

**SUNDAY READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH**

18th Sunday of Easter
11 May 2025

	READERS		EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION		PIETY STORE		AUDIO VISUAL	
DATE	10/11 May	17/18 May	10/11 May	17/18 May	10/11 May	17/18 May	10/11 May	17/18 May
VIGIL 6PM	E Robinson J Azzopardi	G Bingham L Estrella	F Bugeja	D Barrett	J Azzopardi	M Matriano	R D’Cunha	K Duncan
8.30AM	E Villarin K Dillon	V Smith J Smith	Volunteer Needed	R Murphy	C Vujanovic	J Smith	M Murphy	A Augustine
10.00AM	R Ventura Z Ventura	V Gabrio O Montano	E D’Mellow	J Montano	S Isaac & M David	D Peaker	B Peaker	D Tamayor
CHOIR 10.00AM	Group 2	Group 3	READINGS 10/11 May 2025 Acts 13:14, 43-52 Revelation 7:9, 14-17 Gospel: John 10:27-30 17/18 May 2025 Acts 14:21-27 Revelation 144:8-13 Gospel: John 13:31-35					
Young Adult CHOIR VIGIL								
OUR LADY’S STATUE NO 1 STATUE NO 2								
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK			DONATIONS					
Wednesday – St Matthias			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		

**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: 5pm – 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.

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Rosemeadow

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Office Hours

Parish Office Manager Mrs. Meshline Wolczak
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Friday – 9.00am – 2.30pm

Email: rosemeadow@dow.org.au

Website: 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 email: info@olhcdow.catholic.edu.au

John Therry Catholic College:

Principal: Mr Brad McAllister Phone: 4645 8100 email: info@jtccdw.catholic.edu.au

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 The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the world of the Lord the heavens were mde, alleluia.

RESPONSE We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

COMMUNION The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEK
available in the foyer

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Marie Rutledge; Aleyamma Issac; Josephine Mitchell; Greg South;

Anniversary: Didcono Angel Portas; Orazio Torrisi; Emidio Orsini;

Deceased: Therese Wales; Mary Brechney; Kai Simonsen; Oreste & Gaetana Meli; Tony D’Emanuele; Tessie D’Emanuele; Sarah Russell; Therese Wales; Mary Brechney; Lilian Russell; Filomena Torre; Roberto Alivio; Justina Atienza;

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD? Jesus asks us, “Do you love me?” Show your love for Jesus in the way that you live. (John 21:1-19). If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez vocations@dow.org.au

“HABEMUS PAPAM!”:POPE LEO XIV: We thank God for the election of the new Successor of Saint Peter: Pope Leo XIV, formerly Cardinal Robert Prevost. May the Lord strengthen him as he leads God's people in His Holy Church. May He safeguard and protect him always. †

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

EASTER WATER You are welcome to take some Easter water located near the Baptism Font. BYO bottle.

Mrs MARIE RUTLEDGE It is with sadness I notify you of the death of Mrs Marie Rutledge on Tuesday 29 April. Marie was well known to so many parishioners and very involved with the Parish. She led one of the Parish Choirs for so many years and was a loyal and wonderful parishioner. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 15 May at 10.30am (with a viewing preceding it at 10am). All are welcome to attend and pray for Marie. *Requiescat in pace.*

CONFESSIONS Commencing Saturday 17 May I will begin hearing Confessions on Saturday mornings from 11am – 12 noon. There are a few Saturday’s when I will have to finish at 11.30 as I have booked in some early weddings, but will give notice for these days.



OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS FEAST DAY This year our **Parish Feast Day (24 May) falls on Saturday**. We will celebrate this at the Vigil Mass that evening. It will be followed by a Pizza Supper in the Martha Room.

