

All Hallows' Five Dock



The Ascension of the Lord | Year A | Sunday 21st May

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

The solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord shows us the freedom of the Resurrected body. It was a visible sign of Jesus' entering heaven in his glorified human nature; Christ's Ascension is not intended to teach us that heaven is literally above our heads. The Church teaches, "heaven is the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness" (CCC 1024).

In his final words, Jesus commissioned his disciples to go out to the whole world and proclaim the Good News to all creation. Christ commands us to evangelize. He tells us to bring new members into the Church and teach them to do the same. The gospel is to be proclaimed to all creation in all activities and acts of those who have been renewed by baptism. The believers are to be the yeast that transforms human history.

This proclamation of the good news is telling the story of Jesus' saving actions - his life, death and resurrection. This Jesus' story is to be translated into our lives in order to continue his mission on earth. Consequently, Jesus' mission becomes ours. The life, death and resurrection of Jesus becomes the story of our lives and the story of what brings us life. We share with others how God is working in our lives. We share the story that shapes our story.

Even after the Ascension, Jesus is not distant from his disciples. His Ascension emboldens us to hope for a home in heaven ourselves, and until then to proclaim the Gospel, baptize, and teach the faith so that Christ will be known and loved in every time and place. How the thought of the Ascension should lift our lives above our petty, selfish concerns, to live with Jesus where he is now—in the glory of the Father!

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>).



All Hallows Catholic Primary School News

As we enter our second term at All Hallows Catholic Primary School, we look forward to a very busy few months of events and new initiatives. Our school improvement priorities this year include a specific focus on well being and pastoral care. Staff attended a wellbeing staff development day on the first day of term with nine schools from our network. We look forward to witnessing the impact of the review of our SPBL (Positive Behavior for Learning) model and the introduction of our wellbeing dog in the coming weeks.

All our students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have commenced Term 2 learning about the Easter Season during their Religious Education lessons. As we celebrate the month of Mary during May, we recall the words of St. Louis de Montfort, "By this devotion we give to Jesus all we can possibly give him, and in the most perfect manner, that is, through Mary's hands.". Here he speaks to us about the significance of the Holy Rosary. Our Family Educator, Mrs Squadrito, will be visiting all classes throughout the school this month to pray the Rosary together with the children and their teachers.

On Friday 12th May we will be having a whole school Mass in thanksgiving of our Mothers. Our school will also be joining the parish community on the weekend for family Mass led by our Year Three class. On these days students from our school will provide hospitality to parishioners after Mass. The first Family Mass is Sunday 7th May.

Finally, this term our students will be collecting donations to support the St Vincent de Paul Society's Winter Appeal.

The Lord Jesus bless you
Rachel Cashin
Principal



All Hallows Formation activities for 2023

WORD on FIRE Join us for the WORD on FIRE Institute's Formation Program on the Mass (www.WORDONFIRE.org). This 6-week program will help you understand how to fully, consciously and actively participate in the Mass.

"Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord, Jesus Christ. See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it revolves around a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist".

The program will be facilitated by Ann Kerley on Thursday evenings at 7pm

Dates: 22/6; 29/6; School holiday break; 20/7; 27/7; 3/8; 10/8

Venue: All Hallows Church

**Please note change of evening from Tuesdays to Thursdays*



Young Adults:

There is also a version of this program for young adults (18-30 years) on Friday evenings at 7pm.

Dates: 23/6; 30/6; School holiday break; 21/7; 28/7; 4/8; 11/8

Venue: All Hallows Parish Hall

To register, add your name and contact details to the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space or contact the parish office - Email: admin@allhallows.org.au; Ph: 9713 7960

In the second half of the year:

1. All Hallows plans to host the WORD on FIRE Institute's 6 session Bible Study Program: Reading the Scriptures with the Early Church Fathers.
2. To foster the liturgical life of the Parish and help us to more deeply enter into the mystery of Christ, the Parish also plans to participate in the Sydney Archdiocese Liturgy Office's Series on Sacramental Theology.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Lorenzo Bocconi
Andrew Ammendolia
Philippa Mary Sikulu
James McCabe
Grandia Agathon
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:

Pius Kiss
Sophia Rose West
John Conroy
Barbara Walsh
Luke Patrick Stephenson
Michele Santoro
Angela Giuffre
Damian Strelein



Anniversaries:

Dr Maria Arundel
Keith Brown
Benjamin Moores

For the Souls of the Faithful Departed:

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

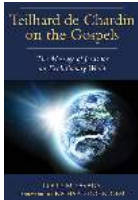
*May all the souls of all the
faithful departed, through the
mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen*



Parish Notices



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: 30 May, 27 June, 25 July, 29 August, 26 September, 31 October & 28 November.

