

All Hallows' Five Dock



31st Sunday of Ordinary Time | Year A | Sunday 5th November 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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Mission of our Parish.



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A Reflection by Fr Richard

On Wednesday, First of November, we celebrated All Saints Day. This happens to be our Parish feast day. I would like to wish a happy feast day to you all! Do not miss out on our special celebration this weekend after the 10 o'clock Mass in parish hall.

In the gospel this weekend, Jesus criticizes the hypocrisy and vanity of the Scribes and the Pharisees. Jesus tells the crowds to obey them as leaders, to do what they tell them but not to follow their example. Surely, it is good to give a good example. It is good that others are inspired by our lives. This is what we celebrate in the saints. Through their good example, the saints challenge us, perhaps even shame us, into living a Christian life.

On the day Mother Teresa died a man said, "Today I'm proud to be a human being because Mother Teresa was one." Every time we reflect on the life of a saint; we experience a powerful call to conversion. The saints goad us to work harder and to aim higher. Besides, it is important to have a great devotion to a particular saint, however, such a devotion must have an effect on our lives. By admiring the saints, we should be drawn to imitating them. By honouring them, we should be stirred and provoked into virtue.

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "The witnesses who have preceded us into the kingdom, especially those whom the Church recognizes as saints, share in the living tradition of prayer by the example of their lives, the transmission of their writings, and their prayer today. They contemplate God, praise him and constantly care for those whom they have left on earth" (no. 2683).

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>).

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.

9th 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 these sessions ***

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

Advent Groups - All Hallows 2023

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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.



This Advent, we will be exploring "The Sign" Advent program. Discover the profound spiritual journey of Advent and Christmas with The Sign: Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2023—a captivating 80-page book containing spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections through Advent.

Immerse yourself in the timeless words of Scripture, expertly curated to illuminate the true essence of these holy seasons heralding the birth of Christ. Whether you seek to deepen your faith, foster a sense of contemplation, or simply embrace the beauty of everything that Advent and Christmas brings, The Sign serves as a guiding light—leading you through these sacred stories that continue to resonate throughout the ages.

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.**

The Advent groups will be meeting between **27 November and 23 December** at the following times:

- Wednesdays at 11am and 7:30pm
- Thursdays at 7:30pm
- Saturdays at 4pm

You will find Sheets in the Gathering Space to register your name. Please ensure you add your contact details.

Enquiries: Sandy Lynch: 0402 075 976 or Ann Kerley: 0408 720 461

St. Vincent de Paul



Cards and Calendars

Next weekend the St. Vincent de Paul will be selling Columban Calendars and Christmas Cards.

The prices have remained the same so grab a bargain!

Columban Calendars - \$8.00

Pack of 10 assorted Christmas Cards - \$6.00

Christmas Appeal

Members of our Five Dock St. Vincent de Paul Conference will be handing out "Christmas Appeal Envelopes" next weekend at the end of each Mass in the gathering space.



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

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

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

Recently Deceased:

Robert Iacono
Eva Zin
Lucrezia Cecere
Isabella Ciccolitto
Antonio Nesci
Norma Hankinson
Donald Skinner



Anniversaries:

Angela D'Souza
Saverio Di Cosmo
Anna Gregorace
Pamela Godinho
Theresa Grieco
Rosalie Pipia
Giovina Cerrone
Bob Picone
Antonino Picone
Maria Picone

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



Happy 100th Birthday!

*Wishing Gladys Readell
a very Happy 100th Birthday!*



We thank God for your remarkable life and wish you joy, peace and good health for your future.

Welcome All Hallows Year 4 and Year 6 families



Welcoming the families of the All Hallows year 4 and year 6 classes, who will be playing an active role in the 10am Sunday mass and providing a lovely morning tea afterwards.

