

THE ROSARY RECORD

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH
MAY 18 2025 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF
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POPE LEO XIV – a thoroughly interesting background and life.

Robert Francis Prevost was born on September 14, 1955, at Mercy Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. He has two older brothers. His mother, Mildred Agnes (née Martínez) Prevost, was born in Chicago to a Louisiana Creole family who had moved from the New Orleans. His father, Louis Marius Prevost, a Chicago native, was a United States Navy veteran of World War II commanding a landing craft in the Normandy Landings during the war.

As it turns out, **Pope Leo XIV has Creole grandparents who lived in New Orleans. His maternal grandparents, Joseph and Louise Martinez, are listed as Black in a Census record from 1900.** His paternal grandparents were Jean Lanti Prevost, an **Italian man of French and Italian descent** from near Turin, and Suzanne Fontaine, a **Frenchwoman from Le Havre**. Joseph is recorded as a cigar maker born in Haiti. **They came to the US as orphans without any documentation of their ethnic history.** Mildred, Pope Leo's mother, was born in 1912. Pope Leo is not known to have publicly commented on his Creole ancestry, which includes people of mixed Spanish, French and Black descent.

The revelation of Pope Leo's background has created a stir in New Orleans, one of the few US cities that is both majority Black and predominantly Catholic.

Before the Civil War (1861-1865) free Black Americans held higher social status than those who were enslaved, according to researchers. After the war, all people of colour were suddenly categorized together for the first time, which "amounted to a significant social demotion" for those who were previously free. **"They were suddenly denied access to networks and resources (such as education and capital) that had previously been available to them,"** write researchers into Creole history. **While only 6% of Black adults in the US are Catholic, nearly half of them live in the South,** a survey from the Pew Research Center found.

Early life and schooling



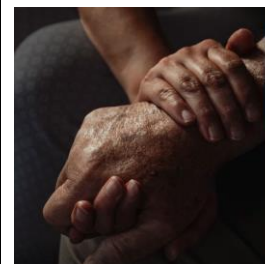
The Prevost's home in Chicago.

1969 - 1973 attended Augustinian Friars' Minor Seminary High School. 1977, entered the Augustinian's Novitiate. **1982 ordained priest for the Augustinian Order in Rome.**

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THIS WEEK



"By this love ...
everyone will know
that you are my
disciples."

John 13:35

SATURDAY 17 MAY

5:00pm-5:30pm Reconciliation

5:30pm winter-time Mass

SUNDAY 18 MAY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch + Morning Tea

10:30am Parish Youth Group Meeting - Hall

3:00pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 19 MAY

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration/Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY 21 MAY

9:00am Mass

11:00am Funeral Mass – Rosaria Ciaglia

THURSDAY 22 MAY

5:00pm Holy Hour/Adoration/Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 23 MAY

9:00am OLR – Year 3 Mass

SATURDAY 24 MAY

5:00pm-5:30pm Reconciliation

5:30pm winter-time Mass

SUNDAY 25 MAY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch + Australia's
Biggest Morning

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 5:30pm (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

Sat Vigil 5.00pm-5.30pm
Sun 5:30pm-6:00pm
Thurs 5:00pm-6pm

ROSARY

First Saturday before 6.00pm Mass

BAPTISMS | WEDDINGS | SACRAMENTS | RCIA

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations he has
shown his deliverance, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts 14: 21-27

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.

SECOND READING

Revelation 21: 1-5

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

GOSPEL

John 13: 31-35

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the
branches, says the Lord. Whoever
remains in me, and I in him, bears
fruit in plenty, alleluia

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 Radzynski,
Nicole Chiaradia

BELOVED DECEASED

Rosaria Ciaglia, Almerinda Da Cruz,
Lie Arie Sutiali, Sr Anne McGrath rscj,
Pasquale Battista, Fr Michael Fallon msc

ANNIVERSARIES

Jack Papallo, Daniel McGaughan,
Agnes Smith, Plutarco Cadornigara,
Oscar Corpuz, Carlo & Alfredo Pengue,
Claire Bowen, Peter Ryan

**NOTE: Saturday Vigil Mass from
May 17th till end of August – 5:30pm.
(Following consultation) PHMSC**

**MAINTENANCE: Three of the windows
have been removed for repairs...
Leaks in the roof are being attended
too...**

**THANKS for the work behind the scenes
to make Mothers' Day Masses so
beautiful...especially the gift Card and
chocolate...**

