

# All Hallows' Five Dock



6th Sunday Ordinary Time | Year A | Sunday 12th February

## 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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## *Be righteous*

A teacher asked, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into Heaven?" "NO!" the children answered. "If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?" Again, the answer was, "NO!" "Well," she continued, "then how can I get into Heaven?" A five-year-old boy shouted out, "YOU GOTTA BE DEAD."

Jesus calls righteousness a requirement for getting into heaven. Christian righteousness is more than a polite agreement not to cause physical harm; it is a share in God's radical purity and love. Righteousness from union with Christ surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, for it is "righteousness from God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death" (Phil 3:9-10). Thus, Christians are called to joyful obedience to His law out of love for Christ.

Christian righteousness restores order and harmony: between ourselves and God; between our reason, our passions, and our body; between ourselves and others. Jesus uses two analogies of reconciliation: worship and lawsuits. It is better to reconcile with an opponent than to worship God with a guilty conscience. It is better to be reconciled with an opponent than to be sued by him and thrown into debtor's prison. In either case, we must presume that the dispute Jesus implied had a public dimension; otherwise, the worship of the unreconciled and the civil case against a debtor would bring scandal.

*How do you try to live out God's law? How has the effort brought you closer to God?*

With best wishes -  
Fr Richard



## Sacramental Life

### Holy Mass:

**Saturday:** 8am & 5.30pm Vigil

**Sunday:** 8.30am (1st Sunday of the month - Italian mass), 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](mailto: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. To read the Archdiocese Child Safeguarding policy, please visit the parish website (<https://www.allhallows.org.au/safeguarding>).



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## Lenten Groups

***"By the solemn forty days of Lent, the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert." Catechism of the Catholic Church, 540.***

The penitential season of Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday on the 22 February 2023, leads us into the greatest season of the year- Easter when we recall through the liturgy, Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. By the practice of prayer, fasting and almsgiving during Lent we grow in faith and become spiritually stronger.

Parishioners are invited to join a Lenten group and journey together in preparation for Easter. The groups will run for 6 weeks, although parishioners are welcome to attend fewer meetings if they are unable to commit to all meetings. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Space.

Please consider joining your fellow parishioners in this opportunity to reflect on scriptural verses and to pray together. Please direct enquiries to Sandy Lynch (0402 075 976) or Ann Kerley (0408 720 461).



## Become a Catechist or Helper in 2023

Half of Catholic children in Sydney are in public primary and high schools. Share the hope and joy that Jesus brings with them and become a catechist or helper, ready to start in Term 1, 2023. Starting off as a helper, you'll receive easy step-by-step lessons and hand out activity books in primary schools.

Find out more about the work catechists do here, whether at primary or secondary level: <https://ccd.sydneycatholic.org/>

*"Being a catechist is the most spiritually fulfilling thing I've done"- Rose.*

Please contact the parish office if you are interested in volunteering.



## WEDNESDAY – Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration: 12 – 4pm

**You are all invited to spend some time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.**

- Start: Exposition at 12 noon
- Divine Mercy prayers: 3:00pm
- Reconciliations: 3pm – 4pm
- Benediction: 3:45pm
- Finish: 4:00pm

**Note:** There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering space to ensure that there is someone with the Lord, but you are welcome anytime.

*Stay for a few minutes or for the whole time as the Spirit leads you!*

## The Gospel of Matthew Today

A course by Fr Thomas Kurunthanam on reading the Gospel with Historical and Old Testament Background.

**7pm - 8 pm on Tuesdays commenced on 7 February 2023 at Berala Church and online.**

Visit the link below to register:

<https://forms.gle/wg8pGzm72M2AauQz5>



**Please remember in your Prayers:**

### The Sick

Philippa Sikulu  
Anne Fidler  
Margaret Liccardello

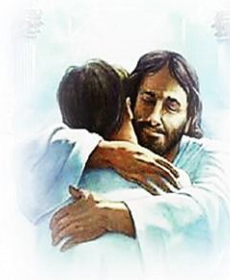
*\*names will remain on the list for 1 month unless notified*

### Recently Deceased:

Giuseppe Cistulli  
Quaratiello Teodora  
Domenico Ciano  
Ida Tripodi  
Brian Patrick Harnett  
Nicola Gregorace  
Rosario Lauro  
Lina Ingegneri  
Carmela Parisi

### Anniversaries:

Eric Burnage  
Mary Bridget Wylie  
Giovanni De Romanis  
Giuseppa Proletto  
Rocco Gelonese  
Vito Messina



### For the Souls of the Faithful Departed:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

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



# Parish Notices



## All Hallows Ministries

The All Hallows Community offers a range of opportunities for involvement. The following are just some of the areas that you may like to consider contributing to as members of our community.

- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Children's Liturgy
- Music Ministry
- Counters
- Lectors (reader at mass)
- Church Cleaners
- Catechists
- Hospitality (Tea & Coffee)



Please contact the parish office for further information.



## Sacramental Dates 2023

**Sacrament of First Reconciliation - Year 3 students**  
Parent Information Night - **Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2023 - 7pm**

4 week preparation course - Details of session times given at Information Night.

- **Celebration of First Reconciliation – Thursday (evening), 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 - time will be advised.**

**Sacrament of Confirmation - Years 6 & 7 students**  
Parent Information Night - **Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 - 7pm**

4 week preparation course - Details of session times given at Information Night.

- **Celebration of Confirmation: Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 - 12pm and 2pm**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion - Year 3 students**  
Parent Information Night - **Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 - 7pm**

4 week preparation course - Details of session times given at Information Night.

