

All Hallows' Five Dock



30th Sunday of Ordinary Time | Year A | Sunday 29th October 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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A Reflection by Fr Richard

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment." The reason we can heed these otherwise overwhelming words is that God does not want anything from us that he has not first given us.

This love is not cold and exclusive, but satisfying and all-embracing. Saint Augustine says, "Thus he has left no part of our life that may be unfilled by him.... If anything else presents itself for the soul's love, it should be absorbed into that channel in which the whole current of love runs. For man is then the most perfect when his whole life tends towards everlasting life, and clings to it with the whole purpose of his soul."

"The second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Loving our neighbour means willing his or her ultimate good: We desire that our neighbour know and love God and attain eternal salvation. As yourself: disordered and sinful love of ourselves (a love of self to the neglect of God) is not a true self-love. Instead, we properly love ourselves by living according to God's law and seeking eternal life with him.

The servant of God Catherine Doherty summarized well the dual command of love: "Let every day be the day of beginning again, of loving Christ a little more, of hungering for him a little more, of turning our face to him." To accomplish this, all we need to do is to look at the person next to us.

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 - 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>).

Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal

An estimated 1 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health, and psychosocial needs.

'This is a period of incredible turmoil and sadness. The escalation of violence has only exacerbated needs for the people in Gaza and West Bank, who already live in dire conditions. We are working with our partners on the ground to provide comprehensive and critical support to over 17,000 families affected by this devastating conflict.'

- *Sally Thomas, Humanitarian Lead, Caritas Australia*

With your support, we will be able to help our partners on the ground to assist people displaced and affected by the current conflict.

Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413.



All Hallows Adult Faith Formation Program - The Pivotal Players

You are invited to join fellow parishioners at our All Hallows' Faith Formation Program, **The Pivotal Players**.



In this program, you'll discover the places where **St. Francis** gathered a group of friars and revived the Church. See the places where **St. Catherine of Siena** ministered and prayed; and through unprecedented HD footage, marvel at the extraordinary art of **Michelangelo**, from his David statue in Florence, to the Pietà at St. Peter's, to the Sistine Chapel.

2nd November: Michaelangelo – How beauty leads people to God - Dr. Anthony Esolen, professor of Renaissance English Literature at Providence College

16th November: Michaelangelo – Have you seen this artistic masterpiece?

*** Please note the change of date for this session ***

Please direct enquiries to Sandy Lynch 0402 075 976 or Ann Kerley 0408 720 461.

November Mass Offerings

The month of November is a time when we especially remember in our prayers all those who have died. All Masses celebrated during November are offered for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed.



If you would like the names of loved ones added to our Book of Remembrance, please fill out a "November Masses" envelope, available in the gathering space of the church or the parish office. Please ensure they are handed in to Father or the parish office before the **30th October** to be included in our Book of Remembrance.

Catholic Mission Appeal



Thank you for your generous partnership with life-changing mission programs, like supporting Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters and their work through the Maria Auxiliadora Clinic in Venilale, Timor-Leste.

Your gift is helping the Sr Carolina continue to provide life-saving treatment and access to resources on health and well-being. Your gift also supports mission programs around the world that reach out and give life to those in most need.

To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also sign-up for our regular newsletter.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/timor. Your action will make a real, lasting impact.

 **Freecall: 1800 257 296**
catholicmission.org.au/timor

Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Anna Macri
Terry McCabe & family
Anna Tan
Denis Castledine
Clarence Rodrigues
Frank Hume
Siosuia Sikulu
Philippa Mary Sikulu
Giuseppe Intili

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

Recently Deceased:

Isabella Ciccolitto
Antonio Nesci
Norma Hankinson
Donald Skinner
Rosalia Pipia
Rosetta Nicotra
Natalie Tan
Teresa Grieco



Anniversaries:

Giuseppe Princi
Amal Doss
Estelita Javier
Concetta Ripepi
Alberico Mollica
Maria Chicadino
Carolina Caruso

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

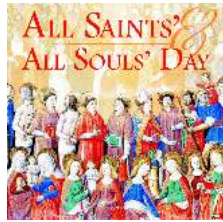


Parish Notices



Special Masses:

- **All Saints day Mass** -
Wednesday, 1st November at
8am, 9am (with All Hallows
school) and 7pm
- **All Souls day Mass** -
Thursday 2nd November at
8am and 7pm



There will be a special morning tea after the 10am Mass on **Sunday, 5th November** to celebrate our feast day. Please join us in the Parish Hall. *All welcome!*



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).

This course will start next week!

Please contact the parish office if you would like to join.

Advent Groups - All Hallows 2023

Advent is such a busy time of year and we so easily forget that, at its heart, it is meant to be a time of preparation, of waiting and hope for the coming of Jesus into our world and lives.



