



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH KELLYVILLE

Under the Pastoral Care of the Friars Minor Conventual

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Dear Parishioners, The scripture readings this weekend remind us that just as Eliakim is given authority as master of the palace (1), so does Jesus confer upon Peter authority to bind and loose (3). To Jesus, who promised to be with his Church for all time (Ps), be glory for ever and ever (2)!

We continue to pray for our candidates who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation in early September.

Let us continue to pray for our parish and one another.

Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv.



GROWING WITH ST FRANCIS

Let no one convince you that selfishness is more realistic than ever—expanding generosity in response to God's great variety of gifts in creation.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Do you have any non Catholic— family or friends who would like to learn about the Catholic faith and Catholic way of life? RCIA Enquiry will begin on the 1st September. Please contact the parish office on 9629 2595 to express interest or email us [here](mailto:rcia@olorparishkellyville.org.au)

Stay Connected With Our Parish!

Follow our parish on **Facebook** and **Instagram** to keep up with events, news, photos, and parish life. Don't miss out—join our online community today!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OLOR.Parish.Kellyville>
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We pray for the sick: Ariana, Irene Barry, Vince Borg, Vince Bosco, Michael Bright, Kaye Burfitt, Beryl Collings, Lynette Mary Crowley, Fidelino de Freitas, Peggy Dagleish, Greg Dimmock, Melissa Dimmock, Natasha Donaldson, Christopher Doyle, Dermot Egerton, Eugene, Fernando, Gail, Michael Griscti, Grant Harrison, Rudy Harso, Stephan Hang, Jordan Hunter, Myra Veloso Ladia, Callum Lee, Tyler Amadeus Lianto, Stephen Luck, Pierrick Martel, Rodney Martel, Franca Masciotra, Frances McDonald, Fran Moc, Maria Milagros, Jeremiah Nickols, Michelle Nickols, Pravani, Clara Mondares Pineda, Eduardo Mayuga Pineda, Teodora Postaski, Judy Robertson, Susan Salmon, Natalie Sereno, Mario Emmanuel Setiawan, Maria Short, Jesusa Pineda Trinidad, Brendan Twomey, Barbara Vella, Michael Vella, Carlitos Villacorte and all those who are suffering illness in our community. Please write to us [here](mailto:prayer@olorparishkellyville.org.au), and let us know your loved ones' names to be added on or removed from our list.

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6 SPIRITUAL PRACTICES WE SHOULD NORMALIZE

Essential Habits for a Vibrant Catholic Life



Daily Scripture

Make time each day to read and reflect on the Word of God. The Bible is the living voice of the Father, speaking to His children.



Weekly Mass

Attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass every Sunday — and more frequently when possible. The Mass is the source and summit of our Christian life.



Worthy Holy Communion

Receive Jesus in the Eucharist regularly, always in a state of grace. Prepare your heart to welcome the King of Kings.



The Holy Rosary

Pray the Rosary personally or with your family. This beautiful prayer draws us deeper into the mysteries of Christ through the eyes of His Mother.



Eucharistic Adoration

Spend time in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration is a foretaste of Heaven and a powerful way to grow in love for Jesus.



Regular Confession

Approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation frequently. Confession restores grace, heals the soul, and detaches us from sin.

Bishop's Father's Day Appeal

The **Bishop's Father's Day Appeal** for the Clergy Support Foundation will take place over four weekends, from **29–30 August to 19–20 September 2026**. This important Appeal supports our retired and unwell priests, our spiritual fathers who have devoted their lives to serving God and His people.



Counselling Services Available

Individual and couple counselling is available through the Parish Office. Counselling is offered for a range of concerns, including addictions (alcohol, drugs, and gambling), grief and loss, or general counselling needs. All counselling is **strictly confidential**.

Contact: Send a text to **Sylvia 0411 546 953** or ring the **Parish Office 9629 2595**

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Dear Lord,

We pray for families and children who are preparing to commit themselves to You in the sacrament of Confirmation. May their minds and hearts be strengthened in their faith and through Your Holy Spirit, grant them the ability to reassure or discover Your will in their lives. We humbly ask You to give our sacramental team wisdom, knowledge and faith to deliver Your message. May we all feel the power of Your love, so that we can give You, in return, our commitment, by following the path that You have planned for us. Amen



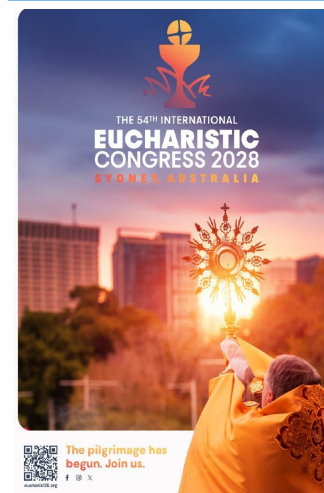
All women are invited to join the Christ's Catholic Community Women's Prayer Group who meet at the Old Parish Hall every Friday at 10AM. Please contact Josephine Apap on 0423 579 555 for more details.



SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH

- Online training option: <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/>
- Face-to-face training : <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/training/>
- For more information, please visit the Diocese of Parramatta Safeguarding website: <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/>

We ask everyone over 18 years old except our SRE's to fill the Acknowledgement Code of Conduct [Form](#). Please submit documents to the office via email or hard copy



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PARISH CALENDAR

24 (Mon)	6:45am Mass 7:00pm Mass followed by confessions Divine Mercy Devotions & exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
25 (Tue)	6:45am Mass 8:00am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 7:00pm Mass followed by St Anthony Devotion
26 (Wed)	6:45am & 9:30am Mass 10:00am Knitting Group (Parish Office)
27 (Thu)	6:45am & 9:30am Mass
28 (Fri)	6:45am & 9:30am Mass 10:00am Women's prayer group
29 (Sat)	9:30am Mass followed by Confessions 6:00pm Vigil Mass
30 (Sun)	7am, 9am, 11am & 6pm Mass

Junior & Senior Youth Group

Junior and Senior Youth Groups return this **Sunday, 06 September** following the 11am Mass (Junior Youth) and following the 6pm Youth Mass (Senior Youth). All youth are invited for faith, friendship, fun, and pizza!
Youth Groups meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

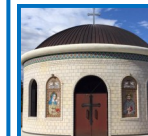
To find out more or join our Youth Groups, please email youthgroupolor@gmail.com or scan the QR code to join our WhatsApp Community.



MASS INTENTIONS 22 - 29 AUGUST 2026

Sat 22	9:30am 6:00pm	Dominico Mazzicuva Baiada Family
Sun 23	7am 9am 11am 6pm	Christino Giordmaina, Giordmaina & Sammut Families Sam, Victoria & Horace Bugeja Martha Meti Tasmin PRO POPULO
Mon 24	6.45am 7:00pm	Intention of Donor Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland & Sam Bugeja
Tue 25	6.45am 7:00pm	Jaiden Selvan Philippe Chungkonghiung
Wed 26	6.45am 9.30am	Intention of Donor Erlinda Balela
Thu 27	6.45am 9.30am	Intention of Donor John Foley
Fri 28	6.45am 9.30am	Intention of Donor Charles & Grace Vella, Judith & Joseph Scicluna
Sat 29	9:30am 6:00pm	John Saliba Joseph Sultana

Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents



Open daily from 7:00am to 6:00pm. Come and pray in quiet beauty — all are welcome to visit throughout the day. To book a weekday retreat or conference, please enquire via our website at <https://www.franciscanfriarsaustralia.org/shrineoftheholynnocs>

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When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, ‘Who do people say the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ ‘But you,’ he said, ‘who do you say I am?’ Then Simon Peter spoke up, ‘You are the Christ,’ he said, ‘the Son of the living God.’ Jesus replied, ‘Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.’ Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

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. O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption through the one sacrifice offered once for all, bestow graciously on us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your Church. 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 cf. Ps 103:13-15
The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
P. Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, the healing work of your mercy and graciously perfect and sustain us, so that in all things we may please you. 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.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD
WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?

Who is Jesus? What would I want to say to him? Today’s Gospel brings us to one of the most important questions posed by the evangelist to the Gospel’s audience – and to us: Who is Jesus for us?
Jesus first asks the disciples about the gossip circulating concerning him and who they believe him to be. Their response reflects how the disciples understand Jesus and how they will follow him as they draw closer to Jerusalem, the city where Jesus’ ministry will conclude in his death and resurrection. The disciples respond to Jesus’ question as to what others say about him: He is John the Baptist, or Elijah who will return at the end of time, or one of the prophets. Then Jesus asks them, ‘Who do you say I am?’ Simon Peter, speaking for the group, acknowledges Jesus as ‘the Christ’, the Greek for the Hebrew word ‘Messiah’, literally ‘the anointed one’. Jesus is God’s emissary anointed with the Spirit. Jesus affirms Peter’s response as divinely inspired and declares that Peter – Petros, ‘rock’ – will be the foundation or ‘rock-base’ for the growth of the Jesus movement.
For Matthew’s audience, this is an affirmation of the movement’s authority through time and history. It is within this graced community that we gather today. As contemporary followers of Jesus, we are invited to give our response personally and communally as to Jesus’ identity: Who do you, who do we say Jesus is? Our response will shape how we act, with whom we engage and the kind of community of Jesus’ followers we will be.

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION
MATTHEW
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A
23 AUGUST 2026

WHO DO YOU SAY I AM? Jesus asks his disciples this question in today’s Gospel. He asks us the same question. He is not seeking a textbook response or for us to repeat what others have said about him. He wants to hear our personal response. May we answer his question as truthfully as possible, and then listen as he speaks to us.

INTRODUCTORY RITES
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 85:1-3
Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

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 Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT
P. O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. 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 lsa 22:19-23
A reading from the prophet Isaiah
I place the key of the House of David upon his shoulder.

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:
I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father’s house.

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

RESP PSALM Ps 137:1-3, 6, 8. R. v. 8
R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.
1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, / you have heard the words of my mouth. / Before the angels I will bless you. / I will adore before your holy temple. R.
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love / which excel all we ever knew of you. / On the day I called, you answered; / you increased the strength of my soul. R.



3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly / and the haughty he knows from afar. / Your love, O Lord, is eternal, / discard not the work of your hands. R.
SECOND READING Rom 11:33-36
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
From him, through him, and in him are all things.
How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 16:18
Alleluia, alleluia! / You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church / the gates of hell will not hold out against it. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 16:13-20
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.
You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.