

**SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**  
**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH**  
 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

	READERS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	PIOUS GOODS STALL	AUDIO VISUAL
DATE				
VIGIL 6PM				
8.30AM				
10.00AM				
CHOIR 10.00AM			READINGS	
		9/10 October Wisdom 7:7-11 Hebrews 4:12-13 Mark 10:17-30	16/17 October Isaiah 53:10-11 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45	
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2				
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK		DONATIONS PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS		
Friday - St Teresa		Parish (second Collection)	Clergy (first Collection)	
		BSB : 066 711 Acc No: 002395 Acc Name: Parish Church Reference: Family Name	BSB : 066 711 Acc No: 002026 Acc Name: Parish Presbytery Reference: Family Name	

SUNDAY MASS TIMES OLHC ROSEMEADOW	WEEKDAY MASS TIMES OLHC ROSEMEADOW
<b><u>MASS BOOKINGS STILL REQUIRED VIA PARISH WEBSITE</u></b> <a href="http://www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au">www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au</a>	
Sat. Vigil: 6.00pm Sunday: 8.30am Sunday: 10.00am <b><u>VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC</u></b> Saturday: 4.00pm	Tuesday: 6.30pm Wednesday: 9.00am Thursday: 9.00am Friday: 8.20am 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month: 10.30am
<b><u>DEVOTIONS – SUSPENDED except for: -</u></b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Friday: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;	
<b><u>CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH</u></b> Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm <del>Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 11am – 12 noon</del>	
<b>MARRIAGES</b> by appointment <b>BAPTISMS</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month) – by appointment <b>SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS</b> please visit parish website for dates & enrolment forms in Sacraments Tab  <b>ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE</b> Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9.30am - 12.30pm at the Food Hub (Ambarvale Squash Courts), 65 Woodhouse Drive Ambarvale.	

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year B

# Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

Father Christopher G. Sarkis, Parish Priest

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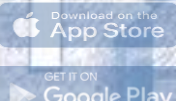
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**Office Hours**  
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Friday 9.00am – 2.30pm

**Parish Office Manager** (Tuesday – Thursday) Mrs. Meshline Wolczak  
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**Email:** [rosemeadow@dow.org.au](mailto:rosemeadow@dow.org.au)

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**Parish APP**  

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/olhc-rosemeadowparish/id1582260739/?platform=iphone>  
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=app.church>

**OLHC Parish Primary School:** Principal: Mrs Jane Webb Phone: 4626 5655 Fax: 4626 7227

**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** If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

**RESPONSE** Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

**COMMUNION** The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessings.

**CATHOLIC WEEKLY**  
Currently **UNAVAILABLE**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Recently Deceased:** Roma Lee;

**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](mailto:priesthood@dow.org.au)

**HOLY ROSARY** October is the month of the Holy Rosary. If you are not already doing so, why not pray the Rosary, or at least a decade each day. Even better, pray the Rosary as a family each day. Imagine the blessings and graces received from Our Blessed Mother upon those who pray her special prayer every day.

**COVID UPDATE AND RELATED MATTERS.** No doubt you will be aware of the latest developments regarding the 'Roadmap for NSW' announced last week in relation to the easing of Covid restrictions. As always, there has been much information and misinformation about what these involve. For our Diocese it will be as follows.

**The Roadmap to reopening** is in three stages: 70%, 80% and 90% full vaccination of the population. When 70% are fully vaccinated (11 October) Churches may re-open. However, since this would exclude those who are partially vaccinated or unvaccinated, churches in the Diocese of Wollongong will not re-open until 25 October when 80% fully vaccination has been reached. At this point all will be able to attend Places of Worship whether fully or partially vaccinated, or unvaccinated. The reason for this is that while we may recognise, regardless of personal feelings, that restrictions may be placed upon workplaces, there can be no discrimination imposed between people to attend Places of Worship. This principle is of the most profound importance, way beyond this individual issue, since it recognises and protects the most fundamental principle of Natural and Moral law: the inalienable right of the human person to freedom of religion and conscience, and to practise that in private and in public without interference by the State. If this is not protected, then all other human rights, like the right to life itself, will be forfeited. *I repeat here my advice to everyone who can be vaccinated to do so for their own good and the common good of all.* But the right of every person to follow their fully informed and educated conscience must be respected and upheld. If it isn't, even by those who disagree, then they themselves will have no guarantee that their own freedom will not be compromised and suppressed in the future. History itself, proves this with catastrophic results.

