

All Hallows' Five Dock



Second Sunday of Easter | Year B | Sunday 7th April 2024

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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Parish Bulletin: We ask that you take home
your bulletin. Please do not put it back for
others to reuse or leave it on the pew for
others to pick up. Thank you.

A Reflection by Fr Sebastian

Gospel Reading John 20:19-31

Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

Within normal family life, there are many opportunities for conflict. Jesus did not promise us the absence of conflict in our lives. Instead, he gave us the gifts of peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation so that we could reduce conflict. The measure of Christian family life is not the absence of conflict, but the way conflict is resolved. Filled with the gift of the Holy Spirit, we ask Jesus to help us to bring peace and forgiveness to situations of conflict in our families.

As your family gathers, take this opportunity to examine how your family resolves conflict. Recall a recent argument or disagreement and discuss how the conflict was resolved. Consider whether the conflict was resolved peacefully, in the spirit of Jesus. If not, discuss alternatives that might be tried in the future. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:19-31. Recall that we have each received Jesus' gift of the Holy Spirit and that the Holy Spirit helps us to be people who forgive others and seek peace. Pray together the Prayer to the Holy Spirit or the [Peace Prayer of Saint Francis](#).

With best wishes -
Fr Sebastian



3 o'clock Divine Mercy Prayer

Among Christ's central message to Saint Faustina was his invitation to each of us to daily immerse ourselves in his passion during the 3pm hour while also imploring his mercy for ourselves and for the whole world.

"You expired, Loving Jesus, but the source of life poured forth for souls and an ocean of mercy rose up for the whole world. Blessed Fount of Life, incomprehensible Divine Mercy, cover the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. O Blood and Water, which poured forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You. Amen."

Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday: 8am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday: 8.30am (1st Sunday of the month - Italian mass), 10am and 5pm

Monday - Communion Service - 8am

Tuesday - Friday: 8am

Wednesday: Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration - 12pm - 4pm

• Start: Exposition at 12 noon

• Divine Mercy prayers: 3:00pm

• Reconciliation: 3pm – 3:40pm

(when priest is available - contact office to confirm)

• Benediction: 3:45pm • Finish: 4:00pm

Reconciliation:

Saturday:

8:30am-9am / 4:45pm - 5:15pm

Baptisms:

Sunday: 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>).



Fr Richard's Farewell

As Fr Richard is concelebrating the 10am family Mass this weekend, we would like to take this opportunity to thank Fr Richard for all that he did for the All Hallow's community during his time here. From starting and running our Youth Group, to visiting the sick, to celebrating Masses at nursing homes, to running our RCIA program, to celebrating baptisms, he was a very busy priest! We wish him all the very best as administrator at St John of God in Auburn.



Project Compassion - Thank you!



Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion 2024. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back to the parish or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion and donate online.



Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and lift themselves out of poverty. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations.

Sacramental Program 2024

Sacrament of First Reconciliation - Year 3 & above

- Registration is now open. Please go to the parish website for further information and the link to register.
- Parent Information Night - Tuesday 7th May at 7pm in the Church.
- 4 week preparation course - Details of session times given at the Parent Information Night.
- Celebration of First Reconciliation: **Wednesday (evening), 12th June** at 7pm in the Church.



Sacrament of Confirmation - Years 6 & above

- Parent Information Night - Tuesday, 30th July at 7pm in the Church.
- 4 week preparation course - Details of session times given at Information Night.
- Celebration of Confirmation: **Saturday, 7th September** - times to be advised.



Sacrament of Holy Communion - Year 3 & above

- Parent Information Night - Tuesday, 24th September at 7pm in the Church.
- 4 week preparation course - Details of session times given at Information Night.
- Celebration of First Holy Communion: **Saturday, 16th November and Sunday, 17th November** – times to be advised.



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network - April

For the role of women

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.



No Weekday Masses: 8th - 11th April

Please note there will be no weekday Masses from the 8th to the 11th April as Fr Sebastian will be attending a priest live-in conference. Communion Services will be held during this week instead. St Mark's Drummoyne will be holding services if you would like to go to morning Mass during this week.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Anna Tan
Damian Natoli
Ann Kerley
Michele McCabe
Giulia Mercuri
Giuseppina La Spina
Anthony B.
Emilia Bocconi
Frank Hume
Siosuia Sikulu
Philippa Mary Sikulu

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

Recently Deceased:

William Paul White
Ava Lynch
Tullio Fonti
Wayne Spaulding
Patrick O'Donnell
Josefa Ramea



Anniversaries:

Pamela Godinho
Andrew Ippolito
Antonino La Scala
Deceased members of the Strelein family

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



Fr Sebastian's

On the 12th April Fr Sebastian celebrates his 25th year of ordination! Please pray that Jesus will continue to strengthen in him the graces received at ordination as he carries out his sacred ministry at this parish.



