

All Hallows' Five Dock



11th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year B | Sunday 13th June

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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The Kingdom of God is Within You

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus says that the kingdom of God is like a mustard seed. When it is sown in the ground, it is the smallest of seeds; but it can grow to become the largest of plants. So, the kingdom of God can be very small, or it can change its size and become very big.

How much of God's will does any Christian fulfill? But why wouldn't the kingdom of God always be the same size? To see the answer, you have to recognize that the kingdom of God isn't a peculiar kind of country. God's kingdom isn't a place at all. It's a condition, the condition of God's ruling as king. But, we might think, even so, God's kingdom can't shift sizes. God's rule is always the same size: it's everywhere. And yet this can't be right either. What is ruled by a king is governed by the will of the king. But how much of God's will does any Christian fulfill? Everything is subject to the will of God the King, for sure, but not every Christian

who counts as being in the kingdom of God fulfills God's will completely now. So this is the way in which God's kingdom can change size. When a Christian does what is against God's will, to that extent the will of God is not fulfilled in her. And so, to that same extent, the kingdom of God is small in her too. On the other hand, the more a Christian fulfills God's will in her life, the greater the kingdom of God in her is. This is one way we can understand Christ's parable of the mustard seed, then. When a Christian first opens himself up to receive God as Lord, the Lord rules very little of him. And so the kingdom of God is like the littlest seed in the ground of his heart. But if only he lets that seed grow in him, if only he doesn't give up on himself as fruitless and despair of himself, then that littlest seed of God's kingdom will grow and grow in him till it becomes like a great tree in him. In the end, though, here is the most important thing to see. If you have even just a mustard seed's worth of faith and obedience, you still have the kingdom of God within you.

Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday: 9am (Fr Denis Minns) &
5.30pm Vigil (Fr Roland Maurer)

Sunday: 8.30am (Fr Denis Minns),
10am and 5pm (Fr Graeme Malone)

Monday - Friday: 8am (Fr Michael
McLean)

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.

This Week:

Sunday 13:

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wednesday 16:

Holy Hour // 3pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Saturday 19:

Saint Romuald

Sunday 20:

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baptisms:

Saturdays or Sundays.

Weddings: Contact Deacon or Father.



All Hallows welcomes Fr. Danny Meagher

Fr Danny Meagher has been appointed Administrator of All Hallows from 16th June, and we also expect a new assistant priest to be appointed in the next week or so. Fr Danny is a very experienced pastor and leader. Please welcome and support Fr Danny as he guides the parish in the currently difficult circumstances.

Fr Danny was ordained in 1995 and has ministered in several parishes of the Sydney Archdiocese, including St Columbus parish in North Leichhardt, and also in Broken Hill. He has recently completed his appointment as Rector at the Good Shepherd Seminary in Homebush and has been ministering to the homeless in the inner city. Please introduce yourself to Fr Danny and make him feel welcome.



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Norman Merlino
Christine Bailey
Tom Graham
Tony Michael

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:

Maria Iolanda Scenna
Vincenzo Maiurana
Carmine Mascitelli
Maria Magosso
Vittorio Marotta
Tania Ward
Stefano Lipari
Anna Schiro
Milan Galic
Aquilino Dal Cin

Anniversaries:

Giuseppina Intili

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.



Generation Awakening - Teen Youth Group



Did you hear? It's only one more month till our Y-Factor July Camp!! Full registrations are still open but closes in 2 weeks on the 21st of June. This is an event not to be missed, so register now at

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=746555&>

Generation Awakening is on holiday break, there will be no youth group until Term 3 begins.

Plenary Council 2021

In October 2021, the Catholic Church in Australia will gather for the first Assembly of the Plenary Council to be held since the second Vatican Council. In 2018, when the decision to hold a Plenary Council was announced, the entire People of God in Australia began preparing for this historic moment by listening to God and by listening to one another's stories of faith. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the first Assembly will be a mix of in-person and online delivery. See the up-to-date **PLENARY COUNCIL JOURNEY 2020-2022**. **We are asked to pray for this journey.**

Fan the Flame

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

'What can we say the kingdom of God is like?' Mark 4:26-34

This love cannot be mere words because it is an imitation of Christ's own love for every person, a love that forgives, transforms, and brings those who hear Him into the fullness of life.

(Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal – Discernment Paper p. 6)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/

Religious Education

Last Saturday was a very special day for the year 3 students from All Hallows students and students from neighbouring public schools. After weeks of preparation, these students received their very first Reconciliation. We congratulate all those who received the sacrament and the Parish Sacramental Team for all their hard work to make this happen. It was a beautiful celebration and so lovely to see the students coming back with big smiles on their faces after receiving the sacrament of forgiveness and healing. Please continue to keep the students in your prayers!

