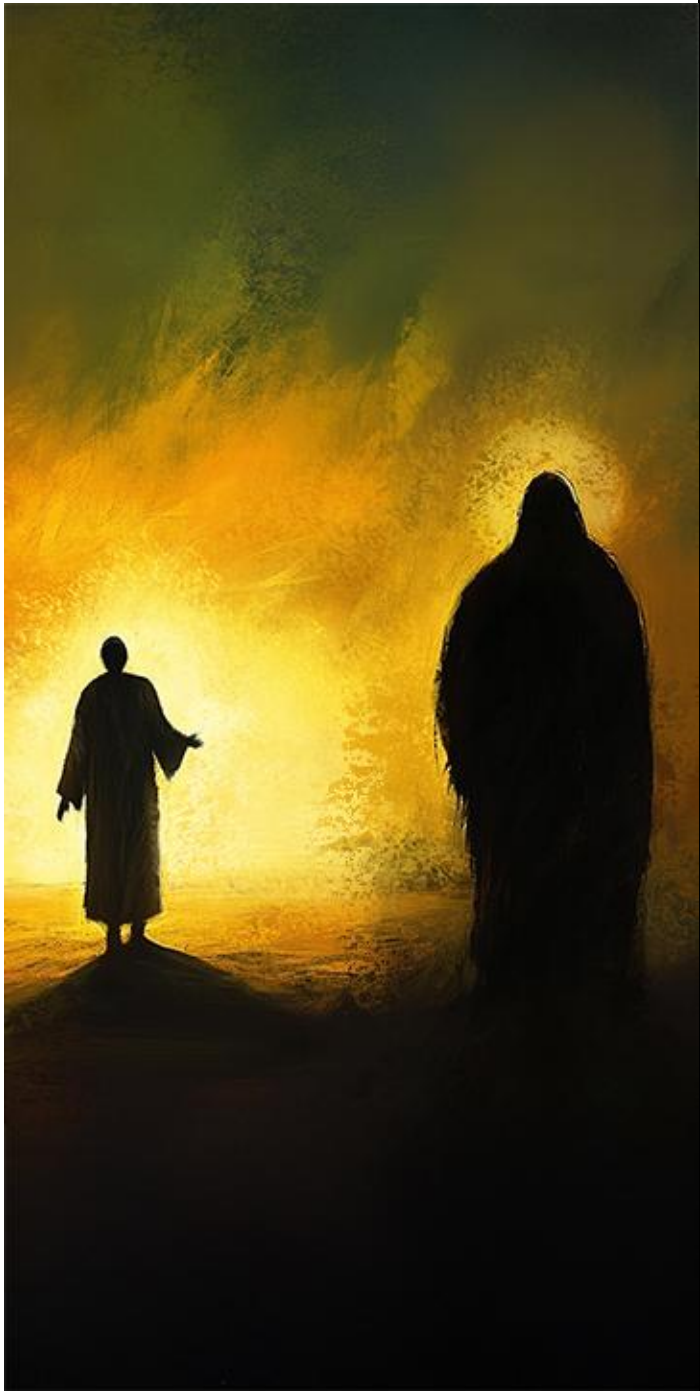


How to Kill Your Pastor

A priest was asked to inform a man with a heart condition that he had just inherited a million dollars. Everyone was afraid the shock would cause a heart attack and the man would die. The priest went to the man’s house and said, “Joe, what would you do if you inherited a million dollars?” Joe responded, “Well, Father, I think I would give half of it to the church.”

And the priest fell over dead.

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

Prayer for Peace—St. John Paul II

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are Yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, “Peace to you” – please grant us peace.

Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace.

May all peoples on the earth become as brothers and sisters.

May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always over us all. Amen.

Prayer by St. Faustina

Jesus, Friend of a lonely heart, You are my haven, You are my peace.

You are my salvation, You are my serenity in moments of struggle and amidst an ocean of doubts.

You are the bright ray that lights up the path of my life.

You are everything to a lonely soul. You understand the soul even though it remains silent.

You know our weaknesses, and like a good physician, You comfort and heal, sparing us sufferings — expert that You are. Lord, send me forth to do Thy will, But let me feel Thee present still.

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

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

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C 12 October 2025

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

First Reading

2 Kings 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. ‘Now I know’ he said, ‘that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.’ But Elisha replied, ‘As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.’ Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, ‘Since your answer is “No,” allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

R/ The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1.Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. *R/*

2.The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. *R/*

3.All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. *R/*

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Remember the Good News that I carry. ‘Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David’; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God’s news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.



Gospel Acclamation

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, ‘Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.’ When he saw them he said, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, ‘Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.’ And he said to the man, ‘Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.’

Communion Antiphon

Cf Psalm 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.



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 – <i>see notices to the right</i> Saturday—5:00pm – (6:30pm – Portuguese) Sunday—9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian)
Confessions	Saturday 4:15—4:45pm <i>or</i> by appointment
Adoration & Benediction	Mon 3:00 – 3:50pm, Tues to Fri 8:00 – 9:00am & 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 20/21 & 13/14 September 2025

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$610.95	\$796.00	\$270.00	\$168.95
(supports the priest’s expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

Masses for: Milan Novosel (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. 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.

Mid-week Masses Thursdays 16 & 23 October, Tuesday 28 October

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

Indulgences – A brief explanation *pick up your copy of this leaflet at the back of the church*

The Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet Wednesday weekly 7pm Zoom host – Katherina. Meeting ID:872 9929 7896 Passcode: 908680 **Our Lady of Fatima 13th monthly 7pm** Meeting ID: 861 8463 9187 Passcode: 459184

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

Divine Retreat Centre October schedule *See noticeboard*

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. E: heritagecentre@rscoffice.com P: 02 9138 0835

Foundation Day & Family Festival: Sunday 19th October at Mount Schoenstatt, Mulgoa. FREE jumping castle and facepainting and the opportunity to purchase BBQ lunch, food stalls, drinks, snow cones and other stall. The day begins with a pre-program at 10:15am and confession will be available, 11.00am Holy Mass followed by procession, 12.15pm Lunch and fun family activities, 1.45pm Devotion with Benediction. For more details contact Sr. M. Rita 0493 026 62 or visit the website www.schoenstatt.org.au

Campion College Toongabbie Festival & Open Day, Sat 18 Oct, 10am-3pm Campus tours, mini lectures, and a chance to meet our academics, Student life on display: performances and conversations with current students, Festival fun: market stalls, live music, food stalls, Campion Café, children’s crafts, face painting, and our popular second-hand book sale

Celebrating the Canonisation of Blessed Peter To Rot Communities across Sydney and the Central Coast are preparing to celebrate the canonisation of Blessed Peter To Rot, Papua New Guinea’s first saint, on Sunday, 19 October. A special Mass and refreshments will be held at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Randwick, beginning at 2:30 pm. All are welcome. On Sunday, **26 October**, Holy Cross Parish, Kincumber, in the Diocese of Broken Bay, will host a Mass at 11 am in honour of the newly canonised saint, followed by refreshments. The day will also include unveiling a St Peter To Rot relic, blessing a new statue of St Mary MacKillop, and presenting papal blessings to dedicated parish volunteers. Peter To Rot was a lay catechist and martyr who continued his Christian ministry during the Japanese occupation of PNG in WWII. Let us come together in faith and thanksgiving to celebrate his inspiring witness.

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

All Saints, Liverpool Thursday, 16 October 2025 | 6 – 9 PM Register at: 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., 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 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, includes daily Mass, Adoration, and 30 hours of engaging teaching. Places are limited — register at 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.