of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 33:9

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

For Mother's Day

You know you're a mother when you're up each night until 10pm vacuuming, dusting, wiping, washing, drying, loading, unloading, shopping, cooking, driving, flushing, ironing, sweeping, picking up, changing sheets, changing nappies, bathing, helping with homework, paying bills, budgeting, clipping coupons, folding clothes, putting to bed, dragging out of bed, brushing, chasing, buckling, feeding, swinging, playing ball, bike riding, pushing trucks, cuddling dolls, roller blading, catching, blowing bubbles, running sprinklers, sliding, taking walks, colouring, crafting, jumping rope, raking, trimming, planting, edging, mowing, gardening, painting, and walking/feeding the dog. You get up at 5:30am and you have no time to eat, sleep, drink or go to the bathroom, and yet you still manage to gain ten pounds.



Prayer for Peace in the Middle East

Lord Jesus Christ,

The Holy Land is once again struck by violence, hatred and death. Lord, look with mercy upon the land that was your earthly home. Receive the deceased into your presence, comfort those who mourn, are wounded or forced to flee. Be close to all who are full of fear and despair. You are our peace and the light of the nations; put an end to the spiral of terror and suffering in the Holy Land and in the whole Middle East. Let peace and justice flourish at the holy sites. You are our refuge. Let the people be safe in your Love. Have mercy on us and on our time. Amen.



Prayer for Torres Straight & Aboriginal People

Loving God, we come before You with humble hearts, remembering the pain and suffering endured by so many. We give thanks for the courage and leadership shown by those who have worked tirelessly for justice and reconciliation. We pray for the healing and hope for all who have been affected by the injustices of the past. May Your grace bring comfort to those who still carry the wounds of history. Help us all to listen deeply to the stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and to continue to walk together on the path of healing. Grant us the wisdom and strength to continue the work of reconciliation. May we be instruments of Your peace, fostering understanding and respect in our communities. Let us honour the rich cultural heritage and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, recognising their deep connections to this land. As we reflect on the significance of this day, may we be inspired to act with compassion and justice. Guide our leaders and all people in making decisions that promote equality and dignity for all.

We ask this in Your holy name. Amen.

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

6 July 2025

National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Psalm 47:10-11

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First Reading

Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. v.1 R/ Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

- 1.Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! R/
- 2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. R/
- 3.He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. R/
- 4.Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul. Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. R/

Second Reading Galatians 6:14-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.

The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ. The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.



I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Colossians 3:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 10:1-12. 17-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke *Your peace will rest upon him.*

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom



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	Thursday – 9:15am Saturday — 5:00pm – (6:30pm – Portuguese) Sunday — 9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian)		
Confessions Adoration & Benediction Baptisms (2 nd & 4 th Sundays) Marriages	Saturday 4:15—4:45pm <i>or</i> by appointment Wed to Fri 8:00 – 9:00am & Sun 9:00—9:25am By appointment—about 1 month's notice required By appointment—about 6 months' notice required		

COLLECTIONS for weekends from 14/15, 21/22 June 2025				
1st collection \$1071.60	2nd collection \$900.00	Envelopes \$410.00	Candle offerings \$98.15	
(supports the priest's expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)	

& Mauna Alam, all souls of Jilwan & Alam families, Mikael saleh Sadikin (RIP).

Masses for: Ivan Jilwan, Norma | 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.

Holy Father / Peter's Pence AppealThe annual Holy Father's Appeal is on this weekend. The appeal highlights the global charitable causes spearheaded by Pope Leo XIV and is aimed at alleviating the suffering of those affected by natural disasters, wars, refugee crises, and poverty. It is an opportunity for us to get involved in an important initiative of the Catholic Church on a local level, and we humbly ask you to give what you can.



4 WAYS TO GIVE: 1. Scan the code 2. Online: www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-holyfathers-appeal 3. Phone: 1800 753 959 4. through our parish collection.

