

Gospel Luke 10:38-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke  
*Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.*

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord’s feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, ‘Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.’ But the Lord answered: ‘Martha, Martha,’ he said, ‘you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.’

Communion Antiphon Psalm 110:4-5

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

The Confessional

One day a boy and his grandparents came to visit a 150-year-old historic Catholic church. As they toured the church, the grandfather explained the reason for some of the architectural and liturgical features, while the boy listened intently. Then they reached the confessional in the back.

“I know what this is!” the boy enthused, “It’s for time-out, right?”

*World’s Greatest Collection of Church Jokes, compiled by Paul Miller*



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 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*

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

13 July 2025

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 53:6,8

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First Reading

Genesis 18:1-10

A reading from the book of Genesis

*Lord, do not bypass your servant.*

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. ‘My lord,’ he said, ‘I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant’s direction.’ They replied, ‘Do as you say.’

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. ‘Hurry,’ he said, ‘knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.’ Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

‘Where is your wife Sarah?’ they asked him. ‘She is in the tent,’ he replied. Then his guest said, ‘I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

*R/ The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

1.Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart; he who does not slander with his tongue. *R/*

2.He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. *R/*

3.He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. *R/*



Second Reading

Colossians 1:24-28

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

*The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.*

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God’s message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God’s purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

See Luke 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

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**

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

**COLLECTIONS for weekends from 31 June & 1 July 2025**

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
<b>\$699.40</b>	<b>\$571.75</b>	<b>\$160.00</b>	<b>\$147.30</b>
(supports the priest’s expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

**Masses for:** Rosaria Salvo (RIP), those suffering from natural disasters in the world, Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**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](mailto: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 Appeal** Please return your donation by this week. **4 WAYS TO GIVE:** 1. Scan the code 2. Online: [www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-holy-fathers-appeal](http://www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-holy-fathers-appeal) 3. Phone: 1800 753 959 4. through our parish collection.

**Volunteer Drivers Needed – Gift of Bread** Gift of Bread is seeking volunteer drivers to help rescue and deliver surplus bread to a network of over 250 charities that support people in need across Sydney. Flexible shifts available. To get involved, please contact: Marcel De Maria Tel. 0499 804 488

**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).

**Grandparents’ Morning Tea** in St Pius V Primary School on Friday 25 July at 9:15am.

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

**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*

**World Day for Grandparents and Elderly** In the Jubilee year, this day, established by Pope Francis in 2021, is intended to be an opportunity to reflect on how the presence of grandparents and the elderly can become a sign of hope in every family and church community. World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, is to be celebrated on the Sunday closest to the Feast Day of Saints Joachim and Anne and will take place for the fifth time on Sunday 27 July 2025 on the theme ‘Blessed are those who have not lost hope’ (cf. *Sir* 14:2).

**Marrickville Refugee Welcome Group** Parishioners of St Brigid’s Marrickville set up this volunteer group connected with Australia’s official refugee sponsorship program. The group has been matched to an Afghani family of four now living in Iran and arriving in Sydney soon. If you know of suitable accommodation that may become available for rent in the near future, please contact [mrwg@outlook.com](mailto:mrwg@outlook.com) or scan the QR code, which can also be used to give a tax deductible donation of money, or furniture.



**3-part course Rerum Novarum: Pope Leo XIII's Great Legacy** Pope Leo’s proto-typical social encyclical of 1891 has been referenced ever since by the Popes in their subsequent social encyclicals. The core issues addressed by Leo XIII are as relevant today as they were in the era of newly industrialised Europe. **Presenters:** Dr Michael Walker and Fr Peter Smith (Justice and Peace Office of the Archdiocese) **Date:** Thursdays 24 & 31 July and 7 August **Time:** 6:30 – 7:30pm **Venue:** St Peter’s ‘1880’ Parish Hall, 235-241 Devonshire Street, Surry Hills (50 metres east of the Surry Hills light rail station) **Registration:** FREE admission

**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, no-pressure 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.