

All Hallows' Five Dock



22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time | Year A | Sunday 3 September 2023

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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the Ministry and
Mission of our Parish.



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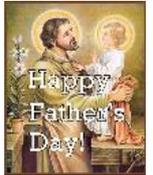
A Reflection by Fr Sebastian

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus speaks of his Passion and rebukes Peter for his objection. Peter was expecting a Messiah that would carry out a different plan than the one Jesus had explained. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means to be the Messiah. We too have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways. God's plan is always more than we can ever imagine.

As you gather as a family, talk about what we expect God to be doing in our world and in our family life. Then read today's Gospel, Matthew 16:21-27. Why do you think Peter was so upset by what Jesus was saying? Notice how Jesus reprimands Peter. Do we sometimes forget to let God be God for us? That is, do we sometimes get discouraged because God doesn't act in our world in the ways that we expect? Pray together that your family will remember that God is always working for the world's salvation in ways that are beyond our human imaginings. Conclude by praying together today's Psalm, Psalm 63.

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 - 3:40pm
- 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!

Please welcome Samuel Mikhael who is a Community Development Manager from the Sydney Archdiocese Development and Fundraising Office. He will be speaking after each of this weekend's masses about the Father's Day Appeal and fundraising at our parish. Our thanks to Samuel for taking the time to speak with us this weekend.

A special welcome also to the All Hallows Year 5 students and their families who are joining us at the vigil mass this weekend. May God bless and guide you always.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)



Do you know any **ADULTS** who would like to become Catholic, or any **ADULT** who would like to be received into the Catholic Church or to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church?

- An adult who has never been baptized.
- An adult who was baptized in another 'Christian church' and wants to become Catholic.
- A baptized Catholic (adult) who has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Anyone 16 years and over is welcome to prepare for the reception of the sacraments of initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil (30th March 2024).

The course will commence in October 2023. For enquiries, please contact the parish office.

Priests' Retirement Foundation - Father's Day Appeal

Each year our Archdiocese hosts the annual Father's Day Appeal to support retired priests and thank our Fathers for their wonderful service to our community.

Your gift is a 'thank you' to our priests who've contributed in many ways in your life. They are friends who've counselled, comforted and provided spiritual nourishment through their wisdom and willingness to teach.

Give generously. Your tax-deductible gift will make a big difference to our retired Fathers who need our care. The Archdiocese will match every donation two-for-one. For example, if you give \$100, the Archdiocese will add another \$200, making your contribution worth \$300. Thank you.

Please donate at www.ourfaithourworks/prf or complete the parish envelope.

PRIESTS'
RETIREMENT
FOUNDATION



All Hallows School Update

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Ms Torresan (Assistant Principal), Ms Brais (REC) and Mrs Squadrito (Family Educator) journeyed on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. They experienced sweltering heat, overwhelming crowds, dehydration and fatigue whilst walking hours each day. These discomforts, however, paled in comparison to what Jesus endured for us on his way to his crucifixion. Throughout their travels, they were keenly aware of the presence of Jesus throughout the land. They were humbled by the simplicity of the sacred sites: from the still waters of the Jordan River where our Lord was baptised to his birthplace in Bethlehem where a Christmas Mass was celebrated with Archbishop Anthony Fisher. They woke early one morning to watch the sunrise over the Sea of Galilee from Mt Arbel near the Valley of the Doves where Jesus would travel to the sea and back throughout his ministry. Christ was the greatest teacher and gave his sermon from the Mount of Beatitudes. They were blessed to hear a powerful homily about educators continuing Jesus' mission on that same mountain. The journey culminated in Jerusalem where they had the opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection. Beginning at the Basilica of the Agony to the Via Dolorosa, then to the Holy Sepulchre.

Confirmation

All Hallows held 2 Masses to celebrate Confirmation of 94 candidates. It was a joy filled celebration led by Bishop Danny Meagher. We congratulate all students who received this very special sacrament and pray the Holy Spirit continues to inspire them throughout their lives.

Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network - September intention

For people living on the margins.

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Clarence Rodrigues
Siosilia Sikulu
Philippa Mary Sikulu
Giuseppe Intili
Donato Giandomenico
Anthony O'Connor
Maria Rayment
Lorenzo Bocconi
Emilia Bocconi
Andrew Ammendolia
Christian Bonaddio

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

Recently Deceased:

Anna Serra
Francesca Fazio
Michele Bertini
Giovanna Iacono
Bartolo (Bob) Picone
Calogero Gugliotta
Robert McTavish



Anniversaries:

Vincenzo Rupolo
Michele Doronzo
Benjamin Moores
Grazia Ruggiero
Antonino Costinzo
Calogero Gugliotta
Anna Pasqua
Maria Grieco

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 Roof Repairs Appeal

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Church Roof Repairs Appeal. This week we raised \$1,560.00, making the total raised \$8,595.00 so far.

If you would like to contribute, you can donate by:

- ❖ Placing your donation in the envelopes provided on the church pews and on the side table in the gathering space
- ❖ Using the Tap n Go machines in the gathering space
- ❖ Credit card via our website – [www.allhallows.org.au / Support Us / Donate](http://www.allhallows.org.au/SupportUs/) or use the QR code on the right
- ❖ Direct deposit into the Church account :-
 - Account Name: Five Dock Parish Church Account
 - BSB: 062-784
 - Account number: 100000513



Thank you for your generous support!

Catholic Women's League Five Dock

ROCK THE RUNWAY



FASHION PARADE

SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER
ALL HALLOWS CHURCH HALL,
2 HALLEY St, FIVE DOCK.