To remind us of this, we invite you to join in and participate in one of the Advent Groups, which will be meeting during this liturgical period. **Please consider being a Leader of a group or participating in a group, once Leaders have volunteered.** Groups will meet weekly during Advent between **26 November and 23 December.**

You will find Sheets in the Gathering Space to register your name, either as Leader of a Group or as a Participant. Please ensure you add your contact details. Enquiries: Sandy Lynch: 0402 075 976 or Ann Kerley: 0408 720 461

Baptisms



We welcome

Odette Mila Cutrone

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.

All Hallows Youth Group

All Year 5 and 6 students are invited to join the **All Hallows Youth group.**

Join us for mass at 5pm, followed by discussion, pizza & games in the parish hall until 7pm.

The dates the Youth Group will run in term 4 are:

- 29th October
- 12th November
- 26th November
- 10th December (Christmas party)



Fr Justin Torres

Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Oblate Apostles of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary will be celebrating Mass at All Hallows Church at **6.30pm on Wednesday, 15th November.**



We will also be hosting a retreat at **9am on Saturday, 25th November** in the Parish hall.

Fr. Justin is visiting Australia from The Philippines to share his ministry, which emphasises the Love of Jesus and Mary for all. Mass will be followed by anointing for those who wish to partake in this gift of Healing.

We all have a need for some type of healing, whether emotional, physical, or spiritual.

All Welcome!



Children's Corner

Love others as much as you love yourself

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

Try to find these words:


commandments
expert
first
foolish
heart
important
Law
most
others
Sadducees
soul
test

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Exodus 22:20-26 A reading from the book of Exodus <i>If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.</i></p> <p>The Lord said to Moses, ‘Tell the sons of Israel this, “You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans. “If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him. “If you take another’s cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity.”’</p> 	<p>(R.) I love you, Lord, my strength.</p> <p>1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)</p> <p>2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. (R.)</p> 	<p>1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians <i>You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.</i></p> <p>You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.</p>
	<p>Next Week’s Readings</p> <p>31st Sunday Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Mal 1:14 - 2:2,8-10 2nd Reading: 1 Thess 2:7-9, 13 Gospel: Mt 23:1-12</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!</p>


Gospel

Matthew 22:34-40
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, ‘Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?’ Jesus said, ‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.’



Living the Gospel – Compassion



Jesus’ words call us to love our neighbour as ourselves. We are called to treat others as we would like to be treated ourselves. To be able to do this, we need to picture ourselves in their place – experiencing all that they are experiencing; not imposing our own values and circumstances. To see ourselves in the place of another is the key to responding with compassion. The origin of the word ‘compassion’ means experiencing with. If we are able to truly ‘experience with’ another person perhaps then we can genuinely recognise and respond to their needs.

LOOK

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Matthew 22:34-40

In the GOSPEL TODAY

LOVE IS THE ANSWER!

The religious leaders want Jesus to say which commandment is the greatest. Jesus tells them that love is the answer. First of all, love God and then love other people as much as we ourselves. By loving, we are keeping all the commandments!

Love me!

Imagine this is you.
Colour all the things you would like to say.



Jesus says we must love other people just as much as we want to be loved.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Please help me, Jesus, to love you and other people. Help me to show my love by the things I do. Amen.

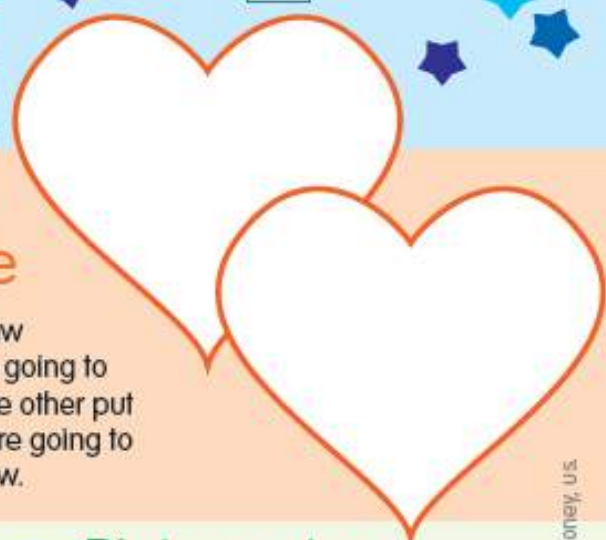
Puzzle

Fit these words in the grid:
LOVE THE LORD GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART



Heart puzzle

In one heart, write or draw one special way you are going to love God this week. In the other put something special you are going to do for someone you know.



Picture story in a muddle

Michael is helping someone in school. He is doing what Jesus asked and is loving his neighbour. Can you put numbers on the pictures to show the right order for the story?



Answers: heart, feet, eyes, mouth, hands, Bread, wine, money, us