## All Hallows' Five Dock



#### 30th Sunday Ordinary Time | Year C | Sunday 23rd October

### Parish Mission

We, the people of this place, live and celebrate a love of faith.

We share this faith in a spirit of service, that creates a sense of God's presence among us.

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#### A Reflection by Fr Richard

When was the last time I bragged? Or acted humble? In the Gospel, Jesus narrates a story of two men who went up to the Temple to pray: one bragged, the other acted humbly.

The Pharisee, on one hand, a devout Jewish religious expert, stands in the temple praying out loud a prayer commending himself to God. "God I thank you that I'm not like other people. I thank you that I'm better than other people. Especially that bloke over there." And he goes on to list a number of his religious observances as evidence of his virtue in case God had not been giving him enough attention. He is just like the story of the queen in "Snow White": "Mirror, mirror, on the wall, who's the most virtuous of them all?" "Me. Me. Me. O God, thank you that I'm not like other people."

On the other hand, the Tax collector, completely aware of his unworthiness, beats his breast and prays, "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner." Where does he get the confidence to do this? His experience of limitation and failure has led him not to despair, but to depend. He remains certain that there is something beyond "every evil threat" and that the Lord will rescue him. Maybe he had in mind the promise of Sirach: "The Lord hears the cry of the oppressed. The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds."

When I pray, what do I say? Is my prayer just about me? Or, do I pray for others? Is my prayer time, my time or God's time? Guess the type of prayer God will answer. This week, take an issue that you might find self-oriented. Place the issue before God. And, see what happens.

With best wishes - Fr Richard

#### Sacramental Life

**Holy Mass:** 

Saturday: 8am & 5.30pm Vigil Sunday: 8.30am, 10am and 5pm

Monday - Friday: 8am

Wednesday: Eucharistic Exposition &

Adoration - 3pm

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday:

8:30am-9am / 4:45pm - 5:15pm Or any time by appointment.

#### Sick Calls:

Any time - day/night.

Baptisms:

Every Sunday at 11am.



#### Weddings:

Contact the parish office.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual 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

(02) 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.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)



Do you know any ADULTS who would like to become Catholic, or any ADULT who would like to be received into the Catholic Church or to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church?

- An adult who has never been baptized.
- An adult who was baptized in another 'Christian church' and wants to become Catholic.
- A baptized Catholic (adult) who has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Anyone 16 years and over is welcome to prepare for the reception of the sacraments of initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil (8<sup>th</sup> April 2023).

The course will commence on the 9th November 2022 at 7pm in the presbytery. Please contact the parish office with any enquiries.

Note: Any Parishioners interested in joining the RCIA team are welcome, please contact either one of the priests or the parish office.

#### **Plenary Council - Invitation**

Celebration and Thanksgiving for Plenary Council participation

Hear an update on the Second Assembly by Plenary Council facilitators and a reflection on the Synod of Bishops Continental Phase Document

Bishop Terry Brady and Dr Sandy Lynch invite you to attend a gathering for an update on the Second Assembly by Plenary Council facilitators and reflection on the Synod of Bishops Continental Phase Document on

# Saturday November 19 10.00 am -1. 30pm at Mary MacKillop Place (Entrance from 80 William Street, North Sydney)



Morning tea and lunch will be served - Please advise of any dietary requirement RSVP by November 8 2022 Sr Jo Brady RSJ at jo.brady@sydneycatholic.org

### **Excerpts from the recent Apostolic Letter of the Holy Father, Pope Francis**

An excerpt from the recent APOSTOLIC LETTER of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, "DESIDERIO DESIDERAVI" (This week we reflect on paragraph 5)

#### Everyone is invited to the supper!

The world still does not know it, but everyone is invited to the supper of the wedding of the Lamb (Re 19:9). To be admitted to the feast all that is required is the wedding garment of faith which comes from the hearing of his Word (cf. Ro 10:17). The Church tailors such a garment to fit each one with the whiteness of a garment bathed in the blood of the Lamb. (Re 7:14). We must not allow ourselves even a moment of rest, knowing that still not everyone has received an invitation to this Supper or knowing that others have forgotten it or have got lost along the way in the twists and turns of human living. This is what I spoke of when I said, "I dream of a 'missionary option', that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation." (Evangelii gaudium, n. 27). I want this so that all can be seated at the Supper of the sacrifice of the Lamb and live from Him.

You can find the full text using this link:

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\_letters/documents/20220629-lettera-apdesiderio-desideravi.html

# Please remember in your Prayers:

Anne Fidler
James McCabe
John Foster
Sam Stella
Bernard Fonti
Margaret Murphy
Lorenzo Bocconi
Sr Maria Hughs
Rev Mo. Elen Marie
Sr Rita Apura
Brian Gallagher
Frank Hume

\*names will remain on the list for 1 month unless notified

### Recently Deceased:

Pasqualino Tilocca
John Howard
Angelina Santoro
Margaret Ann Murphy
Giovanni Iacono
Domenico Scenna
Salvatore Mollica
Robert Millard

#### **Anniversaries:**

Max Kennedy
Joan Kennedy
Patrick McCley
Mark Farrell
Mario Coco
Lydia Fiorini
Peter Forini
Loretta Gioia
Grazia Scuderi
Salvatore Mollica
Peter Cremona
Giuseppe Princi
Albino Marotta

### For the Souls of the Faithful Departed:

May all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.





