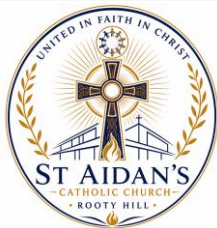


THE LINDISFARNE

St Aidan's Parish

9 Adelaide Street,
Rooty Hill, NSW 2766

The
Solemnity
Of St Aidan
29th & 30th of
AUGUST 2026



Parish Priest: Fr Jobi Payyappilly
Assistant Priest: Fr Matthew Dimian
Rev Deacon: Jerome D'Rozario
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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

**On the LAST WEDNESDAY of every month
Novena to St Aidan**



PERPETUAL ADORATION 24/7 - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Our Perpetual Adoration has been ongoing since the 20th of
November 2022. If you would like to sign up as an adorers,
please send an expression of interest to 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 join us in understanding the Sunday Gospel.
For more info Contact Mary Testa - 0403302283

PARISH SACRISTAN

Anthony Pereira

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 (in 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

Please Contact the Parish Office

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

I WANT TO SUPPORT MY 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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - BAPTISM SUPPORT

We are looking for a **maximum of 2 volunteers** to assist with the
2nd and 4th Sunday baptisms. Volunteers would be asked to be
present from approximately **11:45 am to 1:00 pm** to help with:
Preparing for the baptism - Assisting during the baptism as
needed - Cleaning up afterwards
If you are available and would like to help, please speak with
Fr Jobi or call the office on 02 9625 8404.

Thank you for your support and willingness to serve!

Wishing you all a
Happy Feast of St Aidan
and 45th Anniversary of
Dedication of this
Church in Rooty Hill



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, and I will appoint a shepherd to pasture them, and I, the Lord, will be their God.

FIRST READING

Is 61:1-3

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord God anointed me and sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up hearts that are broken; to proclaim liberty to captives, freedom to those in prison; to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord, a day of vengeance for our God, to comfort all those who mourn and to give them for ashes a garland; for mourning robe the oil of gladness, for despondency, praise.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 95:1-3. 7-8. 10. R. v. 3

(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. (R.)
2. Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. (R.)
4. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' The world he made firm in its place; he will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Cor 9:16-19. 22-23

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Unless I preach the gospel, I shall be punished.

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the Gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the Gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.

GOSPEL

Mt 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Go and make disciples of all the nations.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Simon Testa, Mr Arthur Patrick Ernest Bridge & Josephine Pingol.

COMMEMORATIVE DECEASED

Patrick Thomas, Theresa & Olga Thomas, Daisy & Allwyn Assey, Rodolfo Reyes Dasig, Ramon Nolasco Rivera, Angeline Pereira, Luana Mangiaterra, Rustica Eulalio & Jovita Florendo.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Karim, Raquel Garcia, Raphael Ortiz, Divya Rozario, Rosita, Gloria Amarilla & Precious Tamayo.
Heavenly Father, may you lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick.

Bishop's Father's Day Appeal is next weekend

Honour a lifetime of faithful service

We give thanks for the fathers, grandfathers, mentors and spiritual fathers who have guided us with love, wisdom and faith. Among them are our priests, who have devoted their lives to serving God's people. They have celebrated the Sacraments with us, prayed with us, accompanied our families and helped bring us closer to Christ. After a lifetime of faithful service, many of our senior priests now need practical care and support as they face the challenges of ageing, illness and retirement. Your generous tax-deductible gift will help care for our retired and unwell priests and ensure they can live with the dignity, care and support they deserve. Please give generously at parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal or scan the QR code. Thank you for caring for those who have spent their lives caring for us.



Attention Mother's, Grandmothers, Godmothers & Spiritual Mothers

Turn your maternal concerns for your children of all ages into powerful intercessory prayer for joining the new Mothers who Pray for their Children Movement. Representatives will speak at the at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 13th September 2026. Discover how a community of mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and spiritual mothers can come together to pray weekly, grow in faith and offer support to each other. Join us immediately after the 10.30am Mass in the Parish Centre, to learn about this weekly prayer initiative, the second Sydney Formation gathering on 21st November 2026 St Nicholas of Myra Parish, meet other mothers and discover how you can become involved. For enquiries or to RSVP, contact Cheryl Clark on 0411726443 or Carolyn D'Mello on 0448443619.

LOWANA STUDY CENTRE

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN IN WESTERN SYDNEY

A recollection is a time to step back from daily life, to renew our relationship with God, and to learn about how to love others better

EVERY THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

Future Dates are as follows

15 Sept, 13 October, 17 Nov, 15 December!

At St Aidan's Catholic Church,

9 Adelaide Street, Rooty Hill NSW 2766

A Priest will be available for confession throughout.

