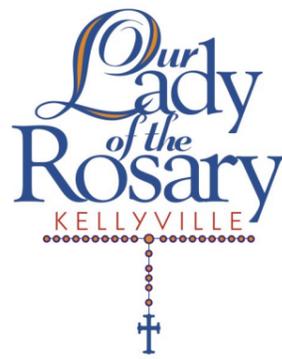


Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv., Parish Priest  
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**Dear Parishioners,** As many of our parish students will be preparing for their trial HSC exams soon I have included a pray from St. Joseph of Cupertino OFM Conv. who is the patron saint of students undertaking exams. During the month of August we celebrate two Solemnities—St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop and the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary which is a holy day of obligation. We continue to pray for the pilgrims from our parish and Diocese who joined our Holy Father, Pope Francis in Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day. Let us continue to pray for one another and our parish community.  
Fr. Christopher Shorrock OFM Conv.

**Join us for Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament** each Thursday between 7.15 - 9.15am (or any part thereof) in our Parish Church. Everyone is most welcome. The Holy Rosary will be recited after 9.30am Mass on Thursdays. Adoration is held also on Monday nights after 7pm Mass when there is Adoration and Confession.

**Prayer to St. Joseph of Cupertino for success in exams**

O humble St Joseph of Cupertino, singularly favoured by God in overcoming the difficulties of study and the worries of examinations, implore the Holy Spirit to enlighten my mind and strengthen my memory in the search of His truth and wisdom. Help me especially in the decisive moments of this examination, protecting me from that forgetfulness and disturbing anxiety which often affect me. May I succeed in offering God my finest work and may I grow in knowledge, understanding, humility and charity. May everything that I attempt to learn in life be offered in faithful service to God, from whom flows that wisdom which leads to eternal life. Amen. St. Joseph of Cupertino, pray for me.

**Counselling** is available in the parish office during the week. Simply call the parish office to book an appointment for help with addictions, marriage, alcohol and drugs, general. Everything is private and confidential.

For **Holy Communion to the Sick** please call Br. Louis on 0422 028 647.

Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud, OFM Conv., Shrine director  
Fr. David Blowey OFM Conv., Delegate to Australia  
Br. Louis Schmid, OFM Conv., Friary Assistant

**Masses in our parish on the Feast of The Assumption** are as follows: 6.45am, 9.15am School Mass at St. Angela's, 11.30am School Mass here at OLOR; 11.30am at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents and 7pm.

**Follow our World Youth Day pilgrimage from home at** [catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News](http://catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News) or [here](#)

**Face to Face Confession.** If you would like to go to face to face confession you can ask Father to draw back the curtain. Some parishioners have asked about this so we are happy to offer both options.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** Do you have any non-Catholic family or friends who would like to learn about the Catholic Faith and the Catholic way of life? RCIA Enquiry will begin in late August. Please contact the parish office to register interest.

**All Widows** are invited to join our widows' group for lunch on 8 August at 12.30pm at The Fiddler. Meet prior to lunch in the parish office at 10.30am to chat and pray the Rosary.

**The Compulsory Safeguarding course** for those who were unable to join the parish group in July, may be done online via the following platform <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au> or visit [here](#)

**Dinner & Dance**

**Have you saved the date** for your Parish dinner-dance on **Saturday 14 October 2023** at Hawkesbury Function Centre? Doors open at 6.30pm for 7pm



**The parish office is closed on Mondays**

Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of \$2,466.90 Online donations are accepted through our parish website [here](#). If you are giving by credit/debit card, please advise your new expiry date so that your donations are not declined.

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**Join our 11th Annual Assumption Walk from Kellyville to Parramatta Cathedral** on Tuesday, 15 August. There will be Masses at our Parish Church at 6.45am and 7pm on this special day, and at 11.30am at the Shrine. The 14km walk begins at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents at 1pm sharp ending at Parramatta Cathedral. There will be two stops along the way for refreshments: 2.30pm at St. Michael's, Baulkham Hills; and 4.30pm at St. Monica's, North Parramatta. Arrival at the Cathedral for prayer and readings is at approximately 6pm. Banners and statues welcome. You may join the Walk at any point or time. Please register your interest with the parish office for catering purposes.

**"The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd"** would like to hear from you if you can help run our children's Catechism on Friday afternoons. Contact Beth for more details on 0402304451."

