

Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Communion Antiphon Cf **John 20:27**
Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Mule

Priest: "Say, Deacon, a mule died out in front of the church."
Deacon: "Well, it's the job of the minister to look after the dead. Why tell me?"
Priest: "You're right, it is my job. But we always notify the next of kin."

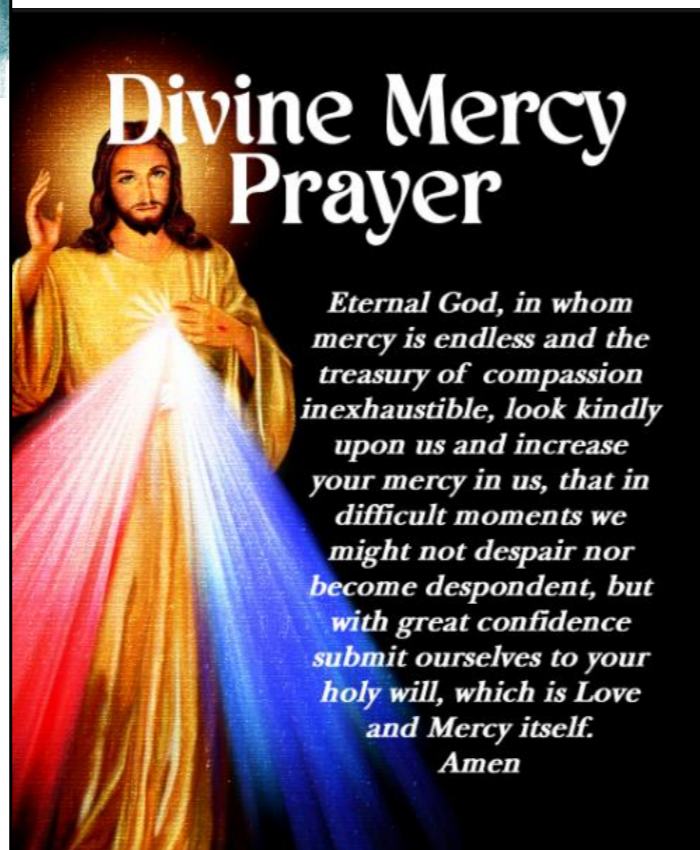


Prayer for the Year of Hope Jubilee 2025 (Year of Jubilee of Hope officially opens on 24 December at 7pm)

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



Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

Archdiocese of Sydney

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

Second Sunday of Easter – Year C

27 April 2025

Divine Mercy Sunday

Entrance Antiphon

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. R. v.1

R/ Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **R/**

2. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **R/**

3. O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the true God is our light. **R/**

Second Reading

Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living



One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation

John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!
You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to



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	Wednesday – 9:15am (St Pius V school Mass – all welcome) 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 12/13 & 19/20 April 2025

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$1160.45	\$769.40	\$475.00	\$139.15
(supports the priest’s expenses)	(for running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

Masses for: Jose Andrade & departed family members, Rosaria & Orazio Salvo, Steve Palmer (prostrate cancer), person who jumped in front of train at Central, John Teixeira & deceased family members, Eugenia de Jesus & family members.

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.

CFW Appeal next weekend 3&4 May

Good Friday Appeal The parish supported our brothers & sisters in the Holy Land by donating \$1360.60.

Project Compassion Please return all donations by next weekend 4 May 2025.

Choir Loft The Indonesians are planning to do a clean-up. If you want anything up there, claim it soon.

Holy Thursday Feedback Father Chris received feedback. New arrangements will be made for 2026.

Enmore Healing Mass 8 May 9:15am

Cantor We are looking for a cantor to sing with our organist every 3rd Saturday of the month. Please see Father.

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.

Marrickville Refugee Welcome Group (MRWG) is a group of volunteers connected with Australia’s formal refugee sponsorship program, aiming to give practical hands-on support to a small family to help them settle in the local area and accompany them on their journey to self-sufficiency. Offer your support or help provide suitable affordable accommodation. Email: mrgw2204@outlook.com Donate to <https://shoutforgood.com/fundraisers/mrgw>. See noticeboard for flyer.

Grace and Truth Event You are invited to join the Dominican Friars and Sisters on **Wednesday, 30 April** for an evening of prayer, formation, and fellowship. Open to men and women of all ages. The evening will consist of Eucharistic Adoration, Vespers and Benediction, a light dinner, and talks by Sister Elena Marie and Father James Baxter. The event will run from 5-9PM, starting in the crypt of St Mary’s Cathedral, Sydney, and moving to the Cathedral Hall. Fee: \$20. For more information, contact the Dominican Sisters at sydney@op-tn.org.

Sydney Catholic Youth | Finding Clarity in God’s Calling, 30 April, 6pm-9:30pm, St Jerome’s Catholic Church, Punchbowl. Guest speaker: Sr Olivia (Schoenstatt Sister of Mary). Adoration, Mass, Food & Social Time, Guest Speaker See flyer on noticeboard

The Sydney Centre for Evangelisation is once again offering the **RCIA Certification Course**—a free formation program for both new and experienced RCIA team members. This is an interactive course that teaches participants how to accompany individuals seeking to become Catholic in their parishes through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)—the foundation for all evangelization in the Church. **8 Online Thursday Sessions (6:30 pm - 8:30 pm) 8 May – 26 June (Live & Recorded)** Interactive Zoom format with Q&A Recordings available for 10 weeks Spread the word! Register here on [Trybooking](https://trybooking.com), and for any queries, please contact: Simon Yeak | simon.yeak@sydneycatholic.org | 0427 536 356

Enfield Healing Mass Friday 2 May 7pm See noticeboard for details

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/CYUGI>

FREE SEMINAR ON WILLS FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY Writing or updating a Will can be a complicated task, so looking after your loved ones during this process is often challenging. This is why the Sydney Archdiocese is delighted to announce a FREE SEMINAR designed to make the world of Wills and Elder Law easier to comprehend and navigate. When: Wednesday 14 May 2025, between 10.00am-12.00pm | Where: St Canice’s Parish Church | 28 Roslyn St Rushcutters Bay | Note: light refreshments will be available on the day. All are welcome. Alternatively, call Tony Maric on 0422 099 576. Leading industry specialists with decades of experience will present on the day, offer their expertise and answer your questions. Representatives from the Sydney Archdiocese will also explain how your parish community and Archdiocese can directly benefit from the offering of legacy gifts in wills. For further information, contact Tony Maric on 0422 099 576, or tony.maric@sydneycatholic.org.

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.