

SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH
8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 March 2025

Bulletin 23 February 2025

SEVENTH SUNDAY INN ORDINARY TIME
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DATE	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIETY STORE		AUDIO VISUAL	
	22/23 Feb	1/2 March	22/23 Feb	1/2 March	22/23 Feb	1/2 March	22/23 Feb	1/2 March
VIGIL 6PM	G Bingham L Estrella	L Fenech D Pottier	K Duncan	D Pottier	J Webster	J Webster	Robbie B.V.	R D'Cunha
8.30AM	V Smith J Smith	S Joseph M Chan	R Murphy	Z Robinson	J Smith	K Knight	D Knight	J Scattergood
10.00AM	R Ventura Z Ventura	A Jachimczak D Tamayor	W Monsalve	A Jachimczak	D Tamyor	D Tamayor	B Peaker	N Lee
CHOIR 10.00AM	Group 2	Group 1	READINGS					
Young Adult CHOIR VIGIL			22/23 February 2025		1/2 March 2025			
OUR LADY'S STATUE NO 1			1 Samuel 26:27-9, 12-13, 22-23		1 Sirach 27:4-7			
STATUE NO 2			1 Corinthians 15:45-49		1 Corinthians 1554-58			
			Gospel: Luke 6:27-38		Gospel: Luke 6:39-45			
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS 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			

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

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 Friday – 9.00am – 2.30pm

Email: 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>

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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 O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

RESPONSE The Lord is kind and merciful.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I loved you. Alleluia!

COMMUNION I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
available in the foyer

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES
OLHC ROSEMEADOW**

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

VIETNAMESE MASS OLHC

Saturday: 4.00pm

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES
OLHC ROSEMEADOW**

Tuesday: 6.30pm
 Wednesday: 9.00am
 Thursday: 9.00am
 Friday: 8.20am

DEVOTIONS:

All in the Church

Last Tuesday: Men's Rosary - 7pm
Every Wednesday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8am – 8.55am before Mass.
1st Friday: Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon;

CONFESSIONS OLHC CHURCH

Saturday: 5.15pm – 5.45pm

MARRIAGES by appointment

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



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS please visit parish website for dates & enrolment forms in Sacraments Tab or click on QR code for Face Book page "Rosemeadow Parish"

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Anthony D'Emanuele; Mary Therese Wells;

Anniversary: Graeme Russell; Colin Ryan; Joseph Thomas; Margarita Briones; Filomena dela Torre;

Deceased: Oreste & Gaetana Meli; Holy Souls; Charles, Rita & Godwin Fenech; Roberto Alivio; Crescencio dela Torre; Feleccitas Vasques; Remedios & Rebecca Alivio;

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD? Jesus helps our faith be fruitful when we follow where he leads. Where is Jesus leading you today? (Luke 6:27-38). If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez vocations@dow.org.au

LIVESTREAM MASS Tuesday 6.30 pm weekday Mass. Access it from the Parish Website or Parish App or the Parish YouTube channel at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIQhkeubtYCBu_elfcglmaw

HOLY COMMUNION Please remember that when receiving Holy Communion, you must consume the Sacred Host immediately while facing the Altar, and NOT while walking way or returning to your seat. Thank you.

HEARING LOOP A reminder that the church is equipped with a 'Hearing Impaired Loop'. For those who wear hearing aids, you can switch them to this so that you can hear clearly. If you are not sure of what to do, please consult your supplier about how to do this.

EASTER LITURGY MEETING There will be a meeting to organize the liturgies for Holy Week and Easter ***THIS THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY AT 8 PM*** in the parish office. It is essential that a representative from each choir group is present please. Thank you.

OLD PALMS Please return old palms so they can be burnt for use on Ash Wednesday. Place in box in foyer. Thank you.

JUBILEE YEAR LITURGY *This coming First Saturday, 1st March.* Mass at 10am. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 11am – 3pm. Confessions from 11am – 2pm.

JUBILEE PILGRIM PASSPORT The Diocese has printed special Jubilee Pilgrim Passports for those who wish to visit the Jubilee Year Churches. They are available at the Notice Board. When you visit one of the Jubilee Churches (including our own) you may have your Pilgrim Passport stamped. For easy access, the stamp is at the Notice Board near the passports below. You can stamp them yourself when visiting the church.

LENTEN REFLECTION BOOK Once again our Diocese has produced this wonderful reflection booklet this year. They are available at the church door. It is an honesty system so please place the money in the box provided. They are \$6 each and contain reflections for 8 weeks from the Ash Wednesday through to Easter Sunday. I highly recommend them as a wonderful way to guide our prayerful daily reflections as we prepare for the Paschal Mystery of Our Lord's Death and Resurrection.