1pm Start Cost: \$10
includes Afternoon Tea &
chance to win Lucky Door Prize!

RAFFLE Tickets \$5 each.

RSVP: Josie Pappalardo: 0421 329 953 by Friday 29th SEPTEMBER
The \$10 entry plus 10% of total sales on the day will be donated to CWL Charities.

Father's Day Prayer

HAPPY Father's Day

Lord, thank you for the gift of our fathers.
Thank you for their love and care
and for the direction they give to our lives.
They sacrifice themselves for us.
So we ask that you bless them abundantly this Father's Day,
Lord, With strength of mind and body;
and with peace of heart and mind.
One day may we all live together, one family,
in our Eternal Home with You.
Through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.



Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Come along and enjoy morning tea and a game of Bingo.



Friday 8th September
10am in the Parish Hall



\$6 includes morning tea. All welcome!

Oremus: Online Prayer Series



Strengthen your faith in Christ, your prayer life, and your confidence to pray with others. Join us online for this 3-week series on the Foundations of Prayer:

When: Wednesdays 6, 13 and 20 September 2023
Time: 7:30 – 8:45 pm. Cost: Free

Register for this opportunity at
www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events.

CWL - Father's Day Raffle Winners

CONGRATULATIONS to the prize winners of the Father's Day Raffle!

1st Antonio Mascera; 2nd Mick Hume;
3rd Rosa Compantangelo; 4th C. La Manna;
5th Camillo Pavan; 6th Terry Sinclair

Sincere thanks to all parishioners.
All money raised goes to Charities supported by the CWL.

Children's Corner

Take up your cross and follow me

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

Try to find these words:

cross
disciples
find
follow
forget
give
Jerusalem
life
Peter
rise
Satan
three

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Jeremiah 20:7-9 A reading from the prophet Jeremiah <i>The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.</i></p> <p>You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more. Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.</p> 	<p>(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. (R.) So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. (R.) So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.) For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. (R.) 	<p>Romans 12:1-2 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans <i>May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.</i></p> <p>Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.</p> 
<p>Next Week's Readings</p>		<p>Gospel Acclamation</p>
<p>23rd Sunday Ordinary Time</p> <p>1st Reading: Ezek 33: 7-9 2nd Reading: Rom: 13:8-10 Gospel: Mt 18: 15-20</p> 		<p>Alleluia, alleluia!</p> <p>May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.</p> <p>Alleluia!</p> 

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-27
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life? 'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'



Living the Gospel. Have you got what it takes?

For some people, to be a Christian is a 'soft option' – they see being Christian as being a bit 'fluffy'. This week's gospel is a reminder of the real challenge of being a Christian. Jesus reminds us that to be one of his followers we must be prepared to pick up our cross – whatever our particular cross might be – and still follow his example. To be a Christian means that we don't fall in a heap when difficulty comes our way; we take up the burden – our cross – and continue to look forward with hope. To live like Jesus is no easy option.

Look

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In the
GOSPEL TODAY

When we follow Jesus, we are going by God's way. Sometimes it will be difficult and we will not understand God's way of doing things, but we must trust in God like Jesus did.

Draw a picture of yourself following Jesus along God's Way.

Put in some flowers by the roadside and a sun with a smiley face.

God's Way

FOLLOW JESUS!

A coded message

Can you work out the code and find out this important message from Jesus?

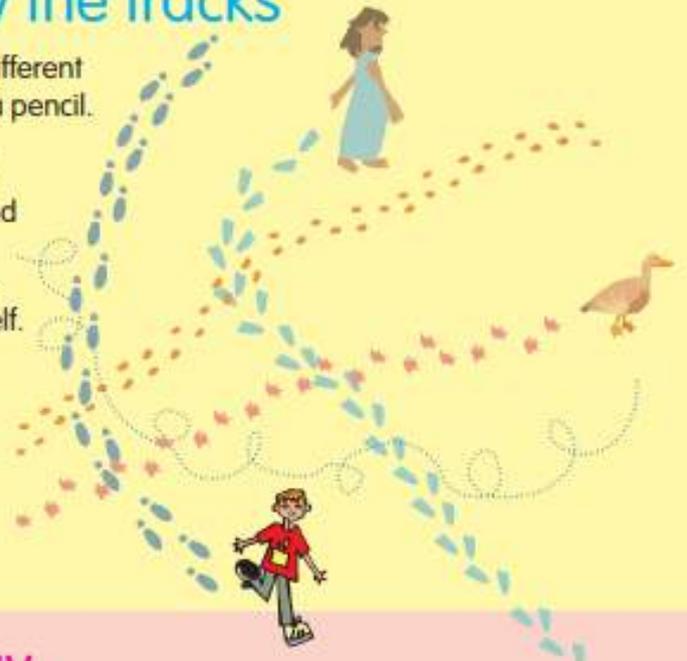
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Follow the tracks

Follow the different tracks with a pencil.

You will find at least 5 and you could make some more yourself.



A PRAYER TO SAY

Sometimes, Jesus, I don't understand what's happening in my life. Help me to trust in your love. Help me to know that whatever happens you are there with me, walking with me. Amen.

God's way

We follow God's way by thinking about other people before we think about ourselves. Tick the things that you can do to follow God's way.

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| I can be kind [] | I can tidy up [] |
| I can share my things [] | I can hit my sister [] |
| I can shout at my mum [] | Do you have your own ideas?... |

Answers: Put other people first.