

Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv., Parish Priest  
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**Dear Parishioners,** All the friars from Sydney and Melbourne will gather next week (Mon-Fri) for their annual assembly in Galong, NSW. We ask that you keep the friars in your prayers that the Holy Spirit will guide our deliberations. Do not leave it to the last minute to get your tickets for the Dinner Dance on the 14th October. This is the major fundraising event of the Parish and we really need your support. Tickets are on sale at the back of the church and if you are unable to attend please consider offering sponsorship for those who find it difficult to pay for tickets. We will bless the new statue of St. Michael at the 11am Mass—this has been generously donated by a parishioner. Let us continue to pray for one another and our parish community.

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**Rosary Gem:**  
**We must hold fast to the treasure of the Rosary, the gift of Our Blessed Mother.**  
Servant of God (Fr.) Patrick Peyton

**Do you know?** There is Adoration each Thursday between 7.15am - 9.15am in our Parish Church. Everyone is most welcome. Adoration is held also on Monday nights after 7pm Mass when there is Adoration and Confession.

**ATTENTION: FILIPINOS**  
Please join us to celebrate our very first **Filipino Mass** at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville on **1 October 2023 at 3pm**  
Followed by fellowship in the Old Hall (Please bring a plate to share)

**Have a monthly 'date with our Lord'?** Come and join the all-night Vigil Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents. There you will enjoy the intimacy of having one-on-one time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at an hour of your choosing. Adoration begins after 7pm Mass at the Shrine on Friday night (29 Sept.) and continues to 11am Mass on Saturday morning (30 Sept.). Call or text Cecille at 0415 253 771.



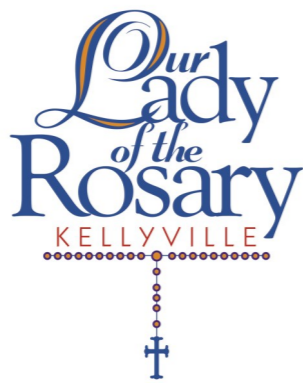
**PLEASE WIPE YOUR FEET**

Before entering the Church, please wipe your feet on the tough mats at each entrance to this Church. Please help keep our carpet clean.

**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](http://franciscanfriarsaustralia.org/shrineoftheholynnocents)



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

**Mass for HSC students, and all who are writing exams, will be on Sunday 1 October 2023 at 6pm.** HSC students are invited to wear their Year 12 jerseys to this Mass, where they will also receive a blessing and exams survival pack. Immediately following the Mass, join us for Youth Group in the old hall!

**From our WYD Pilgrims:** Save the date for "World Youth Day in a Day" on Sunday 22 October, where our pilgrims hope to give you a taste of the WYD experience. Beginning with 11am Mass, we are inviting everyone to come along for prayer, refreshments and sharing about our encounters on pilgrimage!

**Youth Group** gathers next this Sunday, 17 September in the old hall! We will be exploring prayer: how and why do we pray? All students in Years 7-12 and Year 6 students who have made their Sacrament of Confirmation are welcome! Join our mailing list by emailing [here](mailto:here.youthgroupolor@gmail.com) [youthgroupolor@gmail.com](mailto:youthgroupolor@gmail.com).

**Young Adults** returns on Friday 6 October at 8pm in the Marian Room of the Friary! Stay tuned for further updates by following on Facebook and Instagram @olorkellyvilleyouth

**Our WYD Pilgrims** will be distributing the blessed miraculous medals at every Mass this weekend to all families who registered with us - you'll find them at each exit of the Church!

**Our Condolences** to the family of Kevin Gleeson whose funeral will be on Monday 25 September at 11.30am. Please pray for him and his family at this time.

**Are you aware of the weekly Devotions in our Parish?**

**Monday** nights: Divine Mercy devotions with Adoration and Confessions after Mass

**Tuesday** mornings and evenings, Novena to St. Anthony after both Masses

**Thursdays:** Adoration after 6.45am Mass until 9.30am Mass

**Saturdays:** Novena to Our Lady following 9.30am Mass with Confessions after Mass

**First Fridays:** Devotions after the First Friday Evening Mass

**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

Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of \$2,830.30 Online donations are accepted through our parish website [here](http://here). Alternatively, scan the QR code to the right. 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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**This is a huge advertisement because you deserve to know how much we want you to share the dinner-dance evening with us.**

**Please join us on Saturday 14 Oct.**

at Hawkesbury Function Centre  
doors open at 6.30pm for 7pm

**Enjoy a three course menu with unlimited, non-alcoholic drinks entertainment auctions, raffles and more**

**Tickets are available after all Sunday Masses or from the Parish Office Tuesdays - Fridays 9am - 4pm**

**Note: Evening Mass on Saturday 14 October will be at 5pm instead of the usual time of 6pm.**

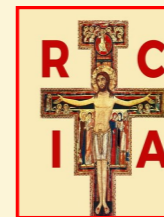


**We have a luxury bus leaving the Church carpark at 6pm returning at 11pm for those reluctant to drive to the dinner-dance. Cost: \$30 return trip. Call the parish office to reserve your seat on the bus.**

**Let's Pray for the Sick** Vince Bosco, Romeo Susi, Eugene, Maureen, Aureen, Helen, Frankie Fernandez, Pravani, Janice Larsen, Richard Berry and all those who are suffering illness in our community. Please write to us [here](http://here). to let us know the name of someone who is ill and we will include their names on our list for Prayer.

