



*St Mary's Cathedral*  
SYDNEY

## CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

2026

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH  
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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



### FIRST READING *Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9*

A reading from the book of Exodus

*The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.*

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Daniel 3:52-56*

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.

**R.** Glory and praise for ever!

Blest your glorious holy name.

**R.** Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest in the temple of your glory.

**R.** Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.

**R.** Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest who gaze into the depths.

**R.** Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest in the firmament of the heaven.

**R.** Glory and praise for ever!

## **SECOND READING** *2 Corinthians 13:11-13*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with you all.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *cf Revelation 1:8*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:  
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** *John 3:16-18*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  
*God sent his Son to save the world through him.*

Jesus said to Nicodemus,

'God loved the world so much  
that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost  
but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world  
not to condemn the world,  
but so that through him the world might be saved.  
No one who believes in him will be condemned;  
but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already,  
because he has refused to believe  
in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## WORD FROM THE DEAN



Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

In the period between now and the International Eucharistic Congress in 2028 we hope to complete a number of significant works in and around the cathedral. Planning is well underway for several of these projects. Recently, a number of our plans were submitted to the NSW Heritage authorities and are now on display for public comment until June 17th. These include our designs for:

- *new public toilets in the crypt*
- *upgrade of interior and exterior lighting*
- *enhancement of the functionality of the sacristies*
- *improved accessibility to the main entries and to the crypt*

You can view the plans and comment online here at this NSW Government website:  
<https://www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/st-marys-cc>

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For this week of our “Year of Saints” at St Mary’s Cathedral, here are two saints who both died at the age of nineteen. One is fairly well known, the other not so much:

**Saint Joan of Arc**, known as the Maid of Orleans: in her teens she had a mystical experience of Saint Michael, Saint Catherine, and Saint Margaret urging her to help the royal army drive the English out from France. Her motives, the genuineness of her religious experiences and her Christian life were examined carefully before she was allowed to take her place leading and inspiring the army to numerous victories. After having fought valiantly for her country, she was at length betrayed into the power of her enemies, condemned in an unjust trial, and burnt to death in 1431. St Joan’s is a truly extraordinary and unique life, but at its heart lies a profound and holy faith.

**Saint Nicholas the Pilgrim** is commemorated on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, especially in Trani in southern Italy: He was born in Greece around 1075. As a shepherd boy he led a solitary kind of life and developed a contemplative spirituality. He became accustomed to constantly repeat loudly the prayer *Kyrie eleison*, Lord have mercy, which was fine when he was out in the countryside but he kept repeating it aloud incessantly when he was in towns and villages and houses, which people found somewhat annoying. His mother, thinking he might be possessed, sent him to live at a nearby monastery. The Greek monks found his behaviour

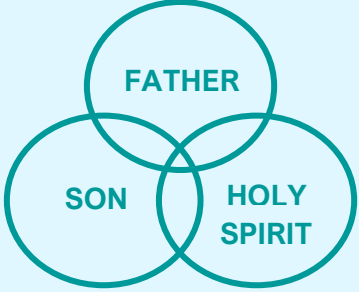




odd and his constant repetition aloud of *Kyrie eleison* became irksome to them too, and they expelled him from the monastery. At the age of nineteen, Nicholas made up his mind to go on a pilgrimage to Rome and while on the way there to try to impress upon everyone, the need for repentance, prayer and supplication to God for His mercy. He took a ship from Greece to Otranto and spent some time walking around the Greek-speaking region of southern Italy, repeating his prayer and encouraging children to do the same. In the town of Trani he died of natural causes, and numerous miracles were associated with him. Four years later the Bishop of Trani petitioned Pope Urban II to declare Nicholas a Saint.

With prayerful best wishes for the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson, *Dean*.

# UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

## May – June 2026

<p><b>THE TRINITY</b></p> 			<p>30 <i>Saturday</i></p>	<p>31 <i>Sunday</i></p>  <p><b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b></p> <p>2pm Sunday Public Tour</p>	<p>1 <i>Monday</i></p> <p><i>St Justin</i></p>	<p>2 <i>Tuesday</i></p> <p><i>Sts Marcellinus &amp; Peter</i></p>
			<p>3 <i>Wednesday</i></p> <p><i>Sts Charles Lwanga &amp; Companions</i></p> <p>6:30pm <b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</p>	<p>4 <i>Thursday</i></p> <p>6:30pm <b>CITY COMPASS</b></p> 	<p>5 <i>Friday</i></p> <p><i>St Boniface</i></p> <p><b>St Anthony of Padua Relics at the Cathedral Today</b></p> <p>11am Mass 1.10pm Mass 5.30pm Mass (Veneration before and after each Mass)</p>	<p>6 <i>Saturday</i></p>
<p>10 <i>Wednesday</i></p> <p>6:30pm <b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</p>	<p>11 <i>Thursday</i></p> <p><i>St Barnabas</i></p> <p>6:30pm <b>CITY COMPASS</b></p> 	<p>12 <i>Friday</i></p>  <p><b>SACRED HEART</b></p>	<p>13 <i>Saturday</i></p> <p><i>The Most Immaculate Heart of Mary</i></p>	<p>14 <i>Sunday</i></p> <p>2pm Sunday Public Tour</p>	<p>15 <i>Monday</i></p> <p><b>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition from 15 to 21 June Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</b></p>	<p>16 <i>Tuesday</i></p> <p><b>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition from 15 to 21 June Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</b></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

THE RELICS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY X CONVENTUAL FRANCISCAN FRIARS

## ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

COMES TO ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY  
FRIDAY, JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

### SCHEDULE

11:00AM - MASS WITH VENERATION BEFORE & AFTER MASS  
12:00PM - CONFESSION  
1:10PM - MASS WITH VENERATION BEFORE & AFTER MASS  
4:30PM - CONFESSIONS  
5:00PM - VESPERS  
5:30PM - MASS WITH VENERATION BEFORE & AFTER MASS



16 MAY — 19 JULY 2026  
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## Cathedral Community Dinner

Registrations will soon close for the dinner with the **Friends of St Mary's Cathedral** to celebrate the Cathedral's patroness. Come and enjoy chamber music over canapés, three courses, and good company in Cathedral House on **Friday 5th June 2026**.

Read more and buy tickets on the Friends' website at [cathedrafriends.org.au](http://cathedrafriends.org.au).

But be quick: registrations must close at midnight on Sunday 31st May.

## Anthonian Days SYDNEY

Anthonian Days in the Oceania region will begin this year in New South Wales.

Franciscan friar Father Bortolino Maistrello, from the Pontifical Basilica of Saint Anthony in Padua, Italy, will be bringing three (3), first class relics from our Saint's Basilica.

The Relics each contain fragments of St. Anthony's skin.

The relics accompanied by Fr Maistrello will visit St Mary's Cathedral in the Archdiocese of Sydney and two churches in the Diocese of Parramatta from Friday, June 5 to Sunday, June 7, and then the Archdiocese of Adelaide, South Australia from Wednesday, June 10 to Sunday, June 14.

Masses and Veneration will be as follows:

**Friday 5 June**  
**ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL SYDNEY**  
St Mary's Road, Sydney NSW 2000  
**Mass Times: 11.00am, 1.10pm and 5.30pm**  
Veneration of the Relics will commence at 10.00am and continue before and after each mass until 6.30pm

**Saturday 6 June**  
**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CHURCH**  
8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville NSW 2155  
**Mass Times: 9.30am and 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)**  
Veneration of Relics will commence following the 9.30am mass until 2.00pm and will resume from 5.00pm then continue after the Vigil mass until 7.30pm

**Sunday 7 June**  
**ST PADRE PIO CHURCH**  
34-38 William Howell Drive, Glenmore Park NSW 2745  
**Mass Times: 8.00am and 10.00am**  
Veneration of relics will commence at 7.30am and continue before and after each mass until 4.00pm

*The Saint of Miracles Among Us*

For more information: contact 1800 080 200 [anthonian@anthonianaustralia.com.au](mailto:anthonian@anthonianaustralia.com.au)



**CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY**  
Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office

**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](mailto: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.

**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 pass the plate on.

No photography or videography permitted while Mass is in progress.

