

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-5

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new'.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.**
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
I give you a new commandment: love one another.

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified.

If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

My little children, I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another;

just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples'.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

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.

A new commandment I give to you,

**That you love one another;
as I have loved you,
that you also love one another.**

John 13:34



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

**Acts 15: 1- 2, 22 - 29; Apoc 21: 10 - 14, 22 - 23;
Jn 14: 23 - 29.**

World Meeting of Families.

The 2022 World Meeting of Families will be marked in the Archdiocese of Sydney with a local diocesan celebration. This local gathering will take place from Friday 24 June to Sunday 26 June. Initiatives will include a local parish celebration, an opportunity for families to make pilgrimages to sacred locations within the Archdiocese, and will culminate with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP with an associated Sunday afternoon 'Festival of Families'.

Our parish will be involved in this event and more information will be available soon!

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office: If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney please call the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office on 02 9390 5812.

View the Archdiocese of Sydney website.

The Archdiocese Policies, Protocols and guidelines are public documents and are available on their Archdiocese website.

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY THE CHURCH. ALL OF IT.

- A tale of two furies. Double standard in politics?
 - Parents hang up on kids phones.
- DON'T MISS OUT! The CW Informed Voter's Election Guide
- An extraordinary man. Famed aussie composer dies
- EXCLUSIVE. This timeless faith. Cardinal Pell writes for *The Catholic Weekly*.
- Sydney's 'Anglican' Catholic Parish

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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL:	6:00 pm.
SUNDAY:	8:00 am and 10.00 am.
MONDAY:	No Mass.
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY:	9.00 am Mass.
FRIDAY:	9.00 am Mass. Exposition & Benediction every Friday after Mass.
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.
Baptism:	Every Sunday at 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
Marriage:	By appointment.
Anointing of the sick:	Please give names to Father Roberto Castillo.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year C) 14th / 15th May 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

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.

the pagans.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

FIRST READING: Acts 14:21-27

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 144:8-13

**RESPONSE: I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.**

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **Response.**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God,

to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. **Response.**

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **Response.**

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14 / 15 MAY 2022 – 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM
Acolyte	T DABBAH	D ELLIS	J KWONG
Reader	L SAMONTE	S JAYAMANNE	H VAZ
Offertory	DABBAH FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	A PLEADIN	NIL	BUDY WIDJAYA
Altar Servers	GROUP 3: SOPHIA BERNLEITNER & AMARA LOIACONO	NO ROSTERED GROUP	GROUP 7: VINCENT & ALYSSA WIDJAYA
Welcomers	A CHAN & P ONG		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 11: P. HO B TANG A. STANTON		
Altar Flowers	ANNE-MARIE NAGANATHAN	MAY ATAR LINEN: MAUREEN PEARCE	

21 / 22 MAY 2022 – 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM
Acolyte	R MORFUNI	A STANTON	G MOODLEY
Reader	J PERERA	Y LEUNG	VOLUNTEER
Offertory	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	V PERERA	NIL	NO MUSIC
Altar Servers	GROUP 4: WONG FAMILY & NIARA PAREKALAM	NO ROSTERED GROUP	GROUP 8: ELIE & ALYSSIA BARAZ
Welcomers	S CHAMISA		VOLUNTEER WANTED
Counters	GROUP 1: B. CLARK A. STANTON P. BRODERICK		
Altar Flowers	J KEYSER	MAY ATAR LINEN: MAUREEN PEARCE	

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES:

Request for Mass and Prayers.

We pray for those who have recently died especially Carmel Brereton and John Higgins. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries especially Joseph Davies and Joan Booth.



A Reminder about Sunday Obligation.

“Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day”
a commandment from God

We would like to remind everybody that the Sunday dispensation due to Covid19 was lifted and therefore the Sunday Obligation is now re-instated. Please advise your friends and family members who may not be aware of this.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher says, **“Of course, we want people to come to Mass out of love more than obedience, but love itself brings responsibilities.”**



First Holy Communion at St Therese.

