



THIS WEEK

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



SATURDAY 17 FEB

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 18 FEB

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 19 FEB

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration

WEDNESDAY 21 FEB

9:00am Mass

7:00pm Lenten Group

THURSDAY 22 FEB

6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 23 FEB

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 24 FEB

6:00pm Mass + Year 6

SUNDAY 25 FEB

9:30am Year 4 Family Mass + KidsChurch,
Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

REFLECTION

Today's readings show us that Lent is a time for us to receive God's grace. We are not the ones who, through our penance, are meant to accomplish great things. Rather, it is God who acts; it is God who makes the sacrifice; it is God who accomplishes great things for us.

Each reading describes a different kind of conflict within which we might find ourselves: a world-wrenching upheaval, such as happens during social discord, war or natural disaster; the struggle between right and wrong, between fidelity and disobedience; the struggle with temptation. In the midst of the conflicts of life, God initiates a covenant with us. God saves the world from the chaos into which it was thrown, makes a covenant with all living things and with the earth, and sets a bow in the heavens as a perpetual reminder of the covenant. Christ dies for sinners, and offers them baptism that will save them from the chaos of their lives. The Spirit drives Jesus into the desert, there to be tested, but to emerge triumphant. His victory is not for him alone, but for all who will heed his words and follow his example.

The bow in the sky is a sign of the good news of the covenant; baptism is both the good news of salvation for us and our pledge of fidelity to God; Jesus' proclamation is that the reign of God is at hand. With the psalmist we praise God for inviting us into this covenant relationship.

by Sr Dianne Bergant CSA

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome! Let us know how we can support you in your faith journey. Please introduce yourself to the parish priest and/or one of the hospitality team at morning tea.

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MASS TIMES

Sat 6pm (Vigil), Sun 9:30am, 6pm
 Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm
 Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Mon 9:30am or by appointment

ROSARY

First Saturday of each month

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING

Genesis 9: 8-15

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3: 18-22

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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GOSPEL

Mark 1: 12-15

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

Finn McGauhey, Anna Vigliante, John Stuart Park, Kim Michelle Pastor, Livia Mio, Nyauw Kim Tjin, Helen Bolger (nee Breen), Cendrati Kurniawan (mother of Henny Wong), Shona Kaiwai, Grace Provino, Hima, Margaret McShane, Evelyn Marquez, Maria & Ivan Zic, Grace Veronica, Amina Chahrouk, Salvatore Messina, Elisabetta Nesci, Umberto Vaccarella, A.L., Xavier Stratton, Rose Alessio, Joanna & family, Gavin Robertson, Chris (Cindy's husband), Manuel Mouco, Eva (Nicole's mum), Paul Galea, Lynne Chaundhuri

PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Margaret Stocker, Brigid Siely, Terrence Hertford, Brian Beaver, Rose Kelter, Sebastiano Gentile, Robert Preece, Gai Tyne, Gina Vizacos, John Dorahy, Frank Mifsud, William Van Burke, Brenda Longworth, Christine Moyle, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Olga Nasser, Sayde Harb, Maria Pockaj, Jill Rees, Gwen Smith, Lucienne Radzysinski, Nicole Chiaradia

BELOVED DECEASED

Br Gerard Rummery fsc, Sr Benedict Cooke msc

ANNIVERSARIES

Katherine Rita Lloyd, Tom Simpson, Madeline Patricia Rowley, Charles Hamilton Bell, Kevin Leo McGregor, Peter Ashelford, John Sutton, Vince Hage, May Kavaney, Sr Margaret McKay rscj, Ana Gamulin, Luka Gamulin, Ruza Studenovic, Pero Studenovic, Lynette Marie Allen, Fr Adrian Meaney msc, Br Barney Delaney msc, Barbara Zakrzewski, Jack Papallo, Philomena McGrath Morgan

