

All Hallows' Five Dock



Fifth Sunday of Lent | Year C | Sunday 3rd April

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 Bishop Danny

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach Holy Week, today's Gospel is very appropriate.

Its daybreak, and Jesus is in the Temple: quiet and still and holy. Time alone to be with his Father. But the scribes and Pharisees want to kill him, so set a trap, using a poor lady caught committing adultery. (You might wonder why they didn't pick on the man.) They know Jesus' compassion for the poor and sinners and they know that the law demands death. If Jesus absolves the woman, he will be charged with contempt for the Law. If he condemns her, that will be the end of his reputation for compassion.

You know what happens. Jesus shows his courage, standing between the angry mob and the woman. And he shows his wisdom in knowing how to deal with the mob. Finally, and to their credit, the mob dispersed and Jesus was left alone with her. Jesus refuses to condemn her. She is free to walk away unharmed. But Jesus wants her to walk away totally free – spiritually, humanly and physically. So he tells her to sin no more. Sin is the greatest enemy to our true freedom.

So it is that Jesus enters into His passion and death: with such authority! Prayerful, courageous, wise and strong. He knows what is going to happen and, next week, we will read the Passion. But you cannot kill God! May Jesus, in His Risen Glory, assist us to benefit enormously from our participation in Holy Week. May we grow more and more like Him.

With best wishes -
Bishop Danny

Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday: 8am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday: 8.30am, 10am and 5pm

Monday - Friday: 8am

Wednesday: Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration - 3pm

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.



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.



Notices from Bishop Danny

Reconciliation

We are about to celebrate Easter and the enormous sacrifice of Himself that Jesus made to reconcile us to God. In order to prepare for Easter, may I recommend celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation? Please come to the normal parish times on Saturdays or join us for the Second Rite of Reconciliation on Thursday evening, 7 April, at 6pm.



Italian reading of the second reading at the Saturday vigil Mass

At the request of parishioners, the Parish Pastoral Council dealt with a suggestion that the second reading be read in Italian only at the 8.30am Mass, but no longer at the Saturday vigil Mass. The Pastoral Council agreed with the request, so that the second reading be read in Italian at the 8.30am Mass and that the 8.30am Mass be in Italian on the first Sundays of the month. If anyone has any views on the matter, would you please speak with me?

Thank you to all volunteers who cleaned the Church

I would like to thank all those who came to give the Church a thorough clean before the Easter Masses last Monday. Thank you for your time and hard work! Thank you also to the CWL for organising the "spring clean". If anyone would like to help keep our Church clean on a regular basis, please call the parish office to join the cleaning roster.



Easter Letterbox drop

The Easter season is a great time to share with others God's gifts of love and the Church that he gave to the world. We all know someone who has been away from the Church for a time or who has never experienced the joy of knowing Christ. Often, all they are waiting for is an invitation to come home, an invitation that can be extended to them by ordinary followers of Jesus Christ, like you and me.

This year, we are inviting those in our neighbourhoods to come to All Hallows for the Easter ceremonies. We are asking all parishioners to:

- take some Easter cards and
- deliver them to letterboxes in the streets in their vicinity.

The **Easter cards, Sign Up sheets and maps** to guide you can be found in the **Gathering space**. We hope to cover the whole area in the Five Dock parish.

Enquiries: Sandy - 0402 075 976 or Ann - 0408 720 461



Project Compassion



Shaniella 23, grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country's highest poverty rates.

After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism. However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on for food.

With your generous support, Caritas Australia has helped the school to install water tanks, re-establish its garden and provided training in disaster risk reduction. Shaniella can now complete her job skills training and the school has enough food and water for its students.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 so this transformational program can continue to empower and strengthen vulnerable communities For All Future Generations.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Phillip Nolan
Silvana La Selva
Joseph Cacnio
George Malouf
Norman Merlino

Recently Deceased:

Mavis Dunstan
Carmine Di Leo
Mark Ciardi
Reg Green
Evelyn Green
Vittorio Geremia
Gabrielle Rowe
Maureen Phillips
Giuseppa Proietto
Giovanni De Romanis
Pantaleone Mammarella

Anniversaries:

Leonardo Pedano
Carmela Pedano
Antonino La Scala
Vincenzo Beneforto
Kieran Brennan
Maria D'Amico
Raffaele Genova
Francesco Risi
Betty Bukirwa
Monica Moschella
Giuseppe Giardina
Giuseppe Capizzi

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



Station of the Cross Re-enactment

Fr Richard is organising a re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross to be held on Good Friday. He is calling for children between the ages of 9 and 16 to take part. If you are interested, please attend rehearsals which are held after the 5pm Sunday mass (until Palm Sunday). Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.



