

All Hallows' Five Dock



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord | Year A | Sunday 9th April

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

Happy Easter to you all!

Alleluia! He is Risen! - Saying these words is like drinking a tall glass of cold water after being out in the desert all day. Lent is over and it is now time to celebrate. Easter is the greatest Christian feast, but it also symbolizes the fulfillment of our faith as Christians.

The true meaning of Easter has deep significance in our lives as Christians. Through His Death, Christ destroyed our bondage to sin; through His Resurrection, He brought us the promise of new life, both in Heaven and on earth. St Paul reminds us that if Christ has not been raised, then our faith is in vain (1 Cor 15:14).

Faith in the resurrection is the foundation upon which our faith rests. It is the guarantee of our redemption and God's assurance that our sins are forgiven and that we are called to eternal life.

This explains why new converts are traditionally brought into the Church at Easter through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist). More so, those already baptised, also renew their baptismal promises and are sprinkled with the Easter waters.

May this year's celebration of Easter be a true celebration of new life for all of us. May we live our baptism into the Risen Christ with ever greater fervour, and may we share with others the joy that is ours. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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 - 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>).



Welcome to our Neophytes

Adults who wish to be baptised or, if already baptised and wish to become Catholic, follow a program known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Over the last few months, several adults have journeyed with Fr Richard and we welcome them into the Church this Easter Vigil. They are Luis Balsinhas, Rhonda Eadie, Alicia Gallace, Nathan Gallace, Laura Gallace, Mark Johnson, Tara Olson, Patricia Luk, Niannian Song and Jian Xu. Congratulations to them all and may they continue to grow closer to God leading one day to eternal life.



Blessing of the Home with Easter Holy Water



As a small gift from the parish there will be bottles of water that have been blessed available for you to take home. Please feel free to take one with you to bless your home. All the rooms and members of the family should be sprinkled with the Holy Water and blessed with the following Easter house blessing:

Lord, we rejoice in the victory of your Son over death, by rising from the tomb to new life he gives us new hope and promise.

Bless all the members of this household and surround them with your protection, that they may find comfort and peace in Jesus Christ, the paschal lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Camino of St Joseph - Overnight Walking Pilgrimage for Men

Overnight pilgrimage for men is a challenge in honour of our Spiritual Father for the Feast of St Joseph the Worker.



Starts Friday 28 April 8:30pm, St Mary's Cathedral
with Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard Umbers.

Confession from 7:30pm.

Pilgrimage across 9 churches in Sydney's inner west.



Concludes Saturday 29 April, 6:30am,
St Joseph's Enfield with Mass followed by BBQ breakfast and celebration.

Adoration at each church followed by a short reflection on St Joseph.

Register now: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1032826>

Project Compassion

Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2023 Lenten appeal.



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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.



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Eric Pianura
Christian Bonaddio
Michael Ciaglia
Sr Teresa Brooks
Alana McKay Smith
Wayne Smith
Frank Hume
Nick Hume
Grace Cacio
Philippa Mary Sikulu
Andrew Ammendolia
Anne Fidler
Margaret Liccardello

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

Recently Deceased:

Giovanni Marchegiani
Caterina Scarfo
Giovanni Sorbello
Lise Etuasi
John Stowell Cutler



Anniversaries:

Domenico Turicio
Dominichi Turicio

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

Anniversary

On the 12th April Fr Sebastian celebrates his 24th year of ordination! Please pray that Jesus will continue to strengthen in him the graces received at ordination as he carries out his sacred ministry at this parish.



Lenten Groups and Easter Preparations

Congratulations and thank you to all who participated, prepared and attended our Lenten Group Programs held here at All Hallows. Thank you to our group hosts who, each week, guided us through the Lenten Program.



Thank you to those who made time during this Lenten season to attend our weekly Wednesday Lenten Adoration sessions and our Stations of the Cross prayer sessions. Finally a big thank you to our readers, choirs, ministers of holy communion, wardens, church cleaners, acolytes and all the other helpers who volunteered their time during this Lenten season.