**The parish office is closed on Mondays**

**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 has begun but it is not too late to join the group. Please contact the parish office to register interest or email us [here](http://here).



**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: 23/24 SEPTEMBER 2023**

6pm Vigil	EM	Ruth Hyland & Ponciana Pastorfide
7am	EM	Sandra Huber and Tony Weinman
9am	EM	Margaret Samuels and Volunteer
11am	EM	Princy Benny and Annette Tan
6pm	EM	Br. Louis and Elvira Tandingan

**MASS & MINISTRIES: 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

6pm Vigil	EM	Ruth Hyland and Volunteer
7am	EM	Sandra Huber and Norma Evans
9am	EM	Grace Trzcinski and Rachel Calisura
11am	EM	Princy Benny and Annette Tan
6pm	EM	Br. Louis Joseph and Lumapas

**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 Greyfriar Pl Kellyville  
Mass and Special Blessing at the Timber Chapel by Rev. Monsignor Cezar Eschano, Rev. Fr John Paul Escarlan, and Rev. Fr Leonides Mateo, OFM Conv.  
Filipino Food Fest, Cultural Performances, Crafts, Palaro (Fun Games), and lots lots more...  
Altar servers invited to get a special blessing  
Come as you are, wear chinos like San Lorenzo or your Filipiniana outfit!  
For more information or if you wish to donate food or prizes, please call Cecile on 0415253771 or Jun on 0409118204

**MASS INTENTIONS: 23 -30 SEPTEMBER, 2023**

Sat. 23	9.30am	Patricia Quinn
	6pm	Paul Rajanayagam
Sun. 24	7am	Nerida, Carmela and Vincenzo Bombardiere
	9am	Woei, Han King, Lau Gek Mie, Anna, Robert Chan
	11am	Nick Caruso
	6pm	PRO POPULO
Mon. 25	6.45am	Jaden Selvan
	7pm	Susna Del Valle
Tues. 26	6.45am	Charles Dettman
	7pm	Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland, Sam Bugeja
Wed. 27	6.45am	Intention of donor
	9.30am	Eduardo Morsillo
Thurs. 28	6.45am	Intention of donor
	9.30am	Frank Canchory
Fri. 29	6.45am	Intention of donor
	9.30am	Augustine and Maria Vella
Sat. 30	9.30am	K M Matthew
	6pm	Phyllis Cini

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

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

24 SEPTEMBER 2023

go into my vineyard too.” In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, “Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first.” So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. “The men who came last” they said “have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day’s work in all the heat.” He answered one of them and said, “My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?” Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.’

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. Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. 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-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

*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: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

#### 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 Ps 118:4-5

**You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.**

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. 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

##### GOD’S WAYS ARE NOT OURS

One of the misconceptions that Christians often have about the Old Testament is that God is portrayed as harsh and unforgiving. We are all too used to contrasting the Old Testament view of God and the loving Father of Jesus that emerges in his teaching and ministry. It is important to remember that it was the Hebrew Scriptures that shaped Jesus’ own understanding of God as a loving father.

The first reading from Isaiah clearly challenges misconceptions we might have that the God of Israel is not merciful. Isaiah encourages the wicked to change their ways precisely because God’s ways are not ours. While we might tend to punish, God’s mercy reveals a sovereignty that is often beyond our grasp and understanding. Jesus’ parable of the owner of the vineyard who deals with all the workers in an even-handed and generous manner is, or can be, just as challenging for us to comprehend. Sinners who repent, and those who have always been devout, will all receive the same reward. Indeed, God’s ways are far from those of our world.

Paul finds himself in a quandary. He knows that God is a loving God, and his ultimate desire is to be with God. On the other hand, he knows how his fledgling community in Philippi needs his presence and support. Caught between the good of caring for the Philippian community and that of wanting to finish his journey to be with the Lord, he wrestles and struggles with what is best. In the end, the problem is resolved because he knows his reward lies before him. In the meantime, there is still much work to be done.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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MY WAYS ARE ABOVE YOUR WAYS. Those who had laboured in the vineyard all day were angry when the owner paid the latecomers the same wage. Like the story of the prodigal son, this parable reminds us that the kingdom of heaven is not characterised by our limited concepts of justice but by a compassion that knows no limits. May we not be envious at the good fortune of others but rejoice that we too are loved deeply by God.

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

##### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.**

**Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.**

##### GREETING

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

**R. Amen.**

P. The Lord be with you.

**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. Lord Jesus, you have revealed yourself as the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. You have poured out on your people the Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to eternal life: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

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

**R. Amen.**

##### 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 founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. 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 55:6-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*My thoughts are not your thoughts.*

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,

to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

##### RESP PSALM

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18. R. v. 18

**R. The Lord is near to all who call him.**

1. I will bless you day after day / and praise your name for ever. / The Lord is great, highly to be praised, / his greatness cannot be measured. **R.**

2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, / slow to anger, abounding in love. / How good is the Lord to all, / compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

3. The Lord is just in all his ways / and loving in all his deeds. / He is close to all who call him, / who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

##### SECOND READING

Phil 1:20-24, 27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

*For me to live is Christ.*

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring



me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

##### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Acts 16:14

**Alleluia, alleluia! / Open our hearts, O Lord, / to listen to the words of your Son. / Alleluia!**

##### GOSPEL

Mt 20:1-16

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.**

*Why are you jealous because I am generous?*

Jesus said to his disciples: “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, “You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.” So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, “Why have you been standing here idle all day?” “Because no one has hired us” they answered. He said to them, “You