

Fr. Alejandro Lopez, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
Fr. Leonides Mateo, OFM Conv., Associate Priest

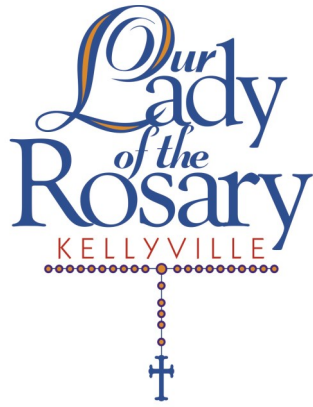
Friars' Announcement The friars of St. Bonaventure Province gathered last July in the States and the Delegation, a week ago gathered in Douglas Park NSW, and came to some decisions for the future, which we want to share with you: At the end of January Fr. Tony Fox will be moving down to Melbourne to be guardian of our friary in Dingley. Fr. Alejandro López, your parish priest, will complete his term here, also at the end of January. His next assignment is as Parish Priest at Mary, Mother of God, in the archdiocese of Chicago. Fr. Chris Shorrock, OFM Conv. (pictured left) will arrive in late January and will officially assume the position of Parish Priest of OLOR on 1 February, 2023. Fr. Leonides Mateo will continue on at the parish as Assistant Parish Priest for the next year. Fr. David Blowey will continue here as delegate for the remainder of the term and as rector of the Shrine. Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud will be assigned to Kellyville and assist with the Shrine. Br. Dominic Levak will visit family in Croatia early next year, after which he will move down to the Dingley friary. Let us pray for one another during this time of transitions. May God's Will be done in all things!

Can we count on your support? “The cost-of-living increases are pushing tens of thousands of Aussie families over the edge, into poverty and risk of homelessness. They desperately need support to put food on the table, keep lights on and a roof over their heads. With so many vulnerable in our area depending on Vinnies for support, can we count on your help? Your donation will help provide the immediate and practical relief families need to survive this Christmas.” A collection will be taken after each Mass this weekend at the doors of the Church. An Eftpos machine will be available too. Thanks in advance! Click [here](#) to support St. Vincent de Paul Society.

David's Place thanks you for your generosity towards their appeal last weekend when \$5,072 was collected. Note: The wrapping of David's Place Christmas gifts will take place after 9.30am Mass on **Friday, 16 December**, in the old parish hall. If you are available, please come with Christmas cheer and help with wrapping!

Please note : There will be no 6 pm Mass on Sunday, 25 December, Christmas Day.

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Office Tel.: 9629-2595
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Under the Pastoral Care of the Conventual Franciscans

Fr. David Blowey, OFM Conv., Rector of the Shrine
Fr. Tony Fox, OFM Conv., Priest in residence

Please note that on Friday, 16 December, OLOR Primary will have an *all-school Mass* at our parish regularly-scheduled 9.30am Mass. Everyone is invited. However, the Mass will run longer than usual and be extra full so you might consider attending another Mass.

Like, follow and share OLOR Kellyville Youth! Our youth and young adults now have [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). Search for @olorkellyvilleyouth!

Our final 2022 Youth Group is next Sunday, 18 December! Join us for the Youth Mass at 6pm followed by a Christmas Party in the old hall from 7pm - 8:45pm. (Like our [Facebook page](#) and follow us on [Instagram](#)!)

OLOR Young Adults Christmas Party is on Friday 16 December, from 8pm on the Friary Patio! Join us to celebrate with great food and great company! We kindly ask that attendees bring \$10, which will be donated to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. Card payment options will be available.

Message for weekday Mass goers (Mon - Friday) : please refrain from parking in the school parking lot, which is the one outside the main doors of the Church. Please park instead in the large parking lot behind the Church. Thank you for your support.

Acolytes, servers, Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (Ems) are needed in the new church. Interested in serving during liturgies? Please click [here](#) or contact the parish office.

