

One More

A clergyman took a well-earned holiday and decided to go to one of those large golf resorts where Arnold Palmer often played.

As the minister approached the most difficult hole on the course, the caddie said, “When Arnold Palmer plays this hole, he uses a three-iron and says a prayer.”

“I’ll certainly give it a try,” the minister remarked. But when the ball landed in the water, he said, “I guess the Lord didn’t hear me”

“He probably heard you,” the caddie said, “but when Arnold Palmer says his prayers, he keeps his head down.”

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



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*

Safeguarding Children Prayer

*Lord Jesus,  
Hear our voices as we pray for your care and protection.  
Strengthen and guide us as we strive to make our Catholic communities a safe place for all.  
We especially ask that the children and vulnerable adults you entrust to our care are protected.  
Give us the wisdom and courage to listen with open hearts, see with open eyes, and speak out to ensure children and vulnerable adults are safe, loved, respected, and cared for.  
May we also pray for those who have been harmed. Give them the courage to seek the truth and to heal.  
Lord, you call us to walk with integrity in the service of others. May we all strive to understand our collective responsibility to work together to safeguard our Catholic communities.  
Guide us as we build a community that fosters everyone to flourish and be safe.  
We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.  
*From the Archdiocese of Perth**

Embracing the Cross’s Love

*Lord Jesus, as we embrace the love of the Cross, may we be transformed by its profound sacrifice.  
Help us to carry our own crosses with grace, reflecting Your love and mercy to the world.  
Strengthen our hearts to endure trials, and fill us with compassion for others, that we may share the hope found in Your ultimate sacrifice.  
Amen.*

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

Archdiocese of Sydney

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

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross – Year C

14 September 2025

Safeguarding Sunday

**Entrance Antiphon** **Cf Galatians 6:14**  
We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

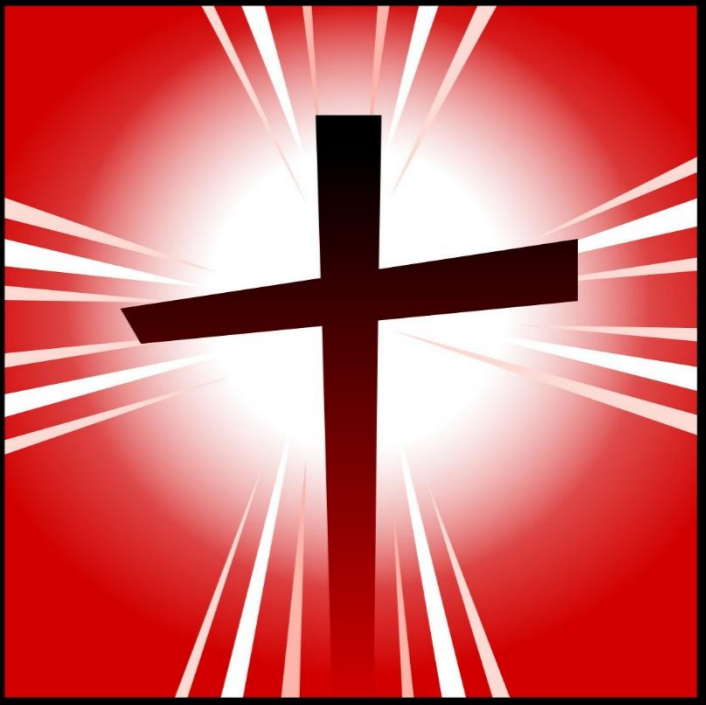
**First Reading** **Numbers 21:4-9**  
A reading from the book of Numbers  
*When those that were afflicted looked upon it, they were healed.*

On the way through the wilderness, the Israelites lost patience. They spoke against God and against Moses, ‘Why did you bring us out of Egypt to die in this wilderness? For there is neither bread nor water here; we are sick of this unsatisfying food.’ At this God sent fiery serpents among the people; their bite brought death to many in Israel. The people came and said to Moses, ‘We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you. Intercede for us with the Lord to save us from these serpents.’ Moses interceded for the people, and the Lord answered him, ‘Make a fiery serpent and put it on a standard. If anyone is bitten and looks at it, he shall live.’ So Moses fashioned a bronze serpent which he put on a standard, and if anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked at the bronze serpent and lived.

**Responsorial Psalm** **Ps 77:1-2. 34-38. R. v.7**  
**R/** Do not forget the works of the Lord!

1. Give heed, my people, to my teaching; turn your ear to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable and reveal hidden lessons of the past. **R/**
2. When he slew them then they would seek him, return and seek him in earnest. They would remember that God was their rock, God the Most High their redeemer. **R/**
3. But the words they spoke were mere flattery; they lied to him with their lips. For their hearts were not truly with him; they were not faithful to his covenant. **R/**
4. Yet he who is full of compassion forgave their sin and spared them. So often he held back his anger when he might have stirred up his rage. **R/**

**Second Reading** **Philippians 2:6-11**  
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians  
*He humbled himself, therefore God had exalted him.*  
The state of Jesus was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to



accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Gospel Acclamation**  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your cross you have redeemed the world.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel** **John 3:13-17**  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  
*The Son of Man must be lifted up.*

Jesus said to Nicodemus: ‘No one has gone up to heaven except the one who came down from heaven, the Son of Man who is in heaven; and the Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.’