Contact: Isabel P 0424 887 994 woman@lowana.org.au

(Hosted and conducted by Lowana Study Centre

(www.lowana.org.au) and a Priest of Opus Dei (www.opusdei.org).

Opus Dei is a personal prelature of the Catholic Church that helps people see holiness in their daily work and ordinary activities).

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

The Perpetual Adoration commenced on Sunday, November 20, 2022. The Adoration is held in the main church during the day and the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Children's Room later in the evening and during the night. Once you sign up as an adorer, an access code will be provided for entry.

Adorer commitments: At least two adorers are needed for every one-hour lot across each 24-hour period. Volunteers can sign up for either a 1-hour or 2-hour slot per week.

Our Team Coordinator: Deacon Jerome

We sincerely acknowledge Fr Alan Layt for his vision, initiative and establishment of perpetual adoration at St Aidan's Parish.



Celebration of the 45th Anniversary of the Dedication of Our Parish Church

Date: Sunday, 30 August 2026

Anniversary Mass: 5:30 PM

Principal Celebrant: His Excellency Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv. DD

We warmly invite all parishioners to join us in celebrating the 45th Anniversary of the Dedication of our Parish Church. This special occasion marks an important milestone in the life of our parish as we give thanks to God for His abundant blessings over the past 45 years.

Following the Anniversary Mass, dinner and entertainment will be held in Mary MacKillop Hall. We encourage everyone to come together in fellowship and celebration.

Simon Testa's Funeral Mass

Thursday 3rd September at 11.00am

St Aidan's Church

Followed by Pinegrove Cemetery

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

WILL BE HELD EVERY 2ND & 4TH SUNDAY
OF THE MONTH AT 12.00PM

THE NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING IS ON
WEDNESDAY the 2nd of September 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 13th of September 2026

SUNDAY the 27th of September 2026



COMMUNION

CHILDRENS SESSIONS

Sunday Morning at 8:30am in the Mary MacKillop Hall
30th August

PRACTICE SESSION

Tuesday the 1st of September & Thursday the 3rd of September
7pm in the Church

(Confessions will be available during the practice session)

SACRAMENT ADMINISTERED

Sunday 6/09/26 at 12:30pm
& Sunday the 6/09/26 at 3:00pm



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.

PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

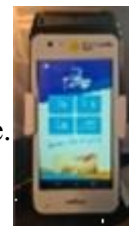
There are several convenient ways to make your
offertory and donations to the Parish.

TAP & GO GIVING

Our **Tap & Go** donation machine is available
in the church foyer.

The donation amount is **variable** - simply use
the screen to select the amount you wish to give.
Donations made via the Tap & Go machine are
distributed as follows:

- 30% to the **First Collection** (supporting the clergy).
- 70% to the **Second Collection** (supporting the
maintenance and development of the parish).



PLANNED GIVING (Direct Debit or Credit Card)

Planned Giving is available for those who prefer to
make **cashless one-time or recurring donations** by Direct
Debit or Credit Card. Setting up a donation is **quick,
secure, and easy**. For more information or to arrange
Planned Giving, please contact the Parish Office on
(02) 9625 8404.

BANK TRANSFER

You may also make your offertory or parish donations
via bank transfer using the parish banking details
provided on the front page of this newsletter.

*Thank you for your continued generosity and
support of St Aidan's Parish.*



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SERVING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND - 5th & 6th of September 2026

MASS	READER	ADULT ALTAR SERVER	EXTRODINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	EXTRODINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION
Vigil 6:00pm	Darlene P D	David P	Mary B	Rita D
Sun 7:30am	Agnes G M	Daniel H	Rosemarie E	Clarita R
Sun 9:00am	Hazyl G	Ryan R	Rizaldy R	Beth K
Sun 10:30am	Christine S	Sonny B	Evelyn E	Myla P
Sun 5:30pm	Nati L	Anthony P	John Q	Jennifer F

YOUTH ALTAR SERVING ROSTER for next weekend - 5th & 6th of September

MASS	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER	ALTAR SERVER
Vigil 6:00pm	Ciara T	Aalyah P	Thomas P D
Sun 9:00am	Khristian G	Mikaela Rose I	Elena S
Sun 10:30am	Laura N	Emily N	Timothy N
Sun 5:30pm	Euane B-D	Erich D S	Angelina U

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER For next weekend - 4th - 6th September 2026

GROUP 2
Margaret T
Peter T
Ryan R