



St Mary's Cathedral
SYDNEY

CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

2023

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH
INCLUDING
ST COLUMBKILLE'S CHURCH,
MCELHONE STREET, WOOLLOOMOOLOO

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING *Acts 8:5-8, 14-17*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20*

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **R.**

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. **R.**

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. **R.**

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. **R.**

SECOND READING *1 Peter 3:15-18*

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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 *John 14:15-21*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father,

and he will give you another Advocate

to be with you for ever,

that Spirit of truth

whom the world can never receive

since it neither sees nor knows him;

but you know him,

because he is with you, he is in you.

I will not leave your orphans;

I will come back to you.

In a short time the world will no longer see me;

but you will see me,

because I live and you will live.

On that day

you will understand that I am in my Father

and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them

will be one who loves me;

and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,

and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WORD FROM THE DEAN



Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

As well as Mothers Day, today (Sunday) is the Church's "World Communications Day," which was established by Pope Paul VI in 1967 as an annual event encouraging us to reflect on the opportunities and challenges that the modern means of social communication (the press, motions pictures, radio, television and these days the internet) afford the Church to communicate the gospel message.

So I am glad to "communicate" to you the news that we have a new priest on the cathedral staff, Fr George Sigamoney. When you see Fr George around and about, do please make him feel welcome!

You might also see Archbishop Anthony around the place on crutches – he took a tumble while on pilgrimage in the Holy Land recently, but there is no truth to the rumour that Fr Lewi, who was with him, tripped him! So do please pray for the Archbishop's full recovery.









Some roads around the cathedral are closed off today for the "Mothers Day Classic Fun Run", and please be aware that next Sunday 21st May there will be street closures because the Sydney Half Marathon is taking place and the Finishing Line is in College Street at the Cathedral Square. So do come to the cathedral for Mass but give yourself a little extra time. These are the joys of our splendid locality!

God bless all our mothers!

Fr Don Richardson, Dean.

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

May 2023

<p>MAY MONTH OF MARY</p> 			<p>13 <i>Saturday</i> <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i> The World Apostolate of Fatima Procession at 11.30am followed by the 12pm Mass 6pm Mass Feast of Our Lady of Fatima followed by Rosary Procession</p>	<p>14 <i>Sunday</i> <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> MOTHER'S DAY <i>World Communications Day</i> 2pm Sunday Public Tour</p> 	<p>15 <i>Monday</i></p>	<p>16 <i>Tuesday</i></p>
<p>17 <i>Wednesday</i> 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</p>	<p>18 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS</p> 	<p>19 <i>Friday</i></p>	<p>20 <i>Saturday</i> Today's 12pm Mass in honour of Mary Help of Christians</p>	<p>21 <i>Sunday</i>  The ASCENSION of the LORD Today's 10.30am Mass includes Dempsey Medal Presentation 2pm Sunday Public Tour</p>	<p>22 <i>Monday</i></p>	<p>23 <i>Tuesday</i></p>
<p>24 <i>Wednesday</i> OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS  6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</p>	<p>25 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS</p> 	<p>26 <i>Friday</i> <i>St Philip Neri</i></p>	<p>27 <i>Saturday</i></p>	<p>28 <i>Sunday</i>  PENTECOST SUNDAY 10.30am Mass (Adult Confirmation) 2pm Sunday Public Tour</p>	<p>29 <i>Monday</i>  <i>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i></p>	<p>30 <i>Tuesday</i></p>

Weekly Mass Schedule

MASS

Monday to Friday: 6:45am, 1:10pm, 5:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am, 12:00 noon

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 10:30am (Solemn Choral Mass), 6:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday to Friday: 12noon to 1:00pm and 4:30pm to 5:25pm

Saturday: 11.00am to 12noon and 4:30pm to 5:30pm

EVENING VESPERS

Monday to Friday: 5:00pm

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 5:00pm

(Choral Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

CATHEDRAL NOTICES



Please note: The “EMBRACE” Young Adults Group will be in recess from now until Sunday 2nd July.



Novena of Rosaries to Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia

The Heartfelt Community's Bridget Sakr has launched a Rosary Crusade, aiming for 100,000 participants to pray the Rosary, nine days before the Feast of Mary Help of Christians.

Let us unite across the country in praying through Mary's intercession to confront sin and to stand against the anti-Christian culture we are now facing in Australia.

