

All Hallows' Five Dock



29th Sunday Ordinary Time | Year C | Sunday 16th 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 Reflection by Fr Richard

A schoolboy in China, 12, carried on his back, his disabled best friend to class every single day for six years. The boy with disabilities was able to attend school without a problem - thanks to his classmate and best friend. I am sure you would like to know what happened to these two friends after the six years ... nothing changed, he continues to carry him on his back. It is just one of those stories of resilience and persistence.

The opening line in this week's Gospel sums it up for us. "*Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.*" It is a lesson about persistence. In this parable, the widow persisted in seeking justice. The widow kept on coming to a judge and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time, the judge refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me, I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."

Clearly this parable is directed to people who might be in danger of losing heart. And clearly a major contributor to the danger of them losing heart is that what they are hoping for and praying for is not being realised. The parable does not give us any of the answers we might be looking for. It speaks only about what to do in the meantime. Pray always. But what's the point? Well, even if you were trying to get something out of someone who couldn't care less, persistence will usually pay off in the end. So, when you are dealing with God who really wants to give you what's best for you, you have even less reason to give up.

Have you felt like giving up recently? Pray always and do not lose heart. God will hear you out and you too will be the testimony of God's goodness.

With best wishes -

Fr Richard



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 at 11am.

Weddings:

Contact the parish office.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



Thank you

Fr Sebastian would like to thank Fr Richard, the PPC and CWL for organising his installation mass and morning tea. He would also like to thank all of the parishioners and All Hallows school parents who generously donated plates of delicious food for the morning tea. It was a memorable and joyous occasion!



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)



Do you know any ADULTS who would like to become Catholic, or any ADULT who would like to be received into the Catholic Church or to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church?

- An adult who has never been baptized.
- An adult who was baptized in another 'Christian church' and wants to become Catholic.
- A baptized Catholic (adult) who has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Anyone 16 years and over is welcome to prepare for the reception of the sacraments of initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil (8th April 2023).

The course will commence on the 9th November 2022 at 7pm in the presbytery. Please contact the parish office with any enquiries.

Note: Any Parishioners interested in joining the RCIA team are welcome, please contact either one of the priests or the parish office.

Parish visit from the Sisters of St. Elisabeth convent - 18th October

The parish welcomes the Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent from Minsk, Belarus (Eastern Europe). The sisters will be visiting the parish on 18th October after the 8am Mass.

A message from the Sisters of St Elisabeth convent:

Dear parishioners of All Hallows Church,

*We are delighted to invite you to see and purchase handmade religious articles made by the Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent (Belarus). The exposition will take place on the **18th October after the 8am Mass.***

Sisterhood of St. Elisabeth was founded in 1996. Our missionary began a National mental hospital located not far from the Convent. Sisters take care of mentally challenged children and adults. In the recent years a shelter and house of Labor for former drug and alcohol addicted people was created.

In order to help these people, workshops were organized on the premises of the Convent where vulnerable people, working together with nuns and sisters, made icons (including hand painted), crosses, crucifixes, wood carvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts, rosaries and vestments. All these goods made with love and prayer bring blessings to their owners.

We are happy and thanking God for the opportunity to introduce and offer them to you.

*With Love in Christ,
Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent.*



One Million Children Praying the Rosary

Aid to the Church in Need invites you to join the prayer campaign One Million Children Praying the Rosary. The aim of this prayer initiative is first of all to show that the trusting prayer of children can fly like an arrow straight to the heart of God and consequently has great influence.



We are inviting families, parishes, catechists, and teachers to pray together with children on the **18th October** for peace and unity in the world. Prayer materials have been prepared for you to spread the word and be inspired when gathering the children to pray the rosary together. To register and learn more visit: www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Anne Fidler
James McCabe
John Foster
Sam Stella
Bernard Fonti
Margaret Murphy
Lorenzo Bocconi
Caterina Scarfo
Sr Maria Hughes
Rev Mo. Elen Marie
Sr Rita Apura
Brian Gallagher
Frank Hume

*names will remain on the list for 1 month unless notified

Recently Deceased:

John Howard
Angelina Santoro
Margaret Ann Murphy
Giovanni Iacono
Domenico Scenna
Salvatore Mollica
Robert Millard

Anniversaries:

Pina Miletta
Margaret Hume
Garry Kingma
Egidio Finocchiaro
Eduardo Rincon Carusso
Latu Tanmalolo
Estelle Kyle

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

Blessing of the Pets - 16th October

In honour of the feast day of St Francis of Assisi which was held on the 4th October, All Hallows will be holding a Blessing for your beloved pets. Please come to the grass area between the Church and the Parish Hall at **3pm on Sunday, 16th October** to have your pets blessed. All Welcome!



All Hallows Feast Day - 30th October

As our feast day falls on a weekday, we will hold a special celebration of our feast day at the 10am mass on Sunday, 30th October. We would like to encourage children to attend this mass dressed up as their favourite saint. More details to follow!

Excerpts from the recent Apostolic Letter of the Holy Father, Pope Francis

Over the coming weeks Fr Richard will include small Excerpts in the bulletin from the recent APOSTOLIC LETTER of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, "DESIDERIO DESIDERAVI" for parishioners to read. This week we reflect briefly on paragraph 2, 3 & 4.

