

All Hallows' Five Dock



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year B | Sunday 14th November

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 Richard

Dear Parishioners,

"The Lord says: my plans for you are peace and not disaster..." This is the entrance antiphon for this Sunday. A reminder that each of us is part of God's plan. Be not afraid!

As we draw close to the end of the liturgical year, the readings are both apocalyptic and eschatological – meaning that they speak of end times. In the midst of the darkness, the quaking of the heavens, and the "unsurpassed distress" of the last days, one thing remains to give us comfort: the presence of Jesus Christ. "They will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds." This is a promise of salvation, a promise of resurrection! We must therefore trust that God is leading us to justice and to the fullness of joys in his presence.

The Church believes that a person faces the particular judgment at death. God judges our souls and finds us either able to enter heaven immediately, needing to go through further purification in purgatory or capable of hell because of our refusal to detach ourselves from sin and our unwillingness to repent. What happens to us after death is an indication of our own personal, free choice to choose God and the path to holiness or to turn against Him. What happens after death also indicates who our God is - a God of both justice and mercy.

As Christians, we should not fear death, but rather ready ourselves for it. Reflecting on the end should help us orient our lives to what truly matters in this world. God's plan for each of us is peace and not disaster!

With best wishes -
Fr Richard.

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 Sunday.

Weddings:

Contact the parish office.

This Week:

Sunday 14:

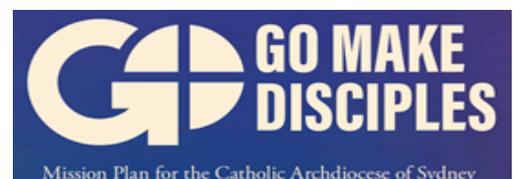
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Youth Group // 4pm - Cancelled

Wednesday 17:

3pm - Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration

Sunday 21:

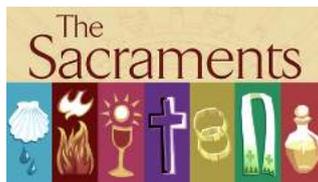
Christ the King
Youth Group // 4pm - Advent groups



Notices from Fr Danny

Sacraments

Thanks to all who participated in our Confirmation Masses last weekend. It was certainly quite a marathon, but everyone seemed to be very pleased. With fewer numbers in the Church, due to COVID, many commented about the reverence and joyfulness of the ceremonies. I certainly felt that everyone was prayerful and we did humbly ask the Lord to send His Holy Spirit to confirm the children. Thanks particularly to the sacramental team and all the musicians who contributed so generously.



Holy Communion classes have begun. They are held on Monday and Thursday evenings in the Church and hall. After four weeks of preparation, the first Holy Communion Masses will be held on 4/5 December. They will not affect the normal scheduling of Masses that weekend.

Baptisms are in full swing and you will notice many families being welcomed at Sunday Masses. The babies share in the same Holy Spirit as us all, so it is good to welcome them and their families into our community of All Hallows.

Church capacity

We are now allowed to seat 260 in Church. That is, the government now allows us twice the spacing in Church as before - the 2sqm rule rather than the 4sqm rule. Family groups - please sit together. Those from different households, please do try to keep the appropriate distance. Wearing of masks is still required however congregational singing is now permitted. We do need to continue to sign in.

Saturday, 27 November: A morning for reflection and healing

The parish has been through a tumultuous time and I think it is good for those who would like to come together to reflect on what has happened and, hopefully, experience some healing. This will be on Saturday morning, 27th November, starting 9.15am with morning tea. There will be prayer and conversation. We will gather in the hall for the reflection and finish with a Mass of Reconciliation in the Church. Sr Jo Brady, who facilitated Plenary meetings, and Sandy Lynch of our parish will facilitate. If you would like to attend, please register using the sign in sheets in the gathering space.



Caritas Ambassador



As part of a commitment of connecting the local Catholic community to the mission of Caritas Australia, Caritas are seeking an Ambassador within our parish. This volunteer will be part of a network of contacts across the country and be

supported to promote the work of Caritas Australia, particularly during Project Compassion in Lent.

It is hoped that a Caritas Ambassador will make it easier to organise and run Project Compassion within our parish each year. This role will be a great opportunity for anyone who is keen to be involved in the life of the parish. An Ambassador may be:

- A member of the Parish Pastoral Council or Social Justice group,
- The parish Youth Minister, Sacramental Coordinator or Liturgy Coordinator, or
- Any parishioner who is passionate about social and/or ecological justice.