NOVENA. As usual we will pray our nine (9) day novena to Our Lady Help of Christians, **commencing Friday 16 May**, for the intentions of our Parish and ourselves. The Novena and the prayer cards to write your intentions are at the Notice Board. Place your intentions in the box in front of Our Lady’s statue in the Marian Chapel and they will be offered up during the Feast Day Mass.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION We will be hosting the Corpus Christi Procession for this region on **SUNDAY 22nd JUNE, 2.30pm**. Please make every effort to attend when we give visible witness to our Catholic belief in the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. ***More details to follow.***

STATUES & ICONS It has come to my attention that many people have been touching the statues and icons in the church again. While I understand and respect the devotional aspect of wishing to do this, I ask that you please refrain from doing so. All the statues and icons have been specially commissioned, and many have been enhanced with gilding (gold). Touching them has a detrimental effect and therefore I ask that they **NOT BE TOUCHED** as this will damage the gilding and paintwork. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PASCHAL PRECEPT Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday (5 March) and Trinity Sunday (15 June) unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES New sets of envelopes are now available for the new financial year to be collected from the church foyer. **PLEASE NOTE** the Parish requires you to **DESTROY** old envelopes and **ONLY** use new envelopes that have been allocated to you commencing week ending 6 July 2025. Please do not be alarmed if some of you find you have a different number; we do this when we place a new order and clean up database.



Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

DIDASKO FAITH FORMATION Living in Christ: The Moral Life & Challenges presented by Fr Paschal M Corby OFM Conv. It will take place on Monday **5th, 12th and 19th May** from 7:30pm to 8:45pm in the St Martha Room. Fr Paschal, a Franciscan Priest and experienced lecturer in Moral Theology, will guide us through this enriching journey. You can come to any or all evenings. More information contact Ryan on 0412 939 705.

ROSEMEADOW BIBLE STUDY - A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother: - A powerful Bible Study on the Blessed Mother begins 23 May 2025. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, ‘Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother’ will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary’s earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. We invite you to join us in the Rosemeadow Parish meeting room (right hand side of the Parish Office) beginning Friday night 23 May 2025 from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm and continuing every Friday night for a total of 8 weeks. All you need is a Bible. Not sure what this is about? You can just drop in one of the nights of the study to have a look to see what goes on with these studies. For more information or to register your interest to join us for this study please email Dudley Knight: dudleyk@iinet.net.au

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE WALK FOR LIFE Join pilgrims from around the Diocese from Fri 23 May- Sat 24 May for all or part of the walk for life along the stunning South Coast from Kiama to Culburra. Pope Francis has urged us in this Jubilee Year to build a culture of life, where every human life is cherished and protected. Day 1: From Kiama to Gerringong, followed by dinner with Bishop Mascord & overnight adoration. Day 2: Gerringong to Culburra, finishing with mass and dinner. For more information go to dow.sh/WFL or contact jude.hennessy@dow.org.au / 4222 2407

JESUS YOUTH AUSTRALIA Youth program for teenagers in high school (years 7-12) for a spiritual and social gathering. **Every 1st and 3rd Friday in the Martha Room from 7pm-9pm.** Deepen your connection with Christ and create meaningful friendships with praise and worship music/singing, bible study, activities, discussion and dinner. Contact Joshana Jacob 0431650658 or Dilson 0470398578 for details. Visit <https://jesusyouth.org/>

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

FREE CATHOLIC PROGRAMS Go to www.formed.org / Click ‘Formed for Individuals’ button / Enter your email address / Submit / Type 'Wollongong' into the box / Click the Diocese’s name and address (38 Harbour St) / Click Next / Enter your name and email address / Respond to your confirmation email / Sign in and then follow the prompts / Watch hundreds of Catholic Programs including *The Boy from Milan* about the soon to be canonised Carlo Acutis

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.*

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.

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>



PIETY STORE We require more volunteers for **ALL Masses**. You would be required to open the store before and after Mass for approximately 15 minutes. It would be lovely to see new faces volunteering in our parish community. If we have no volunteers to assist, the 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 AV OPERATOR We require more volunteers for **ALL** Mass to operate church AV during mass. If you are able to assist in this valuable ministry, please contact the Parish Office . Thank you

NEW ROSTERS the new rosters for volunteers in **Reading, Extraordinary of Holy Communion, Choir Members, Piety Store, Church Audio, Church Open/Close and Counters** are ready for collection, if you are a member any of this ministries, please collect your new roster from the front notice board. Thank you.



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.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY

May God who sent His Son “born of a woman” bless all mothers today for their unique and irreplaceable gift of maternal love, which gently yet powerfully forms and guides the life of their children. For the many, and often unknown, sacrifices you make, may you be filled with His peace, and the love and gratitude of your children. And may those mothers who have gone before us to their eternal reward, now rest in the company of Our Lady, the Heavenly Mother of us all.