

The Bible in 50 Words

God made
Adam bit
Noah arked
Abraham split
Jacob fooled
Joseph ruled
Bush talked
Moses balked
Pharaoh plagued
People walked
Sea divided
Tablets guided
Promise landed
Saul freaked
David peeked
Prophets warned
Jesus born
God walked
Love talked
Anger crucified
Hope died
Love rose
Spirit flamed
Word spread
God remained



Prayer for Peace in the Middle East

*God of peace, bearer of hope, we seek your help
for the peoples of the Middle East.
Quiet the clamour of war and guide us towards
peace.
Where there is hatred and division sow seeds of
calm and openness.
Where there is destruction help us to rebuild.
Where children are crying bring an end to tears.
Shelter your peoples and protect them Guide them
and keep them from harm.
Show us how to break down the barriers of history
and fear and breathe whispers of hope. Amen.
Linda Jones / CAFOD*



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

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A **5 July 2026**

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 **Zechariah 9:9-10**
A reading from the prophet Zechariah
See how humbly your king comes to you!
The Lord says this: ‘Rejoice heart and soul, daughter
of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!
See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he
is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a
colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from
Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war
will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the
nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from
the River to the ends of the earth.’

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14 R. v.1**
R/ I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
1. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless
your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and
praise your name for ever. **R/**
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to
anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R/**
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your
friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the
glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **R/**
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all
his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all
who are bowed down. **R/**

Second Reading **Romans 8:9.11-13**
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
*If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the
body, you will live.*
Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the
spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in
you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ
you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him
who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then
he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your
own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.
So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to
obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives.
If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but
if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the
body you will live.



Gospel Acclamation **See Matthew 11:25**
Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you
have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the
kingdom.
Alleluia!

Gospel **Matthew 11:25-30**
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
I am gentle and humble of heart.
Jesus exclaimed, ‘I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven
and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned
and the clever and revealing them to mere children.
Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do.
Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father;
and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no
one knows the Father except the Son and those to
whom the Son chooses to reveal him.
‘Come to me, all you who labour and are
overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my
yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble
in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my
yoke is easy and my burden light.’

Communion Antiphon **Matthew 11:28**
Come to me, all who labour and are burdened, and I
will refresh you, 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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MASSSES AND SACRAMENTS

Masses	Wednesday 1 July – 9:15am (<i>Fr at funeral Thursday</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 of 20/21 & 27/28 June 2026

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$662.45	\$671.60	\$255.00	\$69.55
(supports the priest’s expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

Masses for:

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

Holy Father’s Appeal 4th and 5th July. Through your gift, you can help Pope Leo XIV bring hope, faith, and the spirit of Christ to our less fortunate brothers and sisters around the world. 4 Ways to give: 1. Scan to donate. 2. Online: www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-holy-fathers-appeal, 3. Phone 1800 753 959. 4. Through our parish collection.

Planned Giving Envelopes Please collect your new financial year envelopes at the back of the church. If you would like to join the Planned Giving program, please let Father or the office know.

Mass Stipends Update At the most recent meeting of the NSW Province of Bishops, it was decided that the recommended amount for a Mass stipend would be increased from \$10 to \$20. The November Mass Stipend amount has not changed and remains \$20.

St Francis of Assisi Pope Leo XIV has declared 2026 the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi, a jubilee year to help Christians around the world follow in the saint’s footsteps. Plenary indulgences are being granted through usual provisions – sacramental reconciliation, receiving the Eucharist, and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father – for those who participate in a pilgrimage to a Franciscan church or to any church named after St Francis.

Pauline Books & Media Order forms available at the back of the church

Divine Mercy Retreat Schedule July On the noticeboard

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

Gloria, an evening of magnificent sacred choral music Time: **17 July 2026** at 7pm. Location: St Anne's Catholic Church, North Bondi. Ticket Link: <https://www.trybooking.com/DMGXX> Many of you will be familiar with our previous concerts, which have brought together the Catholic community through beautiful sacred music and, on a number of occasions, have also assisted important Catholic initiatives including Aid to the Church in Need. We remain deeply committed to using sacred music as a means of evangelisation, fostering faith, and bringing people closer to the beauty of our Catholic tradition.

You Will Be My Witnesses: Parish Renewal Conference 2026 You give a lot to your family, your friends, and your faith community. Invest in yourself, your relationship with Christ, and your desire to see those you love growing in faith. Don't miss this once in two years opportunity to gather with like-minded Catholics who share a love for Christ and a desire to build his kingdom. Only three weeks left to book tickets. The day includes prayer, inspiring keynotes, and practical breakouts to encourage and refresh you. Learn more about our plenary speakers Marcel LeJeune and Sr Susanna Edmunds OP. Date: Saturday **18 July 2026** Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm Venue: Liverpool Catholic Club Cost: \$99 plus booking fees or purchase 5 tickets and get one free Inquiries: parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org

Created in Love “For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.” – Psalm 139:13 The Catholic Women’s Network and Maronite Women’s Ministry are honoured to present Created in Love: Women, Fertility & God’s Plan, a first-of-its-kind retreat day inviting women to discover the beauty, dignity, and wisdom of their bodies through faith, formation, and community. Whether you’re seeking clarity, healing, education, or simply a deeper appreciation of the way God created you, this day is designed to leave you feeling empowered, seen, and renewed. Open to women aged 16+. Bring your mum, daughter, sister, aunt, or a friend. DETAILS: Date: **Saturday 1 August 2026** Time: 9 AM - 4:00 PM Venue: St Jerome's Parish, Punchbowl For more information and to register to attend, visit <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1571890>

7 Churches Pilgrimage Walk The tradition of visiting the seven most historically significant basilicas in Rome was established by St Philip Neri in the 16th Century. It was a pilgrimage designed as a joyful, communal alternative to the city’s secular nightlife. Borrowing from this tradition, the Emmanuel Community is once again pleased to invite you to the 7 Churches Pilgrimage on the Solemnity of the Assumption, **Saturday 15 August 2026**. Join us for a joy-filled and prayerful day. ALL WELCOME. Parish groups encouraged to attend. Register your interest here: <https://forms.gle/Uv3BszTpxH4LUTLS9> Download the flyer to promote in your parish.

Called & Gifted Discernment Process: Online with In-person Workshop If you are wondering how God is calling you to serve Him, then the Called & Gifted Discernment Process is for you! This Process is designed to help Christians identify and nurture their spiritual gifts (charisms), both to represent Christ and to serve as a channel of God's goodness to others. Commences **Wednesday 2 September 2026**. Places are limited. Register at gomakedisciples.org.au/called-gifted-discernment-process.