Condolences to the family of Antonio Palumbo whose funeral will be on Monday at 10.30am, to the family of Eduardo Morsillo whose funeral will be on Tuesday at 1.30pm and to the family of Ranee Wijesinghe whose funeral will be on Thursday morning. Please pray for them and for their families. May their souls and the souls of the Faithful Departed, through God's Mercy, rest in peace.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Maureen Hinton, Andrew Foley, Tracy Capdor, Giuseppina Rossi, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Peter Prizas, Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Ricardo Patane, Michael Dimech, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Arnel Galeng, Andrea Bioco, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Betty Muldoon, Carmelo M Ortea, Josephine Murphy, Floralba Gonzalez, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Wieslaw Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gulate, Monty Roughie, Garry Robinson, Ona Hobs, Christopher Dean, Charlene Lucre, Janae Winpe, Joelle Fameli, Nancy Margaret Courtney, Janis Murphy, Eunice Ally, Paul Karam, Marie Adolphe, Iolanda Giannetta, Lucy Farrugia, Clement, Joseph Vella, Angela Vasta, Roy Fimmano, Rose Carroll, William and Lesley McEnally, Jacky Charles, Nelson Yupangco, John Killelea, Marija Jukic, Nissaka Gunawardena, Paul Opollito, Myra Fagel, Estella Odojan, Dolores Carreon, Matthew Nazariat, Negin Safaei, Norma Webber.

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Parish office is closed on Mondays.

Advent reconciliation

Saturdays: 10am and Mondays: 7.30pm

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Saturday 24 December

There is NO Morning Mass on Christmas Eve

CHRISTMAS VIGIL

6pm Mass

(Children are invited to dress up as Nativity figures and process in with celebrant.)

8pm Youth Mass

11pm Christmas Carols

11:30pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY

7am, 9am and 11am Masses

There is no evening Mass

CHRISTMAS OCTAVE

Monday, 26 December

8am Mass only.

(There is no early morning or evening Mass)

Wednesday, 28 December

Solemnity of the Holy Innocents 11am

There are no other Masses on this day

Weekend Masses for 31 December-1 January

follow normal schedule

Monday, 1 January

8am Mass only.

(There is no early morning or evening Mass)

Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of \$2,464.40

Donations may be made in the black mailbox at the door of the parish office.

Online donations are accepted through our parish website [here](#). "TAP-AND-GO" card devices are at both entrances to the Church and can be used to donate to the parish or the friars.

Fr. Alejandro's updated Wish List for the Renovated Church: Closets for Priest's vestments in the Sacristy - \$18,084; Sacristy cabinets \$13,904; Sacristy island cabinet - \$15,829; 5 pedestals for statues (\$968 each); and repairs to the outdoor statue of St. Francis \$5,500. If you would like to make any of these wishes a reality, please contact the parish office (see bottom left). Thank you in advance!

FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Fr. David Blowey, OFM Conv., Rector

Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.

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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
7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays

THIS SCHEDULE MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Would you like to receive your **weekly bulletin via email**? If so, please click [here](#)

Mass Intentions: 10 - 17 Dec. 2022		
Sat. 10	9.30am	Intention of donor
	6pm	Intention of donor
Sun. 11	7am	<i>PRO POPULO</i>
	9am	Giovanni La Rosa
	11am	Christino Giordmaina, Thomas, Evangelista, Paul and Mary Sammut, Sr. Antoinette Sammut
	6pm	Josefina Cecilia
Mon. 12	6.45am	Nerida Bombardiere
	7pm	Josefina Cecilia
Tues. 13	6.45am	Deceased Friars and families
	7pm	Jacquelin Capdor
Wed. 14	6.45am	Intention of donor
	9.30am	Anthony Zoccoli
Thur. 15	6.45am	Nicola Reale
	9.30am	Intention of donor
Fri. 16	6.45am	Intention of donor
	9.30am	Maximino Calangi and Belen Ortiz
Sat. 17	9.30am	Andy Zahra and Wayne holland
	6pm	Therese, Sergi and Catanzaritti family
Please note : The Parish office is closed on Mondays.		

For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message

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GOSPEL Mt 11:2-11
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.

Are you the one who is to come, or must we wait for someone else?

John in his prison had heard what Christ was doing and he sent his disciples to ask him, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?’ Jesus answered, ‘Go back and tell John what you hear and see; the blind see again, and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised to life and the Good News is proclaimed to the poor; and happy is the man who does not lose faith in me.’

