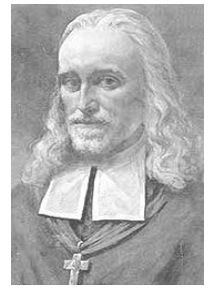


# St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

## HARRIS PARK



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### 29 November 2020 - First Sunday of Advent

#### **SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S**

**Reconciliation, Baptism, Marriage and Funerals, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings are allowed to take place under strict government guidelines with regards to social distancing (at least 4 square metres of space for each person is observed), hygiene (hand sanitising) and registering names and contact details.

**Reconciliation:** by appointment or 4 pm Saturday

#### **COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) REMINDERS**

Parishioners are reminded to continue to practice hand sanitising, hygiene and physical distancing measures. Please stay at home or seek medical advice if you are feeling unwell or have been in contact with anyone that is either a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19.

Please NOTE that weekday masses resumed on Tuesday, 24 November. There will be mass at 7 am, Tuesday to Friday. Please enter using the side door access from the seminary and please sanitise your hands and register your details as soon as you enter the church.

**DISPENSATION:** From the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020), Catholics in the Diocese of Parramatta are dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligations until further notice (Canon 1248 §2 and Catechism 2181)

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you,  
I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.  
Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let  
none who hope in you be put to shame.

Cf. Psalm 24:1-3

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

The Lord will bestow his bounty,  
and our earth shall yield its increase.

Psalm 84:13

#### **The Advent Wreath - First Sunday of Advent**

*Within the four weeks of the Advent season itself, the Church's liturgy draws attention to different facets of the one reality of how God's plan has been revealed in Christ, is now revealed in his glory, when he comes again at a time we do not know. For each Sunday of Advent we take our focus for the wreath from our Advent traditions.*

*Like the people of the Old Testament we live in hope for the fullness of the revelation of Christ the Messiah when he comes in glory to judge the living and the dead.*

**Celebrant:** May this sprinkling of the waters of Baptism remind us of our first sharing in grace that we may prepare for the Lord's coming now and always.

**Verse:** Lord Jesus, your coming was proclaimed by the prophets of old.

**Response:** Come, Lord Jesus.

**Verse:** Lord Jesus, you come among us now as we read the prophet Isaiah's words  
"to act with integrity"

**Response:** Come, Lord Jesus.



#### **HAIL HOLY QUEEN**

Hail, holy queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

**V.** Pray for us, O holy Mother of God

**R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Amen.





*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.*

*In November, the Church remembers all those who have died. All Mass Intentions for the Deceased will be entered in the Book of Life and will be offered for the whole month of November.*

**Sick:** All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community

*Please call (02) 8863 8801 or email: [harrisparke@parracatholic.org](mailto:harrisparke@parracatholic.org) if you have any request for mass offerings or home/hospital visit for the sick.*

### NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS

*In November the Church remembers all those who have died. At St Oliver's every mass celebrated in this Church during the month of November will be offered for all those who have died, especially those whom our parishioners have asked to be remembered.*

The November mass offering envelopes are available for you to write down the names of your departed loved ones which will then be entered in our parish's Book of Life (né Book of the Dead).

This book of remembrance will have the names of those that you have requested prayers for and will be placed at the altar during all masses in November.

**This began on Sunday, 1st of November, All Saints' Day.**

A suitable offering for November masses is \$20, as recommended by the ACBC. However, please, remember that all names of your departed friends and family will be recorded in the Book of Life regardless of the donation you make or not make.



### BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL:

**28/29 NOVEMBER**



This Christmas, let us unite in demonstrating God's unconditional love and keep families together.

Your compassionate gifts and prayers will

help CatholicCare's Project Elizabeth to support vulnerable families to build strong, loving relationships.

You can help give people the emotional and practical support they need to live their lives in love and joy. Please give generously to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal: [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal)

### 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.**



### REIGNITE THE FLAME OF PLENARY COUNCIL | Reflection & Action Session: 3 DECEMBER

**Meet our Plenary Delegates | Hear the Good News as Plenary comes to life in our Diocese | Share Suggested Actions to Plenary Proposals**

You are warmly invited to attend the **Reignite the Flame of Plenary Council Reflection & Action Session** | being held on Thursday, 3rd December from 11.00 am to 12.30 pm via ZOOM. During this session you will meet four of our **Plenary Council delegates: Wendy Goonan (Northern Deanery Pastoral Council Chair), Carol Teodori-Blahut (Mountains Deanery Pastoral Council Chair), Very Reverend Fernando Montano EV and Very Reverend John Hogan.**

To prepare for this session, please familiarise yourself with the *Writing Paper*. The "A Joyful, Hope-filled & Servant Community?" Version Thematic Paper can be accessed at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/PC2020-thematic-papers-5.pdf> Register at <https://dioceseofparramatta.zoom.us/j/9vqzkoHd0GpZ2YR1UTzJzASU0xges>

For further information call Tanya on 0459 133 665.

**Be part of the historic journey of the Plenary Council.**

### POSITION VACANT:

•Sacramental Coordinator – Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Greystanes – **Applications close Thursday 10 December.** More details at: [parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

### PARISH READING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK: 5/6 DECEMBER

Saturday	5:30 pm	Maria Lawton / Stuart Walker
Sunday	8:00 am	Brian Hatch / Kimberly Imbun
Sunday	10:00 am	Seminarians

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