

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.'

Communion Antiphon **John 8:10-11**
Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord. Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.

Cartoon Cutline

A family is greeting their priest after the service. Junior looks up and declares, "My dad says my mum is a pagan because she serves burnt offerings for dinner."

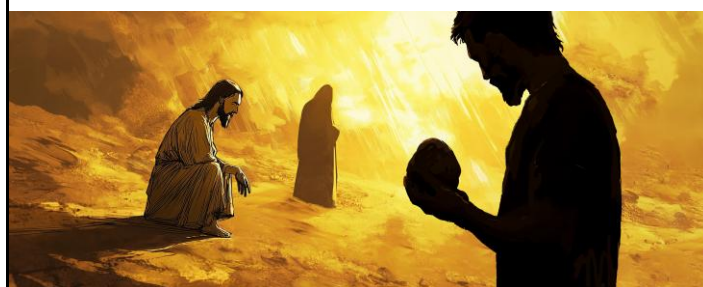


Prayer for the Year of Hope Jubilee 2025
(Year of Jubilee of Hope officially opens on 24 December at 7pm)

Father in Heaven, may the Faith you have given us in Your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of Charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of Your kingdom.

May Your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within, both humanity and the whole cosmos, in the sure expectation of a new Heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, Your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of Heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To You our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen



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

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Fifth Sunday of Lent – Year C

6 April 2025

Entrance Antiphon

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Cf Psalm 42:1-2

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my people.

Isaiah 43:16-21

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.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 125. R. v.3

R/ The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

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/*

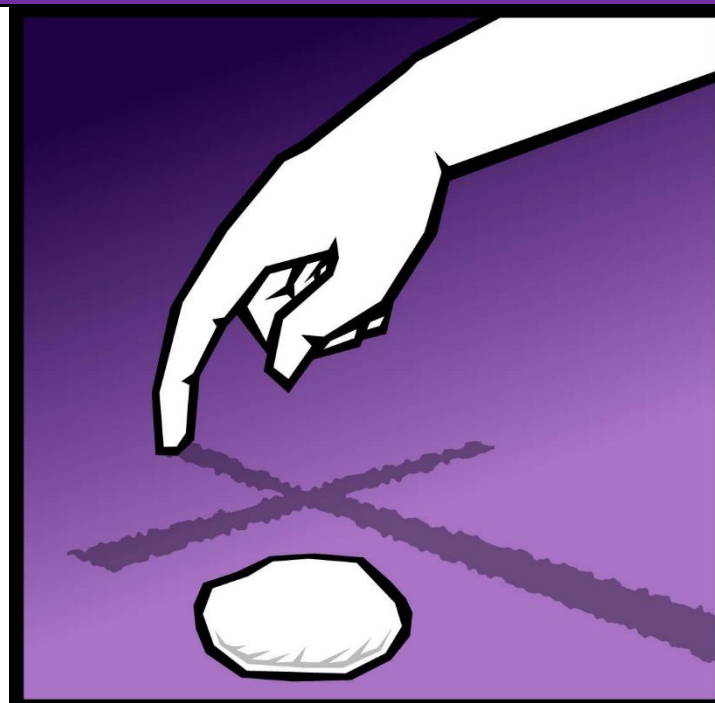
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. *R/*

Second Reading

Philippians 3:8-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
Because of Christ I look upon everything else as useless in order to gain him.

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.

Gospel Acclamation

Joel 2:12-13

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!

Gospel

John 8:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.

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



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	For midweek Masses, see Lenten/Easter schedule over 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 (2nd & 4th Sundays)	By appointment—about 1 month’s notice required
Marriages	By appointment—about 6 months’ notice required

COLLECTIONS for weekends from 15/16 & 22/23 March 2025

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$792.45 (supports the priest’s expenses)	\$765.10 (for running of parish)	\$165.00 (part of 2nd collection)	\$114.85 (part of 2nd collection)

Masses for: those affected by earthquakes in Burma & Thailand, bushfires in South Korea, record flooding in western QLD, democracy for Turkey from dictator Urdogan, the ALPHA evangelisation programme.

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.

