

A misunderstanding

Two church attenders had just come from church and a sermon on Sodom and Gomorrah from Genesis. “You know, George, I always thought that Sodom and Gomorrah were man and wife.” His friend replied, “I can believe you, because I thought the Epistles were the wives of the Apostles.”



Prayer for the Year of Hope Jubilee 2025
(Year of Jubilee of Hope officially opens on 24 December at 7pm)

Father in Heaven, may the **Faith** you have given us in
Your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of
Charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of
Your kingdom.

May Your grace transform us into tireless cultivators
of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds
transform from within, both humanity and the
whole cosmos, in the sure expectation of a new
Heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of
Evil vanquished, Your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us,
Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of
Heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and
peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To You
our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for
ever. Amen



Family Prayer for Vocations

Father, increase our family’s love for one another.
May we honor each other in times of
happiness or hardship,
bearing with one another in love, just as You
love us.
In a special way, help us strive for holiness in
our current states of life.
Should You call some of us to the priesthood
or religious life,
help us to respond with courage and joy.
Together, we make heaven our goal, and
pledge, with Your grace,
to help each other on life’s journey to You.
Through the intercession of the Holy Family:
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.
Amen

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore
Archdiocese of Sydney

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

Fourth Sunday of Easter – Year C

11 May 2025

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 32:5-6
The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the
word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

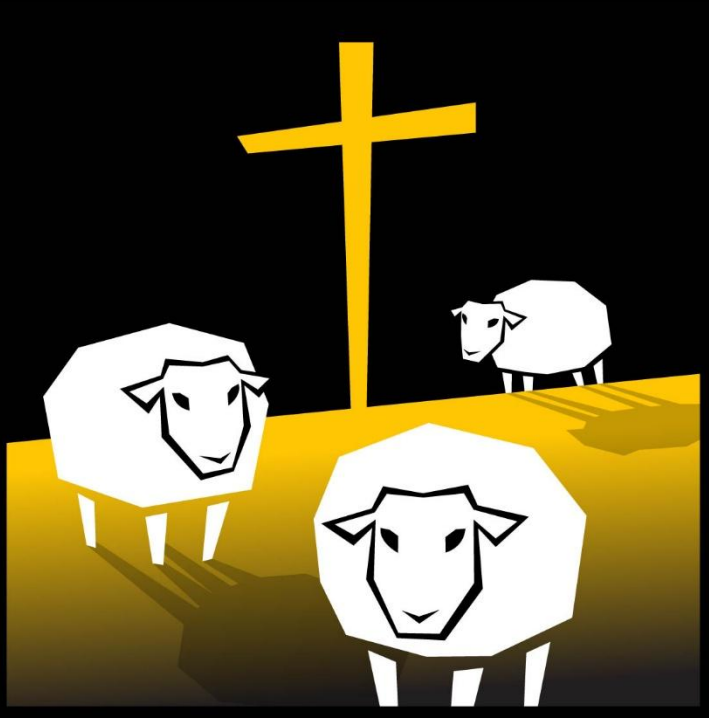
First Reading Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
We are now turning to the gentiles.

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they
reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to
synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.
When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout
converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks
with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain
faithful to the grace God had given them.
The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled
to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds,
the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies
and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and
Barnabas spoke out boldly, ‘We had to proclaim the
word of God to you first, but since you have rejected
it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal
life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the
Lord commanded us to do when he said:
I have made you a light for the nations, so that my
salvation may reach the ends of the earth.’
It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they
thanked the Lord for his message; all who were
destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the
word of the Lord spread through the whole
countryside.
But the Jews worked upon some of the devout
women of the upper classes and the leading men of
the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and
Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they
shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went
off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy
and the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3
R/ We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

- 1.Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the
Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. R/
- 2.Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we
belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his
flock. R/
- 3.Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful
love. He is faithful from age to age. R/

Second Reading Revelation 7:9, 14-17
A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
*The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd
and will lead them to springs of living water.*
I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of
people from every nation, race, tribe and language;



they were standing in front of the throne and in front
of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding
palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me,
‘These are the people who have been through the
great persecution, and because they have washed
their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they
now stand in front of God’s throne and serve him day
and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on
the throne will spread his tent over them. They will
never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor
scorching wind will ever plague them, because the
Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and
will lead them to springs of living water; and God will
wipe away all tears from their eyes.’

Gospel Acclamation John 10:14
Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my
sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel John 10:27-30
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
I give my sheep eternal life.
Jesus said: ‘The sheep that belong to me listen to my
voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them
eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will
ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them
to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal
from the Father. The Father and I are one.’

Communion Antiphon
The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life
for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.



