

keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 15:4-5
Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 15:1-8
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 15:1,5
I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.



Prayer against Coronavirus

O God, Healer of all our ills, to Whom we turn in this time of distress, grant we pray, in the power of faith, eternal rest to the dead and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

St Edmund, patron saint of pandemics, pray for us.

St Sebastian, patron saint of plague sufferers, pray for us.

St Roch, invoked against the plague, pray for us.

St Godeberta, invoked against drought & epidemics, pray for us

St Luke, patron saint of doctors, pray for us.

St Agatha, patron saint of nurses, pray for us.

St Damien, patron saint of chemists, pray for us.

St Anthony of Egypt, patron saint of gravediggers, pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us

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.

Prayer to Saint Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted His only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore

Archdiocese of Sydney

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter – Year B

2 May 2021

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 97:1-2
O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 9:26-31
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.

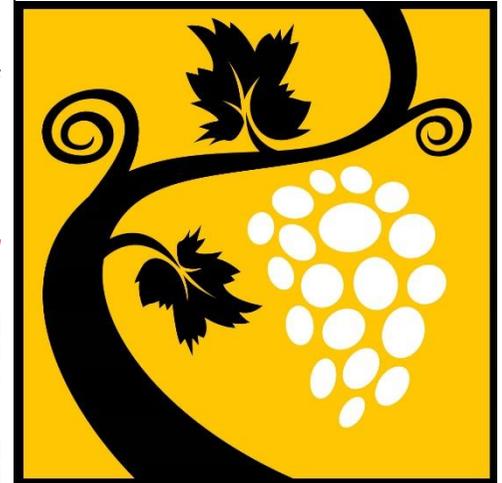
When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:26-28
30-32. R. v.26

R/ I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever! R/

2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all



who go down to the dust. R/

3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.' R/

Second Reading 1 Jn 3:18-24
A reading from the first letter of St John

His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever



Parish Administrator—Reverend Father Christopher Higgins
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MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

Masses	Tuesday to Friday—9:15am Saturday—5:00pm Sunday—9:30am – (12:00pm Indonesian)
Confessions	Saturday 4:15—4:45pm <i>or by appointment</i>
Exposition	Friday – 6:00pm
Adoration	Sunday 9:00—9:25am
Baptisms	By appointment—about 1 month’s notice required
Marriages	By appointment—about 6 months’ notice required

WEEKLY COLLECTION (1st collection total for past 5 weeks)

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$205.40 (supports the expenses of priest)	\$202.10 (for day-to-day running of parish)	\$167.70 (part of 2nd collection)	\$102.70 (part of 2nd collection)

Masses were offered for: Veronica Fenech’s 60th birthday, for the success of Emilia Bontigao’s operation & speedy recovery, for Shirley Canadi’s birthday, Jose & Conny Pedras (RIP), Unknown intention.

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)*

COVID Regulations There is no cap on numbers at weddings and funerals, and no cap on singing. 200 people allowed for private outdoor public gatherings. All venues to move to one person per 2m². We are still required to register names and contact details of attendees. The importance of sanitizing hands is emphasized. Masks are strongly recommended.

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May Appeal is happening this weekend and we need your help. COVID-19 has taken an especial toll on the most vulnerable in Sydney – including those now facing homelessness, single mothers, those struggling with mental health, and our local Aboriginal communities.

Special envelopes are available at the parish. Alternatively, you can learn more and donate securely at www.ourfaithhourworks.org/cwf. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. **Please return envelopes by 16 May.**

Mass 2 May Please welcome Kindergarten and year 6 students and their parents. There will be no morning tea.

Take Control of Your Social Media! Free event for parents, teachers & students. 4 May, 5:30pm, Le Montage. www.isma.ngo See noticeboard.

Divine Retreat Centre May events on noticeboard.

Bethlehem College Day Mass Friday 18 June, 10am, celebrating 140 years of education. See noticeboard for further information.

We thank Julie for pressure cleaning the mossy pavers near Our Lady’s grotto.

We thank Di for installing a new watering system.

May Healing Mass 7 May, St Joseph’s, Enfield, 7pm onwards. See noticeboard.

The builders of **Our Lady’s new carrier** have leftover free wood.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Procession All are invited at 11am on Sun 16 May. We need 2 volunteers to carry Our Lady.

Proposed New Parish Driveway Following the Parish Council meeting, Truman has asked that if you are disabled, elderly, have physical needs, etc. and would benefit from having an entry to the church from Edgeware Rd, to fill in your details on the sheet provided, to be taken to Council.

Palms Australia is a Catholic agency who recruits, prepares, sends and supports qualified and experienced Australians to assist communities in Asia, Africa and the Pacific seeking to reduce poverty. If you know your way around accounting processes, and either looking for experience, or a meaningful retirement, Executive Director, Roger O’Halloran, would love to hear from you. roger@palms.org.au or 9560 5333 in business hours.

Christian Meditation Day- Sunday 16 May St Benedict’s Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, 10am-3pm (including a Mass in the afternoon) No need to register ahead of time. Donations welcome. Enquiries: Ann Bergman: anniebergman@hotmail.com or Ann Lomas: atlomas@bigpond.com or 9653 2637.

Life, Marriage and Family Be A Man: online course in masculine theology, on several Weds, **Beloved 2021 Women’s Retreat:** 12 June 8:30am-8:30pm. See noticeboard.

Men’s Breakfast with Danny Abdallah A drunken driver – 4 children gone. How can Danny forgive? Sat 15 May @ 8am, St Joseph, Enfield Parish. RSVP Thursday 13 May. Bookings required: www.trybooking.com/BQKYJ or contact Kevin Smith 0470 284 590 / cmsyd@outlook