

THE ROSARY RECORD

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH
FEBRUARY 23 2025 | SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORD TIME | YEAR C

Year C, Year of Luke: Biblical Sources continued.

Historical source for dating the New Testament: e.g. Irenaeus, an early Bishop of Lyon, France, wrote that as a child, **he heard and saw St. Polycarp, the last known living connection with the Apostles, especially John.** Irenaeus stated that “Matthew also issued a written Gospel among the **Hebrews in their own dialect, while Peter and Paul were preaching at Rome,** and laying the foundations of the Church...Afterward, John, the disciple of the Lord, who also had leaned upon His breast, did himself publish a **Gospel during his residence at Ephesus** in Asia.”

The **great persecution under the Emperor Diocletian** often focused on searching for and destroying the **Christians’ libraries and scriptoriums** - institutes where the Scriptures were copied by hand. **This persecution reached its peak in 303 and was the most pervasive persecution in Roman history.** It continued on and off and in varying degrees in different places until **313 with the Edict of Milan and the rise of the Emperor Constantine,** granting Christians freedom of religion. The persecution failed to check the rise of the Church and historians squabble over the extent and degree of severity of it.

The oldest and most complete copies of the Bible:

Codex Vaticanus: An almost complete edition of the Bible written in Greek known as the **Septuagint** – which was **originally compiled in Alexandria, Egypt.** The **early history of the Codex is uncertain** with scholars arguing for places as diverse as Rome, South Italy, Caesarea in Turkiye and Alexandria in Egypt. The Codex is generally assigned to the middle of the fourth century (350 CE) and considered contemporary or slightly earlier than **Codex Sinaiticus** (See below). It is written on **velum** (calf skin) which is much more durable than **papyrus**). It possibly came into the **Vatican Library** where it was taken for safekeeping **after the fall of Constantinople (now Istanbul) to the Muslim Ottomans in 1453.** It fell into the hands of the marauding self-proclaimed Emperor of France, **Napoleon Bonaparte,** but was **returned to the Vatican in 1815** at the end of his military career.

Codex Sinaiticus: Most of this text is held in the **British Library in London.** It is a **fourth-century** manuscript of the Septuagint, containing the majority of the Old Testament and the New Testament, with both the **Epistle of Barnabas and the Shepherd of Hermas** (early Christian writings but not part of the Bible Canon) included. Like Vaticanus, it is written on parchment. Scholars discovered it in **the Monastery of St Catherine at the foot of Mt Sinai in 1844.**

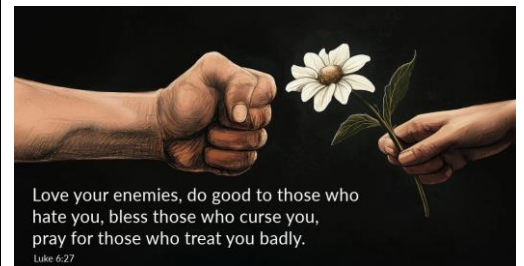
Codex Alexandrinus: it has been dated to the **fifth century.** It derives its name from the city of Alexandria, Egypt, where it resided for a number of years before it was brought by the Eastern Orthodox Patriarch from Alexandria to **Constantinople.** It was then given to **Charles I of England in the 17th century and is kept in the British Library.**



Vatican Library



THIS WEEK



Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly.
Luke 6:27

SATURDAY 22 FEB

5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 23 FEB

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea
3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass
5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 24 FEB

9:00am Mass
6:00pm Adoration/Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY 26 FEB

9:00am Mass
6:30pm Confirmation Enrolment

THURSDAY 27 FEB

5:00pm Holy Hour/Adoration/Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 28 FEB

9:00am Mass – OLR Year 2

SATURDAY 1 MARCH

5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 2 MARCH

9:30am Confirmation Commitment Mass
+ KidsChurch, Morning Tea
11:00am Baptisms
3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass
5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

We acknowledge the traditional owners the Gadigal Clans of the Eora Nation, who cared for this land for thousands of years and their descendants who have maintained these Spiritual connections and traditions.

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MASS TIMES

Sat 6:00pm (Vigil), Sun 9:30am, 6pm

Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm

Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

9:00am Mass First Friday

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:30-6.00pm

Sunday 5.30-6.00pm

Thursday 5:00pm-6pm

ROSARY

First Saturday before 6.00pm Mass

BAPTISMS | WEDDINGS | SACRAMENTS | RCIA

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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.

