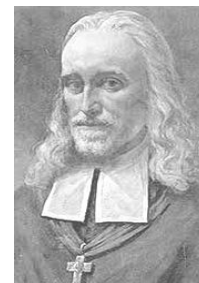


# St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

## HARRIS PARK



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### 20 December 2020 - Fourth 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

Drop down dew from above, you heavens,  
and let the clouds rain down the Just One;  
let the earth be opened and bring forth  
a Saviour.

Cf. Isaiah 45:8

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive  
and bear a son; and his name  
will be called Emmanuel.

Isaiah 7:14

#### The Advent Wreath - Fourth Sunday of Advent

*The fourth candle is lighted, which is often named the Angel Gabriel Candle for those messengers who bring God's Word into our world.*

V. Lord Jesus, you established the house of David to be secure forever and from which the Saviour would be born (First Reading). Jesus is the cornerstone. We are a Christ-Centred Church.

**R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

V. Lord Jesus, you alone are wisdom and as St Paul declares, you will give us the strength to live the Gospel (Second Reading). By living a prayerful life centred on the Eucharist may we open ourselves to your wisdom and the Spirit working in the community of the Church.

**R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

V. Lord Jesus, you sent the angel Gabriel to give the good news to Mary so that she would bring Jesus into the world through the power of the Spirit (Gospel). Giving birth is painful. Change can be frightening. Mary trusted in God and let herself be led by the Holy Spirit so that we can say:

**R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Presider / Collect: *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen**

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#### PARISH READING ROSTER FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve, 24 December

5:30 pm Karen Fernandes / Tram Nguyen

Midnight Mass

Jackie Perumal / Olivia Estibeiro

Christmas Day, 25 December

8:00 am Anne Haddad / Joseph Karam

10:00 am Seminarians

#### PARISH READING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK: 26/27 DECEMBER

Saturday 5:30 pm Jim Hanna / Andree Nenkam

Sunday 8:00 am Brian Hatch / Kimberly Imbun

Sunday 10:00 am Seminarians

#### VISIT THE WELL

To be nourished by amazing Catholic resources from our local ministries and agencies, visit [www.thewell.org.au](http://www.thewell.org.au)



*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:** Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Maurice Coorey | Christine Coorey | Coorey, Budwee, Norman & Nicholas Families | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Ray Malkoun | Samiha Frome | John Langtry | Michael Moses | All those who died recently | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

**Thanksgiving:** Lynn Imbun

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

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

## 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.



## CHRISTMAS MASS AND RECONCILIATION TIMES

Christmas Mass and Reconciliation Times from parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are available now on our Diocesan website ([www.parracatholic.org](http://www.parracatholic.org)), on Catholic Outlook ([www.catholicoutlook.org](http://www.catholicoutlook.org)) and on our Diocesan social media channels. Merry Christmas from the Diocese of Parramatta.

## CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE SUMMER 2020/21 EDITION

Catholic Outlook Summer edition is out now and free to all parishioners. Read about our amazing HSC students, the new bells of St Patrick's Cathedral and how the new Vatican Ambassador who originates from Castle Hill is settling in. Plus what the symbols of Advent really mean. Pick up your free copy from your local Catholic Church, Catholic School or Catholic office today.

## CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: 21 – 22 FEBRUARY 2021

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. The next Engaged Encounter Weekend will be held on 21 – 22 February 2021 at St Joseph's Baulkham Hills. For further information and to register, visit [www.engagedencounter.org.au/](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au/)

## 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.*



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

## 2020 CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE:

### Mass Times

#### Christmas eve 24<sup>th</sup> December

- Mass 7am
- Christmas Vigil Mass 5.30pm.
- Midnight Mass (at midnight); if we are permitted to sing in the church we will have carol singing from 11pm

#### Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup> December

- Mass 8am
- Mass 10am

#### Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> December

- Mass 5.30pm

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December

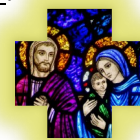
- Mass 8am
- Mass 10am

#### New Year's Day 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021

- Mass 9am

#### Reconciliation Times (in the Church)

- Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December 9am – 10am, and 4.30pm – 5.00pm
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December to Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December 8am – 9am
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December to Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 5.30pm – 6.30pm



## POSITION VACANT:

Head of Mission Integration – Caritas Australia

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