

All Hallows' Five Dock



Sixth Sunday of Easter | Year B | Sunday 9th May

Parish Mission

We, the people of this place,
live and celebrate a love of faith.

We share this faith in a
spirit of service,
that creates a sense of
God's presence among us.

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A Message from Fr Joseph

Dear Friends in Christ,
Today we're celebrating Mother's day. So what better day than to share with you all my favourite things about my mum. When I think back of everything she has ever done for me, for us, I am truly floored. What a woman! It doesn't matter what you have done, or to whom, my mother will give you another chance. You can stomp on her heart, really smash it into the ground, even cut it to pieces, and it may take a little while, but she will let you back in. You can take away one of the things she loves most of all, she will still love you. You can be the most troubled human on this planet, but she will still take you in, put a roof over your head, and expect nothing but respect back.

It takes a forgiving person to do all that, and that's my mother if not all mothers! That may frustrate me sometimes, especially if I think the person doesn't deserve it, but I have to admire her for it. I don't think I could ever do that. As we remember the love and joy that our mothers have brought to our lives, we pray that God will increase the joy and love in their lives. Pope Francis said, "I think of you, dear Mothers: how much you pray for your children, without getting tired. Continue to pray, to entrust your children to God. He has a great heart!" God we thank you for guiding the journey of all our Mothers at All Hallows' Community. Have a Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!

With best wishes for the
Holy Season of Easter -
Fr. Joseph PP
0412 085 189



Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday: 8am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday: 8.30am, 10am (Family Mass)
and 6pm

Monday - Friday: 8am

The Holy Rosary is prayed after every morning Mass for the Parish community. All are welcome.

Reconciliation:

Before or after any Mass.
Or any time by appointment.

Sick Calls:

Any time - day/night.

Exposition:

Every Wednesday after 8am Mass.

Baptisms: Saturdays or Sundays.

Weddings:

Contact Deacon or Father.

This Week:

Sunday 9:

6th Sunday of Easter

St John of Avila

Mother's Day

Youth Group // 5pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday 12:

Holy Hour // 3pm - Chapel of Divine Mercy

Thursday 13:

Our Lady of Fatima

Friday 14:

St Matthias

Stations of Light // 7pm

Saturday 15:

St Isidore

Sunday 16:

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Youth Group // 5pm - Parish Hall



All Hallows Primary School

In teaching children about their faith, All Hallows strives to provide authentic and relevant experiences for the children when learning about their Catholic Faith. This weekend we celebrate Mothers' Day and our religion classes are focussing on Mary, our heavenly mother, and the many similarities she has with our own earthly mothers. The infants classes joined for a liturgy in the church on Wednesday and the primary classes attended Mass on Friday with their mothers, grandmothers, great grandmothers and others who are like mother figures to them in everyday life. We thank God for their nurturing gentle ways and their unending love and support. I wish all mothers, grandmothers, great grandmothers and those who provide a motherly role figure to children, a very happy Mothers' Day. May the Lord's blessings strengthen and protect you even in the most challenging moments of your relationships with your children. We thank you for your patience, love and commitment to always being there.

Mrs Helen Elliott
Principal



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Christine Bailey
Tom Graham
Tony Michael
Tony McMahon

Do you know of anyone who is sick and in need of prayer? Please send their name in an email to the Parish Office and we will add their name in here.

Recently Deceased:

Maurizio Rossetto
Maria Blandino
Angelo Vigolo
Paolo Ingegneri
Domenico Montemurro
Catherine Payet
Leonardo Cascio
Andrew Ippolito
Roberto Alcaro
Parma Spata

Generation Awakening - Teen Youth Group

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 Wow, love is awesome, isn't it? God is telling us that a mother's love is all of these things. A mom's love is a gift from God. Let's be grateful for mothers and mother's love on this special day. As this is a special family day, there will be no youth group meeting this Sunday. Youth Group will resume on the 16th May at 5pm in the Parish Hall. We will be exploring the character of Saint Joseph, what was God's plan for him and what did he do about it.

*** Do you feel called to share a special Bible character, please contact Beatrice Lorquet on 0414 577 947, you will be welcomed to present at GA.**



Religious Education



May is the month of Mary, our spiritual mother. At All Hallows' School this week we have been preparing to celebrate and thank God for the gift of our own mothers, with classes

attending a blessing or Mass with their mothers and offering their own prayers with Fr Joseph for all mothers. We wish all the mothers a very happy weekend and thank you for all your hard work raising such beautiful children!

