

All Hallows' Five Dock



Fourth Sunday of Easter | Year A | Sunday 30th 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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Mission of our Parish.



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A Reflection by Fr Richard

Jesus declares, "I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full".

Vincent van Gogh spent many years trying to find out what he wanted to do with his life. After much searching, he discovered that he wanted to be a painter. From that day on his life changed. It wasn't that it suddenly became easy. The opposite would be nearer the truth. However, now that he had found his work, he no longer doubted himself, and no matter how difficult his life was, the inward serenity, and the conviction of his own calling, never deserted him.

On this Fourth Sunday of Easter, Peter stands up with the Eleven and preaches about Jesus, our "Lord and Christ." When the people hear that it is by Christ's wounds that they have been healed, they themselves are "cut to the heart." They beg, "What are we to do, brothers?" They have found in the witness of the Apostles an authority they are eager to follow. This is what Jesus means when he says that the Good Shepherd walks ahead of his sheep, and that the sheep follow him "because they recognize his voice." With the image of the shepherd and the sheep gate, Jesus affirms how he would lead his followers into the Kingdom. And he would act as the gate to the divine realm.

We are the flock of the Lord. Our true vocation is to hear his voice and thereafter follow him. But, like sheep, we can wander off in our own direction. And be at the mercy of thieves and false Messiahs. Jesus brings us back, like a good shepherd. Jesus' purpose for us is that we (individually and collectively) have fullness of life. And he gives us a true way to the Father. His very self! How do you remain in the Lord's flock? Trust in Jesus and his way. That trust has changed you and continues to change you.

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>).



May Celebration in honour of Our Lady



The Sydney Archdiocese Committee of the World Apostolate of Fatima invite you to our May Celebration in **St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday May, 13th** Honouring our Lady to intercede for peace in the World and the welfare of Australia.

Commencing at 11.30am with entrance procession (inside the Cathedral) with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima (with the Immaculate Heart) Rosary, Litany of Loreto & Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary followed by Holy Mass at Noon.

We look forward to you joining us in Prayer.
For further enquiries please contact us on - 0403 578 994.



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

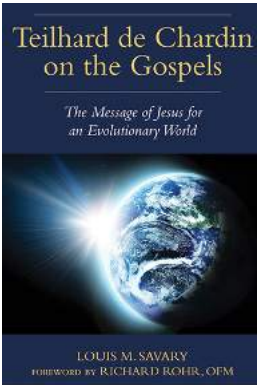
James McCabe
Grandia Agathon
Philippa Mary Sikulu
Eric Pianura
Christian Bonaddio
Michael Ciaglia
Sr Teresa Brooks
Alana McKay Smith
Wayne Smith
Frank Hume
Nick Hume

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

Recently Deceased:

Michele Santoro
Angela Giuffre
Damian Strelein
John Tannous
Giovanni Marchegiani
Caterina Scarfo
Giovanni Sorbello

The Grail Reflection mornings



An invitation to The Grail Reflection Mornings

The Grail Reflection mornings are held on the last Tuesday of the month, from 10am to 12 noon at The Grail Centre, 22 McHatton Street, North Sydney.

Dates for the rest of the year: 2 and 30 May, 27 June, 25 July, 29 August, 26 September, 31 October and 28 November.

The book is Teilhard de Chardin on the Gospels: The Message of Jesus for an Evolutionary World by Louis Savary.

The meeting on 2nd May will focus on Chapters: 4, 5, and 6.

For more information contact Kay Hunt: kay.hunt@optusnet.com.au

Charitable Works Fund Parish Appeal



The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May 2023 Appeal will be happening on the 6th and 7th May and we need your help.

Please keep alive the vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most. In hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place. Please give generously. Your tax-deductible gift changes lives. Thank you!

Donate at www.ourfaithourworks/give-to-cwf or complete the parish envelope. All donations contribute to our Parish target.



Anniversaries:

Bernard McCabe
Brian O'Shea
Livia D'Abreu Noronha
Angela De Martino
Kevin Humphries
Monica Cowley
Vito Russo
Pamela Godinho
Nestor Galura

Catechists Needed



Would you like to join? Catechists are needed to teach the children of our parish who attend Five Dock, Abbotsford and Russell Lea Primary Schools. If you are retired or have flexible work hours, this is a great opportunity to share your faith with the children. Join our parish Catechists in this fulfilling mission of sharing the story of Jesus and the hope and joy he brings. Full training is provided. For more details contact the Parish Office 9713 7960 or visit www.ccd.sydneycatholic.org.

A Catechist Reflection

"I love teaching children about Jesus, it is a passion which I wish to share. As a Catechist I gain much satisfaction and many rewards from the children". - Ann.

"I find the role of Catechist most rewarding and fulfilling as I am strengthening my own faith as I teach it to our children." - Kerrie.

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

First Reconciliation - Parent Information Evening reminder

The Parent Information Evening for First Reconciliation is on **Wednesday, May 3 at 7.00pm** in the church (children do not need to attend this meeting).



At this meeting we will help parents to form groups, pick up programme books and pay for the program. The cost of the program is \$50.00 and can be paid by cash or credit card.

