



St Mary's Cathedral
SYDNEY

CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2026

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING *Jeremiah 20:10-13*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,
"Terror from every side!"
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!
All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,
'Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
Then we will master him and take our revenge!
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
my opponents will stumble, mastered,
confounded by their failure;
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,
who scrutinise the loins and heart,
let me see the vengeance you will take on them,
for I have committed my cause to you.
Sing to the Lord,
praise the Lord,
for he has delivered the soul of the needy
from the hands of evil men.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35*

R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts,
that shame covers my face,
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,
an alien to my own mother's sons.
I burn with zeal for your house
and taunts against you fall on me. **R.**

This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. **R.**

The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needs
and does not spurn servants in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,
the sea and all its living creatures. **R.**

SECOND READING *Romans 5:12-15*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even

more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *John 15:26, 27*

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord,
and you also will be my witnesses.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 10:26-33*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Do not fear those who can kill the body.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WORD FROM THE (ACTING) DEAN





Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

In this month of June, traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we look to one of our Lord's distinct characteristics – humility. 'Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls'(Mt 11:29). A saint that exemplified this humility is St Peter Da, a Vietnamese Martyr. He was a carpenter and sacristan, humbly applying his trade and his time for the good of the Church, without any fanfare or entitlement. He suffered many torments and remained steadfast in faith, eventually being burnt alive out of love for his Lord and Saviour. In light of the service he provided for the Church, we are thankful to our great team of humble sacristans who keep our Cathedral and liturgy running smoothly.

Fr Ben Saliba (Acting Dean)

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS


June – July 2026

		<p>20 <i>Saturday</i></p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</p>	<p>21 <i>Sunday</i></p> <p>Today's 10.30am Mass (Cathedral College First Communions)</p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition</p> <p>2pm Sunday Public Tour</p>	<p>22 <i>Monday</i></p> <p><i>Sts John Fisher & Thomas More</i></p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</p>	<p>23 <i>Tuesday</i></p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</p>	
		<p>24 <i>Wednesday</i></p> <p>The NATIVITY of ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</p> <p>6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</p>	<p>25 <i>Thursday</i></p> <p>Today's 5.30pm Mass (Welcoming Mass Concelebration for the Major Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis)</p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</p> <p>CITY COMPASS (Cancelled Today)</p>	<p>26 <i>Friday</i></p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</p>	<p>27 <i>Saturday</i></p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition Opening Hours 10.30am to 3pm</p>	<p>28 <i>Sunday</i></p> <p>Today's 10.30am Mass (Dempsey Medal Award Ceremony)</p> <p>Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis Crypt Exhibition</p> <p>2pm Sunday Public Tour</p>
<p>1 <i>Wednesday</i></p> <p>6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</p>	<p>2 <i>Thursday</i></p> <p>6:30pm CITY COMPASS </p>	<p>3 <i>Friday</i></p> <p><i>St Thomas</i></p>	<p>4 <i>Saturday</i></p>	<p>5 <i>Sunday</i></p> <p>NATIONAL ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE Today's 12.15pm Latin Mass has been moved to the Crypt and the 2pm Sunday Public Tour is cancelled – due to the 12.30pm Deanery Confirmations</p>	<p>6 <i>Monday</i></p> <p><i>St Maria Goretti</i></p>	<p>7 <i>Tuesday</i></p> <p><i>St Peter to Rot</i></p>

PLEASE NOTE: VESPERS SCHEDULE UPDATE
Due to the Cathedral Choir Europe Tour and School Holidays

- ❖ There will be no Weekday and Sunday Vespers from 25 July 2026, except for Saturdays which will be at the usual time of 5.30pm.
- ❖ Vespers Resumes as per regular timetable commencing from Sunday 19 July 2026.

CATHEDRAL NOTICES




Mass and Reception of St Carlo Acutis Relic

Thursday 25 June, St Mary's Cathedral

5:30pm Mass celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP

Catechesis and veneration of the relic after Mass.




SUNDAY 21 JUNE @ 6PM

HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL SERVICE

MARTIN PLACE AMPHITHEATRE SYDNEY



Australian Catholic Historical Society Talk

The next event for the Australian Catholic Historical Society will be held in the crypt of Saint Patrick's, Church Hill, at **2:00 PM** on **Sunday 21 June 2026**.

The Topic: Still Relevant? Fr Julian Tenison Woods in the Twenty-First Century.

Presenter: Fr Roderick O'Brien

Members, their guests, and visitors are most welcome and there is no charge.


Details of the programme of the ACHS as well as resources on church history are on the website <https://australiancatholichistoricalsociety.com.au/>


The Journey to EUCHARIST28


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Faith Formation 2026

The Eucharist in the Life of the Church

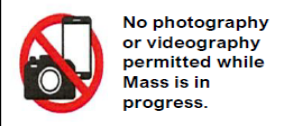


JUN	The Eucharist in the Early Church Dr Kevin Wagner Mondays 1, 15 and 22 June	OCT	The Eucharist and Morality Rev Dr Paschal M. Corby OFM Conv Mondays 12, 19 and 26 October
JUN	Eucharistic Miracles (Free Event) Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP Tuesday 30 June	NOV	The Eucharist and Evangelisation Dr Kevin Wagner Mondays 9, 16 and 23 November
JUL	The Eucharist in Systematic Theology Chris Wolter Mondays 13, 20 and 27 July	<p>A ministry of the Parish Renewal Team, Sydney Centre for Evangelisation</p> <p>Online via Zoom. Each session 7:30 - 8:45pm. Cost per month: \$35 per person (+booking fees) \$100 for Parish Groups, in-person gathering (+booking fees)</p> <p>Register at: gomakedisciples.org.au/didasko</p> 	
AUG	The Eucharist and Devotion Rev Dr Benjamin Johnson OFM Cap Mondays 17, 24 and 31 August		
SEP	Thomas Aquinas on the Eucharist and Corpus Christi Professor Angus Brook Mondays 14, 21 and 28 September		




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 pass the plate on.



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**FOR ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL VISITORS
THIS SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

Present this flyer at the box office on St Mary's Cathedral forecourt
to receive your discount to a session this Saturday and Sunday.

*Limited tickets available for sessions. Get in early.

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AN IMMERSIVE EXHIBITION



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