

All Hallows' Five Dock



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year B | Sunday 10th October

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 Danny

Dear Parishioners,

I really do hope that the young man who approached Jesus in the Gospel this week made it eventually into Heaven.

He was a good man and had kept the Commandments – most of them – all his life. And he was clearly wanting to be a better person – that is why he asked Jesus what more he had to do to inherit eternal life. And Jesus saw his goodness and, Mark reports, “Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him”.

But, at this stage in his life, the young man could not put God ahead of his attachment to his wealth. He was a wealthy man, and had probably tied much of his sense of identity with his wealth. To give up all he was, and all his comfort and power, was too much for him. But, maybe, after the Resurrection, the man may have realised what was at stake. And the Holy Spirit may have continued to challenge him to die to himself and open up to God. Maybe he was one of the very early Christians and we know this story because the young man told it to Mark.

Who knows? But I am certainly not perfect. I certainly have not died completely to myself. I remain proud, selfish, materialistic and a million other things. But, like the young man, I do love God and want to be a better person. So, all life, the spiritual struggle goes on, as we seek to die to selfishness and give our lives and hearts to others and to God.

There is nothing wrong with money (or power or status), but the problem arises when we love these things more than God and others. God help us grow in freedom of heart.

With best wishes -
Fr Danny.

Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday: 8am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday: 8.30am, 10am and 5pm

Monday - Friday: 8am

Reconciliation:

Saturday:
8:30am-9am / 4:45pm - 5:15pm
Or any time by appointment.

Sick Calls:

Any time - day/night.

Baptisms:

Every Saturday and Sunday.

Weddings:

Contact the parish office.

This Week:

Sunday 10:

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Youth Group // Cancelled

Sunday 17:

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Youth Group // Cancelled



Notices from Fr Danny

Finances

During the lockdown our expenses exceeded our income by about \$25,000. We did receive income – from parishioners who continued to drop in their envelopes and from those who contribute by credit card and also from Government grants. And during the lockdown we had to pay for insurance, which was about \$29,000, and was for a 14 month period. However, I would much appreciate it if parishioners who have not been able to contribute during the lockdown, and are able to do so now, did make up for lost time. Thank you.

Live streaming of masses

We will continue to livestream the 8am weekday Masses (Monday to Saturday). On Sundays, once weekend Masses resume on the 16th October, we will only livestream the 10am mass. This will continue until 80% vaccination is reached and the Church opens up for everyone.

Please click on the link below to view:

[Parish All Hallows Five Dock You-Tube.](#)



Confirmation

An update regarding Confirmation has now been sent to parents via email. It contains details of the rehearsal and mass dates/times, as well as booking information. If you are a parent/carer of a Confirmation candidate and did not receive an update via email, please go to the parish website under the Confirmation tab ([Confirmation – All Hallows Catholic Parish. Five Dock](#)) to view the latest information or contact the parish office.

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of October to the Holy Rosary

October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary. Why bother praying the rosary, you may be asking?

1. It allows you to meditate and reflect on key events of Jesus' ministry through Scripture.
2. It helps us grow in holiness, asking for Mary's intercession in growing in virtue.
3. It weakens the devil, with Mary protecting us from his evil works and temptations.
4. This beautiful prayer helps slow down our busy lives, with Mary offering us the blessing of true peace.
5. It is a great way to pray for others, especially those people who have asked you to pray for them and you may have forgotten...
6. When you might not have the words to pray or don't know how to pray, the Rosary can be the words that we might not have at the time.
7. Have you read the [15 Promises of the Rosary](#), given to St Dominic from the Blessed Virgin Mary?

So gather your friends, or your families, or just yourself, set aside some time and pray the Rosary. Even if you can only fit in a decade or two!

If you're needing some inspiration or struggling to stay focused, have a look at some of these Rosary resources:



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Joseph Cacnio
George Malouf
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:

Peter Morkos
Jill Prentice
Esmae Salmon
Antonio Ranea
Angela Remollino
Luciano La Selva
Teresa Fonsdituri
Gina Pinto
Giuseppa Mauro
Antonio "Tony" Bonaddio

Anniversaries:

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



Return to Church

Thanks be to God, we can finally return to Church. As from Monday, October 11, Masses will be open to all at the normal times. (Except that we will continue having the Saturday morning Mass at 8am).

Of course we need to comply with the COVID health orders:

- 4sqm spacing, so please sit only at the places indicated;
- no congregational singing, though I hope we will be able to have a cantor at Sunday Masses;
- mask wearing;
- hand sanitising;
- admission is for those who are fully vaccinated;
- we will try to keep doors open to allow for good air circulation.

