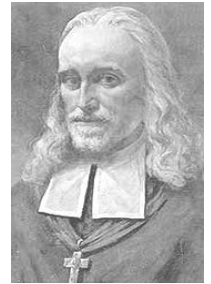


St. Oliver Plunkett Parish

HARRIS PARK



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31 December 2017 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Parish Priest: Rev. Chris de Souza PP
Parish Secretary: Lilia Tolentino
School Principal: Barbara Young
School Tel: (02) 8633 8300

Sacraments @ St Oliver's

Reconciliation: Please contact the parish office to make an appointment.

Baptism, Marriage and Funerals

Please contact the Parish Office for information and bookings

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Thinking about becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who may be interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Contact the Parish Office for more details on joining the RCIA program.

Weekday Mass Times

Weekday masses will resume on 30 January 2018.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: Vigil 5:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Office Hours: Friday, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
until 29 January 2018

NEW YEAR, 1st January 2018 Mass at 9:00 am

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The shepherds went in haste,
and found Mary and Joseph
and the Infant lying in a manger.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Our God has appeared on the earth,
and lived among us.

PARISH READING ROSTER

Thank you also to our Readers at weekend Masses. God bless. Rostered for **Next week, 6/7 January:**

Saturday 5:30 pm - **Jim Hanna**
 Sunday 8:00 am - **Brian Hatch / Kimberly Imbun**
 Sunday 10:00 am - **Sini Family**

PARISH CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

Thank you once again to all who volunteered to help clean our church on the weekends, most especially to those who coordinated and organised the roster. The parish needs current and new volunteers to clean weekly St Oliver's Catholic Church. Please contact Fr Chris on parish office number, (02) 9637 1062. If unanswered, please leave a message.

Rostered this week, **30/31 December: UDC Parish Youth**



Wishing you all
a very Happy New Year!
May the gifts of Love,
Happiness, Peace
and Warmth
be yours as you make a
new start.



Please pray for those who are sick, recently deceased, have an anniversary at this time and all those for whom you have a special intention.

Deceased:

Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Maurice Coorey | Coorey, Norman, Budwee, & Nicholas Families | Lucia & Regena Faleono | Arthur Moses, Sr. Raymond, Etour & Joe Romanos | Joseph Boulous

Anniversary:

Shirley Lawton (3rd January) | Queen Rizk (20 December)

(Envelopes for Mass Intentions are available at the church or please contact or visit the parish office if you have any request for mass offerings or home/hospital visits for the sick.)



Let us free Christmas from the worldliness that has taken it hostage! The true spirit of Christmas is the beauty of being loved by God.

*Pope Francis@Pontifex, 11:30 pm,
December 22 2017*



BISHOP VINCENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Bishop Vincent's Christmas message can be viewed online at: www.parracatholic.org

Merry Christmas from Bishop Vincent and the Diocese of Parramatta.

DEANERY AND DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCILS

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv launched our new councils on Saturday 2 December at St Andrew's Parish, Marayong. He called on our councils to be listening bodies, particularly to those who are "outside the tent". Council members are to be connected to the grassroots, to help him listen and respond to the real needs and concerns of the people. More information, including council membership, can be found on www.faithinourfuture.org.au

POSITIONS VACANT

*Youth Minister - St Bernadette's Parish, Castle Hill. Accounts Officer - Chancery Office, Parramatta.

More details at: www.parracatholic.org/employment

*School Maintenance & Outdoor Worker - Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, Baulkham Hills. Must have valid Working With Children Check, Commence February 2018, 3 hours/day- 5 days per week, Pre-employment Medical Assessment required, General maintenance experience preferred, 2 Referees, Applicants addressed to: The Principal - ololbhills@parra.catholic.edu.au

THE EPIPHANY PILGRIMAGE

Are you looking for a different way to start the new year? Maybe to meet some new people, get fit and conclude the Christmas season on a spiritual high? The Epiphany Pilgrimage is a 7 day, 110 km Catholic pilgrimage through the Blue Mountains which coincides with the Feast of the Epiphany. The pilgrimage begins at Emu Plains on January 2 2018 and finishes at Bell on January 8 2018.

For further information and to register for all or part of the pilgrimage see www.epiphanypilgrimage.org or for general information and current news see <https://www.facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage/>

SAVE THE DATE

The Catherine McAuley Westmead School Open Afternoon will be held from 4.00pm – 7.00pm on Tuesday 13th March 2018. Please contact our School Reception on 9849 9100 to book a place on a school tour.

WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP: A GIFT TO THE WORLD

For women of any age and experience in formal leadership positions and for those who exercise leadership without a formal title in business, schools, homes, offices, parishes etc. The inspirational Sr Hilda Scott OSB (presenter at ACYF) and Dr Leoni Degenhardt will be the presenters. April 13-15 2018 at Benedictine Abbey, 695 Mountain Road, Jamberoo. Info: 02 4236 0533 or cottagere-treats@jamberooabbey.org.au

GRIEF TO GRACE

Healing the Wounds of Abuse – is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held April 8th – 13th 2018. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griefftopeace.org.au or phone 0407704539. For more information visit www.griefftopeace.org