A celebration for Fr Sebastian's 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination is being held on the **28th April**. The Mass will be held at 11:30am followed by a celebration in the Parish hall.

Please register if you will be attending via the QR code or by writing your name in the Registration book in the gathering space of the church. **Please RSVP by 14th April if you wish to attend.**



Please note there will be no 10am Mass on this day.

Reminder

Daylight Savings ends on Sunday, 7th April, 2024. At 3am, clocks are turned back 1 hour.



Purpose Camp 2024

Purpose Camp is back for 2024! The Sydney Catholic Youth team and Youth Leaders across the Sydney Archdiocese are working hard to make this year's high school camp bigger and better! If you are currently in years 9-12, have the time of your life these upcoming holidays with tons of friends you haven't met yet! There'll be heaps of time for games, activities, talks, discussions, prayer and a chance to grow in your faith. This camp is so big we can only run it once a year, so get on board now or miss out!

DATE/TIME: 9:30am, Monday 22 April to 1:00pm, Wednesday 24 April, 2024

WHERE: Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, 347 Grose Wold Rd, Grose Vale NSW 2753.

COST: \$250

To book, visit:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1179693>

Sydney Catholic School students can receive \$150 off the camp. Only 70 spots are available with the discount, so get in quick! Get the code by asking your REC or YMC at your school, or email us at info@sydneycatholicyouth.org.



Baptisms



We welcome

Nina Pavan

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.

Catholic Women's League

Mother's Day Raffle



On sale weekend
13 & 14 April

Tickets \$5 for three tickets or \$10 for seven tickets.

Beautiful prizes.

Moneys raised will go towards charities supported by the Catholic Women's League.

Children Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word - This is when the children leave the congregation to celebrate and reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading in an age appropriate way. The children are led through prayers, songs and readings that are adapted to their level of understanding.



We will be reintroducing Children's Liturgy at All Hallows on **Sunday, 5th May at the 10am Family Mass.**

Due to our safeguarding requirements, **any child attending Children's Liturgy will have to register before being allowed to attend.** If you would like your child to attend Children's Liturgy, please fill out a registration form found in the gathering space and return it to the parish office (either in person or by email).




Children's Corner

Have faith and you will be truly blessed

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

Try to find these words:

afraid
appeared
doubting
faith
forgive
hand
happy
Holy Spirit
Lord
middle
Thomas
week

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles The whole group was united, heart and soul.</p> <p>The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.</p> 	<p>(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.</p> <p>1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' (R.)</p> <p>2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. (R.)</p> <p>3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R.)</p> 	<p>1 John 5:1-6 A reading from the first letter of St John Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.</p> <p>Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.</p>
	<p>Next Week's Readings</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p>
	<p>Third Sunday of Easter</p> <p>1st Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 2nd Reading: 1 Jn 2:1-5 Gospel: Lk 24:35-48</p>	<p>Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! </p>

Gospel

John 20:19-31
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.' 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.



Have you thought? Those who have not seen.

Jesus says to Thomas, 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' That's us! Jesus' words in the gospel are meant for people like us living today. We are not in the position of Thomas and the other disciples who were able to see the risen Lord face to face and so convince themselves of his rising. The gospel recognises that to believe in the resurrection without that physical, personal encounter with Jesus is to be celebrated even more. Happy are we – blessed are we – who have not seen and yet still believe!

LOOK

Sunday 7 April 2024
John 20:19-31
2nd Sunday of Easter

In the **GOSPEL TODAY**

I BELIEVE!



Before and after Jesus came

Draw lines from the words to the right picture.

Here is Thomas
before he saw Jesus

Here is Thomas
after he saw Jesus

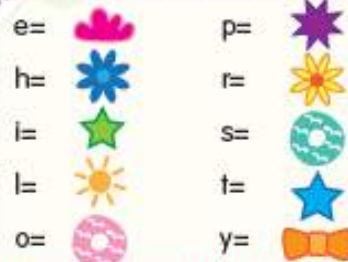


A gift for us all!

Jesus gave his disciples a special
gift. He gives us this gift too.



Use the
code to find
out what
this gift is.



Word search

Jesus is in the world in
lots of ways today.

Here are some of them:

BREAD WINE
GOSPEL CHURCH
PEOPLE



Can you find these words?

A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for giving
us the gift of your peace. Help
me to share your peace with
everyone I meet. Help me to
be kind and thoughtful today.
Amen.

Spot the difference

Find the five differences in these rooms.