**Communion Antiphon** **John 12:32**  
When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord.



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>	Tuesday 16 September – 9:15am – <i>and see notices to the right</i> 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 (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays)</b>	By appointment—about 1 month's notice required
<b>Marriages</b>	By appointment—about 6 months' notice required

**COLLECTIONS for weekends from 23/24 & 30/31 August 2025**

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
<b>\$973.00</b>	<b>\$772.75</b>	<b>\$290.00</b>	<b>\$105.80</b>
(supports the priest's expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

**Masses for:** Mons Kerry Bayada (RIP).

**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.*



**Together we can keep the faith alive - Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)**

Did you know that across the world tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith? Aid to the Church in Need is a spiritual and pastoral charity which seeks to keep the flame of faith alive in those places where it is at risk of extinction. *See ACN pamphlets at the back of the church.*



**Fatima Volunteer** For our Fatima procession to take place this year, on 12 October, we need a volunteer to coordinate for the event. If that's you, please see Father Chris.

**Acolyte John Vu & wife, Ha** We thank John for his years of service on the altar. Due to family & health reasons, John & Ha have farewelled our parish, as they now live in Belmore.

**Aid to the Church in Need Mass Stipends** There are many priests around the world who live on stipends and would appreciate your Mass intentions sent to them. Your donation & intention can be sent to ACN who will redirect it. Please find envelopes for this purpose at the back of the church.

**Priests' Retirement Fund / Father's Day Appeal** Envelopes can be found on the pews. *Please return by 21 September.*

**ENMORE mid-week MASSES** Tuesday 16 September 9:15am (whole school Mercy Mass) | Wednesday 24 September 9:15am | Thursday 2 October 9:15am

**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

**Hartford College, Daceyville, 2026 Academic Scholarships** *See flyers at the back of the church*

**Gaza Genocide** *See noticeboard for letter from Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University*

**Sisters of Charity Heritage Centre** We invite you to explore the history of our ministries and share in the story of Australia's first religious sisters. Open Tuesday to Thursday, 10.00am-3.00pm or by appointment. Free entry and parking available. Bookings recommended. A: 1 Rockwall Cres, Potts Point. W: [socheritagecentre.org.au](http://socheritagecentre.org.au). E: [heritagecentre@rscoffice.com](mailto:heritagecentre@rscoffice.com) P: 02 9138 0835

**Small Group Guided Tours St Mary's Cathedral Sydney, Monday 15 Sep 2025** *See noticeboard*

**Ladies Paint & Sip Night, Friday 19 September** St Brigid's School hall, Marrickville. Cost \$25: all materials & supper provided. It will be a relaxing evening where you can make an artwork to take home and get to meet other women in our Network of schools and parishes. RSVP by 12 September. *See noticeboard for QR code.*

**Be Not Afraid, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Catholic Men's Conference. Saturday 20 September**, St Mary's Cathedral. To register: [trybooking.com/dareb](http://trybooking.com/dareb) *See noticeboard for flyer.*

**Feast of St Padre Pio** | Triduum Novena & Mass: **Thurs 18 & Fri 19 Sep 7pm & Sat 20 Sep 5:30pm** | Solemn Procession with relic & Mass: **Sun 21 Sep 10am.** *See noticeboard for flyer*

**The Archbishop** is seeking positive, practical and faithful ideas on how we can make our Church in Sydney more vibrant through three, repeated longings for more prayerful liturgies, more Christ-centred communities and to be more mission-oriented. Register to attend any of the three consultations:

St Mary's Cathedral Tuesday, 14 October 2025 | 6–9 PM Register at: [trybooking.com/DAVZE](http://trybooking.com/DAVZE)

All Saints, Liverpool Thursday, 16 October 2025 | 6–9 PM Register at: [trybooking.com/DAVZF](http://trybooking.com/DAVZF)

Join us as we pray, discern and act with the Holy Spirit to make our Church in Sydney more vibrant. Give us your ideas!

**National Alpha Catholic Conference: The Way of Hope.** Hosted by Alpha Australia, in partnership with the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, this conference is for everyone - not just those involved with Alpha or interested in Alpha. A conference ticket includes plenary sessions, breakout sessions, Mass and Adoration, morning tea and lunch on both days, and dinner on Friday evening. Early bird price available for a short time. Register today to avoid missing out! **Date: 31 October - 1 November 2025** Venue: Liverpool Catholic Club, Prestons, NSW Early Bird Cost: \$225 - until 15 September. Regular Cost: \$250 - from 16 September

**Christopher West's Theology of the Body: Head and Heart Immersion Course From 18–23 January 2026**, led by world-renowned speaker Christopher West at the Benedict XVI Retreat Centre. This 5-day experience includes daily Mass, Adoration, and 30 hours of engaging teaching. Don't miss this rare opportunity to be transformed and healed in mind and heart. Places are limited — register at [trybooking.com/XXXX](http://trybooking.com/XXXX). DETAILS: Date: Sunday 18 January - Friday 23 January 2026 Time: 3 pm Sunday to 1 pm Friday Venue: Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale, NSW Who: Adults only event (18+) For more information and to register, visit <https://tobi.sydneycatholic.org/tob-1-immersion-course/> For enquiries, contact [TOBI@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:TOBI@sydneycatholic.org).