



**Our Lady of
Mount Carmel**
Wentworthville

Carmel Bulletin

Sunday 2 June 2024

**The Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ**



Reflections: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

The real presence of Jesus in us

We are very used to talking about the Real Presence of Jesus being in the Blessed Sacrament. But the real presence of Christ is also in the community when it gathers in his name to feast on the Word of Scripture, to recall what Jesus said and did at the Last Supper (not only the words over bread and wine, but also the washing of the feet), when it shares the food of the Eucharist together, when it goes out and continues to break and pour out that food in acts of loving kindness, in soothing and nourishing words which brings others to life.

The Eucharist is not only an object to be looked at, but an action to be done so that the living presence of Jesus continues to touch and heal.

Maybe we need to think more deeply about the real presence of Jesus being in real, living human beings. Bread and Wine have no eyes to gaze with love, no face with which to smile, no mouth to speak soothing words, no arms to hold the grieving and the sick, or to lend a hand, no ears to hear the pain. But we do. So we are called to become the Eucharist that feeds those around us with the nourishment of breadth of heart and vision, respect, love, compassion, hope and forgiveness.

May we become what we receive. (St Augustine)

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Parish News

Welcome to our community

This weekend, we welcome Chrisslyn into the community of the Faithful through the sacrament of Baptism. Welcome also to her parents, Sharlet and Sunit.

Diocesan Good Samaritan Appeal

Next week, we will have the second of four annual Diocesan Appeals. This year, the Good Samaritan Appeal focuses on Project Elizabeth, a service provided by Catholic Care that supports mums in need of pregnancy and parenting support and provides practical assistance and emotional comfort.

You can make your tax-deductible donation using the envelopes provided, or online via [Parracatholic appeals](https://Parracatholicappeals.com). Just make sure to nominate our parish so that your donation can also count towards our annual Diocesan levy.

**Strengthen dignity
for struggling mums**

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Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal

Parish Think Tank Pizza Session

Parishioners and Ministry coordinators are invited to be part of the Wentworthville *Think Tank* which will be held at 6pm on 4 June over pizza. In this 90-minute session, the main topic for the evening is:

**WHICH ONE OF THE SIX RESOLUTIONS DO YOU
PERSONALLY BELIEVE MOST ALIGNS WITH OUR PARISH?**

The six resolutions are from the [Draft of the Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church](#), and they are:

1. To be an inclusive and welcoming church
2. To be a humble and healing church
3. To be a listening church
4. To be a church renewed in spirit and prayer
5. To be a church that reaches to the margins
6. To be a church walking together.

We would love to hear from parishioners of all ages, backgrounds and abilities. For more information, please see the display in the parish centre, or contact the parish office.

Funeral Notice

We were saddened to hear that Massimina 'Mina' Brattoni passed away this week. Her funeral will be celebrated at OLMC at 10:30am on Thursday 6 June.

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and may perpetual light shine upon her.*

Would you like to help serve our community at Sunday Mass?

A new roster for **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** will start next month. Communion ministers are engaged in the important role of sharing the Blessed Sacrament with the assembly. They assist the priest with ministering Communion to the assembly in a welcoming and reverent manner, and putting away the sacred vessels after Mass.

If you would like to serve in this ministry, please contact the parish office, or contact the parish Liturgy Committee directly using the online contact form: olmcwentyliturgy.org/contact.

Liturgy Committee Report

The Parish Liturgy Committee met earlier in May. We spent time at this meeting reflecting on our Lent, Holy Week and Easter Triduum celebrations. We thank everyone who took the time to provide us with feedback, which has helped us to evaluate and identify considerations for next year. Work continued on reviewing all of our parish's current practices for celebrating Sunday Mass. We hope to confirm our expected practices at our next meeting, before sharing with our liturgical ministers and providing new formation and training opportunities.

Feedback on aspects of our Sunday Masses is welcome. Please speak to a member of the Liturgy Committee (Fr Janu, Fr Alby, Robert Barden, Rosemary Chung, Janine Hanna or Paola Yévenes) or use the online contact form: olmcwentyliturgy.org/contact.

Safeguarding

As part of Safe Churches Week, the Diocesan Safeguarding team are offering initial and renewal face-to-face training throughout June:

- Monday 3 June from 9.30am to 2.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown for Modules 1-3 **for those who are new to ministry**
- Tuesday 11 June from 10.30am to 2pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre for Modules 4-5 for **those who have completed Modules 1-3 in the last two years.**

To register or find other available dates, please click: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training>. For more information, please email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org.

Attending Mass with mobility issues

If you are attending Mass and feel you may have mobility issues, please ask an Altar Server or minister to provide you with a chair that has armrests and to receive Communion from your seat.

There are two chairs with armrests in the Chapel of Reconciliation as well as the Parish Centre that could easily be moved to accommodate you better.

For those without mobility issues, please keep an eye out for those who may need a little assistance, and keep these armchairs for those who need them.

Carmelite legacy donations

Leaving a Gift in your Will is a personal choice of great importance. It's a generous gesture that will reflect your faith, beliefs and values well into the future.

By leaving a gift to The Carmelites in your Will, your legacy can create a future of possibilities. Whether it is training young men to become priests and equipping them to become leaders of their communities, or providing young Timorese people with hope for a better future through education, your gift will sustain our work and transform lives. To find out more about leaving a gift in your Will to The Carmelites download our [Gifts in Wills](#) booklet, phone 03 9690 8822 or email us at philanthropy@carmelites.org.au.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society NSW has launched its annual Vinnies Winter Appeal highlighting the changing face of disadvantage and poverty in Australia that now includes more people in jobs.