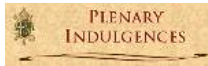
All Hallows Feast Day Morning tea

Parishioners are invited to celebrate our feast day after the 10am Sunday Mass with a morning tea in the Parish Hall. *A big thank you to the All Hallows families and the All Hallows Hospitality ministry for organising this morning tea.*



Plenary Indulgence in November

November is a special time to pray for our loved ones who have passed. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead by visiting a church during the month of November and praying the Lord's prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: sacramental confession, eucharistic communion and prayer for the pope's intentions. (Norms 15.7)



All Hallows Roof Repairs Appeal

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Church Roof Repairs Appeal. This week we raised \$140.00, making the total raised \$15,199.00.

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 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!

Baptisms



We welcome

Chloe Carmela Khoury

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.

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!

Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network - November intention

For the Pope



We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Pray as you Go

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



Children's Corner

If you humble yourself you will be honoured

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

Try to find these words:

above
banquet
best
do
down
help
humble
Messiah
Moses
obey
Pharisees
teacher

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Malachi 1:14 – 2:2. 8-10 A reading from the prophet Malachi <i>You have strayed from the way, you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.</i></p> <p>I am a great king, says the Lord of hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration.</p>	<p>Ps 130 (R.) In you, Lord, I have found my peace.</p> <p>1. O Lord, my heart is not proud nor haughty my eyes. I have not gone after things too great nor marvels beyond me. (R.)</p> <p>2. Truly I have set my soul in silence and peace. A weaned child on its mother's breast, even so is my soul. (R.)</p> <p>3. O Israel, hope in the Lord both now and for ever. (R.)</p> <div data-bbox="639 701 938 857" data-label="Image"> </div>	<p>1 Thessalonians 2:7-9. 13 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians <i>We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.</i></p> <p>Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you. Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.</p>
<p>Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?</p>	<p>Next Week's Readings</p> <p>32nd Sunday Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16 2nd Reading: 1 Thess 4:13-18 Gospel: Matt 25:1-13</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia! You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!</p> <div data-bbox="1449 1077 1528 1144" data-label="Image"> </div>

Gospel

<p>Matthew 23:1-12 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew <i>They do not practise what they preach.</i></p> <p>Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.</p> <p>'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'</p>	<div data-bbox="1305 1317 1541 1778" data-label="Image"> </div>
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Living the Gospel – Christian Leadership

The Christian model of leadership often flies in the face of societal concepts of leadership. Many of the models of leadership we witness in society focus on exerting power over others. People are praised for showing 'strong' leadership when they manipulate situations, bully less powerful people and bulldoze their way through others' opinions. Whilst this model of leadership may have a certain effectiveness in the short term, there is certainly nothing 'Christian' about its operation and ultimately it forces a wedge between the leader and the led. Christian leadership focuses on empowering all parties and rather than power over others, it embraces power through and with others.

LOOK

Sunday 5 November 2023
31st Sunday In Ordinary Time
Matthew 23:1-12

In the
GOSPEL TODAY

LOVE IS THE ANSWER!

My heart

Jesus says that it doesn't matter how important we look. It is what is in our hearts that really matters. Cross out all the things that do not belong in your heart.



Jesus says that what is in our hearts matters much more than looking good and having people admire us. Being kind and loving makes us more important in God's eyes than anything else.

An important message

Tabitha's computer is broken. She types in letters but the screen only shows numbers. Can you work out what Tabitha is trying to type?

154452
359
642678

1=F	2=W	3=G	4=L	
5=0	6=A	7=Y	8=S	9=D



Listening to God

God speaks to us in different ways and through different people. Unscramble the letters to find out some of them.

c _ _ _ h (uhrc)
 p _ r _ _ _ s (naestl)
 B _ _ _ _ (leib)
 P _ _ _ _ t (eirs)
 t _ _ ch _ _ (aere)

A PRAYER TO SAY

Please help me, Jesus, to listen to you and put other people before myself. I know that if I love and serve other people I will be following your example. Amen.

True or False?

In the boxes write T for true or F for false

Jesus says: I am important if...

- I help other people.
- I look after people.
- I am good looking.
- I wear fashionable clothes.
- I put other people before myself.

Answers: FOLLOW GOD ALWAYS, Church, Bible, teacher, parents, priest.