



# Our Lady of Mount Carmel Wentworthville

## Carmel Bulletin

Sunday, 24th May 2026

### Pentecost Sunday



### Reflections for this week's readings

- First Reading:** Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8, 16-20 or Ezekiel 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 103:1-2, 24, 27-30  
**Second Reading:** Romans 8:22-27  
**Gospel:** John 7:37-39

God's promise to Abraham that his name would be great and that all nations would be blessed in him unfolds slowly in Scripture. After Noah blesses Shem (Genesis 9:26-27), ten generations pass before Abraham hears God say, "I will make your name great" (Genesis 12:2). By faith, Abraham obeys and goes out "not knowing where he was going," looking forward to the city with firm foundations, whose architect and builder is God (Hebrews 11:8-10).

Humanity, however, resists God's command to fill the earth (Genesis 9:7) and instead builds the Tower of Babel to "make a name for ourselves" (Genesis 11:4). God's judgement – confusing their language and scattering them is also a hidden mercy, preparing the way for Pentecost, when many languages will hear one Gospel. In Christ, the Abrahamic promise reaches beyond Israel to all nations who trust in him. On Pentecost, Jesus' promise of baptism with the Holy Spirit and fire (Luke 3:16) is fulfilled as tongues "as of fire" rest on the disciples, and they speak in many languages.

Paul teaches that these gifts of the Spirit are given "for the common good" (1 Corinthians 12:7), equipping the apostles to preach to all peoples. Pentecost can thus be called the birthday of the Church: "On that day, the Holy Trinity is fully revealed" (CCC 732). The Spirit draws people to Christ, makes the risen Lord present, especially in the Eucharist and enables believers to "bear much fruit" (John 15:5, 16).

Dear Holy Spirit, help us see You in the Eucharist and know Jesus more deeply through this holy gift. Fill us with Your grace so we can stay close to Christ and bear much fruit in our lives. Amen

*Chris Anthony - Parishioner*

### Lectio Divina – Weekly Sessions

You are most welcome to join us every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm in the Red Room for the weekly *Lectio Divina*, a prayerful reflection on God's Word.

As we listen, reflect, and pray together. For more information, please click on the link [Lectio Divina](#)



### Parish News

#### Congratulations to our newly Confirmed young children

25 children of OLMC Parish have celebrated their Confirmation this weekend.. May the Holy Spirit fill their hearts with wisdom, strength, and courage.

#### Holy Communion for Less Mobile Mass Attendees

For attendees of the congregation who are less mobile, we will come to you to offer Holy Communion at the end of the general procession.

#### Safeguarding at OLMC Parish

##### **SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY**

It ensures that children, young people, and vulnerable adults are safe, respected, and protected in our parish community. All volunteers and ministry members are required to complete safeguarding training.

This can be completed online - <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/> for access to the online modules. Face-to-face training sessions are also available at the following link: [Find An Event Near Me | Diocese of Parramatta](#)

For more information, please visit the Diocese of Parramatta Safeguarding website: <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/>

Thank you for keeping our parish safe and a welcoming place for all. We are dedicated to creating a safe and nurturing environment for all members of our community, especially children and vulnerable adults, in line with the "Parramatta Way."

The Parramatta Way of Safeguarding is to... Act with justice, and state that we have a zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person; Act with justice, and ensure that laws and obligations are upheld, and safety is paramount.

**(Note: If you wish for your mass intention to be published in the Carmel Bulletin, please indicate your agreement by circling "yes" or "no" on the envelope.)**

## Celebrating our Catholic Calendar



**Baptisms:** Joseph Nicholas Hanna, Zoey Anna Barons, Edwin Aathiran Gajan 24 May and Oakley Clayton Legge on the 31 May.

*May they grow in faith, love, and the grace of God!*

**SACRAMENTS AT  
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL  
WENTWORTHVILLE**

**1<sup>ST</sup> RECONCILIATION**  
(applications close Fri, 3 July)  
**TUES 18 AUG 6PM**

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**1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION**  
(applications close Fri, 14 Aug)  
**SAT 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPT 11AM & 2 PM**



**FOR COMPLETE AND FURTHER INFORMATION  
REGARDING ENROLLING YOUR CHILD PLEASE GO  
TO LINK <https://olmcwenty.org.au/sacraments-for-children/> OR CONTACT OUR PARISH OFFICE ON  
9631 8302**

## OLMC Church Calendar

Lectio Divina	Wed, 27 May 6.00pm
SVdP Meeting	28 May 10 am
Church cleaning	28 May 9.30am
Baptism Preparation	Thurs, 9 July 6.00pm

## Diocese of Parramatta Notices



## Invitation To Celebrate 40 Years of Our Diocese

[Attached is an invitation](#) from Fr Peter Williams AM VG to a special Mass of Thanksgiving and celebration of 40 years of our Diocese.

This will take place on the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, Sunday 31 May at 2pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. For planning purposes, we ask for you to [RSVP using this link](#). If you have any photos, stories or anecdotes you would like to share, please send to the [Comms Team](#).