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is kind and merciful.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15: 45-49

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I give you a new commandment; love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 6: 27-38

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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



ASH WEDNESDAY

5th March 2025

Masses:

9:00am & 6:00pm

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

Lily Rose Parks, Bernard Fonti, Alice Gatt, Peter Haylen, Manuel Mouco

PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Tom Carlton, Sr Joan Pender, Frank Mifsud, Margaret Stocker, Jill Rees, John Dorahy, Brenda Longworth, Christine Moyle, Olga Nasser, Maria Pockaj, Lucienne Radzyminski, Nicole Chiaradia

BELOVED DECEASED

Helena Adamek-Zychowicz (*mother of Anna Jordan*), Br Reg Pritchard msc, Kathleen Cullen, Fr Chris Murphy msc

ANNIVERSARIES

Jack Papallo, Anthony Jahja, John Sutton, Madeline Rowley, Tom Simpson, Betty Mansfield, Kevin McGregor, Vince Sarkis Hage, Carlo & Alfredo Pengue, Marko Matic, Ruza Studenovic, Ana Gamulin, Simon Tresoglavic, Sr Margaret McKay rscj, Lynette Marie Allen, Barbara Zakrzewski, Fr Adrian Meaney msc, Br Barney Delaney msc, Philomena McGrath Morgan

SACRAMENTAL DATES

Confirmation: Enrolment – Wednesday

26 February, 6.30pm in the Church.

Confirmation Commitment Mass 2 March

9.30am. Sacrament Administered Wednesday

28 May 6.30pm

First Holy Communion: Enrolment:

6 August, 6.30pm Church; Masses

9.30am Sunday 14 and 21 September

First Reconciliation: Enrolment:

17 September; Sacrament conferred:

12 and 19 November 6.30pm

ROSTERS

22/23 FEB	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	Gus Alimhamzah	Handojo Widjaja
Readers	Simona Wong Sr Helen Hearne	Jeff Kildea Michelle Alimhamzah	Ethan Lim Elsa Lim
E. Ministers	Sr Pauline Richards	Amalia Iovanelle Kayla Thumwanich	Patricia Reyes
KidsChurch	Patrick & Henny Wong		
Counters	Johanna Jahja, Arief Suhadi		
Comm to Sick	Jan Nicholas		
1/2 MAR	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Ryan	Yosep Rizal	Danny Tjahjadi
Readers	Br Rory Higgins Bernadine Lavender	Nani Widarto Ana Corpuz P of F – OLR Year 6	Alice Beaver Erin Beaver
E. Ministers	Joyance Jo	Margaret Rigotti Roy Rigotti	Michael Reyes
KidsChurch	ME & Arty		
Counters	Robyn Kildea, Jan Nicholas, Bob Brenac		
Comm to Sick	Robyn Kildea		

Work-Health-Safety at OLR. Every 6 months we have to do a survey of WHS issues in the parish. Here are some matters we need to attend to:

FIRE WARDENS: We need to have Fire Wardens at each Mass in case something (unlikely) happens. We have so few flame points – in fact only two – and they are the candles on the Altar. **But still we need people who have been trained to operate Fire Extinguishers** – which means **KNOWING** where they are **located** in the **Church and Sacristies**; Which Extinguishers to use depending **on the source** of the fire – electric, paper/wood etc... and **HOW to actually OPERATE** the Extinguishers. I think the prime candidates for this are the **Acolytes** – as they are rostered on at Masses and so are always there? 😊 Your thoughts please. PHMSC



Does anyone in the Congregation have **experience and expertise in operating Fire Extinguishers** and who may be **able to train the Priest and the Acolytes on how to use them**, (When I Was P/T Chaplain at POW for 12 years, each year we had to do a mandatory Fire Emergency Practical Course in handling Extinguishers and evacuation procedures...alas, these things do not stick in my memory for too long.)

If you have the capacity to train others in operating Fire Extinguishers, please contact the Office: 9663 1070 and your path to Beatification will be initiated. PHMSC



FIRST AID: We are supposed to have a **First Aid person at our Masses** – particularly Weekend Masses. So, we are looking for parishioners who are **Doctors, Nurses, Paramedics or otherwise have a current First Aid certificate**. It is just so that we can make a list of them for the Masses you may normally attend and call on you should an emergency occur during the Mass.

