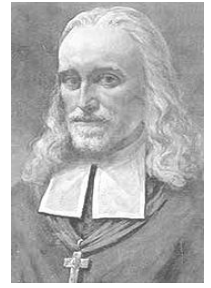




St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

HARRIS PARK



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15 March 2020 - Third Sunday of Lent

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES
Monday to Friday: 7:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 8:00 am
Friday: 9:15 am
WEEKEND MASS TIMES
Saturday: Vigil 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am
OFFICE HOURS : Tuesday & Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm


SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

Reconciliation, : Please contact the parish office to make an appointment.
Baptism, Marriage and Funerals
 Please contact the Parish Office for information and bookings.
Baptism: held every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month within the mass.
RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
 Thinking about becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who may be interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Contact the Parish Office for more details on joining the RCIA program.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
 My eyes are always on the Lord,
 for he rescues my feet from the snare.
 Turn to me and have mercy on me,
 for I am alone and poor.
 Psalm 24:15-16

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
 For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord,
 the water I shall give will become in him
 a spring welling up to eternal life.
 John 4:13-14

Plenary Council Prayer
*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
 Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
 O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
 and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
 Give us the grace to see your face in one another
 and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
 Give us the courage to tell our stories
 and to speak boldly of your truth.
 Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
 and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
 Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
 that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 bread for the journey from age to age.*
 Amen.



Plenary Council 2020
 Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

The **BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL** on 21 and 22 March will support CatholicCare's Chaplaincy ministries to hospitals and prisons throughout Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains.
 Help CatholicCare chaplains bring comfort, faith and hope to the sick and isolated. **Your compassionate gifts and prayers will help CatholicCare chaplains provide spiritual, sacramental and emotional support in the footsteps of the Good Samaritan.**
 Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal

CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE MARCH EDITION. Look out for copies of the next edition of the Catholic Outlook Magazine in your local Catholic Church, Catholic school or Catholic office from early March. Catholic Outlook is an A4 magazine published quarterly with a focus on Catholic faith formation, spirituality and a look at what is happening across the agencies and ministries of the Diocese of Parramatta.

PARISH READING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK: 21/ 22 MARCH
 Saturday 5:30 pm **Maria Lawton / Stuart Walker**
 Sunday 8:00 am **Seini & Ipolito Lasalo**
 Sunday 10:00 am **Seminarians**

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEER CLEANERS
 Every weekend, a group of kind-hearted people give their time and make a devoted effort to keep our church clean, tidy and beautiful in the spirit of serving God and helping our parish. God bless you always.



Please pray for those who are sick, recently deceased, have an anniversary at this time and all those for whom you have a special intention.

Deceased: Cyriaco Pinto | Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Maurice Coorey | Christine Coorey Nahila Haddad | Gregory Stephens | Carol Moses | Coorey, Norman, Budwee & Nicholas Families | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | Ray Malkoun | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Samiha Frome | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

Sick: All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community
Envelopes for Mass Intentions are available at the church or please contact or visit the parish office if you have any request for mass offerings or homel/hospital visit for the sick.

ST OLIVER'S PARISH OFFICE HAS A NEW PHONE NUMBER

Please take note of the new parish office number, **(02) 8863 8801.**



Third Sunday of Lent
15th March 2020



Barry grew up in a tough environment. With the support of a program from Caritas Australia's partner, Red Dust Healing, Barry has overcome many of life's challenges. He is now an inspirational father to his four girls and a leader in his community.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help vulnerable people like Barry, so that they are empowered to assist members of their communities in Australia.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CLEANING ST OLIVER'S CHURCH ON THE 5TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH.

The Parish Youth group who used to assist during those weeks, have now got other commitments and will no longer be available to assist. The 5th Sundays will fall only on the months of **March, May, August, November** this year. Please contact the parish office on (02) 8863 8801 if you can help.

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD AT MT SCHOENSTATT: 20-21 MARCH

Come and spend some time with Our Lord and His Mother in the Schoenstatt Shrine: Friday 20 March 6 pm Mass, then Reconciliation 7:15 - 10.00 pm. On Saturday Reconciliation 10 am-12 pm and 3-4.45 pm with a Vigil Mass at 5 pm. The Shrine will be welcoming people for prayer for the full 24 hours. Groups to lead prayer and reflection are welcome. Contact mensbranch@schoenstatt.org.au or phone 4773 8338.

CATHOLIC YOUTH PARRAMATTA SAFEGUARDING SERIES #1: 24 MARCH

Catholic Youth Parramatta presents the first in a series of three safeguarding events in 2020, "Helping Youth Develop Safe & Healthy Relationships," facilitated by Cathy McClellan. The session will be held on Tuesday 24 March in the Greenway Room, Fiddler Hotel, Rouse Hill from 6.30pm to 9pm, with a light dinner provided. Register at <https://parracatholic.org/cyp-keeping-our-young-people-safe/>

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: 2 APRIL

Families and youth aged 18 to 35 are invited to join the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth for their Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday 2 April at 7pm at The Good Shepherd Parish, Plumpton. A meal will be served afterwards. To RSVP, please contact Sr Paula on 0449 656 406 or vocationscsfn@gmail.com.

KELLYVILLE PARISH DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS: 19 APRIL

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville, is celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday on 19 April from 1pm. There will be a street procession with the Blessed Sacrament, and Veneration of the Relic of St Faustina. Mass will be celebrated at 3pm by Monsignor Cezar Echano. Images, banners and statues are welcome. For more information, please contact Steve Boland on 0405 206 695 or the parish office on (02) 9629 2595.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NEW LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY OFFICE PROGRAM

The Life Marriage & Family Office is looking for married couples to volunteer to undertake a free training course for a new program to be launched in the Diocese in late 2020. The Retrouvaille program aims to assist couples struggling in their marriage. An information meeting about the new program will be held on **Tuesday 21 April at the Diocesan Ministry Centre, Blacktown from 7pm.** For more information, expressions of interest or to RSVP to the information night, please contact Karin Abrams on (02) 8838 3460 or email lmf@parracatholic.org

Re: COVID-19 Update (An extract from the Message from the Vicar General & Moderator of the Curia, dated 4 March 2020)

"...I understand that for those of you who normally received Holy Communion on the tongue that this is a matter of pious practice and reverence for the Blessed Sacrament and that you may have been doing so your entire life. In the current circumstances, I ask that you adjust to the practice of Holy Communion in the hand for the sake of your fellow parishioners..."