### THE ROSARY RECORD

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THANK YOU to all who helped make Wednesday's farewell liturgy for Fr Terry a memorable occasion. Thanks especially to the musicians and choir under Johanes' leadership. Thanks, too, to the OLSH College and OLR students with teachers who formed the Guard of Honour at the conclusion – it certainly added to the dignity of our Farewell. Our new Sound/AV System under the careful stewardship of Danny Tjahjadi behaved so well. Thanks to our faithful acolyte, John Allen, who first served as an acolyte with Terry, and to Leo Lynch as the server.

Terry's family were very moved by the care, attention and expressions of condolences at the Sharing of Memories, the Mass, the gathering in the Monastery for lunch, and through on-line communications. They returned to Victoria on Thursday morning, however, not before we had a culling of the "Elephant Herd" in Terry's office. Even culled, there are still dozens of the pachyderms in the office – which I have to "clear" as best I can. Here's my (current) idea: next weekend (i.e. 4th Sunday of Advent: 21-22 December, a very auspicious day for Elephants – it is the **Solstice** and I am sure the very sensitive Elephant will be attuned to the seasons) I will place all the elephants on a table in the foyer and you can buy one: the base rate is \$5.00 and you may pay more (cash only) if you think they are worth more...and the money raised will go to the Fr Terry Bowman MSC Memorial Water Tank and Bore which will be instituted through the MSC Mission Office. (Perhaps an MSC or OLSH institution, or other group, (we are not limited to MSC-OLSH foundations) in Africa, Vietnam, South Sudan...we will let you know.

Terry's family are **delighted** that the elephants will be added to the money already raised for the Mission Office project in lieu of flowers at the funeral Mass. You may even spy an elephant in the herd which you gave to Terry and would like to buy it back.

Thanks to the OLR School Community who held a truly beautiful and fitting Memorial Mass for Fr Terry on Friday of last week. I gave a Folio of Messages written on paper hearts to the family to read at home. The special Shrine (sacred space) made up in front of the Altar was particularly beautiful (See pic here) and I sent pictures of that also to the family.



And finally, **our MSC extend thanks** to you all for your love, care and response to Terry in so many parishes where he served with love and a great sense of humour. **The MSC** *Constitutions*, **as Fr Bob Irwin** mentioned in the funeral eulogy, enjoin us to be blessed with "good humour". Terry certainly had that blessing in good measure.

I hope I haven't left anyone out in this expression of thanks, which Fr Stephen Hackett msc our Provincial Leader, and Fr Tim Brennan MSC Superior at the Monastery asked me to pass on to you all. This comes also with my thanks for your cooperation and care for me in my ministry among you in Terry's absence. Peter Hearn MSC





### THIS WEEK



#### **SATURDAY 14 DECEMBER**

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

#### **SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER**

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

#### **MONDAY 16 DECEMBER**

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration + 6:30pm Second Rite of Reconciliation

#### **WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER**

9:00am Mass

#### **THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER**

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

#### **FRIDAY 20 DECEMBER**

9:00am Mass

#### **SATURDAY 21 DECEMBER**

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

#### **SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER**

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea 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**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

#### **FIRST READING**

Zephaniah 3: 14-18

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

#### **SECOND READING**

Philippians 4: 4-7

#### **ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 3: 10-18

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

#### **MAINTENANCE:**

Some additional fans in the church: 2 in front of Our Lady's Shrine, (dedicated to St Alice and St Margaret) and two in the foyer. Contract for stained glass windows to be finalized next week.

#### **OREMUS**

Let us Pray

#### SICK

Kathleen Cullen, Tom Carlton, Bernard Fonti, Alice Gatt, Bob Brenac, Katerina Gazzance, Tony Khoshendro, Peter Haylen, Selina Fung, Faalele Jane Reekers, Wong Chung Hua, Rinda Wijaja Suparto, Anna Vigliante, John Stuart Park, Kim Michelle Pastor, Nyauw Kim Tjin, 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

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

#### **BELOVED DECEASED**

Fr Terry Bowman msc, Fr Paul Guy msc, Robert Joseph Baker

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Br James Maher msc, Jack Papallo, Carlo and Alfredo Pengue

### **ROSTERS**

14/15 DEC	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Gus Alimhamzah	Yosep Rizal	Handojo Widjaja
Readers	Sr Helen Hearne	Toni McGuinness	Isabel Reyes
	Bernadine Lavender	Rob McGuinness	Natalia Kuirintinus
E. Ministers	Alice Mouco	Kayla Thumwanich	Geraldine Marcellino
		Andreas Johan	
KidsChurch	Caroline & Henny Wong		
Counters	Selvi Ung, Jan Nicholas		
Comm to Sick	Robyn Kildea		
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Acolyte	John Ryan	Gus Alimhamzah	Briant Koh
Readers	Joyance Jo	Kayla Thumwanich	Elsa Lim
	Joyance Jo	Jeff Kildea	Ethan Lim
E. Ministers	Sr Pauline Richards	Trish Veness Dewi Suryani	Patricia Reyes
KidsChurch	Patrick & Sherly		
Counters	Robyn Kildea, Bob Brenac		
Comm to Sick	Trish Veness		

#### SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

As you know I am available for Confession before and after every Mass and Adoration period in the Church especially during Advent. However, in keeping with the Parish tradition, we will have a **Second Rite of Reconciliation at 6.30pm, 16th December** in OLR Church. You can find an Examen of Conscience in **Bulletin of 1/12/24** and on the chair outside the Reconciliation Room.