First Reconciliation preparation classes will be held on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening at 7.00pm in the parish hall and will last one hour. Parents can choose to attend either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evening. There will be 4 classes, one each week, starting on Tuesday 16, Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 May. Groups of no more than 6-8 (max) children for preparation groups.

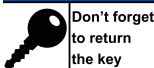
Mass attendance during the program is required. The sacraments are an initiation into the Church and one of the basic features of our faith is that we gather on Sundays for Mass.

The sacrament of First Reconciliation will be celebrated in the church on **Thursday 15 June at 7.00pm**. Children who have celebrated their First Reconciliation can then go on to celebrate first Holy Communion in term 4.

Hall Keys

Could all those who have hall keys please return them to the parish office. Thank you.

NOTICE



Fr Chris Alar - Understanding Divine Mercy Australian Tour 2023



Fr Chris Alar will be touring around Australia, taking us deeper into the Divine Mercy message and devotion. Explaining the teaching of Jesus Christ as given to St. Faustina, and in his energetic style, Fr. Chris Alar, MIC will help you to

deepen your love for God and understand why Jesus Called Divine Mercy "mankind's last hope of salvation." For more information go to:

<https://www.parousiamedia.com/fr-chris-alar-understanding-divine-mercy-australian-tour-2023>

Baptisms



We welcome

**Kai Hinesh Gadhia
Niam Hinesh Gadhia
Adeline Vi Tsun**

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

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

Tickets on sale this weekend
29th & 30th April



in the Church gathering space.



Great prizes!

\$5 a ticket or 3 tickets for \$10

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Children's Corner

I am the gate for the sheep

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

Try to find these words:

- fence
- follow
- gate
- life
- name
- sheep
- sheepfold
- shepherd
- story
- stranger
- thief
- voice

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Acts 2:14. 36-41 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.</p> <p>On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.' Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.</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>1 Pt 2:20-25 A reading from the first letter of St Peter You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.</p> <p>The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty. This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.</p>
	<p>Next Week's Readings</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p>
	<p>Fifth Sunday of Easter</p> <p>1st Reading: Acts 6:1-7 2nd Reading: 1 Pet 2:4-9 Gospel: Jn 14:1-12</p>	<p>Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!</p>

Gospel

Jn 10:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
I am the gate of the sheepfold.

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.' Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.



So Jesus spoke to them again: 'I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

Gospel Focus - Life to the Full

John 10:10 is a very famous quote from this gospel passage. Having life to the full does not imply life filled with every convenience, comfort and wealth. Rather, it is about living a life filled with purpose and intent. If we fail to live with purpose and meaning then our life is a hollow shell of what it could be. Jesus came that we may have life – a life that is at its fullest when it is lived in such a way as to be an expression of what Jesus taught and lived.



Sunday 30 April 2023
 John 10:1-10
 4th Sunday of Easter

In the GOSPEL TODAY

JESUS LEADS THE WAY!

I can follow Jesus when I...



Jesus shows us how to live and asks us to follow him.

Draw or write in the footprints things that you can do today, to share Jesus' love.

Jesus goes up a hill and teaches his disciples. He tells them how people can be really happy. If we trust God, we will have the kind of happiness that lasts forever.

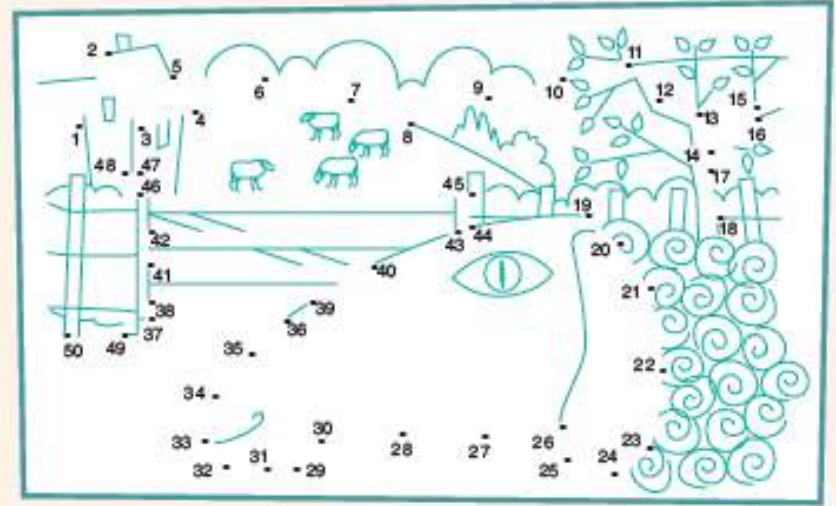
Follow Jesus!

How many sheep are following Jesus the Good Shepherd?



Jesus calls us by name. Write your name in his speech bubble.

Puzzle Dot to dot of sheep in a field with a gate



A PRAYER TO SAY

Help me, Jesus, to listen to you. You show me the way to live. Help me to live like you, sharing love and kindness with everyone I meet. Amen.

Spot the difference

Can you spot five differences between these sheep?



Answers: Follow Jesus: Ten sheep. Spot the differences: colour, grass in mouth, grass on ground, eye, leg.