY

823 This is because Christ, who with the  
Father and the Spirit is hailed as 'alone  
holy.' He loved the Church as his Bride,  
giving Himself up for her to sanctify her and  
joined her to Himself as His body and  
endowed her with the gift of the Holy  
Spirit." The Church is "the holy People of  
God."

### THE CHURCH IS CATHOLIC

830 The word "catholic" means "universal,"  
because Christ is present in her. In her  
subsists the fullness of Christ's body united  
with its head.

831 The Church is catholic because she has  
been sent out by Christ on a mission to the  
whole of the human race.

### THE CHURCH IS APOSTOLIC

857 The Church is apostolic because she is  
founded on the apostles, in three ways:

- she was built on "the foundation of the  
Apostles,"
- with the help of the Spirit dwelling in her,  
the Church keeps and hands on the  
teaching, she has heard from the apostles;
- she continues to be taught, sanctified, and  
guided by the apostles until Christ's  
return, through their successors in pastoral  
office: the college of bishops, "assisted by  
priests, in union with the successor of Peter,  
the Church's supreme pastor".

*Mrs Precious TAMAYO*

*Formation Facilitator & Coordinator*

*Email [catechism.corner@outlook.com](mailto:catechism.corner@outlook.com) if you  
have any questions, comments and  
suggestions, which will be discussed with  
the Parish Priest*

Young Adult Faith Formation sessions continue on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, South Mt Druitt (9 Ropes Creek Rd Mt Druitt) at 7pm. The speaker is Fr Tom Green who will talk about and lead discussion on Bl Franz Jägerstätter. All adults 18-35 are encouraged to come along and enjoy some faith formation, pizza, and fellowship! If you have any questions, please call Mark on 0477 004 678.

## SAVOUR - YOUNG ADULTS

*As it is the 5th Sunday of the month this weekend there will be a Social Dinner on at West HQ this Sunday at 7pm.*

The next Bible studies session will be taking place on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July at 7pm in the Parish Centre after the 5:30pm Mass.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting has been postponed until further notice.

## JOURNEY OF HOPE JUBILEE CONCERT: 26 JULY

*The Ateneo Alumni Association of Australia (AAAA) invites all to the "Journey of Hope" Jubilee Concert to showcase an inspiring afternoon of music that speaks to the soul and a beautiful message of hope. The concert will take place on Saturday, 26th of July 2025 12:30pm-3pm at Club Burwood Group - Club Burwood RSL, Club Burwood & Croydon Park Club, Entertainment Dome, 97 Shaftesbury Rd, Burwood. Tickets are \$25 each and all proceeds will go to the AAAA Scholarship Program for scholars in the Philippines in collaboration with the Tanging Yaman Foundation and Peregrinus which features members from the Filipino Chaplaincy Young Adults Choir. Link to book tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/CZXKB>.*

*For more info contact: Ian Epondulan on 0401 161 264 or [ian\\_ube@hotmail.com](mailto:ian_ube@hotmail.com)*

## PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelope packs for the new financial year will be available for subscribers to collect from the side table in the gathering area of the church on **Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2025**. If you would like to become an envelope subscriber please fill in the blue card in the gathering area of the church and place in the collection plate.

Please remember that Planned Giving Envelope donations are not tax deductible. Thank you to all those who contribute to the daily upkeep of our parish.



## PARKING AT THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

All parishioners please ENTER from Adelaide Street and please EXIT from Rooty Hill Road North *Thank you*

## ROOM AVAILABLE

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

## PN PROFESSIONAL TILING

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## SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 5th & 6th of JULY 2025

MASS	LECTOR	ACOLYTE/ ALTAR SERVER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER	SPECIAL MINISTER
Vigil 6:00pm	Rita D	David P	John Q	Sharon Q C	Myriam A
Sun 7:30am	Alma E	Anthony P	Clarita R	Rosemarie E	Lata S
Sun 9:00am	Rosie D	Angelo A	Juliet A	Anna S	Assunta
Sun 10:30am	Mary J B	Sonny B	Myla P	Edith G	Evelyn E
Sun 5:30pm	Margaret T	Vena T	Nora P	Micaela L	Mary B

## ALTAR SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 5th & 6th of JULY 2025

MASS	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER
Vigil 6:00pm	Ethan P	Micha P	Samuel S
Sun 9:00am	Lauren N	Emily N	Timothy N
Sun 10:30am	Rafaelle A	Angelina U	Tifa A
Sun 5:30am	Vlanney T	Rosa T	Jennifer T

## Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 4th - 6th of JULY 2025

Group 4
The Portelli Family