

‘Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?’ He answered, ‘It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.’

He called the people to him again and said, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men’s hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.’

Communion Antiphon **Matthew 5:9-10**

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.



Safeguarding Sunday Prayer

*Gracious God,
you love and care for all of your children,
especially the smallest and most vulnerable.
We entrust to you the lives of children and adults at
risk
who have been abused, neglected or exploited
and whose trust and innocence have been
destroyed.*

*Help us to hear their cries of pain
and to take responsibility for those whose lives have
been broken.*

*Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded
by abuse,
and the failure to be heard.*

*We pray that with the help of your grace
communities and families will find understanding
and support,
so that now and in the future
their wounds may be healed
and they may find lasting peace.*

*Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our
children and adults at risk,
giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience
to seek out assistance when required.*

*We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.
Amen.*

Reverence For God's Creation

*God of love,
we praise you for the magnificence of
creation.
We marvel at both its grandeur
and the intricacies of its smallest microscopic
life forms.*

*As we reflect on the creation, help us to take in its
true significance.*

*This is your work in which you have invested
deeply of yourself.
It is the costly outpouring of your creativity.*

*So, we ask you to instill in us a proper
reverence for all that you have made - a
genuine respect for all environments and all
creatures.*

*Lord, we are in awe of the formidable power of
nature,
but, in these times, may we also come to
comprehend its complex fragility.
Amen.*

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

Archdiocese of Sydney

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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B 1 September 2024

World Day of Prayer for Creation

Child Protection Week 1-8 September

Entrance Antiphon **Cf Psalm 85:3,5**

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading **Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-8**

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you – keep the commands of the Lord.

Moses said to the people: ‘Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, “No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation.” And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?’

Responsorial Psalm **Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1**

R/ The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. **R/**

2. He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. **R/**

3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R/**

Second Reading **James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27**

A reading from the letter of St James
Be doers of the word.

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth



so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

Gospel Acclamation **James 1:18**

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

Gospel **Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him,



Paristrator—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 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 17/18 & 24/25 August 2024

1st collection \$1013.45 (supports the priest’s expenses)	2nd collection \$818.60 (for running of parish)	Envelopes \$210.00 (part of 2nd collection)	Candle offerings \$159.25 (part of 2nd collection)
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Masses for: Tom (committed suicide), Ivan Jilwan, Norma & Mauna Alam, souls of Jilwan & Alam family, Fr Therese’s deceased family members & 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.

Father’s Day Appeal next weekend 1 September 3 Ways to donate: 1) www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-prf, 2) Complete the parish envelope, 3) Phone 1800 753 959.

Free Accomodation (own bedroom) including paid utilities, in exchange for assistance for an ex-parishioner with mobility issues, (e.g meal preparation & feeding). Sydenham/St Peters area, close to Sydney CBD, universities, hospitals. Would suit student and part-timer workers. Please send queries/expressions of interest to rayterre32az@gmail.com or call Ray on 8060 5676.

Mass Intentions Father has 89 Mass intentions that he cannot get through at the moment. He will be taking them to the Tuesday Clergy Conference at Warwick Farm to give to a religious order priest. Each intention has only one Mass left to say for it. If you wish to know if yours is included, please see Father before 6pm Sunday 1 September.

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

Introducing -Divine Mercy Publications Our mission is to spread the message of Divine Mercy in a true and authentic manner throughout the Oceania region. To that end, we try to keep prices to a minimum in order to bring the message to as many people as possible. We urge you to pass on to others what you learn from the materials on this site. There are few acts of charity of greater worth than helping another achieve eternal salvation. Enjoy the site. John Canavan, Director. Website: <https://invi.tt/Ry3W> See noticeboard for further information.

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, **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

Upcoming Catholic Theological College Events

- Information Session for Educators
- Information Session for Prospective Students
- Engaging Your Faith Online Sessions

For more information: <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/> and <https://ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/>

Gift of Bread Father's Day 50/50 Raffle! The 1st Prize has skyrocketed to \$2,000 , and it’s still growing with every ticket sold. This is your chance to win big while supporting the charitable work of Gift of Bread , but you need to act fast! The more tickets you buy, the bigger the prize pool—and the better your chances to take home the cash! Don’t wait—grab your tickets now before it’s too late! Buy Your Tickets Here: <https://www.raffletix.com.au?ref=8h4n7> Let’s make this Father’s Day one to remember. Get your tickets today!

Enfield Healing Mass 6 September See noticeboard for further information

5 Love Languages Sat 14 Sep, 2-5pm, Speaker: Charbel Raish, OLSH Parish Randwick. See noticeboard for code to reserve seats. Parish phone number: [9399 6775](tel:93996775)

St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina Feast Day 22 September St Padre Pio Parish, Glenmore Park, Procession, Mass, Veneration & Blessing by relic. Ph: 4789 2232 Address: 34 William Howell Drive Glenmore Park

Volunteer Opportunities - English Teachers, Youth Workers & Youth Ministers The Cagliari Project is an initiative of the Australia-Pacific Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco, providing overseas volunteer experiences for Australians and New Zealanders who wish to work with young people in the Asia-Pacific region. We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers for January 2025 departure. Our volunteer placements run for 6-12 months and are centered around working with young people in educational settings. We are currently recruiting for volunteers for Cambodia, Samoa, Timor Leste, Mongolia and the Solomon Islands. The experience as a Cagliari volunteer is not about the volunteer but is focused on the people we go to serve. For more information, or to send us an enquiry, follow this link: <http://cagliari.org.au/> **Applications close October 31st, 2024.** Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director of the Cagliari Project Email: lhichaaba@salesians.org.au