



St Aidan's Parish and Other News

Twenty-Sixth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year C
27th & 28th of
SEPTEMBER
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
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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION ADMINISTERED THIS SUNDAY the 28th of SEPTEMBER at 12pm and 3pm



To all the candidates receiving the
Sacrament of First Communion

"May your heart always be guided by the light of Christ. Let this sacred day remain in your heart as a moment of peace and light and your faith grow and support you throughout your life. May this First Communion be the start of a journey of faith, filled with love and serenity"

PARISH SACRISTAN

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YOUTH

YOUTH CONTACT:

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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

At 2pm

Main Celebrant:
Fr Galbert

All are welcome
to attend





ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING Amos 6:1. 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos
You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

The almighty Lord says this:
Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2

- (R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!
1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)
 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. (R.)
 3. He upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Timothy 6:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy
Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.
As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due

time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.
Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.
'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things come your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."
'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning, so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.'"

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Merle Tobias Janet Jabah &
Aida Walcott.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Gloria Yumul & Ramon N Rivera.

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 G Rivera, Adrian Magee & Soo Utuai. Marie Josee Pan-Yan, Monina Ceno Borja & Marivi Q Gonzales.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND DYING FORMATION: 8 NOVEMBER

Are you currently taking Communion to the sick and dying in the Diocese of Parramatta?

If so, please join the Office for Worship for a day of ongoing formation to further your knowledge and understanding of this important topic.

Saturday 8 November from 9:30am - 2pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown.

Morning tea and Lunch provided. For more information and to register before 3 Nov, please contact the Office for Worship

Team OFW@parracatholic.org or 0488 000 211.



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)

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 12th of OCTOBER 2025
SUNDAY the 26th of OCTOBER 2025

Holy Communion

From October the number of extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion will be reduced so that all communicants will approach the altar to receive Holy Communion. The altar is the place of the sacrifice of the Mass, which is the sacrifice of Our Lord, and so we who seek to be united to His sacrifice should approach the place of that sacrifice. Moreover, the Church is the Bride of Christ and so Christ is the Bridegroom, and just as a bride walks down the aisle to meet her bridegroom at the altar, so we who are members of the Church also walk down the aisle to the altar to meet Christ.

When receiving Holy Communion, for those who receive on the hand, please do not turn away before consuming the sacred host. *Redemptionis Sacramentum* says: "...special care should be taken to ensure that the host is consumed by the communicant in the presence of the minister, so that no one goes away carrying the Eucharistic species in his hand" (n. 92). One reason for this is firstly to ensure that the sacred host is consumed so as to avoid any profanity or any chance that the host may be dropped. The other reason is that we are receiving the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, Our Lord who, on Holy Thursday at the Last Supper, instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist and who, on Good Friday, was sacrificed on the holy Cross for our sins. It is that Sacrament of His sacrificed Body and Blood that we receive in Holy Communion, and so we who receive that sacrifice should honour Our Lord by facing the altar and the Cross on which He was sacrificed.

Universal Prayer

As previously said, the response to the intentions of the universal prayer following "Lord, hear us" is "Lord, hear our prayer" and not "Lord, hear our prayers". The Universal Prayer, also known as the Prayer of the Faithful, is a single prayer but which includes a series of intercessions and as it is a single prayer the response is always "Lord, hear our prayer". It is important that in participating in the Mass that we do as the Church asks of us so that all unite themselves in the work of the universal Church.

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.

Young adults from 18-35 are invited to come along on Sunday 5th Oct and learn about the soon-to-be-canonised Bl Bartolo Longo, an Apostle of the Rosary and former Satanist! Speaker Steven Buhagiar will lead the faith formation session at Sacred Heart Parish Hall (9 Ropes Creek Rd, Mt Drutt) at 7pm, followed by free pizza and fellowship! Call Mark with any questions on 0477 004 678.

Diocese of Parramatta Notices

Grab your FREE copy of the Catholic Outlook Magazine!

The latest quarterly edition of the *Catholic Outlook Magazine* is out now, keeping you connected with exciting news and events in the Diocese of Parramatta. In this Spring edition, you will find:

- Fr Adam Carlow's popular marriage course
- The parish with an abundance of altar servers
- Diocesan Award winners celebrated

A cuppa with Fr Andrew Fornal OP

Pick up your copy from your church or parish office today! Also available online via catholicoutlook.org/magazine

Design our next Catholic Outlook Magazine front cover!

We're inviting you to design the front cover of the *Catholic Outlook Magazine's* Christmas and Summer 2025 edition! People of all ages from across the Diocese of Parramatta are welcome to submit their artwork for consideration. Let's make this Advent and Christmas season a canvas of faith and joy – together. Please submit your entry by Friday 7 November 2025 – with a short description of your artwork – via parracatholic.org/artcomp

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SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 4th & 5th of OCTOBER 2025

MASS	READER	ADULT ALTAR SERVER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION
Vigil 6:00pm	Rita D	Ryan R	Myla P	Jennifer F
Sun 7:30am	Ellen P	Jerome C	Lata S	Clarita R
Sun 9:00am	Hazyl G	David P	Edith G	Evelyn E
Sun 10:30am	Nati L	Sonny B	Joy N	Linda N
Sun 5:30pm	Nora P	Anthony P	Peter T	Micaela L

YOUTH ALTAR SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 4th & 5th OCTOBER

MASS	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER
Vigil 6:00pm	Noah T	Lucas T	Ciara T
Sun 9:00am	Anthony O	William O	Samuel S
Sun 10:30am	Laura N	Emily N	Timothy N
Sun 5:30am	Joaquin L	Maddison L	Annie V

Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 3rd - 5th of OCTOBER 2025

Group 3
Josephel P
Beth K
Jemma M