Communion Antiphon

John 6:58

Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me shall have life because of me, says the Lord.

An Evaluation

Clara: Our priest is so good he can preach on any subject for an hour.

Sarah: That's nothing! Our priest can talk for an hour without a subject.



Prayer for Renewal

Blessed are You, Father, who, in Your infinite love sent us your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, that we may have life, and have it in abundance.
By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew our Eucharistic communities. May they be places of encounter with the living Christ, centres of evangelisation and outreach to our community in love and mercy. Grant us the gifts of faith, hope and love to be faithful disciples of Jesus and radiant witnesses to the people of Sydney. Amen



Our Lady, Help of Christians, pray for us.
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelisation, pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us

Prayer for Ukraine

O Lord our God, look down with mercy on the Ukrainian people. Protect and save them from the unjut 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

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

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

3 November 2024

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Psalm 37:22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R.v.2 R/ I love you Lord, my strength.

1.I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. R/

2.Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be to the God that saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown love for his anointed. R/

Second Reading

Hebrews 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high



priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 12:28-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.



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 Church Open Confessions Adoration & Benediction Baptisms Marriages		Thursday—9:15am Saturday—5:00pm – (6:30pm – Portuguese) Sunday—9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian) Mondays & Fridays – 3:00-5:00pm Saturday 4:15—4:45pm or by appointment Mon 3:00 – 3:50pm, Tues to Fri 8:00 – 8:50am & Sun 9:00—9:25am By appointment—about 1 month's notice required By appointment—about 6 months' notice required		
COLLECTIONS for weekends of 19/20 & 26/27 October 2024				
1st collection \$798.30	2nd collection \$779.80		Envelopes \$315.00	Candle offerings \$126.65
(supports the priest's expenses)	(for running of parish)		(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)
Masses for: Simi Poitaha (better health)		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 health tip Father is now getting a 3rd tooth crowned in 2 years, and he's worked out why his teeth were cracking: do not bite tablets In half. (ie. Cholesterol, calcium)

CWF November Appeal this weekend

Catholic Mission Appeal this weekend Please return donations by 3 November.

Advent Group 9 books have been ordered. It will start Tues 26 November at 6pm in the parish office.

Christmas Party 6pm Thursday 21 November, pending the weather forecast. This weekend, we will vote on the 4 food options: 1. Order pizza; 2. BYO plate; 3. Combo of 1 & 2; 4. Order pizza + BYO dessert

Christmas Decorations Because we have no room in the work sacristy, please do not donate decorations to the parish. Rather, send to Vinnies.

Church Screens Our right-hand screens have died. Our screen repair contact is on pilgrimage and will not be back until the first week of November.

School events See noticeboard. All are invited to events highlighted in yellow

Caritas Australia's Lebanon Crisis Appeal Lebanon is currently facing a dire crisis, and the need for your support has never been greater. Communities are being devastated by conflict and economic instability, leaving countless families without access to basic needs like food, water, and medical care. Our Caritas Australia partners on the ground are doing everything they can, but they desperately need your help. Please show your *love for Lebanon* and donate today to help supply essential items such as food, shelter, and medical aid, as well as long-term support to rebuild communities. Donate today: www.caritas.org.au/lebanon

Sydney Catholic Youth newsletter and events See noticeboard

Sydney Street Feast 2024 - Volunteers Welcome On Friday 15 November, Archbishop Anthony Fisher will host a free luncheon for Sydney's homeless in the forecourt of St Mary's Cathedral from 12pm to 2pm. A large number of guests are expected and volunteers from parishes are invited to help serve food and to sit and accompany guests during lunch. A great opportunity to show support and solidarity with fellow Sydneysiders experiencing homelessness. Register your interest at https://bit.ly/StreetFeast2024

Catholic Spiritual Revival with healing/adoration Saturday 16 November, Wesley Conference Centre, 5pm, Adults \$35, Child \$25 *See noticeboard for details*

Of Life and Love Marriage Preparation Weekend Engagement is a beautiful time to intentionally prepare for your vocation. The 'Of Life and Love' Marriage Preparation Weekend will help you to understand more deeply the sacramental nature of marriage, offer practical wisdom from married couples and provide opportunity for discussion and prayer. Of Life and Love is a recognised marriage preparation course. DATE: 16 - 17 November 2024 (no overnight stay) VENUE: St Thomas of Canterbury, Lewisham More information and registration at www.trybooking.com/CMGTS

iWitness Calling all young adults **12-15 December 2024** This is an annual young adults conference hosted in Sydney, providing participants with a spiritually transformative experience, creating a space in which each person can grow in their love of God. For more info: iwitnessconference@gmail.com

'Writings of St John Paul II on Gender, Marriage and Family' Immersion Course. OPEN FOR REGISTRATIONS! DATES: Sunday, 19 January to Friday, 24 January 2025 VENUE: Benedict XVI Retreat Centre in Grose Vale, NSW To register and learn more about the course, please visit: tobi.sydneycatholic.org For further questions, contact Simon Yeak at simon.yeak@sydneycatholic.org or 0427 536 356

HOLY SPIRIT PILGRIMAGE(2025): Join Fr.Emmanuel-tv and his group of Pilgrims on a 26 Days of "SAINTS AND MARIAN PILGRIMAGE" to Portugal(Lisbon, Fatima); Spain(Coimbrea, Santiago de Compostela, Oviedo, Avila, Garabandal); France (Lourdes, Avignon, Nice, La Sallete, Ars, Nevers, Paris); and Monaco; plus(+ Medjugorje Extension from 15.09.2025-11.10.2025. Contact Us ASAP for details: Fr.Emmanuel-tv (0417999553, (08)93423079; Dax (0420643949), Didith (0473246029). Email: fremmanueltv@gmail.com; holyspiritp@gmail.com;

That Catholic Shop catalogue available at the back of the church for Christmas purchases.

Addiction/Alcoholism, The 12 Steps and Catholic Spirituality Are you or a loved one troubled by addiction or alcoholism? The Calix Society is a way to recovery that incorporates 12 Step recovery and Catholic Spirituality. Sydney Unit meets Monthly at St Joseph, Enfield. Mass (5:30pm) and "About Calix" talk (6:30 - 7:30pm). We also meet weekly via zoom and have an annual retreat. Contact: Tim 0401 600 422 or Kevin 0435 668 382 or calixsydney@outlook.com. See: https://www.calixsociety.org/