An overview of the role has been made available to the parish office and can be given to any potential candidates. This role is flexible; how much time or energy the Ambassador is able to give is very much up to them.

To nominate to be an Ambassador for your community, please email your details to

NSWACTAmbassadors@caritas.org.au.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Silvana La Selva
Joseph Cacnio
George Malouf
Norman Merlino
Tony Michael

Recently Deceased:

Mary Shelpot
Thea Bettridge
John Cammareri
Giuseppe Princi
Michael Koprivnjak
Teresa Benitez
Myriam Estevez Da Silva
Robert Musumeci
Peter Morkos
Jill Prentice
Esmae Salmon
Antonio Ranea

Anniversaries:

Michelino Stranges
Doreen Quinn
Lucia and Vincenzo Benefatto
Ellen Green
Pina and Giuseppe Battiato

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.



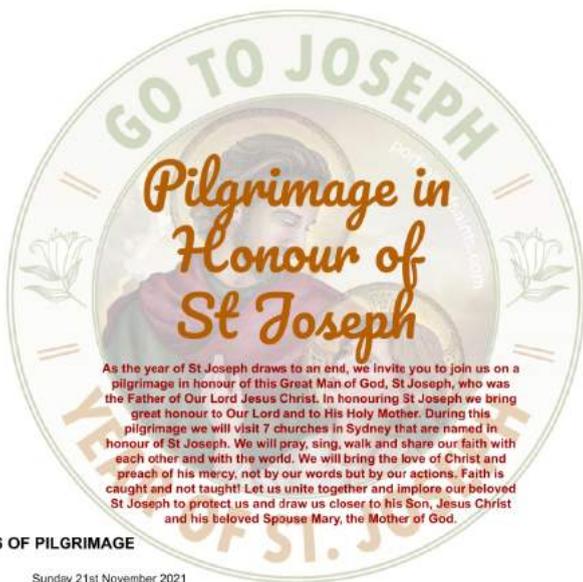
Parish Notices



Advent Youth Group

Please sign up for the Advent Youth Group. It starts on the 21st November at 4pm in the parish hall. Sign up sheets can be found in the gathering space of the Church.

St Joseph Pilgrimage



DETAILS OF PILGRIMAGE

DATE: Sunday 21st November 2021
(Feast of Christ the King and the Presentation of Mary)

TIME: 8am to 7pm (or 9pm with a Festive dinner in honour of St Joseph)

LOCATION: Start at (Mary Mackillop Place North Sydney)

ITINERARY
Mary Mackillop Place - St Joseph's Rozelle - St Joseph's Camperdown - St Joseph's Newtown - St Joseph's Belmore - St Joseph's Enfield - St Joseph's Croydon (Sunday Mass 6pm)

WHAT TO BRING:
Rosary Beads, Water, Food, Umbrella
Weather permitting and a great desire to grow in holiness in union with St Joseph

REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL:
<https://tinyurl.com/wyz9zp48>

OR contact **Michael Portelli** on 0405 914 835 or michaelportelli@gmail.com for further information.



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.



Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal 2021

This weekend marks the start of the **Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal**. Your generosity donations support our sick and retired priests, providing them with appropriate accommodation and assistance with transition into retirement, medical and dental care, pastoral and other practical support – to give them a life of relative comfort and dignity in retirement. To donate visit www.ourfaithourworks.org/prf or scan the QR Code.

PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION



Advent books are available in the Church



To prepare for Christmas we have some Advent Reflection books available for parishioners to take. The book is called "Blessed" and from the Diocese of Wollongong. The book contains daily reflections and features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters such as Murillo, Botticelli and Reni. Please feel free to take one. They will be in the Church gathering space.

Baptisms



We welcome

Tomas O'Conner
Aria Hanna
Leonardo Luca Casserta
Julian Gaudiello

who are being baptised into our parish
Community of All Hallows' this weekend.