**Solemnity of Australia's first Saint, St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop** is this Tuesday, 8 August. Lord, at the centre of my being, help me to listen to Your Word and know what you desire for me with an open and attentive heart, humility and courage, trust and faithfulness to Your word, for a deeper understanding of Your will in my life and truth and justice in the face of opposition. Mary of the Cross, intercede for us!



JOIN US FOR A FIESTA!  
to celebrate the Feast day of the first Filipino Saint, beloved  
*San Lorenzo Ruiz*  
on Saturday, 23rd of Sept, 10:30 am  
Shrine of the Holy Innocents  
8 Greystar Pl Kellyville  
Mass at the timber chapel, Special Blessing, Filipino Food Fest, Cultural Performances, Crafts, Paloro (Fun Games), and lots lots more..  
Come as you are, in Chino like San Lorenzo or in your Filipiniana outfit!  
For more information, please call Cecile on 0415253771 or Jun on 0409118204

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK** Romeo Susi, Vitaliana, Eugene, Maureen, Aureen, Helen, Pravani and Ben and all those who are suffering illness in our community. Please write to us [here](#). to let us know the name of someone who is ill and we will include their names on our list for Prayer.

**REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES**  
**Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm Sunday Vigil**  
**Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm**  
**Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm**  
**Wednesdays, Thursdays : 6.45am and 9.30am**  
**Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am**  
**(and 7pm on First Fridays of each month)**

**CONFESSION TIMES**  
**10-10.30am on Saturdays and 7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays**

**For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message and a priest will return your call.**

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MASS & MINISTRIES - 5/6 AUGUST, 2023		
Sat. 6pm	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Ponciana Pastorfide & Ruth Hyland
7am	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Sandra Huber & Norma Evans
9am	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Margaret Samuels & Rachel Calisura
11am	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Annette Tan & Volunteer
6pm	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Br. Louis & Joseph Lumapas

MASS & MINISTRIES - 12/13 AUGUST, 2023		
Sat. 6pm	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Ruth Hyland & Ponciana Pastorfide
7am	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Sandra Huber & Tony Weinman
9am	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Rachel Calisura & Margaret Samuels
11am	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Sean and Maria Finucane
6pm	EM	Consult roster for Acolyte and Lectors Br. Louis and Joseph Lumapas

MASS INTENTIONS: 5 - 12 AUGUST		
Sat. 5	9.30am	Intention of donor
	6pm	Deceased Priests
Sun. 6	7am	Intention of donor
	9am	Ernesto, Maria Rosa & Jeannette Murdocca
	11am	Christino Giordmaina family & Sammut family
	6pm	PRO POPULO
Mon. 7	6.45am	Reparation for sins against the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts of Jesus and Mary
	7pm	Zobeil Capdor
Tues. 8	6.45am	Carmela and Vincenzo Bombardiere
	7pm	Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland, Sam Bugeja
Wed. 9	6.45am	Reparation for sins against the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts of Jesus and Mary
	9.30am	Lindawata Djajaputra
Thurs. 10	6.45am	Salvatore, Giovanna Maria Frasca & Teresa Crucitti
	9.30am	Holy Souls
Fri. 11	6.45am	Elizabeth Fernando
	9.30am	Louise O'Donahue Knowles
Sat. 12	9.30am	Diana and Marcel Lobo
	6pm	PRO POPULO

**FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.  
Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud OFM Conv., Director  
For booking inquiries please visit our website [here](#)  
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**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Mt 17: 5

**Alleluia, alleluia! / This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: / listen to him. / Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL**

Mt 17: 1-9

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**

*His face was shining like the sun.*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son; the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**HOMILY****PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED**

*Or the Nicene Creed may be said.*

**I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL****LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:*

**R. Blessed be God for ever.**

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

P. Sanctify, O Lord, we pray, these offerings here made to celebrate the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son, and by his radiant splendour cleanse us from the stains of sin. Through Christ our Lord.  
**R. Amen.**

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**R. We lift them up to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R. It is right and just.**

**PREFACE OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

*After the Preface, we sing or say:*

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

P. The mystery of faith.

**All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

**COMMUNION RITE**

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...**

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

**All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...

**R. Amen.**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace*

**LAMB OF GOD**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** cf. 1 Jn 3: 2

**When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P. May the heavenly nourishment we have received, O Lord, we pray, transform us into the likeness of your Son, whose radiant

splendour you willed to make manifest in his glorious Transfiguration. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