Palm Cutting Friday 11 April 9am Please come and help DeaconAlfredo cut up the church palms.

Enmore Mass & Stations of the Cross during Lent at 9:15am on Thursday 10 April

Enmore Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday/Mass of the Lord’s Supper (17 April) – 6:30pm (Indonesian Mass 8:30pm)
Good Friday Stations of the Cross (18 April) – 10am | **Passion of the Lord** – 3pm (with the Indonesian Community)
Easter Vigil Confessions (19 April) – 3:30-4:30pm | **Easter Vigil Mass** – 5pm (Indonesian Vigil Mass – 8pm)
Easter Sunday Mass (20 April) – 9:30am

Stations of the Cross during Lent (Catholic Indonesian Community) Fridays 6-8:30pm.

Palms Sunday (13 April) If you have palm or olive branches that can be used for Palm Sunday, please see Father or contact the office

Good Friday Concelebration with Indonesian Community The Indonesian Community have generously volunteered to lead the singing for that ceremony. If you would like to join the choir, please join the practice at the church on Sundays between 2-4pm.

Plenary Indulgences & List of Pilgrimage churches for Jubilee Year See noticeboard or get a copy at the back of the church

Notice: the Catholic Indonesian Community will be using the church every Sunday till Easter between 2-4pm.

New Screen Use Training Training will be provided on Monday 14 April between 3-5pm. If you would like to be trained to use the new screens, please let Father know.

Parish Council member If you would like to join the Parish Council for the rest of the year, even as a part-time member, please let Father know.

Good Friday Collection *Statement of Income from the Holy Land Commissariat for 2024 Good Friday Collections can be found on the noticeboard.*

Divine Mercy Retreat Centre April schedule available on noticeboard

Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Parliamentary Prayer Vigil The Helpers of God’s Precious Infants are hosting a Parliamentary Prayer Vigil **every Saturday** during the Lenten Season to pray for an end to abortion. The group will meet at Macquarie St, outside NSW Parliament from **8:30-10:30AM**. With the annual Day of the Unborn Child taking place last Sunday, and with the "Abortion Law Reform Amendment Bill 2025", all Catholics are encouraged to take part in the great initiative.

Passiontide Carols 10 April 6:30pm St John Paul II Catholic Chapel See noticeboard for flyer

Didaskō: Jesus in the Gospels Join Dr Peter Holmes as he guides us through the Gospels. Each gospel tells us about the same Jesus, but each writer has his own unique style, memories and his own points that he is emphasising in telling the story of Jesus. This short course will look at Jesus Christ through the unique perspective of each of the first three gospel writers, helping participants to appreciate the unique way each gospel introduces us to a different aspect of Jesus Christ. **DATE: Mondays 7, 14, and 28 April 2025** TIME: 7:30 - 8:45 pm MODE: Online via Zoom Cost per course: \$35 for individuals or \$100 per Parish Group for an in-person gathering (+ booking fees). Register at www.gomakedisciples.org.au/didasko.

Everlasting Love - Marriage Preparation Course 'Everlasting Love' is a marriage preparation course that gives special emphasis to the sacramental, spiritual, and relational dimensions of marriage. The course highlights the importance of God's grace and of intentional human love in the building of a joy-filled, fruitful and life long relationship. DETAILS: Venue: St Martha's, 38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt NSW 2040 **Dates: 2 - 3 May 2025**. The course is split across 2 days (no overnight stay). > Day 1: Friday, 2 May from 6pm - 10pm. > Day 2: Saturday, 3 May from 9am - 5pm. Cost: \$350.00 per couple For more information and to register, visit <https://www.trybooking.com/CYUG>

Ignite Youth Conference Sydney July 10-13 "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." See noticeboard for details & QR code.

Billings LIFE has moved and is now in Mont Albert! We are available for face-to-face consultations, if you would like to achieve or space a pregnancy or monitor your reproductive health. Give us a call to chat, see if we can help you achieve your dream. We are here on Mondays & Thursdays, if you would like to see an accredited Billings Teacher. Bookings essential:- Phone:- 03 9802 2022 311 Mont Albert Road Surrey Hills www.billings.life Greatly appreciate your support.