

Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.
Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:
If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.
Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.
Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:
Give us comfort when we die;
Give us life with thee on high;
Give us joys that never end.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and
kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven: for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Communion Antiphon Acts of the Apostles 2:4,11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

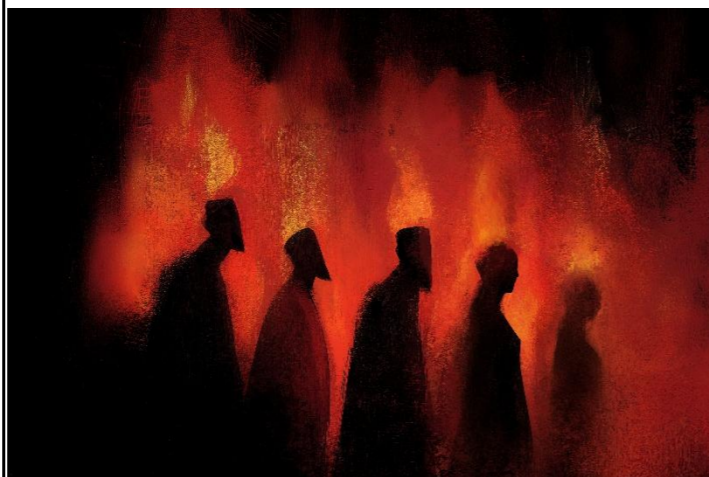
Nothing But The Truth

High soprano Karen Philips once sang in the choir, but for several services she was in the congregation and not in the loft. When asked why she no longer sang, she explained, "One Sunday when I was home sick with a cold, several folks asked if the organ had been repaired."

Prayer for Christian Unity

We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as you are one. In your community of complete unity, we have our beginning and our end. To you we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in your Christ.

As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by your Word that all human beings are our neighbors and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love you. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against your will. Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim your good news to all of creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, for ever and ever. Amen



Most Holy Virgin Mary, Help of Christian,

*how sweet it is to come to your feet
imploing your perpetual help.*

*If earthly mothers cease not to remember
their children,*

*how can you, the most loving of all mothers
forget me?*

*Grant then to me, I implore you,
your perpetual help in all my necessities,
in every sorrow, and especially in all my
temptations.*

*I ask for your unceasing help for all who are
now suffering.*

Help the weak, cure the sick, convert sinners.

*Grant through your intercessions many
vocations to the religious life.*

*Obtain for us, O Mary, Help of Christians,
that having invoked you on earth we may
love and eternally thank you in heaven.*

By St. John Bosco

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

Archdiocese of Sydney

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

Pentecost Sunday – Year A

24 May 2026

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

(ACBC) (Ascension Sunday to Pentecost)

Our Lady of the Southern Cross feast day

Entrance Antiphon Rm 5: 5; cf. 8:11

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, alleluia.

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

R/ Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R/**

2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R/**

3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **R/**



Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body. No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Sequence

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.
Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure;
Come, thou light of all that live!
Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow;
Thou in toil art comfort sweet;



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 21 May – 9:15am + <i>read notices for changes</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 (2nd & 4th Sundays)	By appointment—about 1 month’s notice required
Marriages	By appointment—about 6 months’ notice required

COLLECTIONS for weekends of 25/26 April & 2/3 May 2026

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$764.30	\$767.70	\$110.00	\$60.50
(supports the priest’s expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

Masses for: Isabella’s birthday

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.*

Lord Jesus, Strengthen and guide us as we strive to make our Catholic communities a safe place for all, especially the children and vulnerable adults you entrust to our care. We also pray for those who have been harmed. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen

PARISH EVENTS

CFW Annual Report available back of church

Lost Property Box at back of church

Donations ClothesLine Toby from O’Malley Funerals is hoping our congregation would assist in donations to Christ orientated organisations, such as ClothesLine. They especially need used and new bibles, but also clothes, food stuffs & toiletries. **Please place your donations in the box** at the back of the church. See *Omalley notice at the back of the church. Donations to be picked up after Sun 31 May.*

