

All Hallows' Five Dock



Fourth Sunday of Lent | Year A | Sunday 19th March

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 Sebastian

Gospel Reading John 9:1-41

Jesus heals the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. When infants are baptized, parents, with the help of the godparents, assume responsibility for raising the child as a follower of Jesus. The process of maturation in the faith is much like the example found in the story of the man born blind. The man is cured of his blindness, a symbol of his sin. Each time he meets someone after the healing, the man comes to a deeper awareness of who Jesus is. In a similar way, we who are baptized continue to mature in faith as our relationship with and knowledge about Jesus grows.

Invite each member of your family to draw a timeline of his or her life. On the timelines, ask family members to identify significant moments in their lives, especially their life of faith. Invite each person to reflect upon who Jesus was to him or her at each significant moment. How has each person's relationship with Jesus changed or matured? Then read together today's Gospel, John 9:1-41. Note how the relationship between Jesus and the man born blind changes and grows throughout the Gospel. Pray together that your relationship with Jesus will continue to grow and develop, becoming ever deeper. Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer.

With best wishes -
Fr Sebastian



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 - 12pm - 4pm

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

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. To read the Archdiocese Child Safeguarding policy, please visit the parish website (<https://www.allhallows.org.au/safeguarding>).



Project Compassion

Thu lost his leg after stepping on a land mine in Vietnam. With the support of the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development, Thu can now earn extra income and care for his wife as she recovers from a stroke.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Walking With Our Lady Through Holy Week

A Women's Retreat Day with the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia



Date: 1 April

Time: 10am-4pm

Where: St Peter Chanel Church, 62 Kingsland Rd, Berala



Along with talks and discussion, the day will include time for silence and prayer during a Holy Hour. An opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Morning tea and lunch are provided. Register online: <https://www.trybooking.com/CGHGO>

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

Stations of the Cross



During Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church on **Fridays at 7pm.**



Please join us.

Second Rite of Reconciliation - 30th March 2023



Please join us for the Second rite of Reconciliation on the **30th March, 2023 at 6:30pm** in the church.

All welcome!



Discernment Retreat for Men – Identity, Vocation & Mission

24-26 March at Seminary of the Good Shepherd

50-58 Abbotsford Rd, Homebush

This retreat is for men 18-35 years old at all stages of their discernment who are considering a vocation to the Priesthood. This is a great opportunity to immerse yourself in an ideal environment for you to really focus your attention on listening to God. The weekend includes Mass, talks, time for personal prayer, sacraments, adoration, spiritual guidance, Q&A with seminarians and discussions.

Retreat Speakers:

Opening Keynote: Bishop Danny Meagher, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney
Fr Edmond Travers MSC, External Spiritual Director, Seminary of the Good Shepherd
Fr Joseph Gedeon, Parish Priest of St Jerome's Parish, Punchbowl

Registration: \$99

Registration is essential!

*Every inquirer's/participant's details are kept confidential.

For any enquiries or to register, please contact the Vocation Centre on (02) 9307 8424 or email at vocations@sydneycatholic.org



Anniversaries:

John Cammareri
Angelo Biviano
Carmela Biviano
Giuseppe Capizzi
Lydia Fiorini
Peter Fiorini
Loretta Gioia

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

Sacramental Program 2023

Please find below the key dates for the 2023 Sacramental Program at All Hallows Parish.

First Reconciliation: Term 2 (Offered to baptised children in year 3 and older)

- Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 3rd May, 2023 at 7pm in the church
- Sacrament of First Reconciliation: Thursday 15th June, 2023 (evening)
- Enrolments: Open 20 March, 2023

Confirmation: Term 3 (Offered to children in year 6 and older who have received First Holy Communion)

- Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 19th July, 2023 at 7pm in the church
- Sacrament of Confirmation: Sunday 20th August, 2023 at 12pm and 3pm
- Enrolments: Open Monday 12 June, 2023

Holy Communion: Term 4 (Offered to children who have received First Reconciliation)

- Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 11th October, 2023 at 7pm in the church
- Sacrament of Holy Communion: Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th November, 2023
- Enrolments: Open Monday 4 September, 2023

More details will become available once enrolments have opened. For further information please visit the parish website at www.allhallows.org.au or email admin@allhallows.org.au.

Prayer of St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted His Only Son;
In you Mary placed her trust;
With you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
Show yourself a father
And guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
And defend us from every evil. Amen



Baptisms



We welcome

**Alexander Anthony Plenzich
Lorenzo Michael Walsh
Matteo Ferdinando La Rocca
Matteo Sonny Liberatore**

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.