- **Celebration of First Holy Communion: Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 and Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 – times will be advised.**

## Healing Mass and Parish Lenten Retreat

**Fr Justin is coming back!**

Fr. Justin will celebrate a Healing Mass in our church, here at All Hallows on **Thursday 16th March, 2023** at 6 pm.

He will also facilitate a Day retreat on **Saturday, 18th March 2023** in preparation for Easter.

*You're all welcome!*

## Baptisms

We welcome



**Jacon Song, Matthew Song & Derek Song**

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

We also congratulate those recently baptised over the holiday period:

**Zachary Bargh  
Orlando Riccio  
Sebastian Petrino**



**Khaila Rahme  
Annabella Rahme  
Jacob Louis Tees  
Ava Mila Hanna**

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

## 16 Day Pilgrimage to Europe

Fr Sebastian, together with Fr Timothy Raj, is organising a 16 day pilgrimage to Europe in May 2023.

The pilgrimage will be visiting Paris, Lisieux, Lourdes, Fatima, Venice, Assisi, Lanciano, S.G. Rotondo and Rome. It departs on the 1st May, returning on the 17th May and the cost is \$8,590 per person. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact the parish office.



## Pope's Prayer Intention - February



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

**For Parishes.**

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

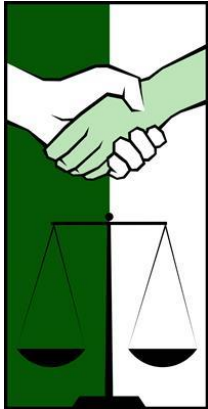

## Children's Corner

Love your enemies

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B E M D U J A W H A N G R Y H  
I G R I J O K C R M X U L Q A  
G P A N B Q F E L E S K E D W  
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L U L E A V E I E C X U W A D  
A K M B F E V H M P E R S O N

Try to find these words:

- altar
- angry
- disciples
- front
- gift
- God
- leave
- offer
- peace
- person
- remember
- someone

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p><b>Sir 15:15-20</b>  A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus  <b>He never commanded anyone to be godless.</b>  If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.</p> 	<p><b>(R.) Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law! They are happy those who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts. (R.)</li> <li>2. You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care. May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes. (R.)</li> <li>3. Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word. Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law. (R.)</li> <li>4. Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end. Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart. (R.)</li> </ol> 	<p><b>1 Cor 2:6-10</b>  A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians  <b>God in his wisdom predestined our glory before the ages began.</b>  We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him. These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.</p>
<b>Next Week's Readings</b>		<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>
<p><b>7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  <b>1st Reading:</b> Lev 19:1-2, 17-18  <b>2nd Reading:</b> 1 Cor 3:16-23  <b>Gospel:</b> Mt 5:38-48</p>		<p>Alleluia, alleluia!  Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.  Alleluia!</p>

<b>Gospel</b>
<p><b>Mt 5:17-37</b>  A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew  <b>Such was said to your ancestors; but I am speaking to you.</b></p> <p>Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven. 'For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother "Fool" he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him "Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny. 'You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell. 'It has also been said: Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal. But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. 'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfill your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'</p>

# LOOK

Sunday 12 February 2023  
Matthew 5:17-37  
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the  
**GOSPEL TODAY**

## Who's who?

Unmuddle these letters to show who each person is. Then draw a line from each person to the words which tell us what they do.



tells us how to keep the law of the land;  
teaches us what God's laws are in the Bible;  
helps us to understand God's laws.

Jesus tells his friends that he has come to help them to follow God's laws. God has given us commandments, so that we will know how to live and be safe and happy. God wants us to be kind and loving. If we follow Jesus, we will be following God's laws.

## Trust God

Jesus said that anyone who keeps the commandments will be

"great in the

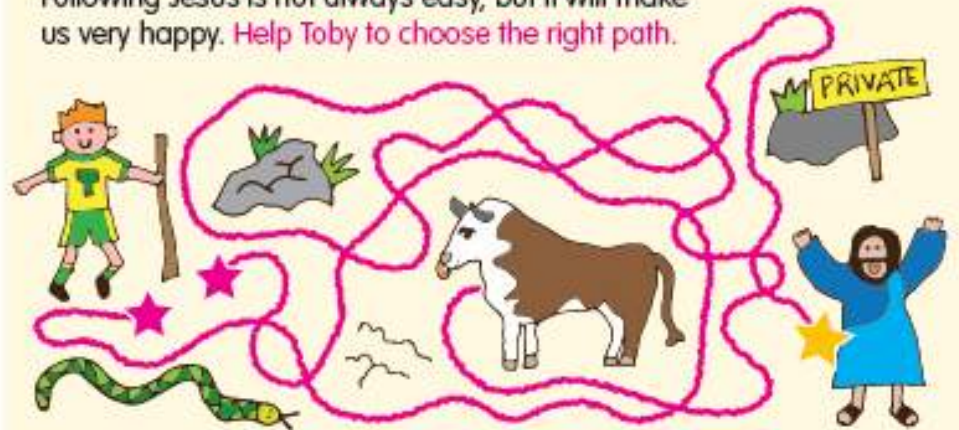
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1=a	5=m	9=g
2=o	6=k	10=d
3=e	7=l	11=v
4=n	8=h	12=f

## BE FRIENDLY

Following Jesus is not always easy, but it will make us very happy. Help Toby to choose the right path.



## A PRAYER TO SAY

Help me, Jesus, to be like you. Help me to share your love by following God's rules. Amen.

## Growing in God's love

We grow in God's love when we follow his rules. Draw or write in the heart how you will grow in God's love this week.



Answers: kingdom of heaven