‘How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ‘Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.’

Communion Antiphon — Matthew 5:8-10

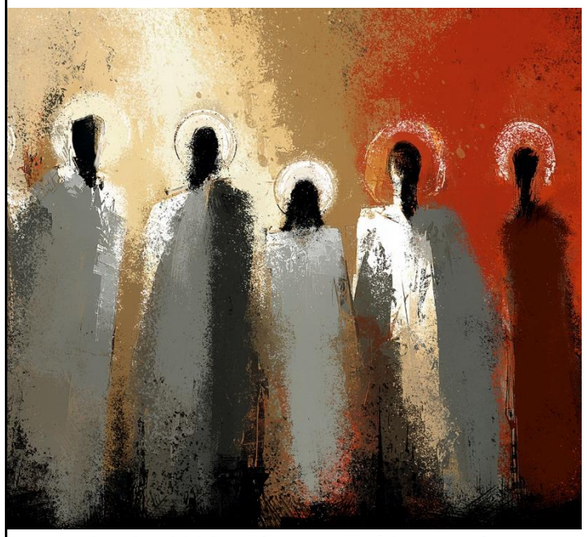
Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Shipwrecked Churchman

One balmy evening in the South Pacific, a navy ship spied smoke coming from one of three huts on an uncharted island.
Upon arriving at the shore, the crew was met by a shipwreck survivor. He said, “I’m so glad you’re here. I’ve been alone on this island for more than five years.”
The captain replied, “If you’re all alone, why do I see three huts?”
The survivor answered, “Well, I live in one and go to church in another.’
“What about the third hut?” asked the captain.
“That’s where I used to go to church.”

All Saints’ Day Prayer

Dear holy saints of God,
we join our prayers of praise to yours this day.
With you, we sing of God’s goodness,
rejoice in God’s mercy,
and celebrate God’s incredible love.
Teach us to live as you lived –
always thinking of others,
always recognizing your weaknesses,
always rejoicing in God’s gifts,
always following Jesus.
Blessed are you, happy are you,
all holy saints of God.
Pray for us that we, too,
may someday be among God’s holy ones.



Amen*CAFOD 2026 Jubilee Year of St. Francis Prayer*

Saint Francis, our brother, you who eight hundred years ago
went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace,
intercede for us before the Lord.
You recognised true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano,
teach us to seek in Him the source of all reconciliation
that breaks down every wall.
You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding,
give us the courage to build bridges
where the world raises up boundaries.
In this time afflicted by conflict and division,
intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers:
unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ.
Amen

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore
Archdiocese of Sydney
Serving the suburbs of Enmore, St Peters, Sydenham & Tempe

All Saints – Year A — 1 November 2026

Entrance Antiphon

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

First Reading — Revelation 7:2-4. 9-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language.
I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, ‘Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.’ Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.
After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, ‘Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’ And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, ‘Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.’
One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, ‘Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?’ I answered him, ‘You can tell me, my Lord.’ Then he said, ‘These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.’

Responsorial Psalm — Ps 23:1-6. R. see v.6

R/ Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

1.The Lord’s is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples. It is he who set it on the seas; on the waters he made it firm. R/

2.Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place? The man with clean hands and pure heart, who desires not worthless things. R/

3.He shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves him. Such are the men who seek him, seek the face of the God of Jacob. R/

Second Reading — 1 John 3:1-3

A reading from the first letter of St John
We shall see God as he really is.
Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God’s children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

Gospel Acclamation — Matthew 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel — Matthew 5:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.
Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

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 – 9:15am Saturday—5:00pm – (6:30pm – Portuguese) Sunday—9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian)
Confessions	Saturday 4:15—4:45pm *or* by appointment
Adoration & Benediction	Mon - Wed 3:00 – 4:00pm, Thurs & 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 10/11 & 17/18 October 2026

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
$762.80	**$821.45**	**$460.00**	**$38.10**
(supports the priest's expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

Masses for: various intentions

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: *If you or someone you know has experienced abuse, or if you are worried about the safety of a child, young person or vulnerable adult, please know that you are not alone and that help is available. The Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office is available to listen, support you, and provide guidance about reporting options. You can contact the office on (02) 9390 5800 or at safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also wish to speak with your Parish Priest, who can offer pastoral care and assist you in taking the next step. The Archdiocese takes all safeguarding concerns seriously and is required to report criminal matters to police. If there is an emergency or someone is in immediate danger, please contact NSW Police on 000. 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

Parish Christmas Party Golden Barley Hotel On the weekend of 31 Oct/1 Nov, we will vote as to what night between Tuesday 1 December and Sunday 6 December to have our Christmas Party.