Registration for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Registration for the sacrament of Reconciliation is now open. Children of the parish who are in year 3 or above and have been baptised are welcome to join. You can register online at:

[All Hallows Catholic Parish, Five Dock Reconciliation Enrolment 2022 \(google.com\)](https://www.allhallowsparish.com.au/2022/04/01/registration-for-the-sacrament-of-reconciliation/)

This link is also on the website under Sacraments/Reconciliation. There will also be printed copies available in the gathering space. Printed copies can be submitted at the Enrolment Mass to be held on April 24, at 10am.

Registration for Holy Communion and Confirmation will be done later in the year, closer to the date of the Sacrament. Keep an eye on the parish bulletins and website for updated information

Thank you from the CWL

Thank you to all the parishioners who came to help with our 'Spring' clean last Monday. It was a great response and because of your hard work the church will look its very best for our Easter celebrations.

Holy Week and Easter Masses



Holy Thursday - April 14

7pm Mass of the last supper followed by Adoration until 11pm

Good Friday - April 15

10am Stations of the Cross
3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord



Holy Saturday - April 16

5:30pm - Easter Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection



Easter Sunday - April 17

Masses are at 8:30am, 10am and 5pm

2nd Rite of Reconciliation - April 7

The 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held at All Hallows Church at 6pm on Thursday, 7th April.

Baptisms



We welcome

Sophie Azar

Marlon Milton Blakeley Jones

Harrison Joseph Speranza Brucher

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

Palm Sunday

As is tradition we ask parishioners to bring in palms or olive branches for our Palm Sunday service on the 10th April.



If you could drop these into the church gathering space by **6th April**, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.

Stations of the Cross



During Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church on Fridays at 6pm. Please join us.

Aid to the Church in Need Australia

As we approach the Holy Season of Easter consider offering up a Mass for your loved ones. These Mass stipends support priests in the poorest parts of the world who have no other means of support and are offered for the intentions of the benefactor.

You can also send your loved ones a Mass card.

Visit www.aidtochurch.org/masses



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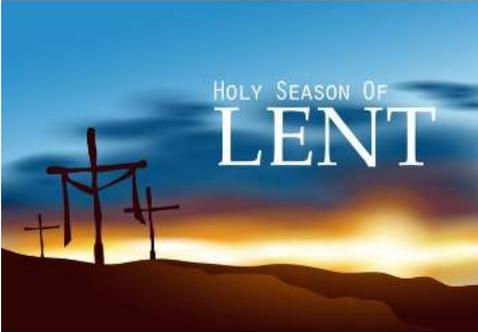
Children's Corner

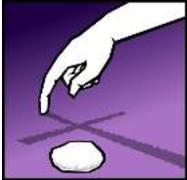
If any of you have never sinned then go ahead and throw the first stone.

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Try to find these words:

accuse
caught
crowd
Pharisees
prize
sinned
stone
teaching
temple
test
throw
woman

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Is 43:16-21 A reading from the prophet Isaiah <i>I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my people.</i> Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea, a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army, which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.</p> 	<p>(R.) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. (R.) 2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. (R.) 3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. (R.) 4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. (R.) 	<p>Phil 3:8-14 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians <i>Because of Christ I look upon everything else as useless in order to gain him.</i> I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.</p>
	<p>Next Week's Readings</p> <p>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 1st Reading: Is 50:4-7 2nd Reading: Phil 2:6-11 Gospel: Lk 22:14-23:56</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!</p>

Gospel
<p>Jn 8:1-11 A reading from the holy Gospel according to John <i>Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.</i> Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin any more.'</p> 