Planned Giving tax receipts + envelopes Please pick up yours from the back of the church. If you would like to be part of our planned giving programme, please see father or email the office.

Candlestick refurbishment Acolyte John suggested a few years ago that we get new candle holders. Do you think our candlesticks need refurbishment? We have 2 quotes from Sanders for the replating in gold of our 6 altar candlesticks. (Sanders said that some people choose not to repair, as the dents, etc. show the "life" of the object.)

OPTION 1: REPAIR + GOLD REPLATING = approx. \$21,845 | **OPTION 2:** GOLD REPLATING ONLY = \$18,287.50

OPTION 3: NO REPLATING, leave candlesticks as they are

Please see noticeboard for more detailed information. We will vote on this as a parish on weekend of 19/20 July. FYI Note CWF contributions for FY 2026 are \$28,300 x 3 (increase of \$9,500 per collection).

Brass Cleaning Group Ray Smith desires that the ladies form a brass cleaning group.

Sydney Synod Please collect your prayer card and leaflet at the back of the church.

Future Teacher Scholarship Are you a current year 12 student with a strong academic record who enjoys helping children and young people? See leaflets at back of church

Divine Mercy July schedule on noticeboard

Caritas Australia appeals for support for amputees in Gaza The UN described Gaza as being "home to the largest cohort of child amputees in modern history". As of April, the UN reported that 4,500 people have been made amputees due to the current conflict. In response, Caritas Jerusalem is working to support those affected by the loss of limbs, as part of a program supported by Caritas Australia's Gaza Emergency Appeal. We urgently need your support. Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413

ACU next online training programs for Ministers of the Word (MOW) and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC): MOW starts on 5 August and EMHC starts on 13 August. Our new program for those who minister to the sick (Communion of the Sick (COS)) has been designed as an extension of the EMHC program and will start on 8 October. The process for registration in the programs starts with nomination by the parish priest. There is a per person fee associated with each program (\$100 for EMHC and \$80 for MOW) and a 20% discount is offered to parishes which nominate 5 or more people to participate. The parish is happy to pay for the course. For further information: acu.edu.au/pastoral. See flyer on noticeboard.

Families welcome to a day of fun with priests and religious The Sydney Vocations Office is inviting families and friends to two events that we are hosting during the National Vocations Awareness Week, August 3-10, 2025: Family Day, hosted at St. Kevin's Catholic Church, Eastwood, will launch National Vocations Awareness Week on Sunday, August 3, 2025. Families, priests, and men and women religious are invited to gather for Mass, lunch and fun activities. With a pilgrimage from St. Mary's Cathedral to Mackillop Place on Saturday, August 9, 2025, we will pray for vocations in the Archdiocese. All are welcome; bring your own lunch. Parishes are welcome to send a representative group with their parish banner. Religious and consecrated communities are welcome to attend.

Love, sex & the body. Unlearning the lies. A Catholic response to cultural confusion. Sat 9 August 1-3pm Chapter Hall, St Mary's Cathedral. In a time of deep cultural confusion around love, sexuality, and identity, many people come to RCIA with honest questions — and often, real wounds. Some carry the perception that the Church has little to say about sex, or worse, that it imposes burdens that turn people away from the faith. Join Bishop Tony Percy for an honest and engaging afternoon exploring the Church's response to the pressing questions of our time. Through personal stories, real talk, and a live Q&A with married Christian couples, we'll unpack the beauty and challenge of Catholic teaching on human love and sexuality. Topics include: Why the Church is for sex — not against it + Contraception, cohabitation, and other tough topics. Featuring: A candid conversation with Bishop Tony, Panel Q&A with married Catholic couples, A welcoming, nopressure space to ask questions and go deeper.

All are welcome — you, your RCIA team, your newly initiated Catholics, or anyone curious about the Church's teaching. Come with your questions. Leave with clarity and hope. To register: https://trybooking.com/DDBLU See noticeboard.