

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

Communion Antiphon

John 6:35

I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger and whoever believes in me will not thirst.

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father,
Who wills that all men be saved
And come to the knowledge of Your Truth:
We beg you to send
Laborers into Your harvest,
And grant them grace to speak Your Word
With all boldness; so that Your Word
May spread and be glorified,
And all nations may know You,
The only God, and Him whom You have sent,
Jesus Christ your Son, Our Lord. Amen.
Our Lady
And Mary, Mother of the
Franciscan Missionaries of the Eternal Word,
Pray for us.



Prayer for Ukraine

O Lord our God, look down with mercy on the Ukrainian people. Protect and save them from the unjust aggressors who seek to subdue them. Grant them steadfast trust in your mercy and protection.
O Mother of God, who gave them your miraculous icon at Zarvanytsia, intercede for the Ukrainian people, who run to the shelter of your mercy in their times of need.
O Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on them. Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual. Amen



Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

Archdiocese of Sydney

Serving the suburbs of Enmore, St Peters, Sydenham & Tempe

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

4 August 2024

National Vocations Awareness Week (4-11 August)

Vocations to Single & Married Life (4 August)

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 69:2,6

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading

Exodus 16:2-4. 12-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."' And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24

R/ The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

1.The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. R/

2.He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. R/

3.Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won. R/



Second Reading

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 6:24-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:



Parish Administrator—Reverend Father Christopher Higgins
(available Tuesday to Sunday)
 Parish Permanent Deacon – Reverend Mister Alfredo Bouroncle
 Parish Secretary—Bernadette Hickey
(Office hours—Tuesday 8-3pm & Thursday 8-5pm)



Our Parish respectfully acknowledges the Gadigal people of Eora nation as traditional caretakers of the land.

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MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

Masses	Thursday—9:15am (whole school Mass 8 August) Saturday—5:00pm – (6:30pm – Portuguese) Sunday—9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian)
Church Open	Mondays & Fridays – 3:00-5:00pm
Confessions	Saturday 4:15—4:45pm <i>or</i> by appointment
Adoration & Benediction	Mon 3:00 – 3:50pm, Tues to Fri 8:00 – 8:50am & Sun 9:00—9:25am
Baptisms	By appointment—about 1 month’s notice required
Marriages	By appointment—about 6 months’ notice required

COLLECTIONS for weekends of 13/14, 20/21 & 27/28 July 2024

1st collection \$1305.50 (supports the priest’s expenses)	2nd collection \$1274.20 (for running of parish)	Envelopes \$335.00 (part of 2nd collection)	Candle offerings \$233.30 (part of 2nd collection)
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Masses for: Simi Poitaha, Sr Therese’s & Di’s deceased family members & Holy Souls of Purgatory.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: 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 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. *(Archdiocesan permanent notice)*
Safeguarding Children information can be found in folder at the back of the church.

RCIA Are you seeking to become Catholic or do you know someone who does? Please see Father Chris.

Planned Giving receipts Please find these in alphabetical order at the back of the church. If you would like to join the Planned Giving program, please see Father or contact the office.

Holy Father’s Appeal The parish raised \$130. Thank you for your donations.

Last Supper Picture Thank you to Truman for amending the back of the Last Supper picture and installing it in front of the altar.

Truman Vision: building a seawall in Tuvalu to provide the following:

1. Mitigate coastal erosion
2. Combat sea rise level
3. Build infrastructure
4. Protect and enhance ecological environment
5. Provide a sustainable economy
6. Transform the lives of our people
7. Overcome poverty traps
8. Provide job opportunities and businesses
9. Show the glory of God from our smallness and nothingness

Website: nanumeaseawall.com (for vivid footage of sea incursion)

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday mid-week Masses are now temporarily cancelled, except for scheduled school Masses, Holy Days of obligation, etc. To be reinstated whenever Father catches up with work.

Eucharistic Ministers One of our older parishioners, Ms Toupau Sailosi, is home bound and would like to receive Holy Communion every 2 to 3 weeks. Best times are Mon-Wed before 6pm. Please see Father.

Feast Day at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on Thursday, 8th August. Mass at 8 am, 10 am, 1 pm and 6 pm. Chapel open from 7.30 am to 7:30 pm for personal prayer and contemplation at the tomb of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Free entry to MMP Museum from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm, Gift Shop & Café open from 7:30 am to 7:30 pm, giving you the chance to browse and purchase Mary MacKillop inspirational items and memorabilia, and meals during the festivities. We kindly request that pilgrims enter Mary MacKillop Place via 80 William Street, North Sydney, on this special occasion. Let this Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross be an opportunity to come together and celebrate the gift that is Mary MacKillop.

Fundamentals of Flourishing Parishes This workshop series will dive deeper into the natural and supernatural skills that will give you confidence in strengthening your parish as an invitational, vibrant, and Christ-centred community. It will also be an opportunity to share ideas and receive encouragement to joyfully continue your parish service. Come along to any or all workshops! DATE AND TOPICS:

- Wednesday, **21 August**: The Art of Christ-Centred Conversation
- Wednesday, **28 August**: Sharing Your Faith Without Fear
- Wednesday, **4 September**: Authentic Invitation and Welcome
- Wednesday, **11 September**: Five Tips for Running Effective Parish Events
- Wednesday, **25 September**: Capstone

TIME: 7:15 - 8:30 PM, doors open at 7:00 pm VENUE: St Martha's, 38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt NSW 2040 Free Admission. For more information and to register go to www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events

Growth - Formation Retreat Run by Jesus Light of the World Community. The program includes: celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Talks, Workshops and Discussions, Hour of Empowerment DATES: **23 - 25 August 2024** (2 nights and 3 days) VENUE: The Collaroy Centre, Homestead Ave, Collaroy NSW Register and more information: Call Helen 0433 455 114 or email jlowcommunity@gmail.com.

Fr Sebastian Arockia (St Mary's Parish, Dandenong) 14-day Streams of mercy **pilgrimage** with **Medjugorje, departing on 8th of September 2024.** Features the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Croatia, Bosnia & Herzegovina for an all-inclusive price of \$7990. Includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. For enquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300 721 561 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au