Welcome to Matilda and Louise Shaw who make their First Holy Communion at the 9.30am Mass this Sunday. May this day be a most memorable day for you as you receive the Lord, sacramentally for the first time - he who loves you and has eagerly awaited this day to be so close to you.



THANKS to the Catholic Indonesian Community for the very fine Nativity Scene erected in our Church – it is worthy of a Cathedral. So much detail and effort – brings joy to us all. Peter Hearn MSC

CONGRATUALTIONS to OLR School for their whole-school presentation of the Christmas Story. Such a huge effort of organisation and preparation — amazes me how the children can learn all those carols and lines in between at this end stage of the school year. I can see quite an orchestra developing there. I thought the theme of a jig-saw puzzle and the promise to put the puzzle together on Christmas Eve, in the face of the massive commercialisation of Christmas, to "force" those involved to get to the true meaning of Christ- Mass, was very imaginative. Well done to all concerned. Peter Hearn MSC

#### **HELP NEEDED**

If you have a couple of hours to spare **every few months** and consider yourself a people person, our **Baptism Preparation team** needs you! This program is for parents presenting their FIRST CHILD for baptism.

You will be required to hold a 45 minute session where you will share the Baptism program with the parents of children who will be Baptised the following month, introduce them to our parish community at the Welcoming Mass (the Sunday before the Baptism program) and assist the Parish Priest at the Baptism on the 1st Sunday of the month. All materials, training and support will be provided.

During Advent we are encouraged to prepare the way for Jesus' coming.... what better way to do this than to help prepare our young families to welcome their children into our parish family? Please consider taking up this rewarding role and ask that you reflect on this request over the next few days.



Please feel free to contact me for an obligation free chat, if you have any questions.

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#### **HOLY HOURS**

Join us for Adoration **Monday 16th December 6pm-7pm** (call in for a few minutes or stay the whole hour) and Thursdays before
6:00pm Mass. **Reconciliation is available.** 

## 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. **5.00pm Rosary with confessions**available **5.30pm 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

#### **DONATIONS/PAYMENTS**

For those wishing to donate electronically, or make payments for sacramental programs etc, please use our BPOINT facility at:



www.bpoint.com.au/pay/kensingtonparish

#### PARISH COLLECTIONS 7/8 DEC 2024

First Collection \$938
Second Collection \$438
Envelope Collection \$1,370

MSC Mission Office Appeal in lieu of flowers for Fr Terry's funeral

\$2,500



# 2024 CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES



Second Rite of Reconciliation Mon 16 Dec – 6:30pm

Christmas Eve, Tues 24 Dec 5:30pm - Carols 6:00pm - Family Mass NO LATE NIGHT MASS

9:30am - Family Mass 6:00pm - Mass



## 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.

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Celebrant: The Third Advent Candle is lit in honour of the Angels who announced the Good News of the birth of the Saviour. (The candle is lit as the following is said.)

We live in a world which hungers for Good News.

Let us ask Jesus to be bearers of His Good News in our families, our Church and in our everyday activities.

Lord Jesus, you call us into life with you.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ Jesus, you nourish us by your Word and Sacraments, making us a holy people.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you pardon us in your mercy, bringing us your peace. Lord, have mercy.

## CHURCH CLEAN UP FOR CHRISTMAS: 9AM-10:30AM ON SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

There are 21 stained glass windows – cleaning advice: a few drops of dishwashing liquid in warm water, use a sponge... finish with clean water and fresh cloth. Seats need a "close dust". For windows bring a safe step-ladder if you have one – we have two. Fr Peter will provide cheap coffee.

## THE WAY OF WONDER - THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FAMILY EVENT

The Theology of the Body Institute is coming again for one night only in January 2025. Don't miss this once-off opportunity to experience true beauty, wonder and awe! Is this the times we are living in? Depressed and desensitised, overstimulated and over-stressed, we need to return to living in child-like wonder! It is not an option, but an essential. Join Bill Donaghy, international TOB speaker, for a 2.5-hour immersive experience of the mind, heart, and senses as we explore a mosaic of classical and contemporary art, music, and theological reflections that will open us to wonder again! Content is for adults and children 13 and above. Children under 18 years must be supervised by an adult.

DATE: Saturday, 18 January 2025 | TIME: 6:45pm Doors Open and Registrations /7:00pm Event Start / 9:30pm Event Close - St Joachim's Parish 2 Mills Street, Lidcombe | COST: \$20 Adult / \$15 Student/Concession For more information and to register, visit: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CWNXL">https://www.trybooking.com/CWNXL</a>

JUMBO SALE OF FR TERRY'S
ELEPHANT HERD - ALL MASSES
4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT 21/22 DEC

Base price \$5 (Cash only)
Proceeds to Fr Terry's Memorial
Clean Water MSC Mission Office
(ALL stock must go) PHMSC

