



St Aidan's Parish & Other News

Fifteenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year A
11th & 12th of
JULY 2026

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

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 contact the Parish office via email

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 information please 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

EMAIL: staidans.eucharisticyouth@gmail.com

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

Thank You!

Thank you to our parishioners who brought a plate to
share, especially Clarita and all her helpers, for
organizing such a beautiful welcome to
Fr Joby last weekend.
May the Good Lord bless you always.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING Isaiah 55:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The rain makes the earth fruitful.

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 64:10-14 R. Lk 8:8

(R.) The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

1. You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches. Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. (R.)
2. And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows, you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth. (R.)
3. You crown the year with your goodness. Abundance flows in your steps, in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. (R.)
4. The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the valleys are decked with wheat. They shout for joy, yes, they sing. (R.)

SECOND READING Romans 8:18-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

All creation is waiting for the revelation of the children of God.

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 13:1-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

A sower went out to sow.

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables. He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' 'Because' he replied 'the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you, but they are not revealed to them. For anyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. So in their case this prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled:

You will listen and listen again, but not understand, see and see again, but not perceive. For the heart of this nation has grown coarse, their ears are dull of hearing, and they have shut their eyes, for fear they should see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their heart, and be converted and be healed by me.

'But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! I tell you solemnly, many prophets and holy men longed to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it.

'You, therefore, are to hear the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in his heart: this is the man who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the man who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But he has no root in him, he does not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and he falls away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so he produces nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Azucena A. Del Rosario,
Myrtle Moodley & Edgardo Acosta.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Angelina Cariolato, Reynaldo Acaín, Charles Chen,
Trinidad Puno, Fernando Basa Altobano & Salvador
David Jr, Solo Utuai, Olga & Teresa Thomas, Allwyn &
Daisy Assby & Patrick Thomas.

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:
Domingo Tullao, Elizabetta Sremko, Vlad,
Mikaela Vergara & Alfonso Diaz.



COMMUNION

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

THURSDAY, 23rd JULY, 2026

7.30pm in the Mary MacKillop Hall

REGISTRATION - 25th & 26th JULY, 2026

SACRISTY in the Church after all the weekend Masses

PARENT INSTRUCTION EVENING

THURSDAY the 30/07/26 - 7.30pm in the
Mary MacKillop Hall

CHILDRENS SESSIONS

Sunday Mornings at 8:30am in the Mary MacKillop Hall

2nd August 9th August 16th August

23rd August 30th August

PRACTICE SESSION

Tuesday the 1st of Sept & Thursday the 3rd of Sept

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED

Sunday 6/09/26 at 12:30pm

& Sunday the 6/09/26 at 3:00pm



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 5th of AUGUST 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 12th of JULY 2026

SUNDAY the 26th 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](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](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.



Dear Parishioners,
The Brown Scapular
Is a gift from our
heavenly mother that
"Whoever dies in
this garment shall not
suffer Eternal Fire".

The scapular is a sign of a lived devotion to our Heavenly mother and the Sacred Heart. The Blessed Virgin assigned certain conditions to be fulfilled.

1. Wear the Brown Scapular continuously.
2. Observe chastity according to one's state in life (married/single).
3. Recite the Rosary daily. We have our parish priest's permission from many years ago.

Enrolment to the Brown Scapular is on 18 and 19 July.

Please stay back after the mass for the enrolment. Those who have already been enrolled do not have to apply again.

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 ARE AVAILABLE for collection on the left hand side of the entry into the church.

Please take the box with your name on it.

Thank you

The Parish sincerely thanks parishioners for their continued generosity and support. Parishioners are reminded that the First Collection supports the clergy serving in the Parramatta Diocese, including the clergy of St. Aidan's Parish. The Second Collection contributes to the ongoing expenses and operational needs of St. Aidan's Parish. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

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.

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. 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!

SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 18th & 19th of JULY 2026

MASS	READER	ADULT ALTAR SERVER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION
Vigil 6:00pm	Rita D	Daniel H	Sen C	Jennifer F
Sun 7:30am	Agnes G M	Anthony P	Lata S	Maria S
Sun 9:00am	Nora P	Ryan R	Edith G	Rizaldy G
Sun 10:30am	Marilyn W	Vena T	Peter T	Evelyn E
Sun 5:30pm	Margaret T	Joy N	Justino G	John Q

YOUTH ALTAR SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 18th & 19th of JULY 2026

MASS	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER
Vigil 6:00pm	Kava M	Samuel S	Milan G
Sun 9:00am	Anthony O	William O	Elena S
Sun 10:30am	Vlanney T	Rosa T	Jennifer F
Sun 5:30am	Annie V	Angelina U	Euane B D

Church CLEANING ROSTER for next weekend - 17th - 19th JULY 2026

Group 2
Margaret T
Peter T
Ryan R