ROSTERS

17/18 FEB	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	Gus Alimhamzah	Yosep Rizal
Readers	Sr Helen Hearne Br Rory Higgins	Jeff Kildea Ana Corpuz	Petra Haylen Paul Haylen
E. Ministers	Alice Mouco	Andreas Johan Thomas Chia	Patricia Reyes
KidsChurch	Patrick & Sherly		
Counters	Johanna Jahja, Inge Sutanto		
Comm to Sick	Josue Castro		
24/25 FEB	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Sal Barone	Danny Tjahjadi	Briant Koh
Readers	Shilla Azalea Sr Pauline Richards	Nani Widarto Roy Rigotti POF – OLR Year 4	Marissa Meyn Geraldine Marcellino
E. Ministers	Connie Barone	Trish Veness Amelia Iovanella	Marieann Duncan
KidsChurch	Arty & Lia		
Counters	Chris Kurniadi, Bob Brenac		
Comm to Sick	Trish Veness		

MESSAGE FROM FR KENJI

Dear Parishioners,

A BIG thank you to those that attended my ordination celebrations this weekend past. I was deeply touched by your presence, encouragement, generosity and support. Special thanks to the supper organisers, choir, musicians, AV operators, acolyte, readers, welcomers and the office staff for making the occasion so special. You are in my prayers.

With every blessing,
Kenji msc

ORDINATION AND FIRST MASS OF FR KENJI



FR TERRY'S 3 YEAR APPRAISAL

Next weekend **February 24/25** the MSC Parishes Formation Team will be present at all Masses to conduct a 3-year appraisal of Fr Terry's ministry at OLR Parish. If anyone would like to have a formal chat with any members of the Team, please contact Maria/Amanda in the office or you can have an informal chat with any members of the team after any of the 3 Masses. Your feedback would be very helpful to Fr Terry in his ministry here at OLR.

HOLY HOUR

Join us for Adoration – **Monday 19th February 6pm-7pm** (call in for a few minutes or stay the whole hour).

LENTEN GROUP

Late notice: if anyone would like to join a Lenten Group please come along next **Wednesday 21 February, 7pm**.

Books are available at the Church. We will commence with the Second Sunday of Lent: Reading the Gospel, Reflection, Prayer, finishing with a tea or coffee.

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS

Enrolments are being taken for children for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. Please contact Amanda at the Parish Office olrkensosacraments@gmail.com for more information.

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION

Please join us at OLR Church on the **first Saturday of each month** for the "5 first Saturdays Devotion" associated with Our Lady of Fatima. **5.30pm Rosary | 6.00pm Mass.** <https://www.fatima.org.au/five-first-saturdays/>



PARISH COLLECTIONS – 10/11 FEB

First Collection	\$1,620
Second Collection	\$605
Envelope Collection	\$450



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In enrichment course for married couples wanting a lasting, passionate relationship as God intended. Accessed from the privacy of your home on your own timetable, this online course will energise your relationship, revitalise your passion and equip you with practical tools for every day. To find out more visit: smartloving.org/marriage-kit
Marriage Week Sale - Ends 29 February. For 50% off use coupon code: MarriageWeek24.

DIOCESAN OUTREACH ASSISTANTS – AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN)

Could you share the stories of suffering Christians? Are you looking for flexible part time work? Aid to the Church in Need is recruiting for a number of Diocesan Outreach Assistants who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across Sydney, Broken Bay, Perth and Maitland-Newcastle. For more information and to view the full job ad go to www.aidtochurch.org/work.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at 9390 5810 Or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org
You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY



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This year, Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women: Ronita from the Philippines, Leaia from Samoa and Memory from Malawi. While from three different corners of the world and facing vastly different challenges, they are all united by one dream: to create a better world *for all future generations*.
Please donate to Project Compassion through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available in the church foyer, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

WANTED:

Unused mobile phones, iPads, Laptops. A Parishioner can make great use of these by sending them to disadvantaged youth in the Philippines. Any items can be left with Maria and Amanda at the Parish Office.

OLR Kids Church is back 2024!

Children's Liturgy of the Word is on every Sunday 9:30am mass



Preschool & primary school-aged children are welcome to celebrate & reflect on Sunday Gospel in an age appropriate way. Prayers and readings are adapted to their level of understanding.

Please see one of the catechist(s) at the back of the church and sign-in your child(ren) before mass. All return to the main body of the church for the liturgy of the Eucharist.



Would you like to join our vibrant team of catechists? Please see Herlina or Sherly for more info, or email us.

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SUNDAY TEEN MEET UP

PRaise AND WORSHIP - GAMES - BIBLE STUDY

25TH FEB 2024
11.30AM - 1.30PM

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