#### Thank you!

On behalf of the Parish and the Parishioners, we would like to thank everyone who contributed to the successful installation ceremony by Archbishop Anthony Fisher of Fr Sebastian as the new All Hallows' Parish Priest. The music and song by the 10am choir added immensely to the success of the celebration and the congregation's participation with the choir was most uplifting.

To those who prepared the church and the hall in anticipation of the day are to be thanked for their selfless dedication to our Parish community. The Archbishop was most appreciative of everyone's efforts.







More photos of the installation mass and morning tea can be found on our website.

We would also like to thank all those who helped organise and took part in the Blessing of the Pets last Sunday. It was a lovely afternoon and all of the pets were very well behaved!



#### All Hallows Feast Day - 30th October

As our feast day falls on a weekday, we will hold a special celebration of our feast day at the 10am mass on Sunday, 30th October. We would like to encourage children to attend this mass dressed up as their favourite saint.

#### **November Mass Offerings**

Envelopes are available in the gathering space for people who would like to leave a mass intention for their deceased family and friends. Please ensure they are handed in to Father or the parish office before the 30th October to be included in the November Mass Book.

#### **CWF November Parish Appeal**

The next Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Parish Appeal will be held next weekend (5th-6th November). The CWF supports a range of charities and ministries, including the Good Shepherd Seminary, CatholicCare, the Ephpheta Centre for the deaf and hearing impaired, Aboriginal Catholic Ministries, and university, hospital and prison Chaplaincies. Appeal envelopes will be provided for your use, so keep an eye out for them. You can also make a donation and find out more at

www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf

#### **Baptisms**



#### We welcome

### Albert Paul Mullaly Alexia Jusic

who are being baptised into our parish community of All Hallows this weekend.



"Anyone who welcomes this little child in my name welcomes Me." - Luke 9:48.

#### **CWL Silver Circle Winners**



Congratulations to the winners of the CWL Silver Circle:-

#### **Week Four**

1<sup>st</sup> M. Hinds \$20 Number 6 2<sup>nd</sup> E. Sidoti 5 Number 31

#### **Healing Mass**

Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Alliance of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary will be celebrating Mass at **6.30pm on Tuesday, 15**<sup>th</sup> **November.** Fr. Justin is visiting Australia from



The Philippines to share his ministry, which emphasises the Love of Jesus and Mary for all.

Mass will be followed by anointing for those who wish to partake in this gift of Healing. We all have a need of some type of healing, whether emotional, physical, or spiritual.

#### **Advent Groups**



Advent groups will be held at different times in the parish hall beginning in the week of **Monday 21**<sup>st</sup> **November**.

Consider joining a group and creating a space to prayerfully prepare for this season of hope, joy and peace as we approach Christmas. Sign-up sheets have been placed in the gathering space.

#### Children's Corner

Humble yourself and you will be honoured

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Try to find these words:

Pharisee
better
dishonest
eating
greedy
heaven
humble
marriage
pleasing
sorry
tax
temple

### First Reading

#### Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

### The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story.

The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.



#### **Responsorial Psalm**

### (R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

- 1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
- 2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. (R.)
- 3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. (R.)



**Second Reading** 

**2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18**A reading from the second letter of St

Paul to Timothy

### All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me. and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **Next Week's Readings**

#### 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**1st Reading:** Wis 11:22 - 12:2 **2nd Reading:** 2 Thess 1:11 - 2:2

Gospel: Lk 19:1-10

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

#### **Gospel**

#### Lk 18:9-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get."



The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted."

### Living the Gospel – Competitive prayer!

For the Pharisee, his prayer is a competition. He prays aloud so that others can hear him and be impressed. Perhaps he thinks that God is as impressed as those who look up to him? His prayer is also an opportunity to make himself look good at the expense of another. Certainly, prayer is a time to celebrate with God our triumphs and successes, but above all it is an opportunity to be truly honest with God and with ourselves. The prayer of the tax collector is the most honest of prayers. This honesty is what is impressive; not the competitive showing off.

# Tax collector puzzle



Fill in the squares to answer the questions.

- - 1. It grows on your head
  - Opposite of down
  - Below your nose
  - 4. They fly in the sky
  - 5. Opposite of high
  - 6. Birds lay them

Colour down the first column. Can you see the word that describes the tax collector?

## A PRAYER TO

Dear Jesus, even though I am very special, I can always try to be better. Help me to remember that I will always need you to help me. Amen. Jesus tells a story about two men praying. One thinks he is much better than everyone else. The other, a tax collector knows he is not perfect and says "sorry" to God. Jesus says God is most pleased with the humble tax collector.

# Picture quiz >

Jesus told stories which were easy to understand. The stories told people about God and how God wants us to live. Under each picture write the first letter of the name of each of these pictures. You will then discover what Jesus' stories are called.



### A way to pray

Sometimes it is hard to know how to pray.

Use your hand to help you.

Colour the hand and try to remember the people each finger reminds you to pray for.



### Spot the difference

Here are the two men who went to the Temple to pray.

Spot the five differences between the proud man who thought he didn't need any help, and the humble man who asked for God's help and mercy.



HUMBLE Spot the difference: Answers: Picture quiz: PARABLE Tax collector puzzle: 1, Hair, 2, Up, 3, Mouth, 4.