



St Mary's Cathedral
SYDNEY

CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2025

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING *Deuteronomy 30:10-14*

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 18:8-11*

R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**

The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes. **R.**

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. **R.**

They are more to be desired than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,
than honey from the comb. **R.**

SECOND READING *Colossians 1:15-20*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

All things were created through him and for him.

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God
and the first-born of all creation,
for in him were created
all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers -
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,
and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body,
he is its head.
As he is the Beginning,

he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *cf John 6:63, 68*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Luke 10:25-37*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus. 'Do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WORD FROM THE DEAN



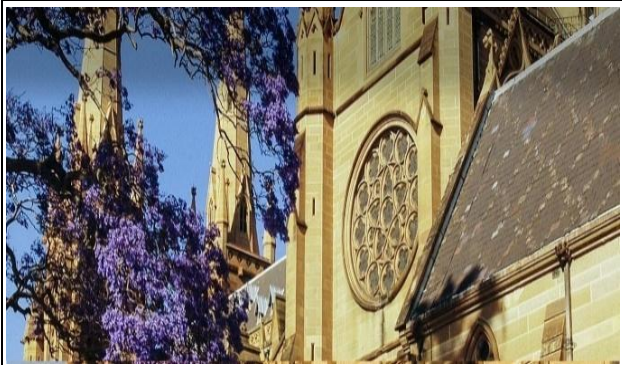
Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

This Wednesday, 16th July, is the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Although it is an “optional” commemoration, at the Cathedral we will indeed celebrate the feast because this is a place of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Here in Sydney we also have the diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, located at Waterloo. You might consider paying a visit one day to that historic church, which was founded by Archbishop Polding back in 1859. It is one of the designated “Jubilee Churches” for this Holy Year. The original design was never completed: it was to have had a large tower and tall spire, and from the top of its hill would have dominated the views in the southern part of the city. Even incomplete it is a fine church and there’s a nice parish community there, part of the Sydney City South Parish which incorporates the former Waterloo, Rosebery and Redfern Parishes. The Servant of God, Eileen O’Connor (our next candidate for sainthood who died in 1921) was a parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Waterloo and pupil in the parish school, so there’s another incentive to pay a visit and say a prayer. Mass in the Shrine at Waterloo for the feast will be a Vigil Mass on Tuesday at 5.00pm. Masses in the cathedral for the feast will be Wednesday 6.45, 1.10 and 5.30.

Fr Don Richardson, Dean.

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

July 2025

			12 <i>Saturday</i>	13 <i>Sunday</i> APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA 2pm Sunday Public Tour	14 <i>Monday</i>	15 <i>Tuesday</i> <i>St Bonaventure</i>
16 <i>Wednesday</i> <i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i> 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	17 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	18 <i>Friday</i>	19 <i>Saturday</i>	20 <i>Sunday</i> 2pm Sunday Public Tour	21 <i>Monday</i>	22 <i>Tuesday</i> <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>
23 <i>Wednesday</i> 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	24 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	25 <i>Friday</i> <i>St James</i>	26 <i>Saturday</i> <i>Sts Joachim & Anne</i>	27 <i>Sunday</i> WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY 2pm Sunday Public Tour	28 <i>Monday</i>	29 <i>Tuesday</i> <i>Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus</i>

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



Position Vacant Housekeeping and Laundry Assistant St Mary's Cathedral



St Mary's Cathedral House is currently seeking a dedicated and reliable individual to join our team as a Housekeeping and Laundry Assistant. This **permanent full-time position** plays a vital role in ensuring the smooth daily operations of Cathedral House. The successful candidate will help maintain a clean, welcoming, and well-ordered environment.

To obtain a copy of the Position Description please contact (02) 9220 0414 or email mehul.shah@stmaryscathedral.org.au.

Application Process

Applications should be sent in confidence to mehul.shah@stmaryscathedral.org.au and should include a **resume** and **cover letter**. Your cover letter must address how your skills, knowledge, experience and personal attributes align with the *selection criteria* of the role as outlined above.

Interested candidates are encouraged to apply as soon as possible as applications will be considered as they are received and until the role is filled. Applications close: 8 August 2025

Only candidates with the unrestricted right to work in Australia may apply for this position. Preferred candidates must have a current Working With Children Check, or willingness to obtain.

Position Vacant Cleaner Position St Mary's Cathedral



St Mary's Cathedral is currently seeking a candidate to fill the **permanent full-time position** of Cleaner, to ensure the precinct and all its facilities are clean and highly presentable that is welcoming for visitors, guests and parishioners.


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Grace & Truth

An evening of prayer, formation, and fellowship open to men and women of all ages.


St Mary's Cathedral, 5-9PM
FRIDAY, 18 JULY 2025
with
Archbishop Anthony Fisher, OP
and the Dominican Sisters and Friars

Theme: Christology

Questions: Email the Sisters at sydney@op-tn.org



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.




No photography or videography permitted while Mass is in progress.

ELECTRONIC COLLECTION PLATES
The option to make an offering via credit card is available at this Mass.



Please note: you can continue to donate with cash or place the plate on.



Love to sing?

Join
St Mary's Singers
at St Mary's Cathedral,
SYDNEY

The St Mary's Singers is an unauditioned choir of men and women based at the Cathedral. The Singers sing at Vespers and evening Mass on the second Saturday of every month, as well as at concerts and occasionally at other liturgies. The Choir includes people of all ages.

Registrations are open now via:
stmaryssingers@stmaryscathedral.org.au
or complete the online registration form:
<https://www.stmaryssingers.com/join-st-marys-singers.html>