Children's Corner

SENIOR WORDSEARCH

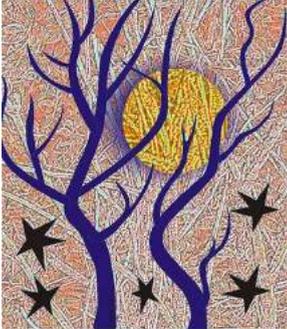
Those who please God will shine like the stars

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Try to find these words:

angels
branches
chosen
clouds
earth
glory
lesson
living
sprout
summer
time
words

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Dn 12:1-3 A reading from the prophet Daniel <i>When that time comes your own people will be spared.</i> ‘At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.’</p>	<p>(R.) Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.</p> <p>1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)</p> <p>2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)</p> <p>3. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)</p>	<p>Heb 10:11-14, 18 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews <i>By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.</i> All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him.</p> <p>By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.</p>
	<p>Next Week’s Readings</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p>
	<p>Christ the King 1st Reading: Dn 7:13-14 2nd Reading: Rv 1:5-8 Gospel: Jn 18:33-37</p>	<p>Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!</p>

Gospel

Mk 13:24-32
 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

‘Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.’

Reflection by Dianne Bergant

Although this is not the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the major theme found in the readings is the end of time. The events that will usher in and will take place during this time are described in apocalyptic terms. The struggles of life will culminate in a massive cosmic confrontation between the forces of good and those of evil. This last battle will be universal in scope, just like the first primordial conflict between chaos and God.

In some way, all of today’s readings state that good will finally prevail over evil. In the last days Michael, the angelic warrior of God, will rise up. In the epistle, Christ is pictured seated triumphantly at the right hand of God with his enemies under his foot, a sign of conquest. Finally, in the gospel, the Son of Man, the mysterious figure from apocalyptic literature, comes in the clouds with great power and glory. All of these images are apocalyptic; each of them is quite hopeful.

We read these stories at the close of the liturgical year, because we are coming to the conclusion of our yearly telling of the story of salvation. However, apocalyptic images are timely whenever we find ourselves in the throes of the battle with evil and it appears that we will succumb. These forms will remind us that good will be able to withstand evil. From this we will conclude that we need only trust in God.

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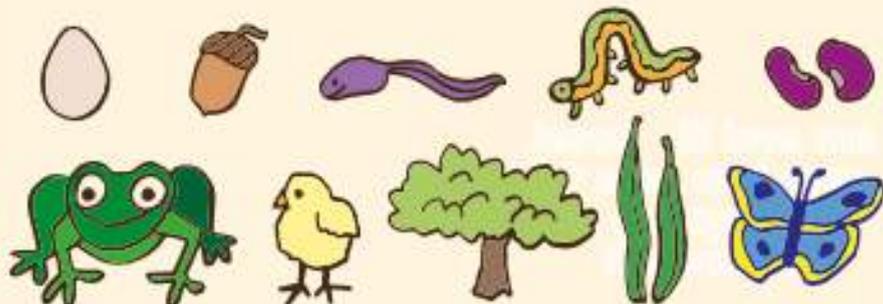
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Mark 13:24-32
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IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

My name is _____

BE GENEROUS!

Most things change with time. Draw a line from each of these pictures to show what they grow into.



Maze

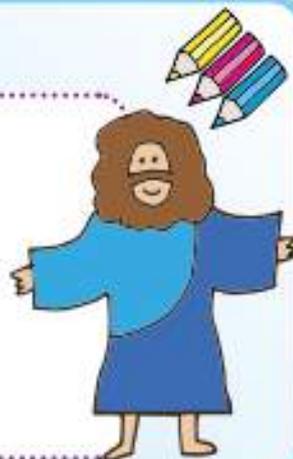
Help Jesus find his way so that he can be together with us again.



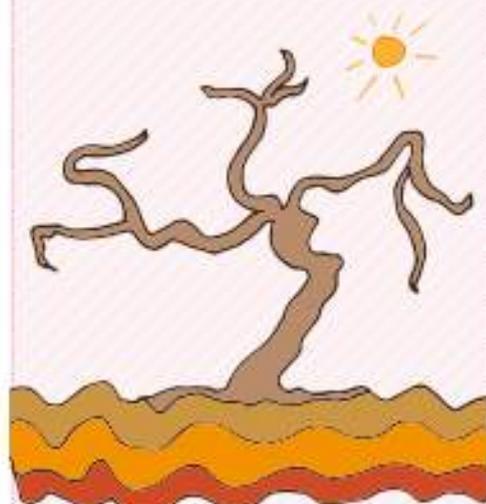
Who does God love?

Jesus is always near us, in our hearts and the love we have in our lives.

Draw a picture of you standing close to Jesus



The fig tree



The fig tree tells us that summer is near when its leaves come out. Draw the leaves on the tree to show that summer is near.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, thank you for always being with me and loving me. Help me to feel your loving presence in my life. Amen.