



St Aidan's Parish and Other News

Thirteenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year A
27th & 28th of
JUNE 2026

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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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Wednesday 7:30pm - 8:00pm
Thursday 8:00pm - 9:00pm
Friday 9:45am - 10:15am
Saturday 9:30am - 10:00am
4:00pm - 5:30pm

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.

ROOTY HILL LEGION OF MARY JUNIOR PRAESIDIUM

Parents and Children of age 6-17yrs
Every Friday 6pm-7pm Parish Centre

For more information contact Boy Torres on 0468 853 857

ROOTY HILL PRAESIDIUM

Every Saturday 10.30am - 1.00pm Parish Centre Small Room

CHRIST CATHOLIC COMMUNITY PRAYER GROUP

Meet every Wednesday at 10am in the Parish Centre.
All are Welcome to come and join us in explaining and
understanding the Sunday Gospel.
For more info Contact Mary Testa - 0403302283.

PARISH SACRISTAN

Anthony Pereira - 0422 884 160

FAITH FORMATION

Precious Tamayo

EMAIL: 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 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 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

Jeanette Holland - (02) 8882 0700

CATHWEST INOVATION COLLEGE-LOYOLA CAMPUS

Paul Stenning - (02) 8886 9500

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

We warmly welcome Fr Jobi Payyappilly as Parish Administrator of St Aidan's Parish from Wednesday, 1 July 2026.

A light welcome lunch will be held on Sunday, 5 July, in the Mary MacKillop Hall following the 10:30 am Mass.

All parishioners are invited to come along and meet our new Parish Administrator.

Fr Matthew will remain with us as Assistant Priest.

To help make this a special occasion, parishioners are invited to bring a plate to share, such as sandwiches, cupcakes, or other finger foods. As we welcome Fr Jobi to our parish family, let us keep him in our prayers. May the Lord bless his ministry among us, grant him wisdom, strength, and joy in his service, and may our parish continue to grow in faith, hope, and charity under God's guidance. *We look forward to celebrating this welcome together.*



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All peoples, clap your hands.
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

FIRST READING 2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16

A reading from the second book of the Kings
That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2

(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. (R.)

2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R.)

3. For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted: for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. (R.)

SECOND READING Romans 6:3-4. 8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.

Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 10:37-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Rebecca Reyes Herrera, Magdalini Voutos, Doris Barrett,
Grace Navarro Manuel, Antony Motha, Hiladia Hill,
Clemente Parado Buenafe, Helen Sanchez, Rubie Tour,
Soo Utuai, Myrtle Moodley, Scott Parkhill &
Benigno Lamoste

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

All members of The Testa Family, Antonio Saladar,
Drosa Chen, Roman Bembenek,
Roberto Aquino, Arthur Ellis, Dolores Lolita J
ReyesGordon Fernando, Patrick & Olga Thomas, Theresa
Thomas, Daisy & Allwyn Assey, Joseph Gatt Grazio &
Joe Maryanne Bigeni.

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:
Elizabetta Sremko, Precious Tamayo, Nanette Villanueva,
Mariles Hollero. Grace Fatima de Leon Pinto, Ednanie
Pagurayan, Cecilia Graycochea, Vlad, Maureena Drury &
Efren Makatangay.

PARISH CONFIRMATION

Congratulations and Thank You

We warmly congratulate all our Confirmation
Candidates who were confirmed last Thursday.
May the gifts of the Holy Spirit continue to guide
and strengthen you in your faith journey.
We extend our sincere thanks to Very Rev. Peter
Williams AM VG, Fr Matthew Dimian, the Acolytes,
the Ministers of the Word, the Extraordinary
Ministers of Holy Communion, and the Choir for
their valuable contribution to this special
celebration. A special word of thanks goes to
Elizabeth Portelli and her assistants, who have
faithfully prepared our young people for this
important milestone. Your dedication, generosity,
and commitment are greatly appreciated.
May God bless you all. Fr Matthew



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 of JULY 2026

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 THE
INSTRUCTION EVENING YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM
COULD BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FOLLOWING MONTH.
GODPARENTS CHOSEN SHOULD BE CATHOLIC.

OUR NEXT BAPTISMS

SUNDAY the 28th of JUNE 2026

SUNDAY the 12th of JULY 2026

ATTENTION ALL CHURCH VOLUNTEERS – PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR WWCC FORM AND DECLARATION SIGNED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE PARISH OFFICE

All Volunteers have been given a gold a4 envelope regarding
Volunteer Safeguarding Forms to be filled in and returned to the
office as soon as convenient. These are a few safeguarding
requirements that need to be completed in line with Diocese of
Parramatta policies.

Firstly, please complete your Working With Children Check
(WWCC) application using the link below. Once you have applied,
you will receive a WWCC number—please forward this to us once
available. If you have not held a WWCC before, you will also need
to attend a Service NSW centre with identification to finalise the
process. WWCC application: <https://wwccheck.ocg.nsw.gov.au/Apply>

Secondly, please review the Diocese of Parramatta Volunteer
Handbook and sign and date page 25. This page confirms your
understanding of, and commitment to, the safeguarding
responsibilities expected of all volunteers within the parish.

