

branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.’

Communion Antiphon Cf John 15:1,5
I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.



Prayer for Renewal

Blessed are You, Father, who, in Your infinite love sent us your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, that we may have life, and have it in abundance. By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew our Eucharistic communities. May they be places of encounter with the living Christ, centres of evangelisation and outreach to our community in love and mercy. Grant us the gifts of faith, hope and love to be faithful disciples of Jesus and radiant witnesses to the people of Sydney. Amen

Our Lady, Help of Christians, *pray for us.*
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelisation, *pray for us.*
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, *pray for us*

Prayer for Ukraine

O Lord our God, look down with mercy on the Ukrainian people. Protect and save them from the unjust aggressors who seek to subdue them. Grant them steadfast trust in your mercy and protection. O Mother of God, who gave them your miraculous icon at Zarvanytsia, intercede for the Ukrainian people, who run to the shelter of your mercy in their times of need. O Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on them. Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual. Amen



Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

Archdiocese of Sydney

Serving the suburbs of Enmore, St Peters, Sydenham & Tempe

Fifth Sunday of Easter of the Lord – Year B

28 April 2024

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Psalm 97:1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R. v.26

R/ I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever! **R/**

2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R/**

3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: ‘These things the Lord has done.’ **R/**

Second Reading

1 John 3:18-24

A reading from the first letter of St John
His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth



and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God’s presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

Gospel Acclamation

John 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 15:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.
Jesus said to his disciples: ‘I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the



Parish Administrator—Reverend Father Christopher Higgins
(available Tuesday to Sunday)
 Parish Permanent Deacon – Reverend Mister Alfredo Bouroncle
 Parish Secretary—Bernadette Hickey
(Office hours—Tuesday 8-3pm & Thursday 8-5pm)



Our Parish respectfully acknowledges the Gadigal people of Eora nation as traditional caretakers of the land.

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MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

Masses	Tuesday – 7:00pm Wednesday to Friday—9:15am Saturday—5:00pm – (6:30pm – Portuguese) Sunday—9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian)
Church Open	Wednesdays & Thursdays – 9:45-11:00am
Confessions	Saturday 4:15—4:45pm or by appointment
Adoration & Benediction	No Adoration or Benediction till Tuesday 14 May
Baptisms	By appointment—about 1 month’s notice required
Marriages	By appointment—about 6 months’ notice required

COLLECTIONS for weekends of 13/14 & 20/11 April 2024

1st collection \$743.40 (supports the priest’s expenses)	2nd collection \$884.40 (for running of parish)	Envelopes \$300.00 (part of 2nd collection)	Candle offerings \$107.55 (part of 2nd collection)
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Masses for: Ivan Jilwan, Norma, Maunae Alam, souls of Jilwan & Alam families, all the sick of Enmore/Tempe parish, Delilah Andrade (post-op recovery), Suzana Jesus, Conceicou Vasconceles, Gabriel Nelson (RIP), Maris & Paul Andrade (for protection & well-being).

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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. *(Archdiocesan permanent notice)*
Safeguarding Children information can be found in folder at the back of the church.

CFW Appeal 4/5 May Please find envelopes for next weekend’s appeal.

Church Garden John Vu suggests we advertise to ask for volunteers to do gardening in the church garden. Please see Father if you are interested.

Bulletin of WOOMB International Vol 51 Available at the back of the church.

Called & Gifted 29 April – 15 July Discernment Process 2024. The path to discovering your charisms! For more information got to gomakedisciples.org.au/called-gifted-discernment-process \$140 + booking fees. Limited places. See noticeboard flyer.

Oremus: Living the Year of Prayer 2024 Our Holy Father has asked the entire Church to dedicate 2024 as a Year of Prayer in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee, ‘in order to foster a renewed ardour for evangelisation’. Join us online for a 3-week short course in which we will consider practical approaches to prayer as the font of renewal and mission in our parishes. DATES: **Thursday, 2 May, 2024** TIME: 7:30 – 8:45 pm For more information and to register, go to gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events

Enfield Healing Mass Friday 3 May. Celebrant Fr Mirko Integlia See noticeboard for further details.

Seasons of Renewal: Corpus Christi Join the Parish Renewal Team online as we explore practical ideas to assist your parish to prepare for the Feast of Corpus Christi and the Walk with Christ which will be celebrated on **Sunday 2 June**. All welcome! DATES:

- **Thursday 9 May**, 3 – 4 pm
- **Tuesday 14 May**, 12:30 – 1:30 pm
- **Thursday 16 May**, 10 – 11 am

For more information and to register, go to: <http://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events>

Take to the Streets – Sydney Processions Bring your families, friends, parish, and school communities – walk with us and celebrate our faith in the streets of Sydney! Join the Fatima Rosary Procession on **11 May at 6pm**, St Mary’s Cathedral. Then come to the Walk with Christ Procession on **2 June**, starting at Martin Place. For more information on both processions, visit: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/events> For queries, please contact bishop.umbersoffice@sydneycatholic.org

PRESENTER: Fr. Paul Maunder, OCD & Cristina Leontini, translator of *Life and thoughts of Mariam Baouardy*, ‘the little nothing’ Illiterate, child-like, naive, poor, a ‘the little nothing’, this Teresian Carmelite nun founded the Carmel of the Holy Child Jesus in Bethlehem. She bore the wounds of the “Ecce Homo” in her body and offered her sufferings in loving union with her Lord for mercy upon sinners. Fr Paul and Cristina Leontini will present her life and comment on her way of the cross in the context of today’s sufferings, especially in the Holy Land. **WHEN: May 10 - 12, 2024 • 6pm (Fri) - 12:30 pm (Sunday)** **WHERE:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, NSW **COST:** \$330 Please register at the following link: www.mtcarmel.com.au/carmelite-retreat-program

A Eucharist Retreat Day 11 May, 10am-4pm Are you a liturgical minister? All liturgical ministers are invited to this retreat day: Readers, Acolytes, Cantors and Musicians, Sacristans, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Ushers, Greeters, Collectors, AV Operators. St Martha’s, Leichhardt. Cost \$15. Register using Trybooking.com. Questions: sydney@op-tn.org See noticeboard.

Banquet: Pentecost Intensive 2024 Join the MGL Sisters for Pentecost 2024 as we discover the depths of God’s love through our Banquet Intensive and accept the invitation to radical intimacy with the Trinity. Feast on God’s powerful love for you, open up to the gifts of the Spirit, savour times of powerful input, prayer, and practical workshops, and find the charismatic generosity of God unleashed in your own life of mission and discipleship. **DATES: Friday 17th May - Wednesday 22nd May** **VENUE:** Carmel House, Varroville Enquiries: mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com Registrations: <http://www.trybooking.com/CNSXA>

Chorister Open Days 2024 St Mary’s Cathedral Choir: 20 May 2pm, 20 August 2pm & 26 October 10:30am. All choristers receive a full scholarship to St Mary’s Cathedral College. *Leaflets at back of church.*

Fr Maria Raju would like to invite you for an **18-day pilgrimage, departing on 23rd September 2024**. This pilgrimage features Fatima, Lourdes, Turin, Milan, Padua, Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rotondo and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$8790. The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. For enquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300 721 561 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au.