

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

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READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL		AUDIO VISUAL	
DATE		24/25 OCT	31 OCT/ 1 NOV			24/25 OCT	31 OCT/ 1 NOV
VIGIL 6PM		R Turner	E Robinson			Robert	Tremayne
8.30AM		S Lo Cascio	B Buchanan			Dudley	Alison
10.00AM		A Espiritu	J Montano			Alicia	Brian
CHOIR 10.00AM	GROUP	GROUP	READINGS				
CHURCH CLEANING	GROUP	GROUP	24/25 OCTOBER Exodus 22:20-26 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 Matthew 22:34-40	31 OCT/1 NOV Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14 1John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12			
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2							
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS				
Wednesday Sts Simon and Jude, <i>apostles</i>			PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS				
			Parish (second Collection)	Clergy (first Collection)			
			BSB : 066 711	BSB : 066 711			
			Acc No: 002395	Acc No: 002026			
			Acc Name: Parish Church	Acc Name: Parish Presbytery			
			Reference: Family Name	Reference: Family Name			

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MASS BOOKINGS STILL REQUIRED VIA PARISH WEBSITE

www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au

Sat. Vigil: 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.30am
Sunday: 10.00am

VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC

Saturday: 4.00pm

Tuesday: 6.30pm
Wednesday: 9.00am
Thursday: 9.00am
Friday: 8.20am
1st Saturday of the Month: 10.30am

DEVOTIONS – SUSPENDED except for: -

1st Friday: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;

CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH

Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm
Every 1st Saturday 11am – 12 noon

MARRIAGES by appointment

BAPTISMS (1st and 3rd Sunday of the month) – by appointment

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9.30am - 12.30pm at the Food Hub (Ambarvale Squash Courts), 65 Woodhouse Drive Ambarvale.

PARISH VISION STATEMENT

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish will strive to be a Christ-centred community, led by the Holy Spirit to bear witness to the Gospel message, nourished and strengthened by the Eucharist and the Sacraments. Following the model of Mary our Mother, our parish will be a place of welcome and mutual encouragement to all who seek to love God and their neighbour, and to manifest this love in their daily lives. In this way we will build up the Kingdom of God in our local community.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL

(Promulgated by Pope Leo XIII)

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into Hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

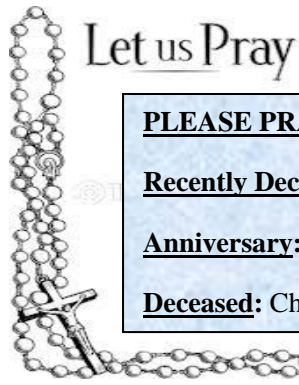
ENTRANCE Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

RESPONSE I love you, Lord, my strength

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia!

COMMUNION We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
available in the foyer



Let us Pray

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recently Deceased: Janine Jachimczak;

Anniversary: Maria Hong; Maurice O'Keefe;

Deceased: Charles, Rita Goodwin Fenech; Oreste & Gaetana Meli;

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD? God's love for us has been revealed: "Love one another as I have loved you. The world is in need to see people who are striving to love others with all their hearts. What about you? Please contact the Vocations Team at priesthood@dow.org.au

CHURCH READER REQUIRED we require 1 reader at the 10am Mass. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you

PLEASE NOTE There will be NO MASS this coming Tuesday 27th October and Wednesday 28th October.

PLEASE NOTE *The 10am Mass on Sunday 1 November will be for Confirmation only.* Because of the restricted number of people, only those being Confirmed with their families will be able to attend this Mass. No one else will be able to register or attend this Mass on that Sunday. Thank you for your understanding, and please keep those to be confirmed in your prayers.

ALL SAINTS DAY occurs next Sunday 1st November. Weekend Masses will be of the feast which replaces the normal Sunday Mass prayers that day.

ALL SOULS DAY occurs next Monday 2nd November. Mass will be celebrated at **6.30pm**. *Please remember to register if you intend to attend that Mass. Thank you.*

PLENARY INDULGENCE may be gained for the Holy Souls in Purgatory by visiting a church on that day and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions.

NOVEMBER MASSES November is the month of the Holy Souls. While we pray for the Faithful Departed always, in a special way we remember the Holy Souls during November. Therefore, no individual names will be printed in the bulletin during November. November Mass Offering Envelopes with names of the dead will be placed on the Altar, and all Masses during November will be offered for them. Mass offering envelopes are included in the Planned Giving Sets, and at the Front Notice Board.

PLEASE NOTE *PLEASE ENSURE YOU ATTEND THE MASSES YOU REGISTER FOR, OTHERWISE YOU WILL BE PREVENTING OTHERS FROM ATTENDING WHEN THEY COULD HAVE.*

YOUNG ADULT ALPHA 18-30 years of age. We all know someone who might be searching, lost or asking, *is there more to life than this?* If so, join us for Young Adult Alpha online every Monday @ 7pm on Zoom to watch a short video and discussion in an open, safe and friendly environment.

Register at: <https://dowcatholic.zoom.us/meeting/register/uZQof-GspjkiAFPerwBvfs3mWmI362CZDw> or by putting the **Meeting ID: 405 884 828** into - Join a meeting on Zoom. You will receive an email about joining the meeting. *Please note meetings will be strictly limited to adults over 18 years of age.* Contact Ryan on 0412 939 705. Please **Pray for this Group** and its success, for without prayer it will fail.

