



St Aidan's Parish and Other News

Twenty-fifth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year C
20th & 21st of
SEPTEMBER
2025

9 Adelaide Street, Rooty Hill, NSW 2766

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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, 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

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 at 7pm 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



ANNUAL FATIMA FIESTA

Organised by Lito & Nina Chavez

St Aidan's Parish Church
Saturday the 11th of October, 2025
At 2pm

Main Celebrant: Fr Galbert

All are welcome to attend



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

FIRST READING

Amos 8:4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos
The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?

Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R. see vv.1. 7

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be Blessed both now and for evermore! (R.)

2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? (R.)

3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 2:1-8

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy
Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and - I am telling the truth and no lie

- a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Braeden Rodricks & Ildefonso dela Rosa

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Weronika Bembenek, Rosa Chen, Gus Gonzalez Calvo, Joseph Marc Frusa, Josefino Frusa, Joseph Gatt Grazio, Maryanne & Joe Bigeni, Ramon Rivera, Alberto & Elena Tobias, Patrick & Olga Thomas, Teresa Thomas, Allwyn & Daisy Assey.

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, Luzviminda Rivera & Adrian Magee & Soo Utuai.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM COMMUNION

CHILDREN'S SESSIONS

21st of September
8.30am in the
Mary MacKillop Hall.

PRACTICE SESSIONS

TUESDAY the 23rd of
September &
THURSDAY the 25th of September

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED

Sunday the 28th of September
12:00pm & 3:00pm



'Thank You'

Last Sunday the Church celebrated the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and the fifth anniversary of the foundation of Holy Cross Parish at Granville. I would like to express my gratitude to John Portelli, organist, and Maryanne Takchi, cantor, of Holy Cross Parish for arranging the music for the Mass at 9:00 a.m. and to Anthony, Patrick, Paul and Patrick, who served with me at Granville, for serving this Mass. They showed to us through the music and in serving at the altar the soaring beauty of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, for it is the most valuable treasure the Church has. Their dedication to the traditions of the Church, in music and serving, remind us that we are servants, not masters, of the Mass, for it is the divine worship of almighty God granted to us to serve Him. The Mass is the work of God, in which He acts first, and we are redeemed because He is at work. So I thank them all for their generosity of service and their commitment to the Mass which, I know, is an expression of their great love and faith.

I also thank the many parishioners who expressed their heartfelt gratitude for the beauty of that Mass. It was St. Francis of Assisi who said, "The Mass is the moment when heaven and earth meet", and it was these words that were echoed by many parishioners. It was so kind of people to take the time to tell me and others of their appreciation. I am grateful to those who spoke with me for your kindness, your generosity and your encouragement.

Let us be grateful to those who serve the Mass, in whatever way that may be, for their commitment to Our Lord. And let us pray for them that they will always seek the beauty of the traditions of the Church so that in what we have received from God Himself we may return to Him for the glory of His holy name and for the salvation of souls."

Yours sincerely,
Rev. Fr. Andrew Bass

Mass Intentions

In accordance with the law of the Church, Priests are only permitted (under usual circumstances) to accept one intention for each Mass. This means that if a number of intentions are requested for one Mass the Priest can only accept one of those intentions and will offer Masses for the other intentions at a later time. As there is often a number of intentions requested for a Mass, Priests can accept one intention for that Mass but he can mention, if requested, the other intentions and request that the congregation pray for those intentions. If you would like to request Mass for an intention on a specific day and at a specific time, it is recommended that you arrange this with the Priest at least four weeks in advance as there are a large number of intentions and most Masses have an intention to attached to them. Please also be aware that a Parish Priest or Parish Administrator has an obligation to offer one Mass on a Sunday *pro populo*, meaning "for the people". This means that he cannot accept any intention for that Mass as he is duty bound to offer the Mass for all parishioners. When requesting a Mass intention for the dead please clearly indicate whether you would like the name of the deceased to be printed in the parish bulletin or not. Additionally, if you do wish to have the name of the deceased printed in the parish bulletin, you must include your full name and telephone number, otherwise the intention cannot be printed.



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 1st OCTOBER 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 21st of SEPTEMBER 2025
SUNDAY the 12th of OCTOBER 2025

POLICY ON HIRING ANY OF OUR FACILITIES
 Under the direction of the Diocese, if you are requesting to hire MacKillop Hall/Parish Centre for a function other than parish related meetings. You need to provide us with a *"Certificate of Currency"*, for a *minimum of \$20 million Public Liability Insurance*. The Diocese has recommended an insurer that can assist in providing this insurance. For details, please contact the parish office. In consideration of rising costs, there will be a review of the fees to hire the MacKillop Hall and Parish Centre.

GROUPS USING THE MACKILLOP HALL OR PARISH CENTRE 
 If you are using these facilities over the weekend you will need to obtain the keys during office hours on the Friday between 10.00am - 4.30pm, and also return them during office hours on Tuesday 10.00am - 4.30pm. Thank you.

The First Church Collections plus donations from Marriages, Baptisms and Funerals go directly towards supporting the various ministries of the Diocese of Parramatta, including the priest salary funds.

The Second Church Collection

goes directly into our Parish Account. This account is used for administrative expenses, repairs & maintenance, insurance, church supplies, wages, sacrament supplies, SRE resources, telephone, gas, electricity, rates.
Thank you for supporting our parish & the Catholic Church

Foreign Coins - Please respect the request of no foreign coins to be placed on the collection plates. Our Parish cannot bank these coins.
Thank you.

NORTH & CENTRAL SINGLES FOR CHRIST AUSTRALIA - CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM

St Aidan's Parish Centre, Rooty Hill
 Starting at 7pm on the 8th of August
 Open to young Adults 18-35 years

Module 3: 26th Sept

Living a Spirit-filled Christian Life
 Contacts: Farah Sanosa - 0404 057 514
 Alex Silvino - 0405 256 241
 Daryl Onida - 0433 565 261

Bishop's Father's Day Appeal - supporting our senior priests as they continue to serve

Thank you for caring for our spiritual fathers.

Because of your compassion, our Bishop's Father's Day Appeal raised over **\$4,210.20** to provide much-needed care and support for those who have dedicated their lives to serving our community. Your generosity and love ensure they receive the care, comfort and dignity they deserve in this next chapter of their lives. If you haven't had a chance to donate, please visit parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal or scan this QR code. Thank you



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SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 27th & 28th of SEPTEMBER 2025

MASS	READER	ADULT ALTAR SERVER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION
Vigil 6:00pm	Evelyn E	Rizaldy G	Sen C	Myriam A	Joel A
Sun 7:30am	Monica F	Anthony P	Rosemarie E	Lata S	Clarita R
Sun 9:00am	Margaret T	David P	Rita D	Anna S	Assunta
Sun 10:30am	Nora P	Justino G	Mary B	Sonny B	Ryan R
Sun 5:30pm	Evelyn E	Joy N	Linda N	Peter T	Micaela L

YOUTH ALTAR SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 27th & 28th SEPTEMBER

MASS	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER
Vigil 6:00pm	Ethan P	Ewan P	Aaliyah P
Sun 9:00am	Anthony O	William O	Samuel S
Sun 10:30am	Angelina U	Mauryce P	Elena S
Sun 5:30am	Annie V	Kava M	Thomas P D

Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 26th - 28th of SEPTEMBER 2025

Group 2
Margaret T
Peter T
Ryan R