About two weeks afterwards, when we reach 80% vaccination, admission will no longer be restricted to the vaccinated and, on December 1, congregational singing will be allowed, masks will not be required and the spacing rules will be relaxed. So there will be a gradual relaxing of the restrictions.

Confirmations will proceed on the weekend of November 6/7 and first Holy Communion Masses will be on December 4/5. From Saturday, October 16 we will have baptisms at 11am and 12pm on Saturdays and Sundays, until the backlog is caught up. Only one baby will be baptised at a time.

Fr Richard and I are really looking forward to meeting all our parishioners and celebrating our liturgies again together.

God bless,
Fr Danny.



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.



Rosary

All families are invited to join in praying the

Rosary

every Thursday evening in October at 7.30pm Via Zoom

"The Holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you will be amazed at the results." Pope Francis

The first Rosary evening will be held on Thursday 7 October which is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

Hosted by the Family Educators of the Ashfield-Olympic Park Network

Please click on the zoom link to join these Rosary sessions:

<https://scscatholic.zoom.us/j/65317311082>

October IS World Mission Month

In two weeks, Catholic Mission will share with us the powerful story of Churai*, a mother who found her way to the Mother and Babies Home, run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, during a desperate time in her life.



The Good Shepherd Sisters' mission is to promote the dignity and human rights of all, especially women and children; but they can only do that with support from people like you.

Please come with an open and generous heart.

Freecall: 1800257296 or visit

catholicmission.org.au/thailand



Children's Corner

Follow the Lord

Z R X D S G A N Y T H I N G
M T S N W D L S B X C K N J
H J Z V W Y T A T V M K E L
P D X J K J Z D X C A X E Q
A G F N B O T D X Y D M D F
W H H C G B A L O B A H L H
M O N E Y E S T E A L M E D
R O A D X Y L Z X C F Z J Y
H W J D B C M T E A C H E R
K L C O M M A N D M E N T S
D E U C K I N G D O M C W O
X A Q I Q D P F V O L I F E
F D W P N B A X C J Q V M P
A T C O Q E F R N K Y C K C
D H K C A M E L Z P H L A B

Try to find these words:

- anything
- camel
- commandments
- kingdom
- life
- money
- needle
- obey
- road
- sad
- steal
- teacher

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Wis 7:7-11 A reading from the book of Wisdom <i>In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.</i> I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.</p>	<p>(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!</p> <p>1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger forever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)</p> <p>2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)</p> <p>3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)</p>	<p>Heb 4:12-13 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews <i>The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.</i> The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.</p> <div data-bbox="1173 627 1380 750" style="text-align: center;"> </div>
	Next Week's Readings	
	<p style="text-align: center;">29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11 2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16 Gospel: Mark 10:35-45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Gospel Acclamation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!</p>

Gospel

Mk 10:17-27
 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.
 Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.
 Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Reflection by Greg Sunter

Jesus reminds us in this gospel that to join him in bringing about the reign of God requires absolute commitment and a willingness to give up that which is most precious to us. The rich man who approached Jesus was genuine in his desire to fulfil all the requirements of the Law to attain eternal life. Jesus quoted to him all the commandments that deal with right relationships with others. The man is able to tick these off and assure Jesus that he has been doing this since childhood – a pretty big claim in the first place! Then Jesus 'looked steadily at him and loved him' – he looked on him with the eyes of love; the eyes that see to the heart of a person, and in that look knew what was most important to the man. Jesus could tell by his dress no doubt that the man was wealthy and so it is this aspect of the man's life that Jesus chooses to challenge him about. This gospel shouldn't necessarily be read as a condemnation of wealth – rather, it is the man's inability to surrender his wealth that Jesus challenges. Jesus sees to the heart of the man and asks if he is willing to give up that which is most important in his life. The man is unable to do what Jesus asks of him and goes away sad. Why sad? He's sad because he knows that he has been tested and failed. He knows that what he genuinely desired was within his reach but he needed to let go of his position, his status, his wealth, to be able to grasp what he desired in both hands.



Sunday 10 October 2021
Mark 10:17-30
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

A rich young man asks Jesus how he can get to heaven. Jesus challenges the man to share what he has with other people. It's not always easy to share – but God will help us.

My name is _____

SHARE WITH OTHERS

Colour

Here is the rich young man. He is very sad.

He doesn't think he can share all his money.



Who needs what?

These people all need something.

Can you draw a line from each person to the thing they need?



Clothes



Cuddles



Food

Enter God's Kingdom

Jesus wants us all to enter God's kingdom but it might not be that easy. Can you follow the right path to get there?



A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you for loving me, Jesus, just like you loved the rich young man. Help me to rise to your challenge and share what I have with others. Amen.



Help the rich man give away his money so that each poor person has the same amount.