As the messengers were leaving, Jesus began to talk to the people about John: ‘What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swaying in the breeze? No? Then what did you go out to see? A man wearing fine clothes? Oh no, those who wear fine clothes are to be found in palaces. Then what did you go out for? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and much more than a prophet: he is the one of whom scripture says: Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way before you. I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is.’

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
May the sacrifice of our worship, Lord, we pray, be offered to you unceasingly, to complete what was begun in sacred mystery and powerfully accomplish for us your saving work.
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 I OR II OF ADVENT
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. Isa 35:4
Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
We implore your mercy, Lord, that this divine sustenance may cleanse us of our faults

and prepare us for the coming feasts.
Through Christ our Lord.
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
ARE YOU THE ONE?
One can only begin to imagine the excitement, questioning and discussion that must have accompanied the beginning of Jesus’ ministry. Reports were flying thick and fast about the carpenter-turned-preacher from Nazareth, whose preaching was accompanied by miraculous healings, and disconcerting sayings. Was it true that Isaiah’s prophecy about the eyes of the blind being opened, and the deaf once again being able to hear was being fulfilled?
John the Baptist had spoken with courage about the messiah who was coming and this led to his imprisonment. He had preached that the coming messiah would be a figure of purification and judgement upon Israel. Could it be that Jesus was the promised one? John could not reconcile Jesus’ message and ministry with the message for which he had risked his life. Jesus’ response to John’s question is simple – you must make your judgement based on what you see. If Isaiah’s prophecy is being fulfilled, then there is no need to look any further.
A challenge for James’ community was that they recognised Jesus was indeed the saviour, but how were they to manage until his return at the end of time? Their impatience for the Lord’s return was leading them into the trap of being fractious with each other. James provides both them and us with the timely reminder that patience with the Lord and each other is a better way to prepare to greet the Lord on his return.
CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT / A 11 DECEMBER 2022



THE BLIND SEE AGAIN. Many of the Jewish people did not expect a Messiah like Jesus. Many wondered: ‘Are you the one who is to come?’ Jesus came not to exercise sovereignty and power over the people but to bring blessing to the poor and needy. Let us celebrate his birth this Christmas by being good news for the poor.

INTRODUCTORY RITES
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Phil 4: 4-5
Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.
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.
P: Have mercy on us, O Lord.
R. For we have sinned against you.
P: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
R. And grant us your salvation.
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.
The Gloria is not said during Advent.
COLLECT
O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord’s Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, 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 Isa 35:1-6, 10
A reading from the prophet Isaiah
God himself will come and save us.
Let the wilderness and the dry-lands exult, let the wasteland rejoice and bloom, let it bring forth flowers like the jonquil, let it rejoice and sing for joy.

The glory of Lebanon is bestowed on it, the splendour of Carmel and Sharon; they shall see the glory of the Lord, the splendour of our God.
Strengthen all weary hands, steady all trembling knees

and say to all faint hearts, ‘Courage! Do not be afraid.
‘Look your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.’
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy, for those the Lord has ransomed shall return.
They will come to Zion shouting for joy, everlasting joy in their faces; joy and gladness will go with them and sorrow and lament be ended.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 145:6-10. R. cf. Isa 35:4
R. Lord, come and save us. (or Alleluia!)
1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, / who is just to those who are oppressed. / It is he who gives bread to the hungry, / the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, / who raises up those who are bowed down, / the Lord, who protects the stranger / and upholds the widow and orphan. **R.**
3. It is the Lord who loves the just / but thwarts the path of the wicked. / The Lord will reign for ever, / Zion’s God, from age to age. **R.**

SECOND READING James 5:7-10
A reading from the letter of St James
You also must be patient; do not lose heart, the Lord’s coming will be soon.
Be patient, brothers, until the Lord’s coming. Think of a farmer: how patiently he waits for the precious fruit of the ground until it has had the autumn rains and the spring rains! You too have to be patient; do not lose heart, because the Lord’s coming will be soon. Do not make complaints against one another, brothers, so as not to be brought to judgement yourselves; the Judge is already to be seen waiting at the gates. For your example, brothers, in submitting with patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Isa 61:1; Lk 4:18
Alleluia, alleluia!
The spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!