Sign up to the Rosary Crusade online here: <https://tally.so/r/woEXRM>

PROCESSION FOR THE FEAST OF MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA

Peace through Prayer with Bishop Daniel Meagher

SATURDAY 20 MAY 2023

10AM MASS AT ST PETER'S SURRY HILLS

Followed by Pilgrims Blessing by Bishop Daniel Meagher. Then join us as he leads us on a street procession to St Mary's Cathedral

12PM MASS AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Mass in Honour of Mary Help of Christians



CONDUCTED BY THE SERVANTS OF MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, AUSTRALIA NEEDS FATIMA AND FAMILY LIFE INTERNATIONAL



CHARISMS

THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Unleashed

Monday 22 May 2023
6:00pm - 9:00pm
Liverpool

Wednesday 24 May 2023
6:00pm - 9:00pm
Strathfield

WITH SHERRY WEDDELL

Begin the path to discovering your charisms!
REGISTER ONLINE

Of Life and Love

Marriage Preparation Course

20-21 MAY

St Christopher's Parish, Holsworthy

REGISTER HERE:

www.trybooking.com/CGMSP

*Alternative course
November 2023*




Ascension Day Retreat at St Benedict's Monastery

Sunday 21 May
10am-3pm
121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia.

The day will feature Mass, presentations and Christian Meditation. Book display and morning tea provided, BYO picnic lunch. Masks are optional, recommended social distancing and vaccination for one's own personal protection.

Enquiries: Ann Bergman
anniebergman@hotmail.com or Ann Lomas
atlomas@bigpond.com / 9653 2637

Possible accommodation at the monastery guest house Enquiries : Fr Michael Kelly 0455 329 607 or Email: mkelly@silvestrini.org





Missionaries of God's Love
Sisters

Anointed

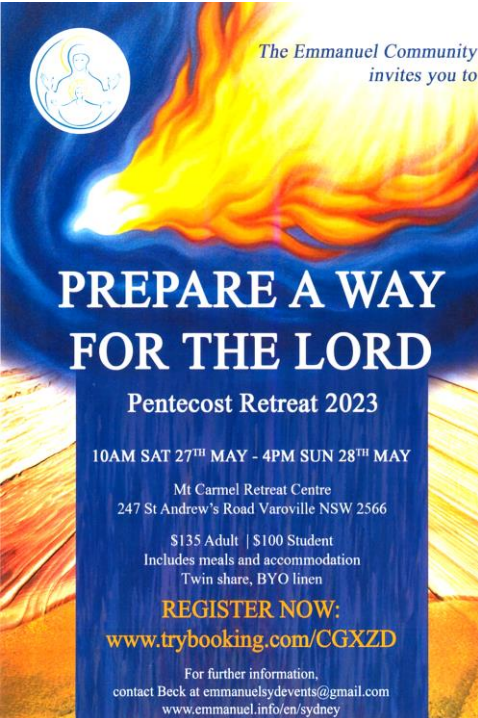
Pentecost Intensive

Deepen in your anointing as a Christian called to intentional relationship with the Trinity, radical discipleship, generously sharing the charismatic gifts and a life of mission and service through inputs, discussion and practical workshops.

Carmel House
May 24-28
trybooking.com/CFBRF



The Emmanuel Community
invites you to



PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD

Pentecost Retreat 2023
10AM SAT 27TH MAY - 4PM SUN 28TH MAY
Mt Carmel Retreat Centre
247 St Andrew's Road Varoiville NSW 2566
\$135 Adult | \$100 Student
Includes meals and accommodation
Twin share, BYO linen
REGISTER NOW:
www.trybooking.com/CGXZD
For further information,
contact Beck at emmanuelstsydney@gmail.com
www.emmanuel.info/en/sydney

Evangelium Forum: Lumen Gentium and Synodality

What can this landmark Vatican II document teach us in our contemporary Church today?

Guest Speaker: Rev Prof Gerald Kelly, Lecturer,
Catholic Institute of Sydney

Sunday 28 May (Pentecost Sunday)
12 noon-1:30pm (including Q and A)
St Peter's Parish Hall
235 Devonshire St, Surry Hills
(50 metres from Surry Hills light rail stop)
Free Talk

Call to prayer for the global Synod on the Feast of the Visitation

Dioceses across Australia have been asked to join together for a time of prayer on **Wednesday 31 May** on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We will entrust the work of the upcoming Assembly of the Synod of Bishops to Our Lady on this special feast day.

Resources are being developed to support parishes which will be shared online here: [With Mary - Sharing synodal resources \(synodresources.org\)](http://www.synodresources.org)



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL SYDNEY
FREE GUIDED TOURS



EVERY SUNDAY at 2pm

Please join us for a **FREE** guided tour of St Mary's Cathedral

Learn about the history and architecture of this magnificent Cathedral and Crypt

Please note:


Participants receive 10% discount in the Cathedral Shop

Meeting point: Cathedral Shop internal entrance
Wheel chair access is available to Main Cathedral

To book a spot please email:

info@stmaryscathedral.org.au

Walk-ins still accepted



SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND ADULTS
CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

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.