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

Casimir Catholic College Marrickville Enrolling now for Academic Year 7 2028. casimirmarrickville.syd.catholic.edu.au 02 9558 2888 See noticeboard for details

Sistine Chapel Revelations: An immersive exhibition. Sydney **16 May to 19 July 2026**. The exhibition unfolds across two distinct spaces. The **Introductory Gallery** offers an informative and engaging journey through the history, architecture, and purpose of the Sistine Chapel from its construction in the 15th century to its role in papal conclaves and its enduring significance as one of the world’s most celebrated artistic achievements. The **Immersive Projection Chamber**, the centrepiece of the exhibition, presents a spectacular digital recreation of the chapel’s interior. Surrounded by artistic masterpieces on a monumental scale and accompanied by guided narration, visitors are drawn into the sweeping story of salvation depicted in one of the most extraordinary works of sacred art ever created. Tickets and further information can be found at <https://sistinechapelsydney.com.au/>

Didasko Faith Formation 2026 *The Eucharist in the Life of the Church* June sessions: **The Eucharist in the Early Church**. Dr Kevin Wagner. **Mondays 1, 15 & 22 June. Eucharist Miracles** (free) **Tuesday 30 June**. Online via Zoom. Each session 7:30-8:45pm. Cost per month \$35 pp. Register at: gomakedisciples.org.au/didasko

Catholic Women’s League Open Day Tuesday 2nd June 2026, 10am – midday, St Patrick’s, Church Hill parish office, Level 5, 141 Harrington St The Rocks 2000. Enquiries: 02 9254 9825 See cards back of church

The First Relics of St Anthony of Padua The First Relics of St Anthony of Padua will be visiting St Mary’s Cathedral on Friday, **5 June**. Schedule of the visit: 11:00 AM: Mass with veneration before and after Mass 12:00 PM: Confession 1:10 PM: Mass with veneration before and after Mass 4:30 PM Confession 5:00 PM: Vespers 5:30 PM: Mass with veneration before and after Mass

Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public & Political Life The Tim Fischer Oration 2026 is an opportunity to give thanks for what we have received. It calls forth young people to protect and promote the common good through ethical attitudes and actions in public and political life. Professor Mary Healy will deliver the third Tim Fischer Oration. DETAILS: Date: **Wednesday, 17 June 2026** Time: 6 PM Venue: Rosehill Gardens Cost: \$50 per ticket For more information, visit tfo.org.au

Tri-diocesan Social Justice Dinner All parishioners are welcome to attend the 2026 Tri-diocesan Social Justice Dinner, to be hosted at All Saints’ parish hall in Liverpool on Wednesday, **1 July 2026**. We will hear about the stubborn persistence of slave-like working conditions even in modern Sydney, most often experienced by new migrants, and we will reflect on the role church communities can play in helping victims to become aware of their rights at work and escape situations of exploitation. Our speakers: - Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP - Dr James Cockayne, NSW Anti-slavery Commissioner - Moe Turaga, Australian Catholic Anti-slavery Network No cost, but registration is essential <https://events.humanitix.com/tri-diocesan-social-justice-dinner-2026>

Parish Renewal Conference 2026 *Have you noticed the new people coming to our parishes? And the many who were baptised and confirmed at Easter?* Come along to the biennial Parish Renewal Conference to receive encouragement and practical skills to support your efforts helping others find a spiritual home in our parish communities. Date: **Saturday 18 July 2026** Time: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Venue: Liverpool Catholic Club Cost: \$99 plus booking fees, or purchase 5 tickets and get one free Register at gomakedisciples.org.au/prc26. Inquiries: parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org

Discernment Program Run over 3 months, starting Monday the **3rd of August 2026**. People who participate in the program will receive daily Bible scriptures and study question to prompt and guide them to discern with the Holy Spirit. We may include some events, articles, and stories for them to discern also. The program is not live on Zoom, it is only via email, and there is no charge - all is free! Seek God if you are interested in this program - we urge you to ask Him first (Matthew 6:33) - and if He confirms it, contact us to register yourself. info@prayerstrategy.org For more information see <https://prayerstrategy.org/the-discernment-program/>