Catholic Women's League

Ladies, you are welcome to the CWL meeting in the **Parish Hall on Monday 20 March** commencing at **10am**.



Morning tea will be served.



St Joseph Feast Day

In 1679 on the feast day of St Joseph began a custom to bless and distribute bread amongst the community. The tradition has its origin in Italy during a period of drought and famine when people turned to St Joseph asking for his help and intercession. The custom has since been adopted world wide.

*Join us for the celebration on
Monday, March 20 at the 8.00am Mass.
All welcome!*



Feast of the Annunciation Mass & Procession

Sunday 26th March at St Mary's Cathedral



- 10:30am Mass (Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP as Principal Celebrant)
- 12 noon Street Procession
- 1:30pm Benediction



Children's Corner

I put my faith in you Jesus

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

Try to find these words:


beggar
blind
eyes
ground
man
mud
one
Pool
see
Siloam
son
wash

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>1 Sm 16:1. 6-7. 10-13 A reading from the first book of Samuel <i>In the presence of the Lord God, they anointed David king of Israel.</i></p> <p>The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.</p> 	<p>(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.</p> <p>1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)</p> <p>2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. (R.)</p> <p>3. You have prepared a banquet for me In the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R.)</p> <p>4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R.)</p>	<p>Eph 5:8-14 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians <i>Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.</i></p> <p>You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said: Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.</p> 
	<p>Next Week's Readings</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p>
	<p>Fifth Sunday of Lent</p> <p>1st Reading: Ezek 37:12-14</p> <p>2nd Reading: Rom 8:8-11</p> <p>Gospel: Jn 11:1-45</p>	<p>Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!</p> <p>I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.</p> <p>Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!</p>

Gospel

Jn 9:1. 6-9. 13-17. 34-38
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored.

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.' They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet' replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.



Living the Gospel - Lenten Light

The story of the man born blind is a perfect choice for the Lenten season. During this season we are invited once again to open our eyes to Jesus; to step out of darkness and into the light; to look towards the future with hope and not despair. When we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus at the Easter vigil, we celebrate the coming of the Light of the World into our lives. This annual call to turn away from darkness and walk in the light is a powerful and poetic call to focus our lives on the way of Jesus.

LOOK

Sunday 19 March 2023
John 9:1-41
4th Sunday of Lent

In the GOSPEL TODAY

OPEN MY EYES 

Jesus stops when he sees a man who has been born blind. Jesus puts paste on the man's eyes. When he washes it off, the man can see! Jesus helps us all to see clearly.

Word search

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R	E	Y	E	S
O	P	E	N	E
W	A	Y	Q	E

Can you find these words from today's Gospel?

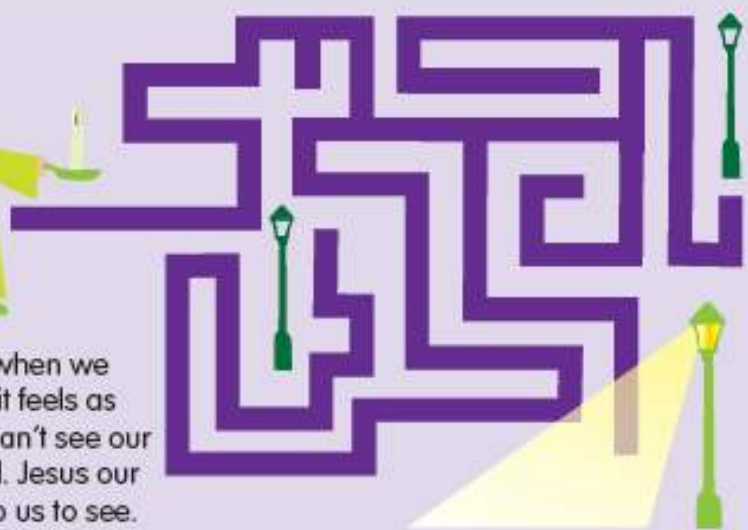
- BUND, OPEN,
- SEE, WAY, LIGHT,
- WORLD, EYES



Maze



Sometimes when we are worried it feels as though we can't see our way forward. Jesus our light will help us to see.



Jesus helps us see



Match the letters in the left eye to the letters in the right eye to make six words connected with eyes and seeing.

Eyes



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How many different sources of light can you find hidden on this page? 

A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for all the beautiful things I can see. Help me to see the world and the people in it with your eyes. Help me to see with my heart and not just my eyes. Amen.

I am glad I can see...

Draw in the lenses of the binoculars some of the things that you like to look at.



Answers: blink, spy, see, look, view, spot.