Indulgence Extended for all of November *See noticeboard*

Red November Masses 21/22 November 2026 The parish will support *Aid to the Church in Need's* request to pray and support persecuted Christians around the world by celebrating Red Masses on the weekend of 21/22 November. The Rosary will be prayed before Masses for persecuted Christians.

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

Pontifical University of The Holy Cross Foundation *Help spread the Gospel throughout the world* Donate or leave a bequest. Contact Edwin Zambrano 0408 289 022. For more information www.pontifoundation.org.au *OR See noticeboard for flyer*

Palms Timor-Leste Encounter 10-23 May 2027! Timor-Leste is Australia's closest neighbour. It is also the nation with which Australia has had a complex chequered history. Yet very few Australians have ever been there. An Encounter Tour to is not only an unforgettable holiday – it is an opportunity to get 'behind the scenes' insights into history, culture & the importance of relationships in sustainable development. In a small (max 8 person) group, you will meet Palms international partners and long-term volunteers. Encounters are the ethical option to learn about development and support Australia's oldest lay Catholic international development organisation. Book your place on the 14-day Encounter Tour here: palms.org.au/encounters. Volunteers Needed! Catholic Community Connectors needed to assist with the Palms'

Seminar on Wills Wed 4 Nov 2026 FREE Holy Cross Parish, Bondi Junction. Features expert legal advisors. Register: www.trybooking.com/DQJUN. For more information call or email Tony Maricic on 0422 099 576 *OR* tony.maricic@sydneycatholic.org *See flyer on noticeboard*

Enfield Healing Mass Friday 6 November *See noticeboard for details*

Mozart's Requiem by Candlelight – Sydney Town Hall As the Church remembers the faithful departed during November, parishioners are warmly invited to Mozart's Requiem – A Candlelit Tribute to Our Military Nurses on **Sunday 8 November** at 5:00pm. Performed by a magnificent choir, orchestra and soloists beneath the glow of hundreds of candles, this special concert will honour Australia's military nurses, including the 21 nurses murdered in the Bangka Island Massacre. Presented by Artes Christi, a Catholic arts organisation, in one of Sydney's grandest civic buildings, the concert brings the beauty of Catholic sacred music into the heart of our city, offering an inspiring public expression of faith, remembrance and Christian hope. Bookings: TICKET PRICES: $125 Category A - *Platinum Gold Pass* $60 Category B - Ground Floor Tickets $40 Category C - Gallery Tickets

Didasko The Eucharist and Evangelisation Dr Kevin Wagner Mondays **9, 16 & 23 November**. Online via Zoom. Each session 7:30-8:45pm. Cost per month: $35. Register at: gomakedisciples.org.au/didasko

Pray with Others Using the 2026 Sydney Advent-Christmas Companion: Come Let Us Adore Him Many people, including those who do not go to Mass, would welcome an opportunity to pray with someone; they just need someone to invite them! Advent is a wonderful time to learn—or to develop—the art of inviting others to pray with you. If you would benefit from some guidance, ideas, or encouragement, register for one of our online workshops. Companions will be delivered to Sydney parishes in mid-November. Register at https://www.trybooking.com/DQSRR Dates and times:

- Option 1: **Thursday 12 November** 2026, 7:30 - 8:15 PM
- Option 2: **Friday 20 November 2026**, 12:00 - 12:45 PM

Walk with Christ 22 November 2026 1pm Martin Place: Featuring All Saints Youth Music, Fr Rob Galea, Ruben Quezada, speking on religious freedom, & Jubilate Deo Choir. 2:30pm Blessed Sacrament arrives and Eucharistic Procession begins. *See pillar.*

The Theology of the Body Institute in partnership with the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation, invites you to a unique Theology of the Body immersion experience exploring art, beauty, and the human vocation. This course is designed to heal the senses and transform the way we see one another, the created world, and ultimately God Himself. Drawing deeply from St. John Paul II's Letter to Artists, the Theology of the Body catechesis, insights from Pope Benedict XVI, and the wider Catholic tradition, this immersion invites participants to walk the Way of Beauty as a powerful path of prayer, contemplation, and evangelisation. Date: **Sunday 17 January 2027 5:00 PM - Friday 22 January 2027 1:00 PM** Venue: Benedict XVI Retreat Centre - 347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale NSW 2753 For more information and to register, visit: https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1550685