Kindly let Maria at the Office know **your willingness to be identified**, with your phone number so that we can register that in our Sacristy. Otherwise, of course, 000 is the number to call – but in the time it takes an ambulance to arrive, it can be a comfort to know we have **qualified personnel** at our Masses to take charge. PHMSC

EMERGENCY EVACUATION POINT: In case of an emergency (e.g. fire): leave via Front and Side doors and congregate near the Kensington Rd Hall Entrance. **Make sure you have with you all who came with you to the Mass or Ceremony.** From the **Rosary Room**, if safe, proceed up the side path to Hall – otherwise go via the **Parish Office Side** to the Hall entrance. (This Sign needs to be posted on the Kensington Rd Hall Entrance). PHMSC



HOLY HOURS

Join us for Adoration **Monday 24th February 6pm-7pm** (call in for a few minutes or stay the whole hour) and Thursdays before 6:00pm Mass. **Reconciliation is available.**

A poster for "Join Altar Server Ministry" with a green and blue background. At the top, it says "OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY KENSINGTON". The main title is "JOIN ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY" in red. Below that, it says "Received first Holy Communion". The training date is "TRAINING ON : SUN 23 MARCH 2025 @ 10.30AM (AFTER 9.30AM MASS)". Contact information is provided: "Contact us to register Henny Osa 0422 771 433 Caroline Thung 0433 186 125". At the bottom, there is an illustration of a church building with a cross on top.

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 with confessions available followed by 6pm Mass.**

WEEKDAY MASSES

First Friday Masses with anointing of the Sick at 9am, also at the Thursday evening Mass the day before the First Friday. PHMSC

CATHOLIC JOURNEY

Are you or someone you know interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? Our parish offers RCIA for adults. Please contact us on 9663 1070 or at olrkensoevangelise@gmail.com for more information. All parishioners welcomed to attend any or all of the sessions.

PARISH COLLECTIONS 15/16 FEB

First Collection	\$1,090
Second Collection	\$559
Envelope Collection	\$740

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Our Lady of The Rosary
Kensington

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FOR 5 WEDNESDAYS FROM
WEDNESDAY 12TH MARCH 2025

EVENT STARTS 6.30PM WITH SUPPER
TALK AT 7PM SHARP

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Event is free but Registration essential
Donation for Parousia Media appreciated

PAROUSIA

kensington youth ministry.

SUNDAY TEEN MEET UP

PRaise AND WORSHIP - GAMES - BIBLE STUDY

JUBILEE HALL
KENNINGTON

HELP SHAPE OUR YOUTH MINISTRY BY GIVING US YOUR FEEDBACK BELOW.

SCAN ME

Sydney Catholic Schools Week

School Tours

Monday 3 March
9.00–10.30am
& 3.30–4.30pm

Tuesday 1 April
9.00–10.30am

LEARN MORE

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL KENSINGTON

JUBILEE OF CHILDREN, FAMILIES, GRANDPARENTS & ELDERLY PILGRIMAGE

DATES
24 May 2025 - 2 June 2025

INCLUDES
Accommodation at Domus
Tours of Basilicas & Vatican Museums
Pilgrimage to Assisi
Papal Audience
Mass at the Basilica of St Paul
Visit to the Catacombs
Participation in Jubilee Rites
Mass with the Holy Father

COST
\$4990 per person
(indicative land cost)

REGISTRATION
Closes 7 March 2025

Accompanied by
Bishop Danny Meagher
Auxiliary Bishop, Archdiocese of Sydney

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The Archdiocese is arranging a Pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee of Children, Families, Grandparents, and Elderly, **from 24 May to 2 June.**

The Pilgrimage will be accompanied by Bishop Danny Meagher and includes tours of Basilicas and the Vatican Museums, an Assisi Pilgrimage, visit to the tomb of Bl Carlo Acutis, participation in the Jubilee Rites, and Mass with the Holy Father. Cost is \$4990 (land only) per person. Places are limited, and registration closes 7 March.

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 safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or 9390 5810. 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.

ALL WELCOME

OPEN DAY

MONDAY 3 MARCH 2025 | 3.00PM - 6.00PM

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Monday 3 March
3.00–6.30pm

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