The combined housing and cost of living crises means that many people, who in previous years would have been able to sustain themselves, are now having to turn to charity to keep a roof over their heads, put food on the table or pay for bills. Nearly one million people in NSW are living in poverty, around 13% of the population. Of these, more than one-quarter have a job. Of the 35,000 people who were experiencing homelessness in NSW at the last Census, around 40% were employed in either part-time or full-time jobs.

Your tax-deductible support of \$2 and over towards the Vinnies Winter Appeal will help to ensure that we can make the difference to keep a family in their home, find pathways to housing or provide them with direct material assistance such as food and help with bills

For more information, please see the parish centre.

Carmel Bulletin online

Would you like to receive the Carmel bulletin via email? You will receive it before the weekend, you can click on the links, and you will be helping us to reduce paper consumption. If so, please register your interest via our [website](#).

Follow Mass on your device



Joining us for Sunday Mass? Access our guide on your phone. From the responses and prayers, to where to find things, our guide has what you need. **Scan the QR code or visit olmcwenty.org.au/church**

We ask you to set your phone to 'do not disturb' or silent mode to help everyone focus on prayer

Parish Finances

Thank you for your generosity

Last week's donation to the Parish: 3277

Planned Giving (cash): \$ 625

Planned Giving (credit cards): \$ 120

Loose cash: \$ 1332

Direct Deposits: \$ 410

Tap & Go: \$ 790

Parish Online Banking: If you would like to pay fees or are able to make a donation, our online banking details are:

BSB: 067 950

Account Number: 000 00602

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What is Planned Giving?

Planned Giving is a pledge you make to assist the parish with their finances. Your contributions would go toward staff salaries, insurance, maintenance, loan repayments, liturgical resources, etc. You can choose to set-up an automated deposit from your bank account with the amount and frequency you would like to donate. Just make sure to use the banking details above. Planned Giving is a very convenient and practical method of contributing to the parish, even if it's just \$5 a week.

If you would like to receive a receipt for your Planned Giving please contact Gennie, our Finance Officer, on ocarmswentyaccts@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Please pray for

Those who are sick, especially Mark Cotter, Lina Galpin, Lucy & Rosine, Rita Ientile, Vivian Sultana, Roseline Fernandez, Yolanda Gonzales, Edwin Macwan, Sharon Dolan.

Recently deceased, especially Massimina 'Mina' Brattoni, Rohit Singh, Francis D'Souza, Josephine Tabone, Bernadette Stevens, Rob McMenamin, Paul Crollick, Jennifer Kelberg, Charmaine Kelberg, Baby Egan, Rachael Sumagau, Matthew Spiteri, Tony Campton, Thea Flynn, Robert Howe, Joanne Tabone, Charlie Bonnici, Duyen Tran.

Our special intentions, especially Catalina, Joe & Michel Tuyau, Asha Grimm, Rita, Celin & Saramma, Clivin family, Carmel, Joyce, Tony & Antonia Cini, Joseph, Louis, Mary & Frank Teuma, Doreen, Mary & Frank Camilleri, Joe & Maria Vella, Jesse & Kevin McManus, Rosa Titian, Sonia Spittle, Charlie Zammit, Charlie Sultana, for Vimmela's family alive and deceased, Thanksgiving to Our Lady, Holy Souls in Purgatory, and in honour of St Anthony and St Christopher.

Coming events

3 June: Sts Charles Lwanga & Companions

4 June: Parish *Think Tank* Pizza Session at 6pm

5 June: St Boniface OSB

6 June: St Marcellin Champagnat FMS

6 June: SVdP meeting at 10am in the Parish Centre

7 June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7 June: Anointing at Mass followed by shared Morning Tea

8 June: The Immaculate Heart of the BVM

9 June: 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

9 June: Safe Parishes Sunday

10 June: King's Birthday Long Weekend

Rosters for 8 and 9 June 2024

MASS	ROLE	VOLUNTEER
6pm (Vigil)	Reader Commentator Communion	Bob Hanna Janine Hanna Charlie Felice
8am	Reader Commentator Communion	Cat Paulo Michelle Rodrigues Pauline Cassar (Assembly) David Rodrigues
10am	Reader Commentator Communion	Clyde Fernandes Fiona Bylsma Marina Peter (Assembly) Volunteer needed
6pm	Reader Commentator Communion	Ramona Grimm Michael Williamson Fran Sharpe

Next week's readings

8 & 9 June - 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading: Gen 3:9-15

Second Reading: 2 Cor 4:13 – 5:1

Gospel: Mk 3:20-35

Around the Diocese and beyond

Adult Confirmation 2024 Formation Day: The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates (16+) interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This will be on Saturday 24 August from 9.30am – 2.00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. A light lunch will be provided on the day. It is recommended that all sponsors attend the catechesis day. A contribution of \$25 is suggested from the candidates to assist in covering the Catechesis Day. For more information, please contact Lucy Woodbury on 0460 037 795 or by email to lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org.

Catholic Care Mamre Supported Playgroup: Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are offering a free supported playgroup which operates on Thursdays from 10am to 12pm during school terms at Mamre House, 181 Mamre Rd, Orchard Hills.

If you are interested in enrolling, please contact Mamre Supported Playgroup on (02) 8843 2506.



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