The book is Teilhard de Chardin on the Gospels: The Message of Jesus for an Evolutionary World by Louis Savary. For more information contact Kay Hunt:

kay.hunt@optusnet.com.au

Walk with Christ - Sunday 11th June



The Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney exists to make a joyful public proclamation and act of worship towards the person of Jesus Christ (as King), and to invoke His blessing upon the city. On this Solemnity

of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we invite all the faithful in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney to unite and honour the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

When: Sunday, June 11 with a festival beginning at 1pm in Martin Place.

The procession begins at 2:30pm sharp from the corner of Martin Place and Pitt St.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Pentecost Celebrations

Please join the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in celebrating Pentecost 2023 with an uplifting, inspiring, encouraging Holy Spirit afternoon of Praise & Worship, Testimonies, Hearing the Word of God, and Prayer Ministry.



When: Saturday 27th May 23 from 2pm-5.30pm.

Where: Servants of Jesus Centre, 15 Park Road Seven Hills.

For more information call: (02) 9810 2499.

Pray as you Go app

Download the Pray as you Go app for prayers on your daily walks. <https://pray-as-you-go.org/>



Baptisms



We welcome

Rosalie Odette Ingegneri

who is 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.

May - The month of Mary

For the gift of peace

In this month of May let us pray the Rosary, asking the Blessed Virgin for the gift of peace, especially for beleaguered Ukraine. May the leaders of nations listen to the desire of the people who suffer and who want peace!

Franciscus



Palms Australia



Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills and knowledge with those who have few other chances for training. Build enduring global relationships while assisting sustainable, self-reliant, community development.

Explore 35 positions by scanning the QR code below. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.

Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know: Ring: 02 9560 5333 or 0422 472 567.

Web: www.palms.org.au







Children's Corner


Jesus is given all authority in heaven and earth

Z L A M O U N T A I N D P B B
K H U H X I H P Y O F M M I R
K Q T E N D W J Y Y T E C J Y
Q D H U M E D G X P R H W E U
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Try to find these words:

Galilee
authority
doubted
earth
eleven
end
everything
heaven
mountain
nations
teach
worshiped

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Acts 1:1-11 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven. In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.' As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'</p>	<p>(R.) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. (R.) 2. God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. (R.) 3. God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. (R.) 	<p>Eph 1:17-23 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.</p> 
	<p>Next Week's Readings</p> <p>Pentecost Sunday</p> <p>1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11 2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 Gospel: Jn 20:19-23</p> 	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia!</p> <p>Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.</p>  <p>Alleluia!</p>

Gospel
<p>Mt 28:16-20 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commandments I gave to you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'</p>
<p>Living the Gospel - You will be my witnesses</p> <p>A witness in a court of law is called to give evidence about a matter; to 'testify' to the truth of what they have seen or what they know to be true. Some people are very good at being a 'witness' to their faith by testifying to others about what they believe. Many others provide witness to their faith by simply living what they believe. Living a life based on Christian principles, including regular prayer and worship in your life, working for justice in the world and taking time to celebrate the beauty of everyday life is a powerful witness to others.</p> 



Sunday 21 May 2023
Matthew 28:16-20
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In the GOSPEL TODAY

SPREAD GOD'S MESSAGE

Jesus gives his friends a very special job: they are to spread the Good News about God's love to everyone in whole world.



Maze

Jesus and his friends are on top of the mountain. Help the friends find their way to the towns and villages. They have to tell everyone all about Jesus and his message of love.



Good news

What is your good news?
Draw or write some of your own good news in the newspaper, or on the back of this sheet.

What good things would you like to tell everyone about Jesus?
Text a message about Jesus to the whole world on this mobile phone.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Help me, Jesus, to share your love with everyone I meet. Amen.

Growing love

When I am kind and thoughtful I am sharing God's love. Colour in the petals of the things you will try to do.

Add your own ideas