**THE CONCLUDING RITES**

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**BREAKING OPEN THE WORD****DARKNESS TO LIGHT**

There are moments in our lives when the pieces fall into place, moments in which we come to a clearer understanding of ourselves and the direction of our lives. As Jesus prepared to journey towards Jerusalem, he knows what lies before him, but the disciples will need a vision to sustain them on the road ahead. Peter, James, and John are privileged to glimpse the glory of Jesus and the voice from heaven that proclaims his identity as Son of God. They want to remain on the mountain, but now is the time to listen to Jesus' message and grow as disciples following him on the road. Learning to listen to him will not be easy. Fear and ambition will make it difficult for them to understand that he is the one who has come to offer his life as a ransom for many (Matthew 20:28). Those who profess to be his disciples must do the same.

Years later after the resurrection Peter reflects on the experience of the Transfiguration. He speaks of it as a moment in which he had been privileged to see the previously hidden majesty of Jesus. With the passing of the years this moment continued to act as a guarantee of the Lord's return, as a lamp that illuminates the dark. It was a beacon that gave him the courage to proclaim Jesus as saviour and ultimately to give his own life following the example of his master and friend.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD / A

6 AUGUST 2023

HIS FACE SHONE LIKE THE SUN. Through the eyes of resurrection faith, Jesus' first disciples came to understand that, during his earthly life, they had caught glimpses of his unique relationship with God. In his life of unswerving fidelity to the Father's will, the glory into which Jesus entered through his passion and death shone through. 'We had seen his majesty for ourselves' wrote Peter.

**INTRODUCTORY RITES****ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Mt 17: 5

**In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. / The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, / with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.**

**GREETING**

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**R. And with your spirit.**

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**R. Amen.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

V. Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

**GLORIA**

**Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take**

**away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.**

**COLLECT**

P. O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, grant, we pray, to your servants, that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, we may merit to become coheirs with him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD****FIRST READING** Dan 7: 9-10, 13-14

A reading from the book of Daniel  
*His raiment was as white as snow.*

As I watched:

Thrones were set in place

and one of great age took his seat.

His robe was white as snow,

the hair of his head as pure as wool.

His throne was a blaze of flames,

its wheels were a burning fire.

A stream of fire poured out,

issuing from his presence.

A thousand thousand waited on him,

ten thousand times ten thousand stood

before him.

A court was held and the books were opened.

I gazed into the visions of the night.

And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,

one like a son of man.

He came to the one of great age

and was led into his presence.

On him was conferred sovereignty,

glory and kingship,

and men of all peoples, nations and

languages became his servants.

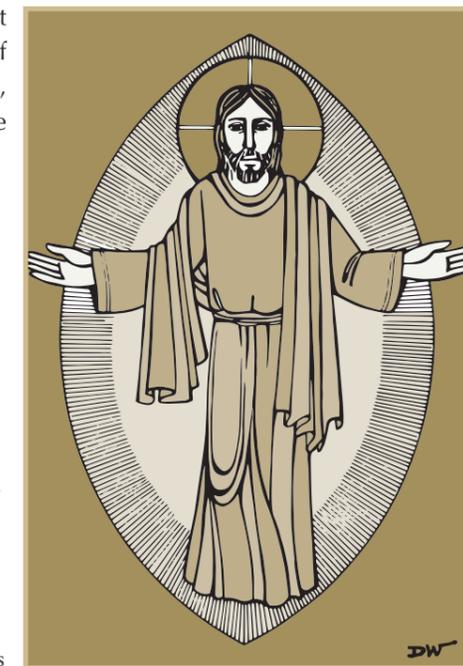
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty

which shall never pass away,

nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**RESP PSALM** Ps 96: 1-2, 5-6, 9. R. vv. 1, 9

**R. The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.**

1. The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, / let all the coastlands be glad. / Cloud and darkness are his raiment; / his throne, justice and right. **R.**

2. The mountains melt like wax / before the Lord of all the earth. / The skies proclaim his justice; / all peoples see his glory. **R.**

3. For you indeed are the Lord / most high above all the earth / exalted far above all spirits. **R.**

**SECOND READING** 2 Pet 1: 16-19

A reading from the second letter of St Peter.

*We heard this voice from out of heaven.*

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**