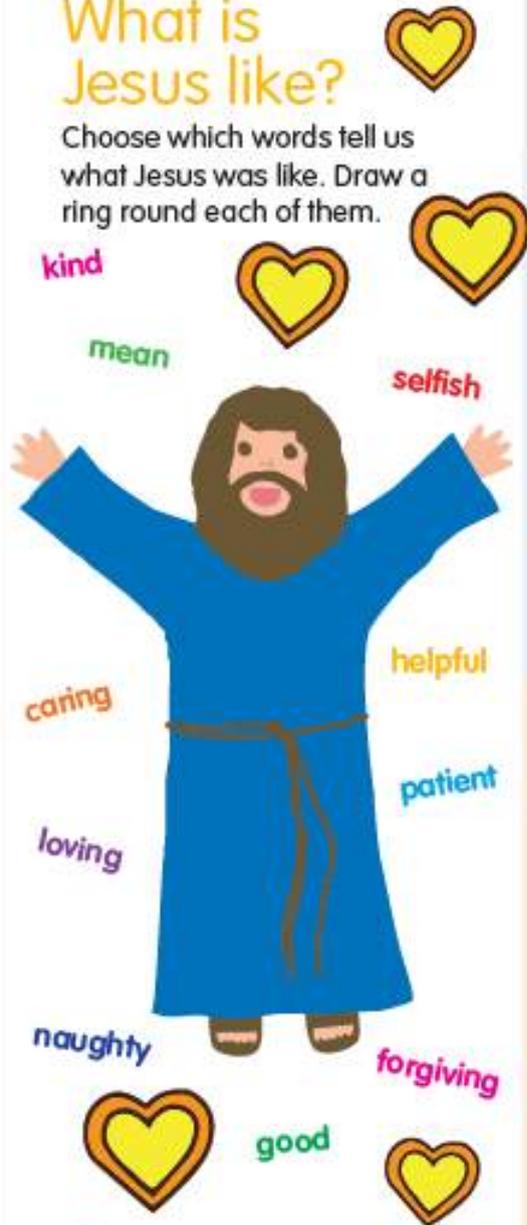
LOOK

Sunday 3 April 2022
John 8:1-11
5th Sunday of Lent

In the GOSPEL TODAY

What is Jesus like?

Choose which words tell us what Jesus was like. Draw a ring round each of them.



The religious leaders could only see the woman's faults. They had caught her doing something wrong and wanted to punish her. Jesus said that they could throw stones at the woman if they had done nothing wrong themselves. No one could throw any stones!

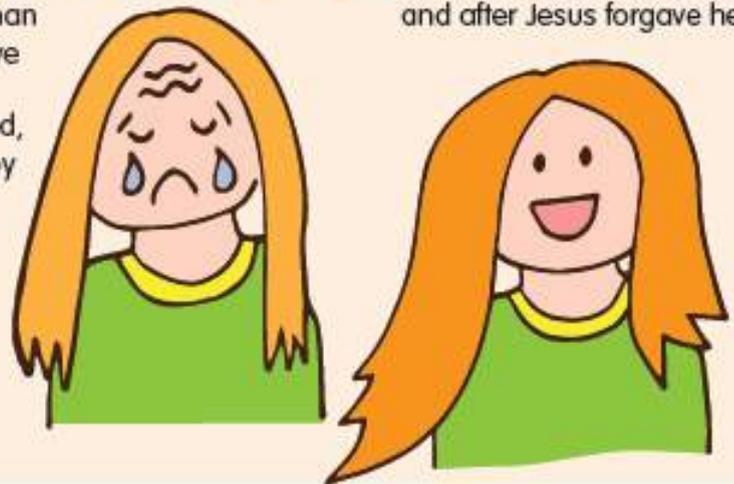
Forgive

How many times can you find the word "stone" in the word square?



Spot the difference

The woman must have been frightened, but happy when Jesus forgave her.



How many differences can you see in her face before and after Jesus forgave her.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for forgiving me for anything I have ever done that is wrong. Help me to forgive other people too. I know I'm not perfect, so help me to remember that I shouldn't expect other people to be perfect either! Amen.

True or false?

Jesus forgives people. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Jesus wants us to forgive. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Lots of people threw stones at the woman. **TRUE** or **FALSE**

Answers: true, false, true, 8 times, 5 differences: hair, frown lines, mouth, tears, eyes