Next term we'll begin lessons for those who are planning to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this year. If you would like to register for this, please contact the parish.

Brigid Vieira
Religious Education Coordinator

Family and Faith



On Friday, we celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This feast celebrates the infinite love of Our Lord Jesus Christ and has special significance to the Presentation Sisters who founded our school. Their foundress, Nano Nagle, experienced God's merciful love in the dark streets of Cork as she ministered to the poor, the vulnerable and the destitute. On her deathbed, Nano left this legacy of the Sacred Heart love to her sisters, saying, "Love one another as I have hitherto done."

The whole month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In seeing His heart may we open our troubled hearts, our compassionate hearts, our broken hearts and our abiding hearts to indescribable mercy.

Marisa Squadrito
Family Educator



Parish Notices



Thank you!

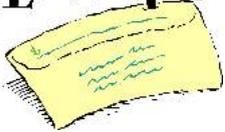
We would like to thank Fr Michael McLean, Fr Thomas Stevens and Fr Paul Zadro for assisting with First Reconciliation last weekend.



We would also like to thank Fr Michael Mclean for celebrating our weekday masses, Fr Roland Maurer for celebrating our 5:30pm vigil mass, Fr Denis Minns for celebrating the 8:30am Sunday mass, and Fr Graeme Malone for celebrating the 10am and 5pm Sunday masses.

Planned Giving Envelopes

Offering Envelopes



The 2021/2022 planned giving envelopes are now available to be picked up in the gathering space. Please use the new purple envelopes from the 1st July 2021. If anyone is interested in joining the planned giving program, please contact the parish office.



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 Women's League

Congratulations to Week 9 Silver Circle winners:

- 1st No. 13 Mary Coleman
- 2nd No. 18 Robert Kirbyl



Baptisms



We welcome

Hugo Ethan Le Tran

who is being baptised into the parish community of All Hallows this weekend.

Raising Fathers Evenings

WANT TO BE A BETTER DAD?

RAISING FATHERS EVENINGS

21 JULY OUR LADY OF LOURDES, EARLWOOD 7:30-8:30PM	22 JULY ST MICHAEL, LANE COVE 7:30-8:30PM	23 JULY ST CHRISTOPHER, PANANIA 7:30-8:30PM
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ALL PARENTS AND GUARDIANS WELCOME

DANIEL ANG

ROBERT FALZON

STUART BRADY

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Children's Corner

Wordsearch

Try to find these words:



- birds
- branches
- explain
- kingdom
- larger
- mustard
- planted
- seed
- smallest
- stories
- taught
- world

A J M G C T K D H E A K P T
 E T W R H S J B O L G I B L
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First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Ez 17:22-24 A reading from the prophet Ezekiel <i>I have made the small tree great.</i> The Lord says this: ‘From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.’</p>	<p>(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.</p> <p>1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. (R.)</p> <p>2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)</p> <p>3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)</p>	<p>2 Cor 5:6-10 A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians <i>Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord.</i> We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.</p>
	<p>Next Week’s Readings</p> <p>12th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Job 38:1. 8-11 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Gospel: Mark 4:35-41</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever. Alleluia!</p>

Gospel

<p>Mk 4:26-34 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark <i>The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.</i> Jesus said to the crowds, ‘This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.’ He also said, ‘What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.’ Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.</p>	
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Reflection by Dianne Bergent

The readings today remind us that poetic imagery is an apt way of describing the mysterious presence of God in our midst. The cedar began as a seedling that takes years to grow into a magnificent tree. The same is true of the mustard tree. It too requires time to develop its trunk and branches. The development of moral integrity in a human being is just as gradual. Rooted in God, it flourishes in God's presence and it produces fruit even into old age. Although God is present in all things, sustaining them and allowing them to follow their natural courses, God really transcends all things. Metaphorical language may be the best means for speaking about God and the things of God. It enables us to live in the tension that both reveals something about God and conceals God's real nature.

The reign of God also begins in very ordinary circumstances, and it matures gradually until it has spread itself far and wide. Although the mystery of the reign of God unfolds within human history, we need eyes of faith to recognise it. Like the cedar and the mustard seed, it grows within the concreteness of human experience. Just as the life force that thrusts the branches of the trees further and further out cannot itself be seen, so the reign of God is mysterious, even incomprehensible. Still, it is there, inviting us, urging us to move forward, transforming our world.