WELCOME We welcome the new Kindergarten children and their families into the Parish Primary School at the Vigil Mass this weekend.

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LENTEN REFLECTION GROUP Mrs Kristina Knight will be running a group to reflect on the Lenten Gospels based on the Diocesan *Metanoia* program with daily reflections. It will meet every Tuesday during Lent commencing Tuesday 4th March at 1pm in the parish meeting room. *Metanoia* reflection books available from the Church Foyer or Piety Store.



In today's first reading, the Israelites are urged to love their neighbours as themselves. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out how we are to do that: to give generously to those who ask of us and not to turn our backs on those who seek to borrow.

ROSEMEADOW BIBLE STUDY - A Biblical Walk Through the Mass. The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God as we hear him in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. In this video-based study, we explore the roots of the words of the Mass and explains their profound significance. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist. Join us in The Rosemeadow Parish meeting room (right side of the Parish Office) beginning Friday night 28th February 2025 from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm and continuing every Friday night for 5 weeks. Cost is \$28:00 (for the paperback book) For more information or to register for the study, email Dudley Knight: dudleyk@inet.net.au

WE VALUE YOUR THOUGHTS Have you noticed something that could be improved or have ideas for enhancing our Parish community? Whether it's a suggestion for a new initiative or feedback on your recent efforts, your voice matters, and we're eager to listen! Please share your thoughts using this QR code for an anonymous online form, which will be reviewed quarterly by the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). You can also drop your suggestion in the suggestion box in church foyer. Your input will help us grow together, and we appreciate every piece of feedback. Thank you for helping us create a stronger Parish community!



CURSILLO WEEKEND Ladies of the Wollongong Diocese are invited to a 3-day Cursillo weekend at Carmel House, Varroville. Talks, discussion, friendship, daily Mass and spiritual guidance on request. Commences Thursday evening 6th March and concludes Sunday afternoon 9th March, 2025. Further details contact Margaret French 0417 041721, see notice board for brochure or email: cursillo3dayweekend@hotmail.com

JESUS YOUTH AUSTRALIA (International Catholic Movement) is organising a free young youth program for teenagers in high school (years 7-12) for a spiritual and social gathering. This will commence on Friday 21st March from 7-8:30pm and will continue every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month here in our Parish (Martha Room). Deepen your connection with Christ and create meaningful friendships with praise and worship music/singing, bible study, activities, discussion and some dinner. Contact Joshana Jacob 0431650658 or Dilson 0470398578 for further details. Visit <https://jesusyouth.org/>

DISCERNMENT VOCATION RETREAT Missionaries of God's Love Sisters. Friday 14 - Sunday 16 March. For single women aged 16-35 to listen for the voice of Jesus, ask questions and experience prayer, talks, sisterhood and sharing to help discern your vocation. Enquiries & Register, phone: 0402 602520 or mglsisters.sydney@gmail.com

CATHOLIC YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS WOLLONGONG serves young people in Illawarra, Macarthur, Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven regions. To stay up to date and access the youth calendar go to: www.cymw.or.au

THE CHOSEN Free to view TV series about Jesus, now in its third season, that beautifully and creatively presents the life of Christ and his followers. Go to: watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen or get the free app on your phone / laptop via *The Chosen app (download), or for your Smart TV.*

FAITH CIRCLES is a free weekly resource to help individuals but mainly small groups to come together in Parishes. It assists the development of faith and community, and is available for free to download. It is easy to use with simple questions and prayer points. Download at www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/ or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.

menALIVE reFUEL is a weekly hour-long gathering of men every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm on Zoom providing the chance to catch up with great men from across Australia and New Zealand, gain strength and inspiration by the witness of other men and pray together. Join at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468>

FREE CATHOLIC PODCASTS *Bible in a Year* with Fr. Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins. At: www.ascensionpress.com/biy *Catechism in a Year* at www.ascensionpress.com/ciy Highly recommended.

BELL RINGERS Calling all potential Bellringers! We need more people to join our team of Bellringers. Age is no barrier- young or mature! Practise is on Monday at 4pm in the rear Belltower Room. See Notice Board for more details or ring Brian on 0402 377 131



CUPPA AFTER MASS. Take the opportunity to meet fellow parishioners over a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit after the 10am Mass all are welcome. We are also looking for more volunteers so please contact Ryan on 0412 939 705 if you are interested (would be no more than one morning per month). Thank you.

We all need people in our lives who remind us
of our essential purpose as human beings,
who challenge us to become the person God created us to be.