Sacramental Program 2023

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



First Reconciliation: Term 2 (Offered to children baptised Catholic 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: Registration is now open. Please register online through the parish website.**

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

For further information please visit the parish website or contact the parish office.

Catholic Women's League

Come along and enjoy a game of BINGO



Friday 14 April
10am in Parish Hall



Morning tea will be served.

Divine Mercy Sunday - 16th April

A day of Solemn Celebration including a procession with the Holy Relic of St Faustina Kowalska.

9am - 4pm on Sunday 16th April at the **Divine Retreat Centre**
160 Hensons Rd, Somersby



For more information call 02 4372 1598.
All are welcome - no booking required (BYO lunch).

An Evening with Sherry Weddell



Join international speaker and author of 'Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus', Sherry Weddell for an evening dedicated to exploring the power of the Holy Spirit working in our lives and renewing the Church for mission.

Endowed with spiritual gifts, each of us is chosen by God in a special way to witness Christ in the world and to build His Kingdom here on earth.

Monday 22 May 2023 (Liverpool)
and Wednesday 24 May 2023 (Strathfield)

Cost: \$30 plus booking fees.

Refreshments served from 6:00pm – 6:45pm.

Registrations open at

<https://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/>




Children's Corner

Jesus Christ is risen!

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

Try to find these words:

cloth
dark
entrance
face
life
linen
Mary
Peter
Scriptures
stone
taken
tomb

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Acts 10:34. 37-43 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles <i>We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.</i></p> <p>Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'</p>	<p>(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.</p> <p>1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' (R.)</p> <p>2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. (R.)</p> <p>3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. (R.)</p> 	<p>Col 3:1-4 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians <i>Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.</i> Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.</p> 
	<p>Next Week's Readings</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p>
	<p>Second Sunday of Easter</p> <p>1st Reading: Acts 2:42 - 47 2nd Reading: 1 Pet 1:3 - 9 Gospel: Jn 20:19 - 31</p>	<p>Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!</p> 

Gospel
<p>Jn 20:1-9 A reading from the holy Gospel according to John <i>The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.</i></p> <p>It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.</p>
<p>Gospel Focus – The disciple Jesus loved</p>
<p>In this week's gospel we see reference to a disciple as 'the one Jesus loved'. It is generally agreed that this disciple is John. There is some suggestion that the disciple, John, is in fact the John ascribed as the author of this gospel. If this is so, to describe himself as the disciple Jesus loved is merely a means of avoiding using a personal pronoun – I or me. Just as Jesus described himself as 'the Son of God' or 'the Son of Man' rather than say 'I', John uses the same convention to avoid naming himself. It is not to suggest that Jesus didn't love his other disciples.</p>



LOOK

Sunday 9 April 2023
John 20:1-9
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Resurrection of the Lord

In the GOSPEL TODAY

Paschal Candle



Last night the Easter candle was blessed and set alight. Jesus, our light, is risen! He is alive in 2023. Write the year to match the one in your church. Colour in the flame and candle.

When Mary goes to the tomb where Jesus is buried she finds the stone is rolled away from the entrance and Jesus' body is not there! Mary rushes to tell the others. When they see the grave cloths they understand – Jesus has risen. He is alive!

Maze

Mary ran to tell the disciples the stone had moved.



Can you help her reach them quickly?

Egg decoration

Today is a great feast day, when we celebrate Jesus rising from the dead. There are lots of ways we celebrate Easter. Chocolate eggs are one of these ways.

We eat Easter eggs because eggs are a

sign of new life so they celebrate the new life of Jesus when he rose from the dead.

Decorate these eggs most beautifully!

JESUS IS ALIVE!

A PRAYER TO SAY

I am so happy, Jesus, that you are alive! Now I know that good things can come out of the worst situation. Thank you for showing me that love will always win. Amen.

Word search

How many times can you find the word RISEN in the grid below? Remember to look in all directions!

R	I	S	E	N
S	I	R	E	S
N	E	S	I	R
R	I	S	E	N
R	I	S	E	N