



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH KELLYVILLE

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Dear Parishioners,

In the scripture readings this weekend we are reminded that in baptism we are called to mirror and image the mercy and forgiveness the Lord has won for us. As David would not harm Saul, his enemy, so we are challenged to love and pardon those who wrong us. As I mentioned last week we will continue to report on our Parish financial situation in order to be transparent and keep you aware of where we stand. We do appreciate your generosity in supporting our parish. Thanks also to Andrew who has stepped forward to be our Maintenance Co-Ordinator. We will work on getting a team together so that we can address the ongoing maintenance of our Church and surrounding grounds. Let us continue to pray for one another.

Fr. Chris Shorrock, OFM Conv.

Dear OLOR Youth Community,

We are excited to share that youth group will be returning soon! We are currently in a time of transition and discernment. As some of our youth leaders take a step back, others are taking new responsibilities and planning the future of youth ministry for our parish. Thank you for your patience as we prepare! We will have more updates to share with you in the near future. God bless, The OLOR Youth Leaders Team. **ONE EASY LINK** for everything you need to know about OLOR Youth! linktr.ee/olorkellyvilleyouth



Join a Novena of Masses to honour St. Joseph beginning Thursday, 6 March at 7pm in our Parish. See the noticeboards outside the Church for the details of all participating parishes.

Pray and do penance for peace

Pope Francis is calling on Catholics to pray and do penance for the peaceful resolution of global conflicts, saying people are born into the world to help communities thrive, not to kill. Source: CNS.

Our Lenten Journey to Easter

Masses on Ash Wednesday, 5 March :
6.45am, 9.30am and 7pm

Each Friday during Lent
there will be Stations of the Cross at 7pm.
On the First Friday of March (7th) and April (4th)
there will be Holy Mass and Stations of the Cross

Condolences to the family of Angela Vasta whose funeral will be on **Thursday 27 February at 11am**. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed, rest in Peace. Please pray for his family at this time.

Easter Egg guessing competition We are having an Easter egg guessing fundraiser starting on 2 March, the first Sunday of March: 3 guesses for \$10 or 1 guess for \$5.

Mothers' Day - 11 May If you would like to bake for our cake stall, please contact the parish office or write to us [here](mailto:admin@olorparishkellyville.org.au) (admin@olorparishkellyville.org.au).

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Pilgrimage to Holy Sites of Europe 17 September to 2 October 2026

Fr. Chris is leading the above 16-day Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain, France and Italy. See the bulletin boards outside the Church for more.

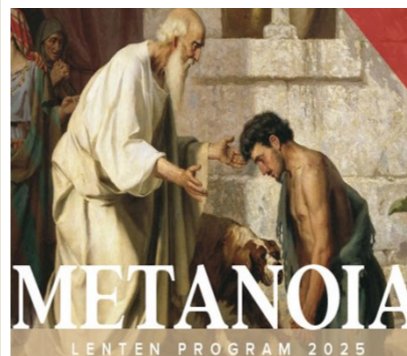
As Lent draws near,

a common question amongst Catholics is, "What are you giving up for Lent?" It's easy to give up the usual (dessert, social media, TV), but what if there's more? What if you could choose a true encounter with Jesus this Lent? It just takes some preparation and a willingness to begin. Prepare for Lent with a new four-part video series called **How to Lent**. This series explores the scriptural origins of Lent and its desert imagery. **It explains the pillars of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. It challenges you to think beyond your usual Lenten sacrifices to something that will genuinely help you grow in your faith. Visit here for more.**



Once you have considered what to give up this Lent...

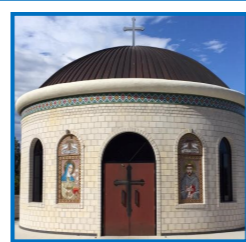
you may want to place an order for a Lenten booklet, with the Parish office. To order one (or more) booklets, call the Parish office on 9629-2595 or write to us at the following address, admin@olorparishkellyville.org.au or click [here](#). Each booklet costs \$9 and will take you through the whole period of Lent through Easter.



Join a 'Family Day' hosted by the National Association of Catholic Families on Sunday 9 March at the Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents, 8 Greyfriar Pl, Kellyville. The guest speaker is Mr Paul Hanrahan FLI. "Living the Culture of life in a Secular World: the Mission of Every Family".



Let's Pray for the Sick - Bill McEnally, Natalie Mifsud, Michael Carter, Malou Cecilia, Norma O'Sullivan, Fidelino de Freitas, Brendan Twomey, Marivic Valderama Monica Doyle, Tina Mastrodemenico, Christopher Ferro, Frances McDonald, Tyler Amadeus Lianto, Pamela Lawrence, Gail, Grant Harrison, Barbara Apa, Ariana, Callum Lee, Eugene, Pravani, Janice Larsen, Teodora Postaski, Michelle Nickols, Franca Masciotra, Lynette Mary Crowley, Michael Sampedro, Michael Bright 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.



Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents Open daily from 7am to 6pm. Come and pray in quiet beauty. All welcome to visit throughout the day. To book your weekday retreat or conference, please inquire on our website [here](http://Franciscanfriarsaustralia.org/shrineoftheholynnocents). (Franciscanfriarsaustralia.org/shrineoftheholynnocents) (8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville)

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Parish Finances

(6 months to December 2024)

Operating Income	248,566
Operating Expenses	217,245
Operating Surplus	31,321
Principle payments on loan	63,186
Deficit	31,865

Donations to support the parish can be made through our website, using the Tap-and-Go machines at the doors of the Church and by using the collection bags during Mass.

The First Collection supports the Parish

BSB 067 950,
Account No: 0000370,
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The Second Collection supports our Priests

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MASS INTENTIONS: 22 - 29 FEB. 2025

Sat. 22	9.30am	Intention of donor
	6pm	PRO POPULO
Sun. 23	7am	Sam, Victoria, Horace, Joyce Bugeja
	9am	Woei Han King, Lau Gek Mie Anna, Robert Chan
	11am	Jesus Gellekarnao
	6pm	John and Alesandro Federici
Mon. 24	6.45am	Joaquim Mascarenhas
	7pm	Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland, Sam Bugeja
Tues. 25	6.45am	Leszek Szeinduchert
	7pm	Leopoldo Zaballero
Wed. 26	6.45am	Ernesto and Cosimo Murdocca
	9.30am	Intention of donor
Thur. 27	6.45am	Joanna Barry
	9.30am	Leon Wicht
Frid. 28	6.45am	Intention of donor
	9.30am	Intention of donor
Sat. 29	9.30am	Ann Kahler
	6pm	Vince Caruana

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Enrol now for Our Lady of The Rosary Primary School Kellyville

Come and see our school for yourself:
Open Day:
4 March, 2025 from 9:30 to 10:30
and
6 March, 2025 from 9:30 to 10:30
Register [here](#)

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

23 FEBRUARY 2025

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.'

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

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. As we celebrate your mysteries, O Lord, with the observance that is your due, we humbly ask you, that what we offer to the honour of your majesty may profit us for salvation. 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: 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

 Ps 9: 2-3

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we may experience the effects of the salvation which is pledged to us by these mysteries. 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 in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

LOVE THE ENEMY

We are now into the heart of Luke's Sermon on the Plain. We are also presented with the most important Gospel teaching that characterises Jesus' followers: Love and forgiveness of the enemy. But this is also dangerous teaching, for it is easy to misunderstand what Jesus is asking of his disciples. He is not addressing disciples individually, but together. The response to the 'enemy' comes from the total gathering of the Gospel household who support each other as they deal with the enemy. It is not the individual disciple who bears responsibility for enemy love. It is a collective response.

The response is also agential or active, never passive or submissive. Disciples disarm by their attitude of 'love'—a desire that the aggressor comes to know their own self-worth in their relationship to God and others. It is not about feeling affection or warmth towards the enemy, an impossible response in the face of suffering or hurt. 'Turning the other cheek' is a form of passive resistance to the aggressor, rather than responding with tit-for-tat assault, a response culturally expected. Luke's audience who are wealthy are encouraged to be generous. Jesus encourages disciples to act compassionately, like God.

Today's Gospel is challenging, especially in the context of the issues that today's believers are concerned about. Luke offers sage advice. A spirit of kindness and non-aggression towards the assailants of our world can help create a society shaped by peace rather than violence. Such a spirit ideally characterises our faith communities imbued with today's Gospel.

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LOVE YOUR ENEMIES. The words of Jesus we hear in today's Gospel are very challenging: 'love your enemies, do good to those who persecute you, freely part with your possessions and money, do not judge, forgive.' In brief, we are asked to imitate the unconditional compassion and love of God. The challenge is great but so is the reward. The more we give to others, the more richly we are blessed.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 12: 6

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.

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.

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. Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, always pondering spiritual things, we may carry out in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you. 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 1 Sam 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
A reading from the first book of Samuel.
The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you.

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 102: 1-4, 8, 10, 12-13. R. v. 8

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, / all my being, bless his holy name. / My soul, give thanks to the Lord / and never forget all his blessings. **R.**

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, / who heals every one of your ills, / who redeems your life from the grave, / who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

3. The Lord is compassion and love, / slow to anger and rich in mercy. / He does not treat us according to our sins / nor repay us according to our faults. **R.**

4. As far as the east is from the west / so far does he remove our sins. / As a father has compassion on his sons, / the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Cor 15: 45-49

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image.

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 13: 34

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

GOSPEL Lk 6: 27-38

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Be merciful as your Father is merciful.