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	Thursdays – 9:15am Saturday—5:00pm – (6:30pm – Portuguese) Sunday—9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian)
Church Open	Mondays & Fridays – 3:00-5:00pm
Confessions	Saturday 4:15—4:45pm <i>or</i> by appointment
Adoration & Benediction	Mon 3:00 – 3:50pm, Tues to Fri 8:00 – 8:50am & Sun 9:00—9:25am
Baptisms (2 nd & 4 th Sundays)	By appointment—about 1 month’s notice required
Marriages	By appointment—about 6 months’ notice required

COLLECTIONS for weekends from 26/27 April & 3/4 May2025

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$1024.25	\$890.65	\$315.00	\$224.60
(supports the priest’s expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

Masses for: Holy Souls of Purgatory, John Teixeira & deceased family members, Eugenia de Jesus & deceased family members.

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.

CWF Appeal The envelopes are next to the bulletins. Please return your donations by 25 May.

CWF Annual Report 2023/2024 available at the back of the church

Good Friday Appeal The parish supported our brothers & sisters in the Holy Land by donating \$1360.60.

Choir Loft The Indonesians are planning to do a clean-up. If you want anything up there, claim it soon.

Holy Thursday Feedback Father Chris received feedback. New arrangements will be made for 2026.

Cantor We are looking for a cantor to sing with our organist every 3rd Saturday of the month. Please see Father.

Parish Council member If you would like to join the Parish Council for the rest of the year, even as a part-time member, please let Father know.

We received a **letter & email of complaint** about a bulletin being left in a letterbox in Lord St. They said that the letterbox has a “no junk mail plaque”. Please do not put bulletins in any such letterboxes.

The Beauty of the Nicene Creed: The Truths of Faith Seen Through Christian Art This year, the Church celebrates 1700 years since the Council of Nicaea, affirming the faith we still profess today through the Nicene Creed. To mark this special occasion, the Parish Renewal Team and Sydney Catholic Youth are collaborating to host an evening for all - families, young adults, and the young at heart - with special guest presenter Fr Marcus Holden from the Diocese of Southwark, UK, and recently appointed Rector of the Pontifical Beda College in Rome. Join us as we contemplate sacred images to deepen our understanding of the faith we proclaim each Sunday throughout the world. The evening will begin with Mass, celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, then a time for supper, followed by the talk with Q&A. **Date: Tuesday, 13 May 2025 Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm** Venue: ACU Strathfield Campus Address: 25 Barker Rd, Strathfield (onsite parking). Register at <https://gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/>

FREE SEMINAR ON WILLS FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY Writing or updating a Will can be a complicated task, so looking after your loved ones during this process is often challenging. This is why the Sydney Archdiocese is delighted to announce a FREE SEMINAR designed to make the world of Wills and Elder Law easier to comprehend and navigate. When: **Wednesday 14 May 2025, between 10.00am-12.00pm** | Where: St Canice’s Parish Church | 28 Roslyn St Rushcutters Bay | Note: light refreshments will be available on the day. All are welcome. Alternatively, call Tony Maricic on 0422 099 576. Leading industry specialists with decades of experience will present on the day, offer their expertise and answer your questions. Representatives from the Sydney Archdiocese will also explain how your parish community and Archdiocese can directly benefit from the offering of legacy gifts in wills. For further information, contact Tony Maricic on 0422 099 576, or tony.maricic@sydneycatholic.org.

Centenary of the canonisation of St Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face You are invited to celebrate Mass for the 100 years since the canonisation of St Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face. Discalced Carmelite Fathers Gerard Moran and Ransom Rapirap will be among the concelebrants at the simple Mass. A stall will also be available with a limited number of books about St Therese, including her autobiography, Story of a Soul, prayer cards, and rose-scented candles for sale. **DATE: Saturday 17 May 2025 TIME: 12 PM VENUE: St Mary’s Cathedral, Sydney**

Christian Meditation Introduction and Renewal Day You are invited to a Christian Meditation Introduction and Renewal Day at St Benedict’s Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia on **Sunday, 18th May**. Arrival from 10am to register for a 10:30am start, presentations, introduction to meditation, Middle of the Day Prayer with the monks, Mass at 2pm, conclusion around 3pm. Book display and morning tea provided, please BYO picnic lunch. Extensive grounds and labyrinth. General enquiries: Ann Lomas - atlomas@bigpond.com / 0437 340 250 Possible accommodation at the monastery guest house : Fr Michael Kelly - mkelly@silvestrini.org / 0455 329 607

Paschal Eucharist 2025 This year’s annual Archdiocesan celebration for new Catholics welcomed into the Church at Easter will take place on **Sunday, 25 May**, at St Mary’s Cathedral. To register your new Catholics to attend the Paschal Eucharist, please visit: <https://www.trybooking.com/DAVPX> All newly initiated Catholics, their immediate dependents and godparents/sponsors, RCIA teams, and clergy are warmly invited.

Ignite that Fire! Be a man worth following! Join us for a Men’s Talk with Adam Doueihy and Simon Carington as they explore what it means to be a man worth following in God’s image in today’s world. **Thursday, May 29th** – BBQ at 5 PM, followed by the talk at 6 PM. Don’t miss out – register now! For any further questions, please email Belinda Bayssari on Belinda.bayssari@syd.catholic.edu.au See noticeboard for flyer.