## Parish Finances

**Your generosity and kindness are truly appreciated!**  
**Donations to the Parish for the week of Monday, 4 May to Sunday, 10 May totalling \$3,831.00**

<b>Planned Giving (cash/c cards):</b>	\$950.00
<b>Loose cash:</b>	\$864.00
<b>Direct Deposits:</b>	\$825.00
<b>Tap &amp; Go:</b>	\$1,192.00

**Parish Online Banking:** If you would like to pay fees or to donate, our online banking details are:

**BSB:** 067 950      **Account Number:** 000 00602  
**Account Name:** Wentworthville Catholic Church  
**Reference:** [Your Surname] *PURPOSE OF YOUR DONATION*

**Please remember in your prayers.....**

**Recently Deceased:** Sr Myree Harris RSJ, Geoffrey M. Galloway.

**Deceased (including RIP, anniversaries and memorials):**

Mary & Frank Teuma, Joyce Cini, Tony & Antonia Cini, Doris Vella, Charlie Zammit, Mick Agius, Regina Morris, Rita Galea, Jane Bajada, John Mills, Walter Hawkins, Mick Agius.

**Those who are sick (in need of healing and peace), especially:** Antoinette De Silva, Victoria (Vicky) Borg, Norman de Luca, Margaret Norton, Vincenza (Vivian) Sultana, Bridget Meadows & Family.

**Special Intentions /Thanksgiving:** Vincent Tran, Ngoc Tran, Thuy Tran.

## Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession: 4 June

This year, for the Feast of Corpus Christi the Diocese of Parramatta and the Maronite Eparchy are coming together for a vibrant [Eucharistic Procession](#) from Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral to St Patrick's Cathedral on Thursday 4 June at 6pm. If you would like to get involved or learn more information about the event, contact [Fr Tom Green](#), Assistant Parish Priest at Mary Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown.


COME JOIN OUR  
**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**

**THURSDAY 4 JUNE | 6PM**

6PM MASS AT OUR LADY OF LEBANON CO-CATHEDRAL,  
HARRIS PARK

7PM PROCESSION TO ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL,  
PARRAMATTA

8PM ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
AT THE CATHEDRAL FORECOURT



## Bishop's Good Works Appeal



Across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, people turn to the Church for care, hope, guidance and belonging. Through the Bishop's Good Works Appeal, our Diocese supports vital ministries including Holy Spirit Seminary, Catholic Care, the Ephpheta Centre and the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

Over the coming weeks, this Appeal will support Holy Spirit Seminary at Harris Park, helping form the future priests our Diocese will need in the years ahead. Your generosity provides education, spiritual formation, pastoral training and safe accommodation for seminarians as they answer God's call. Will run from weekend 9-10 May to 13-14 June.

Please give generously at [parracatholic.org/appeal](http://parracatholic.org/appeal)

**All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible.** Thank you for supporting the future priests of our Church.

## Nominations Open for the 2026 Papal & Diocesan Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2026 Papal and Diocesan Awards, recognising individuals - both religious and lay - who have made outstanding contributions to the Catholic Church and its community. *Do you know someone who deserves to be recognised?* Nominations close at midnight on 30 June 2026. For more information or to submit a nomination, visit [parracatholic.org](http://parracatholic.org)

## Positions Vacant

Housekeeper Supervisor – Holy Sirit Seminary, Harris Park.  
Parish Secretary – St Monica's Catholic Church, Richmond.  
For further details and to apply: [parracatholic.org/jobs](http://parracatholic.org/jobs)

## Roster 30 & 31 May 2026

### The Most Holy Trinity

MASS	ROLE	VOLUNTEER
6pm Saturday (Vigil)	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Anne-Marie Torrens Trish Maldigri Charlie Felice Elena Fernandes Antoinette Zammit
8am Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Jeremy Angelo Joshua Angelo Roslyn Khattar Eric Dias
10am Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Children Communion	Marina Peter Moiria Peter Jamelle Touma David Touma Rosemary Chung Daphne Dominic
6pm Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Eliana Almedia Nellissa Almeida Fran Sharpe Kim Vu Isa Urbano

## Next week's readings

### 30 & 31 May 2026 – The Most Holy Trinity

**First Reading:** Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

**Responsorial Psalm:** Daniel 3:52-56

**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

**Gospel:** John 3:16-18

## Recycle glass, plastic and aluminium and convert to Cash!

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**Our Lady of  
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**In the care of the Carmelite Friars**

*We acknowledge the Darug people as the original custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders; past, present and emerging.*

*Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, together with the Diocese of Parramatta and the Carmelite Friars, are committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults in our care and ensuring that they feel and are safe.*

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On Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @olmcwenty

Email [ocarmswenty@gmail.com](mailto:ocarmswenty@gmail.com)

If you would like to stay up to date with all the news from the parish, please consider [subscribing to the Carmel bulletin](#).

**Parish Office**

**Phone:** 9631 8302

Open Monday to Thursday, 8:30am to 3:30pm

**Parish Office is closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays**

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Januario Pinto, O.Carm (Carmelite Prior)

**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Albino Dos Santos, O.Carm

**In Community:** Fr. Anthony Scerri, O.Carm

Fr. John Powell, O.Carm (in Aged Care)

**Parish Secretary:** Diane Vella

**Finance Officer:** Gennie Cosgrove

**Safeguarding Officer:** Moira Peter

**Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary School**

**Principal:** Olimpia Pirovic

**Phone:** 8832 1100

**Liturgy times**

**Sunday Masses**

Saturday: 6:00pm (*Vigil*)

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am (include Children's Liturgy of the Word), 6:00pm

**Weekday Masses**

Monday - Thursday and Saturday: 9:00am

Friday: 9:15am (except first Friday of the month)

**Reconciliation**

Saturday: after the 9:00am Mass

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Saturday: 8am

**Rosary Group**

Monday - Friday: 8am

Saturday: after the 9am Mass

**Anointing within Mass**

First Friday of the month at 9am Mass followed by morning tea

**Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals** By request

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