Parent & Candidate Sessions of continue on WEDNESDAY’S the 18th, 25th May and 1st and 8th June in St Therese Church commencing at 7pm sharp.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will be on Sunday the 19th June at 11.30am.



Parish Council Meeting - update.

At the May Parish Council meeting the following was discussed:

Councillors - We welcomed Gavin Landers to his first Council meeting.

School – Sacramental programs and liturgy celebrations have been a focus of the first few weeks of Term 2. Interviews for Kindy 2023 are taking place during May and the school hopes to maintain the class numbers of 24-26. A couple of maintenance & facilities improvements are in the pipeline - roof improvements / maintenance + increased shade structures/stage

Parish activities – Discussion around planning the Parish Christmas Luncheon.

Liturgy – Thank you to all those who helped with our Easter Liturgies and Masses.



Month of May - Month of Mary.

The month of May is dedicated to venerate our Lady and we are encouraged to pray the rosary, praying for your needs and peace in the world. So make the time for these prayers with your family.



CWF appeal.

NEXT weekend we will hold our May CWF Appeal at all Masses. Simply use the envelopes that will be on the pews to make your donation and add the envelope to any of the collection baskets at the front of the church.

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) is a centralised fund that supports the charitable and pastoral activities of the Archdiocese of Sydney. It is your charity, the charity of the Sydney Catholic community and your local parish. CWF funds six agencies:

- **Aboriginal Catholic Ministry** – provides pastoral care for Catholic Aboriginals.
- **CatholicCare** – delivers over 100 programs in Ageing, Disability, Children & Youth, Employment Training & Support, and Family Services.
- **Chaplaincies** – Our chaplaincy services in hospitals, prisons and universities provides support to the lonely, sick, hurt and suffering in the community.
- **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)** – provides religious education and Christian formation for Catholic children in public schools.
- **Ephpheta Centre** – provides services to the deaf and hearing impaired including sacramental, counselling, support and advocacy services.
- **Seminary of the Good Shepherd** – supporting the education and training of future Priests for the Archdiocese.

The generosity of those who contribute financially to the CWF, means that these agencies are able to assist thousands of people each year.

TEN Canonizations on the 15th May 2022

Pope Francis will preside over the first canonizations in more than two years this weekend. Ten people will be officially recognized as saints by the Catholic Church on May 15. They are:

“Blessed”

- Charles de Foucauld,
- Titus Brandsma,
- Devasahayam Pillai,
- César de Bus,
- Luigi Maria Palazzolo,
- Giustino Maria Russolillo,
- Marie Rivier,
- Maria Francesca of Jesus (Anna Maria Rubatto),
- Maria Domenica Mantovani,
- Maria of Jesus Santocanale

Less well known are the four Catholic female leaders each of whom founded religious orders which have grown worldwide and made a lasting impact on the Church.



BLESSED CHARLES DE FOUCAULD

was born in Strasbourg, France, in 1858. He strayed from the faith during his adolescence, but during a trip to Morocco, he saw how devoted Muslims were to their faith, which inspired him to return to the church and, eventually, to join the Trappists. After living in monasteries in France and in Syria, he sought an even more austere life as a hermit. Ordained to the priesthood in 1901, he lived among the poor and finally settled in Tamanrasset, Algeria. In 1916, he was killed by a band of marauders. His writings inspired the foundation, after his death, of the Little Brothers of Jesus and the Little Sisters of Jesus.

The miracle approved for his cause involved Charle, a carpenter’s apprentice working on restoring a chapel in Saumur, France, who fell over 50 feet, hitting a bench whose armrest pierced his left side and came out at the back at the base of his rib cage. According to the Little Brothers of Jesus, Charle did not pass out, got up immediately to seek help and, after surgery, was discharged from the hospital after a week. “He went back to work two months after the accident without suffering any physical or psychological ill-effects,” the order said. The accident occurred Nov. 30, 2016, the eve of the centenary of Blessed Charles’ death.

Excerpt from: <https://cruxnow.com/vatican/2022/05/faith-fortitude-martyrdom-miracles-pope-will-recognize-10-new-saints>