Once completed, please return a copy to us.

In addition, all volunteers are required to complete *Mandatory
Safeguarding Training*. This can be done online at your
convenience via the link below. The training outlines important
information regarding child safety, recognising and responding to
concerns, and maintaining appropriate conduct within a parish
setting. Safeguarding training:

<https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/compliance-modules>

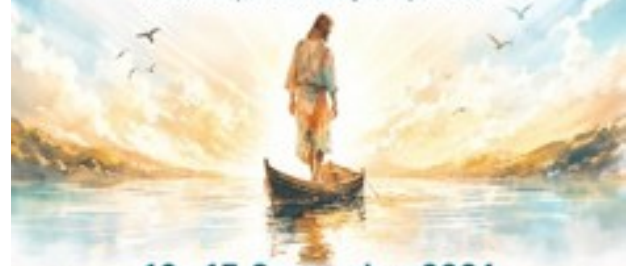
If you are unable to complete the training online, please let us
know. Once your forms have been returned, Fr Matthew will
arrange sessions within the parish to ensure you are able to meet
this requirement. We understand that this may seem like a detailed
process; however, these measures are in place to ensure the
safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable people, and they
are mandatory for all parishes within the Diocese.

If you have any questions or need assistance with any part of the
process, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the Parish Office.

SPECIAL EOY / EARLY BIRD GROUP OFFER

Be The Witness

A powerful musical encounter
with the story of Jesus through the eyes of Peter



10–13 September 2026

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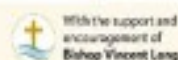
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COMMUNION

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

THURSDAY, 23rd JULY, 2026 7.30pm Mary MacKillop Hall

REGISTRATION - 25th & 26th JULY, 2026

SACRISTY in the Church after all the weekend Masses

PARENT INSTRUCTION EVENING

THURSDAY 30th JULY, 2026 7.30pm Mary MacKillop Hall

Collection 2026



PETER'S PENCE

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION IS THIS WEEKEND THE 27TH & 28TH OF JUNE 2026

The annual Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father is being held this Sunday the 28th of June.

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.

Planned Giving Envelope Program

We sincerely thank all parishioners who are already contributing to our Planned Giving Envelope Program. Your ongoing generosity supports the life and mission of our parish and is greatly appreciated. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Envelope Program, please complete the blue form available in the gathering area of the church. Parishioners wishing to cease their contributions are kindly asked to email

rootyhill@parracatholic.org

NEW ENVELOPES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON WEEKEND 1st/2nd JULY on the left hand side of the entry into the church. Please take the box with your name on it.

Thank you

24HR PERPETUAL ADORATION AT ST. ADIAN'S PARISH, ROOTY HILL 2026

Through the initiative of Fr. Alan the 24-hour adoration commenced on Sunday 20th November, 2022. Currently we have Deacon Jerome as Team Co-ordinator.

Perpetual adoration is usually in the main Church but later in the evening the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Children's room & the access code can be provided once you sign up to be an Adorer. We need to have at least 2 Adorers for every one-hour slot for the 24hrs each day.

Adorers can volunteer for either a 1 hr or 2 hr slot per week if they want to spend more time adorning Our Blessed Lord. There is also a QR code & a link in the

Parish Newsletter on the front page for you to register your interest. The times where there is a serious gap is during lunch time and after 7pm at night & through the night until 7am in the morning. 24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration has many spiritual benefits such as: You develop a deeper a Relationship with Jesus; Increased peace; Sense of Community; Encouragement in Faith; Personal Transformation; and Growth in Virtues.

"Could you not watch with me one hour"

says Our Lord Jesus Christ!

We are currently looking for volunteers to fill the following Adoration hours:

- Monday: 12:00pm - 1:00pm
- Tuesday: 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Also, for those Adorers currently on the roster who intend to go on holidays, please provide at least two weeks' notice so that we can arrange replacements for your allocated hours. Thank you for your cooperation and commitment.



In loving memory of
Doris Barrett

Good Shepherd Plumptre
10am Service. 7th of July 2026
The service will be followed
by 12pm burial at Kemps
Creek Memorial Park.

SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 4th & 5th of JULY 2026

MASS	READER	ADULT ALTAR SERVER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION
Vigil 6:00pm	Sister Laarni	Justino G	Mary B	Rita D
Sun 7:30am	Alma E	Maria S	Rosemarie E	Clarita R
Sun 9:00am	Selina V	TBA	TBA	Assunta
Sun 10:30am	Christelle S	Sonny S	Peter T	Christopher S
Sun 5:30pm	Margarita Y	Anthony P	Sharon Q C	Jennifer F

YOUTH ALTAR SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 4th & 5th of JULY 2026

MASS	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER
Vigil 6:00pm	Ciara T	Aalyah P	Milan G
Sun 9:00am	Khristian G	Mikaela Rose I	Akeisha M
Sun 10:30am	Laura N	Emily N	Timothy N
Sun 5:30am	Euane B D	Erich D S	Annie V

Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 3rd - 5th JULY 2026

Group 7
Tonna
Samuel