ROSTERS

17/18 MAY	SATURDAY 5:30PM	SUNDAY 9:30AM	SUNDAY 6PM
Acolyte	John Ryan	Danny Tjahjadi	John Allen
Readers	Jorence Jo Sr Diana Hayes	Isabel Antoun Hannah Antoun (Psalm) Michelle Alimhamzah	Ethan Lim Elisha Lim
E. Ministers	Joyance Jo	Trish Veness Kayla Thumwanich	Patricia Reyes
KidsChurch	Lia & Herlina		
Counters	Johanna Jahja, Inge Sutanto		
Comm to Sick	Trish Veness		
24/25 MAY	SATURDAY 5:30PM	SUNDAY 9:30AM	SUNDAY 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	Arthur Handojo	Handojo Widjaja
Readers	Simona Wong Cathy Shiner	Nani Widarto Billy Siauwidjaja	Natalia Kuirintinus Geraldine Marcellino
E. Ministers	Sr Pauline Richards	Francine Pirola Byron Pirola	Michael Reyes
KidsChurch	Sherly & Sisca		
Counters	Helen Liew, Bob Brenac, Jan Nicholas		
Comm to Sick	Jan Nicholas		

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1985 he joined the Augustinian mission in Peru. There he was exposed to Liberation Theology. During his time in Peru he lived alongside his parishioners through a **bloody civil war, of the 1980s and 1990s**, between the government and various militant groups – primarily **the Maoist guerrillas of Sendero Luminoso, or “Shining Path,” who aimed to install a Communist state.** He also stood out as a defender of human rights of the population of the Norte Chico region against the violence of the Marxist–Leninist–Maoist Shining Path group, and an unstable post-dictatorship period. **Amid these challenges he took out Peruvian Citizenship.** He criticized the actions of then-President Alberto Fujimori, placing special emphasis on the victims of the Peruvian Army, especially the Colina Group, during the period of terrorism in Peru, as well as on political corruption. **His years in Peru gave him personal knowledge of political violence and inequality. He relied on horseback for much of his pastoral visitation of poor villages. He left Peru in 1998 until 2013**, having been elected a Provincial in Chicago and then General of the Augustinian Order situated in Rome.

On his return to Peru he was installed as Bishop of Chiclayo (2014–2023) a largely impoverished population. He established a diocesan Commission on Integral Ecology and appointed a woman to lead it.

On January 30, 2023, Pope Francis appointed Bishop Prevost prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops with the title archbishop-bishop emeritus of Chiclayo. **He expressed a preference to stay in Peru, but nonetheless accepted the appointment to move to Rome.**

On September 30, 2023, Pope Francis created Bishop Prevost a cardinal with the rank of cardinal-deacon. As prefect of the Dicastery of Bishops, he played a critical role in evaluating and recommending episcopal candidates worldwide, **increasing his visibility within the church.**

As well as coping with **guerilla wars and dictatorships during his tenure as bishop**, he helped guide his community through **the COVID-19 pandemic** setting up an oxygen production plant and social assistance. He also played a key role ministering to Chiclayo’s growing population of Venezuelan migrants fleeing a brutal dictatorship, providing shelters in Chiclayo, Peru. Bishop Prevost has also developed an increased focus on Indigenous and environmental rights, in line with Francis’ 2015 encyclical “*Laudato Si*” and the **2019 Conference for Bishops in the Amazon.**

I believe that the challenges that Pope Leo has guided his parishioners through in two decades in Peru gives him unique experiences **to build on the legacy of Francis, the first Latin American pope.**

As a Religious **Superior, a Bishop and a Cardinal** he draws praise on handling sex abuse — and some allegations, also refuted, of mishandling cases. (PHMSC – various sources)



Peru – Chiclayo Diocese



St. Mary's Cathedral in Chiclayo, Peru, where Prevost was diocesan bishop from 2015 to 2023.

HOLY HOURS

Join us for Adoration **Monday 19 May 6-7pm** (call in for a few minutes or stay the whole hour) and Thursdays before 6:00pm Mass. **Reconciliation is available.**



PETER TO ROT CELEBRATIONS 2025

Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kensington
6th July 2025 at 11.30am
Celebrating 80 years of his death and 30 years of beatification and anticipation of canonization in September 2025.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help with providing morning tea after the 9:30am Sunday Mass. If you're available to help once a month please contact the parish office.