FAITH CIRCLES online every Wednesday, 7:30pm. An opportunity to meet in a safe online space for a reflection on the coming Sunday Gospel, followed by discussion and prayer. All are welcome. Click on the link below if using a computer, or download the Zoom App for your tablet, iPad or smart phone and enter the Meeting ID. <https://dowcatholic.zoom.us/j/585228573> Meeting ID: 585-228-573

LIVESTREAM MASS Only the **6PM VIGIL MASS will now be livestreamed.** The link to the parish YouTube channel is: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIQhkeubtYCBu_elfcglmaw

CCD FAITH EDUCATION OFFICER Suitably experienced and qualified persons are invited to apply for the role of CCD Faith Education Officer in the Diocese of Wollongong, commencing December 2020. Applications close Friday 13 November. For information and detailed role description, go to dow.sh/ccdjob or for enquiries contact helen.bennett@dow.org.au

2020 ADORE ADVENT PROGRAMME Daily Reflection for Advent & Christmas available in church foyer \$2 each via *honest system*, please place money in box and take a copy. Thank you.



We fulfil the commandment to love our neighbour when we exercise good stewardship- joyfully sharing our gifts or life, abilities, and resources to meet our neighbour's need.

MASS UPDATE AND RELATED MATTERS There is currently a limit of 100 people able to gather in places of Religious worship, including for Mass and funerals. **Weddings may have 150 people.** The "one person per four square meter rule" with 1.5meter social distancing applies, and **registration is required beforehand.** Go to the parish website, www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au and click the **Register for Mass** button and then follow the prompts to whichever Mass you want to attend and complete the details. Please remember to sit **ONLY ON THE MARKED GREEN SPOTS even if you are living in the one household**, to ensure 1.5meter social distancing between ALL parishioners. In Summary:

- **All registrations are online.** We will be printing a list, so *you do not need to print your ticket.*
- Please **ONLY phone the parish office if you do not have online access.** Thank you.
- **Online registration will close at 3pm the previous day for weekday Masses, and 3pm on Saturday for the Vigil and Sunday Masses.**
- **Temperature will be taken** as well as other protocols and health requirements, so please **arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of Mass.** *Once Mass starts, the doors will be closed.*
- **FACE MASKS** are not compulsory but are highly recommended to be worn.
- After Mass please take a disinfectant wipe (provided on each pew) to rub over surfaces where you have been sitting or come in contact with and place them in the bins provided as you leave.
- **Social gatherings after Religious Services is not permitted.** Please **do not gather outside the church after Mass.** Unfortunately, we must leave immediately upon exiting the church.
- Please note that **toilets will NOT be open.**
- **HOTSPOTS:** If you have attended any of the hotspots listed on the notice in the foyer, you must immediately self-isolate for 14 days and get tested even if you have no symptoms.

May I also take this opportunity to remind you of the following matters please:

- Thank you for your understanding and support regarding Collections. Since we can no longer use the collection plates, **please place your offerings for both first and second collections in the marked containers in the foyer.** Changing our mind-set of giving via the plate is difficult, and it is very easy to walk past the collection boxes in the foyer without giving anything. Please be conscious of this because if this happens, we will be in great financial difficulties.
- Offerings for the **first collection** can be placed in the **red first collection box.** Offerings, including planned giving envelopes for the **second collection** can be placed in the **green second collection box** in the church foyer. **Thank you.**
- If you currently given by Planned Giving Envelopes, please consider changing to Direct Debit or Credit Card to ensure the regular income of the parish continues. **Contact the parish office to arrange this.**
- If you are not in the Parish Financial System and would like to join to support the Parish, forms are available at the Foyer Notice Board, or contact the parish office. *Thank you for your support.*
- *If you are not yet coming physically to Mass, please remember to drop your Planned Giving Envelope into the secure letter box at the front entry to the Parish Office each week.* First collection offerings for the sustenance of the clergy can be placed in a plain envelope marked 'First Collection'. **Thank you.**
- The church still cannot be left open during the day at the moment.

A WALK THROUGH ROSEMEADOW IS NOW AVAILABLE this beautiful hardcover book on the theology and spirituality underpinning the design of the church written by Fr Christopher Sarkis contains full colour pictures of all the windows, art works and photos from Mass of Dedication. This book captures and explains the design & art of the church and a gives simply spiritual synthesis of what we believe as Catholic Christians. Available to purchase in Pious Goods Store parish price \$59.95 (retail \$69.95) with cash or credit card **ONLY**; for EFTPOS facilities, please visit parish office during business hours. If you would like Fr Sarkis to sign the book for you, call in to the Sacristy with it and he will happily do so. **Please note, that all proceeds from the book will go to the church.**

THE CHOSEN Great Family Viewing on the Life of Jesus. This new, crowd funded series on the life of Jesus is receiving wide acclaim around the world and is well worth a look. It is a high-quality production that explores the life of Jesus through the eyes of those around Him. The easiest place to watch the whole first season for free is through a free membership on VidAngel at <https://www.vidangel.com/>

iWitness CONFERENCE is an annual, summer conference drawing together 100's of young (18-35 year old) Aussie Catholics for a weekend of prayer, formation and fun. Theme: Awake, O Sleeper. Dates: 10 – 13 December 2020. Where: The tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops. More information go to: <https://www.iwitnessconference.com/>

HEALING AFTER ABORTION Rachel's Vineyard Ministries Weekend Retreat offers women and men a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment. The next healing retreat will be held 4-6 December 2020.

KINDERGARTEN 2021 APPLICATIONS for our Parish Primary School are still being accepted and second round interviews will be held and conducted via telephone. Application forms can be downloaded from the Catholic Education Office, Wollongong website or collected from the primary school office. If downloading from the website, please remember to include a family photograph. Should you have any questions, please telephone the office on 4626 5655.

With the rosary, the Christian people sit at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer.