

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

DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIOUS GOODS STALL		AUDIO VISUAL	
	23/24 Oct	30/31 Oct	23/24 Oct	30/31 Oct	23/24 Oct	30/31 Oct	23/24 Oct	30/31 Oct
VIGIL 6PM		F Bugeja K Duncan		F Bugeja		A Rojo		T Turner
8.30AM		M Burke R Burke		M Rolfe		M Mourin		M Murphy
10.00AM		A Jachimczak D Peaker		A Jachimczak		D Peaker		N Lee
CHOIR 10.00AM			<b>READINGS</b>					
			23/24 October Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52		30/31 October Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28-34			
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2								
<b>FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK</b>			<b>DONATIONS PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS</b>					
Thursday - St. Simon & St. Jude			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			

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	Tuesday: 6.30pm
Sunday: 8.30am	Wednesday: 9.00am
Sunday: 10.00am	Thursday: 9.00am
<b><u>VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC</u></b>	Friday: 8.20am
Saturday: 4.00pm	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	
Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday 11am – 12 noon	
<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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*THIRTIETH Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year B*

# Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

Father Christopher G. Sarkis, Parish Priest

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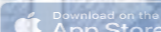
Tuesday – Thursday 9.00am – 4.00pm (closed 12.45pm -1.15pm)  
Friday 9.00am – 2.30pm


**Parish Office Manager** (Tuesday – Thursday) Mrs. Meshline Wolczak  
**Administrative Assistant** (Friday) Mrs. Vicki Lo Cascio

**Email:** [rosemeadow@dow.org.au](mailto:rosemeadow@dow.org.au)

**Website:** [www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au](http://www.olhcrosemeadow.org.au)

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

**RESPONSE** The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

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

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Recently Deceased:** Robert Alivio;

**Anniversary:** Daunta Ostrawoski;

**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.

**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.** Churches in the Diocese of Wollongong will re-open until 25 October and public Mass will commence in Rosemeadow on Tuesday 26 October. Anyone will be welcome to attend whether fully or partially vaccinated, or unvaccinated. While the fundamental principle of the inalienable right of the human person to freedom of religion and conscience (fully informed and educated) protected by the Natural and Moral Law must be respected and upheld, as we have done, I repeat my advice to everyone who can be vaccinated to do so for their own good and the common good of all.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021** The Public Health Orders allow **only Places of Worship to open for everyone- vaccinated, partially vaccinated, and unvaccinated.** For all other gatherings, including in Parish Halls, this is not permitted. Consequently, I must defer the commencement of lessons for First Holy Communion that would have started on 23 October. Until 90% full vaccination of the general population has been reached, we will not be able to hold these lessons. It is forecast that 90% will occur on 1 December, however recent announcements seem to indicate that it may happen earlier. If it does, I will announce alternative arrangements. If not, then we will have to defer the Sacrament until next year.

**FUNERALS** may have 1 person per 4 square meters (200 in Rosemeadow) fully vaccinated people. However, if a partially or unvaccinated person attends, the limit reduces to 10 people, excluding the Priest and funeral directors.

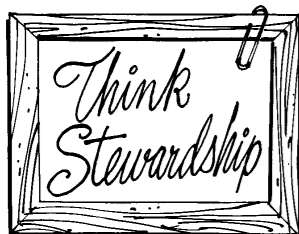
**WEDDINGS** may have 1 person per 4 square meters (200 in Rosemeadow) fully vaccinated people. However, if a partially or unvaccinated person attends, the limit reduces to 5 people excluding the couple, witnesses and priest.

**BAPTISMS** will recommence on 31 October. I will baptise up to 6 children per ceremony (to catch up) with a limit of 25 guests per family including parents and godparents. At 90% vaccination level, the number of guests per family will increase to 50 people.

**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.



Today's psalm says,  
*"the Lord had done great things for us; we are filled with joy."  
Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.*

**MASS ATTENDANCE** The following requirements will apply:

- Attendees will be limited to 1 person per 4 square meters, meaning up to 200 people at Rosemeadow
- 1.5meter 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 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.olhcroseadow.org.au](http://www.olhcroseadow.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.**

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 that this information has been received by you via email, and if they have not registered their own email address with the parish office, to please do so by contacting us and giving them to us. They will then receive updates directly themselves. All updates are also accessible via the parish bulletin which is uploaded every week to the Parish Website and the Parish App.

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.*

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** Unfortunately, the Parish Office must remain closed until 90% vaccination level has been reached. During this time and Mrs. Meshline Wolczak will work from home and will come to the office when necessary. You may still contact the parish office by telephone or email, and we will attend to your requests as soon as we can. Please be understanding and patient during this difficult time.

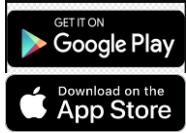


**PIETY STORE** As we are preparing to re-open, we require MORE volunteers for Vigil & 10am Masses. You would be required to open the store before and after Mass for approximately 15 minutes. If we have no volunteers to assist, store will not open and remain closed. If you are able to assist in this valuable ministry, please contact the parish office. Thank you.



**CHURCH READER REQUIRED FOR VIGIL MASS** A vacancy has become available for a reader at the Vigil Mass. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you

**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)

**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>

**When faith is weak, pray harder to increase your faith!**

Pope Francis