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

PARISH COLLECTIONS 10/11 MAY

First Collection	\$1,000
Second Collection	\$403
Envelope Collection	\$565

CWF Appeal	\$420
Project Comp	\$272
Stained-Glass Window Repairs so far (Aim: \$12,000)	\$2,700

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."
Matthew 11:28

MAY 2025

1st Friday, 2nd May
Healing Prayer Service, 6:30pm-8:30pm
at Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church, **Chatswood**

INNER HEALING RETREAT
Guided by Fr Sam Samuel VC & Fr John Prince VC
9th-11th May
Starts on Friday 5.30pm & ends on Sunday 4.00pm
For bookings: 02 43721598 or email: drcretretego@gmail.com

ONE DAY RETREAT IN CANBERRA
Sat, 17th May (11.00am to 3.30pm)
at St Benedict's Catholic Church,
10 Tallara Pkwy, Narrabundah, ACT 2604, Australia

3rd Monday, 19th May
Healing Prayer Service, 7:00pm-9:00pm
at St Patrick's Church, 11 Macquarie street, **Wallsend**

25th May, 9:00am - 4:00pm
One Day Pilgrimage (Last Sunday)
• Praise and Worship • Preaching the Word
• Eucharistic Adoration • Divine Mercy Chaplet • Holy Mass
ALL ARE WELCOME, NO BOOKING REQUIRED, BYO LUNCH

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SCHOLARSHIP AT THE CATHEDRAL

6:00PM | 20 MAY 2025
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COLLEGE, CHAPTER HALL
2 ST MARY'S RD, SYDNEY

"WALKING TOGETHER SIDE BY SIDE IN OPEN DIALOGUE AND MUTUAL SOLIDARITY":
THE ECUMENICAL PATRIARCHATE AND ITS COMMITMENT TO DIALOGUE

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PHILIP KARIATLIS
ST. ANDREW'S GREEK ORTHODOX THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT SATCATHEDRAL.ORG

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 on 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.

SEASONS OF RENEWAL – CORPUS CHRISTI

Join us online as we explore practical ideas to assist your parish in preparing for **Corpus Christi and the Walk with Christ**. The workshop covers tips for creatively considering how your parish might make the most of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi to evangelise, including practical preparation, promotion, and invitation. All welcome!

DATE: Monday 26 May 2025 | TIME: 7:30pm - 8:30pm | MODE: Online via Zoom
Register at <https://gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/>

CATHOLICARE SERVICES - HOME CARE SERVICES

CatholicCare Sydney offers a range of services to help you or a loved one remain happy and safe at home for longer. Our qualified and caring team can help you with:

- Domestic assistance
- Day-to-day tasks like shopping
- Connecting with others
- In-home respite care
- Personal care
- Health and wellness activities
- Allied Health & Clinical Support

To learn more, please call 13 18 19 or visit catholiccare.org.

MISSIONARIES OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

To be on earth the Heart of God

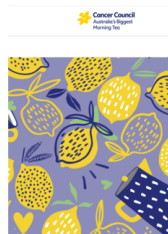
Being MSC means being compassionate, being caring and being like the human heart of Jesus.

Fr. Jules Chevalier, the MSC Founder envisioned: "Being MSC, we are brothers and sisters, priests and lay MSC, all MSC in our own way."

Come and join us: "We are sent to be on earth the Heart of God."

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Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is a community event that raises vital funds to make a big difference for those impacted by cancer



Join us as we play our part in fighting cancer by raising funds for NSW Cancer Council while enjoying special treats, a hot cuppa and most of all, the fun and generous community spirit of our OLR Parish, Kensington!

Date: Sunday, 25th May 2025
Time: 10:30 am – 11:30 am
Where: Tea area, Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church
What we ask: A plate of yummy treats to share and a donation (any amount is appreciated)



Please donate to my morning tea



Scan the QR code to donate.

You can also go to my fundraising page
<https://www.biggestmorningtea.com.au/fundraisers/anacorpuzABMT>
or scan the QR code

Your ABMT Coordinator: Ana Corpuz, 0416166149
Supporter ID: 10760

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