The Liturgy: the "today" of Salvation History

"I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer." (Lk 22:15). Peter and John were sent to make preparations to eat that Passover, but in actual fact, all of creation, all of history Peter and the others are present at that table, unaware and yet necessary. Necessary because every gift, to be a gift, must have someone disposed to receive it. In this case, the disproportion between the immensity of the gift and the smallness of the one who receives it is infinite, and it cannot fail to surprise us. Nonetheless, through the mercy of the Lord, the gift is entrusted to the Apostles so that it might be carried to every man and woman. No one had earned a place at that Supper. All had been invited. Or better said: all had been drawn there by the burning desire that Jesus had to eat that Passover with them. ... "

You can find the full text using this link:

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letter/documents/20220629-lettera-ap-desiderio-desideravi.html

Catholic Trivia

1. What's the name of an unbaptised adult preparing to become a Catholic?
2. Which country has the highest number of Catholics?
3. What is the name of the meeting in which a new pope is elected?

Baptisms



We welcome
Finn Constantino
Archie Constantino
Aurora Lotus Grech



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

"Anyone who welcomes this little child in my name welcomes Me." - Luke 9:48.

Wedding

Congratulations to



Daniel Richard Graham

&

Maria-Lorena Santangelo



who are celebrating their wedding at All Hallows this weekend.

Please pray that God bless their marriage and bring them peace, love and happiness.

*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."
1 Corinthians 13:13*

Catholic Women's League

Ladies,
come and join members for morning tea and find out all about the Catholic Women's League **on Monday, 17th October at 10am** in the Parish Hall. Welcome!



CWL Silver Circle Winners

Congratulations to our **Week Three winners** of the CWL Silver Circle:-

1st C. Mylott \$20 Number 7
2nd N. Valeo \$5 Number 26

Children's Corner

Keep praying and God will help you

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

Try to find these words:

care
chosen
concerned
crooked
fear
help
hurry
judge
pray
protect
story
widow

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Ex 17:8-13 A reading from the book of Exodus As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.</p> <p>The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.</p> 	<p>(R.) Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.</p> <p>1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains: from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. (R.)</p> <p>2. May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard. No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel's guard. (R.)</p> <p>3. The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. (R.)</p> <p>4. The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. (R.)</p> 	<p>2 Tm 3:14 – 4:2 A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy. This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.</p> <p>You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work. Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.</p>
	<p>Next Week's Readings</p> <p>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19 2nd Reading: 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18 Gospel: Lk 18:9-14</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!</p> 

Gospel

Lk 18:1-8
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
God will see those who cry to him vindicated.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death.'" And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

Different View - Convincing God

Does this teaching about the need for continual prayer mean that God needs to be convinced of our cause? Does a one-off prayer not get heard? Is God swayed by the force of numbers? Can the prayers of ten people carry more weight than the prayers of one? All these questions miss the point of the parable. It is not God who needs our prayers, but we who have to recognise, through prayer, our need for God's mercy and gracious love. The constancy of prayer is not to convince God but to remind ourselves of our dependence upon God.

Catholic Trivia answers

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Catechumen 2. Brazil 3. Conclave 		<p>Pray A Rosary October Month of the Holy Rosary</p> 
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LOOK

Sunday 16 October 2022
 Luke 18:1-8
 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the GOSPEL TODAY

Trail word

In this grid there are words from today's Gospel. Each word begins with a red letter. Follow the squares up, down or diagonally to find the hidden words. Clue: one red letter starts two different words.

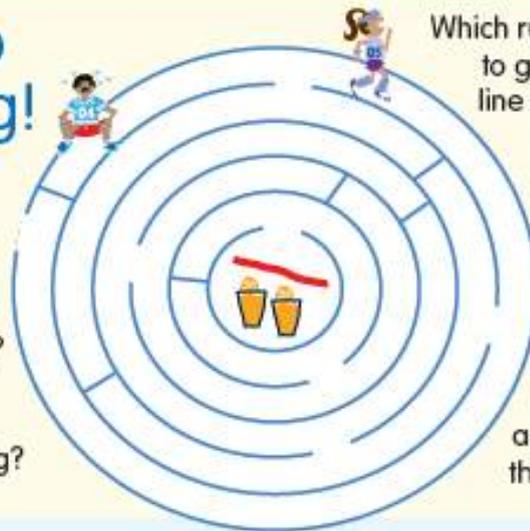


J	S		W	I
E	U	D		D
S		G	E	O
P	R		P	W
A	Y	H	E	L

A widow, a woman whose husband has died, is being treated unfairly and goes to ask the judge for help. The judge ignores her but the widow keeps on asking. Finally, just to stop her pestering him, the judge does what she asks. God the Father is much better than the judge. If the judge answers the widow, God will definitely answer our prayers.

Keep going!

Can you keep on going right to the end of this maze? Who is going to keep going?



Which runner is going to get to the finish line and a drink of orange juice? The runner who gives up will not have any orange juice! Put a circle around the one that kept going.

Crossword

Across

1. Be anxious
2. Something you say when you first see someone
3. Make a musical noise
4. Make clean
6. Talk to God
7. The King of Kings



Down

1. What we do in church
5. When we should pray

A WAY TO PRAY

Write your own prayer or draw 'picture words' to Jesus. Some sentences have been started for you.

Dear Jesus,
 I want to tell you about.....
 Thank you for.....
 I've got a problem with.....
 I know you can.....
 I shall listen carefully
 to you in my heart.
 Love from.....

An important message

Jesus says we must keep on praying, even if it is hard. Find the message from Jesus hidden in the code. Can you work out what it says?

1 6 5 6 8 3 4 10 2 9 7
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1	2	3	4	5
D	E	G	I	N
6	7	8	9	10
O	P	T	U	V

Answers: An important message: Do not give up...Across: 1 worry, 2 hello, 3 sing, 4 wash, 6 pray, 7 Jesus, Down: 1 worship, 5 always.
 Trail word: Jesus Judge Pray Help Widow.