Brigid Vieira
Religious Education
Co-ordinator



Family and Faith

Happy Mother's Day to all our mums and mother figures! It is very fitting that we celebrate Mother's Day in the Month of Mary. Today, we remember with gratitude and affection our mothers, not only through gifts, flowers, or cards, but also by our prayers for them. Let us pray for all of our mothers, including those who are no longer with us. And let us remember that we have a Mother in heaven, the Blessed Virgin Mary. May the Mother given to us by Christ on the cross be ever at our side! Throughout the month of May, you are encouraged to visit the Chapel of Our Lady and leave a prayer petition in the box. Fr Joseph will then offer all these petitions at a Mass later this month. There is no greater way to honour our Blessed Mother than to pray to her. *Blessed Mother Mary...Pray for us.*

Marisa Squadrito
Family Educator



Anniversaries:

Mario Carlucci

For the Souls of the Faithful Departed:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Parish Notices

Mother's Day Raffle

It's your last chance to buy a Catholic Women's League Mothers Day raffle ticket this weekend! The raffle will be drawn after the 10am mass.



Change of Mass Time

Please note that from Pentecost Sunday on the 23rd May, the 6pm Sunday mass time will be changed to 5pm.

All Hallows Parish Community Garden

We have started to set up a community garden on the grounds behind the church. It will be up and running soon! We will have more details about when it will run in the coming weeks.



New Air -Conditioning in our church.

This Monday we will be replacing the broken air-conditioners in our Church. We would like to thank Andrew Traino for organising scaffolding and helping our community. Thank you for looking after our Church.



Supporting our Parish

You can support our Parish financially by accessing the BPoint Secure Payment Service on the Parish website or you can use the QR Code printed here. For contributions to the First Collection, please select *Pastoral Revenue* from the drop down menu. For

Planned Giving contributions, please select *Planned Giving* from the drop down menu and include your name and your Planned Giving Number (if known). You can also contribute using the Tap and Go devices in the Gathering Space at the entrance to the church.

Safeguarding our Parish

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 Office at 93905810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



Catholic Men's Fellowship Movie night

A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS

One man stands against the King

25th June 2021

All Hallows Parish Hall

6:45pm for 7pm start. Concludes 10pm
Includes: Sausage BBQ dinner Donations

Limited spaces. SMS to confirm your spot.

Joffre Balce 0420 361 898

George Favotto 0407 927 787



CWL Silver Circle Winners

Congratulations to our Week four winners of the CWL Silver Circle.



Week 4

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| 1 st | Veronica Payne | \$20 | Number 39 |
| 2 nd | Colleen Grant | \$5 | Number 1 |

Catholic Men's Fellowship - Men's Breakfast

How much can you forgive?

Danny Abdallah and his wife Leila lost three of their young children last year in a tragic accident involving a driver under the influence of drugs and alcohol. In a story that made headlines throughout Australia he and his wife publicly forgave the young man who had taken their children's lives. Hear his powerful story of how their faith led them to forgiveness at a Men's Breakfast on Saturday 15th May 8am-9.30am at St Joseph's Parish Hall, Enfield.

Please contact Norm Reavell on

0438 515441 for more information.

Limited numbers. Bookings essential:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BQKYJ>



Children's Corner


Wordsearch

Try to find these words:



- complete
- discipline
- Father
- friends
- greatest
- happy
- keep
- love
- obey
- other
- show
- sure

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First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles <i>The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the gentiles also.</i></p> <p>As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said, 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said, 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'</p> <p>While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.</p>	<p>(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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.) 	<p>1 Jn 4:7-10 A reading from the first letter of St John <i>God is love.</i></p> <p>My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.</p> <hr/> <p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord said: I will not leave you orphans. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice. Alleluia!</p>

Gospel

Jn 15:9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you, I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'



Reflection by Mary Coloe

Last week gave us the image of a vine to express the intimacy between Jesus and his disciples, this week Jesus draws on the image of a family to speak of his relationship with God as a father. Because this is such familiar language, we can forget that it is in fact an image. God is not a father, or a vine-keeper or a shepherd. These are images drawn from life experience to try to speak about God in ways familiar to our human experience.

The close love between a parent and child is the love Jesus says exists between himself and his disciples. Later he speaks of them as friends. There is in this passage a progression of relationships: God loves Jesus who loves disciples who are to love one another. The measuring stick for our relationship with God is our relationship with each other. Christians cannot withdraw into a pious cosy 'me and God' duet. Being at home with God requires that we open ourselves to be at home with others. There is a saying, 'absence makes the heart grow fonder,' and this can be true for God. It's easier to love the 'absent' God in a distant heaven than to love God present in our families or workplaces or living in our streets. 'Love one another, as I have loved you.' Jesus loved to the point of giving his life. What are we asked to give to another – a listening ear, an hour of our time, a card or letter, a visit? 'What I command you is to love one another.'