This, of course, does not prevent or contravene necessary restrictions on numbers congregating or other requirements for safety purposes. Therefore, the following requirements will apply:

- Attendees will be limited to 1 person per 4 square meters, meaning up to 200 people at Rosemeadow
- 1.5 meter social distancing wherever possible
- **Face masks must be worn**, and hand sanitiser used
- No congregational singing
- After Mass, please use a disinfectant wipe to rub over surfaces you have come in contact with and place them in the bins provided as you leave. **Please wait until the priest has left the Sanctuary before doing this. Thank you.**

**NOTE:** When we reach 90% full vaccination, expected to be 1<sup>st</sup> December, these restrictions will be further eased, and relevant information will be published then.

**ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION All registration for Mass attendance will be through Eventbrite on the Parish Website or by using the QR Code at the church entry with your mobile phone. Without doing this, entry will not be possible.** Its best to use Eventbrite as QR code entry is only possible if seats are available. **SO PLEASE REGISTER BEFOREHAND.** Go to the parish website, [www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au](http://www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au) or the Parish App and click the **Register for Mass** button. Follow the prompts to whichever Mass you want to attend and complete the details. *Online registration closes at 3pm the previous day for weekday Masses, and 3pm on Saturday for the Vigil and Sunday Masses.* Please arrive **AT LEAST 15 MINUTES BEFORE the start of Mass** to avoid delay. *Once Mass starts, the doors will be closed.* **For all other parish gatherings, functions or meetings, registration will be by the QR Code only using your phone.** Thank you for your cooperation.

**NOTE: MASS REGISTRATION WILL COMMENCE ON 18 OCTOBER.**

**MASSES** I will continue to livestream the **SATURDAY 6 PM VIGIL MASS AND TUESDAY 6.30 PM weekday Mass.** The direct link to the parish YouTube channel is: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIQhkeubtYCBu\\_elfcglmaw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIQhkeubtYCBu_elfcglmaw) or by accessing it from the Parish Website or Parish App. Please pass this information on to any other parishioner you are in contact with.

**ROSARY** via Zoom from Fr. Sarkis' private chapel in the Presbytery each Thursday at 7pm. Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android at <https://dowcatholic.zoom.us/j/64552343492> or use the QR code at the right.



**FUNERALS** are still permitted but with a cap of 100 people attending, excluding the Priest and funeral directors. *From 25 October the same conditions as for Mass will apply.*

**BAPTISMS** are all suspended until 25 October.

**WEDDINGS** Small weddings are now possible with up to 100 guests. Contact Fr. Sarkis through the Parish Office for these. *From 25 October the same conditions as for Mass will apply.*

Please remember the critical need for parish income via the Planned Giving to continue. Without this regular and ongoing income, the parish's ability to operate is severely impacted. This is why I have been encouraging parishioners to transition from envelopes to Direct Debit Giving. If you wish to do so, email the parish office, or ring and leave a message and we will contact you to arrange this. Otherwise, please drop your planned giving envelopes into the secure letter box at the parish office, or at the fence box if the gates are closed. I want to thank all those parishioners who have continued to do this during this lockdown period and ask others to please do the same. I also thank those who have made donations to the Parish. Please don't forget the first collection either- I still have to live even in the lockdown! Thank you to all those who have kindly done so. God bless you all and your families.

Please remember to let the parish office know if you have changed your email or phone details so we can keep our records up to date. And let other parishioners know if they have not registered their own email address with the parish office to please do so by email or phoning us. They will then receive emails and updates directly. Updates are also accessible in the parish bulletin which is uploaded every week to the Parish Website.

My brothers and sisters, let us continue to pray for each other to be strengthened in faith and hope as we now move to be able to gather once again to worship and give praise to God. I continue to pray for you all in my daily Mass and prayers; please pray for me also. May our Patroness, Our Lady Help of Christians, and great St. Joseph, pray for us.

**PARISH OFFICE** From **Tuesday 12 October** the Parish Office will re-open. However, it will *only be open from Tuesday to Thursday*. For the moment it will be closed on Fridays until we are able to open then also.

**CUPOLA REPAIRS** I am happy to say that internal repairs to the ceiling and wall area of the Cupola and Sanctuary will be completed this week and will be ready for when the church reopens.

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021** This Sacrament will be celebrated on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021**. It is available to all children in Year 3 or above who have been baptised and have received the sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). If you wish your child to make this Sacrament and have not already enrolled online, then you **MUST** attend the first lesson for this programme on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 commencing at 4.15p.m.** **You must bring a copy of your child's Baptism and Birth certificate with you to attach to the enrolment form.** Children will participate in lessons in the St. Joachim Parish Hall. There will be **no parent**

**talks this year** due to covid restrictions on gatherings. This is the last opportunity for you to enrol for 2021.

**NOTE:** If you will be enrolling at the first lesson, then please arrive at **3.45pm to the St. Joachim Parish Hall before the lesson** to complete the paperwork. The program fee of \$25 is also payable at the first lesson.

Thank you. **PLEASE NOTE: These arrangements are conditional depending on the situation at the time and what restrictions may apply then**



In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the rich young man to give away all that he has in order to have treasure in heaven. But he is unable to free himself from his possessions, and so he goes sadly away. Does what I own keep me from following Jesus completely?



**PARISH APP** Our new “Parish App” is now available on the Android and Apple Stores. Simply search for “OLHC Parish APP” and download it for **FREE**. It is directly linked to our main Parish Website and will automatically be updated at the same time. *Download and enjoy it!...and pass it on to other's too!*



Google Play: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=app.church>

App Store: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/olhc-rosemeadow-parish/id1582260739?platform=iphone>

**EUTHANASIA BILL PETITION** The architect of NSW’s terrible abortion laws, Independent MP Alex Greenwich, has released a bill that would introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide in this state. To help stop this pro-death agenda, please do two things. First, **please sign an online petition** asking the Premier to reject euthanasia and assisted suicide at: [https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition\\_2107\\_nsw\\_cas](https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2107_nsw_cas) Second, **please phone or email your NSW State Member of Parliament (see below) and ask them to oppose these dangerous state sanctioned murder laws.**

Campbelltown: Mr Greg Warren MP (ALP): Ph: 4625 3344 E: [campbelltown@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:campbelltown@parliament.nsw.gov.au)

Wollondilly: Mr Nathaniel Smith MP (LIB): Ph: 4683 2622 E: [wollondilly@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wollondilly@parliament.nsw.gov.au)

**CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION (CPE)** 400 Hour Foundational Unit to help you develop in knowledge, understanding and skills that will enable you to offer effective pastoral and spiritual care. Offered as a blend of both online and face to face sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday each month from 9 November 2021 to 27 July 2022. Contact Carmen Karauda at [ckarauda@gmail.com](mailto:ckarauda@gmail.com) or phone: 0419 430 676 for more information and/or application form. Applications close 22 October 2021.

**THE CHOSEN** is a new ‘free to view’, television program that creatively presents the life of Christ and his followers. The shows are of the highest quality and is receiving acclaim around the world across denominations. Go to <https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen>. to watch or get the free app for use on your phone / laptop.

**ONLINE HOLY HOUR FOR YOUNG ADULTS** CYMW & NET are hosting online Adoration every Thursday from 4-5pm. Join our Holy Hour through Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/cymdow/> or watch via Instagram @net.wollongong – everyone is welcome!

**ONLINE YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** Hosted by CYMW for all young adults aged 17-35. Every Tuesday night. 7 to 8pm. Check out @cymdow on Instagram or Facebook for more information or email [youth@dow.org.au](mailto:youth@dow.org.au).

**ONLINE ALPHA** Catholic Youth Ministry Wollongong is holding an online youth alpha series for all young people aged 13 to 18 years old. Youth Alpha is a video series that tackles questions on faith, life, and God. From 7pm to 8pm each Friday starting soon. For more information and to register your interest, please visit <https://forms.gle/oXmRjx6QkNeydihs8>

*The power of accurate observation is  
commonly called cynicism by those who have not got it.*

George Bernard Shaw