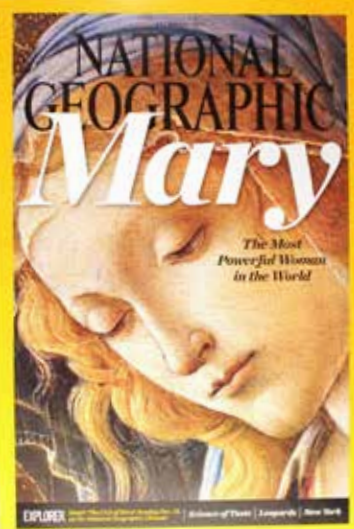


WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PARISH : OCT- DEC



October Month of the Rosary

Two talks on *Mary*

BY
Dr Ken Brimaud
of the Centre for
Catholic Studies

- Why is Mary the Most Powerful Woman in the World?
October 7th, Tuesday 7.00pm at
Holy Cross Church Community Centre
- Mary's Apparitions - Why so many?
October 28th, Tuesday 7.00pm at
Holy Cross Church Community Centre

Refreshments will be provided. All Welcome!

Youth Scripture Study

led by Dr. Ken Brimaud, Scripture Scholar
of the Centre for Catholic Studies

- October 14th, Tuesday 7.00pm
Holy Cross Church Community Centre
- November 11th, Tuesday 7.00pm
Holy Cross Church Community Centre
- December 9th, Tuesday 7.00pm
Holy Cross Church Community Centre

Refreshments will be provided



FATHER MIRKO'S LEAVE

Dear friends, Please note that I will be away during the 3rd and 4th weekends of October 2025. During this time, I have arranged for two priests to celebrate masses and care for the parish in my absence. I will still be available during the week-days of that period for parish needs and activities. Thankyou for your understanding and support. Blessings, Fr Mirko Integlia

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Mass Schedule - Week 12th October- 19th October

Monday: NO MASS

Friday: 7:30am

Tuesday: 7:30am

Saturday: 9am and 5:30pm

Wednesday: 9:00am

Sunday: 9am and 6pm

Thursday: 7:30am

Confession: Saturday 4:45pm-5:30pm



THE WAY OF HOPE

Alpha Catholic Conference 2025



CHRIST
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Join us for two powerful days of renewal to be inspired for mission. Together we'll encounter the Holy Spirit, rediscover the joy of the Gospel, and be equipped to share the love of Jesus in our parish communities, schools and beyond.

Whether you're experienced with Alpha, exploring it for the first time, or simply longing for more of God's presence in your life and Church, this gathering is for you.

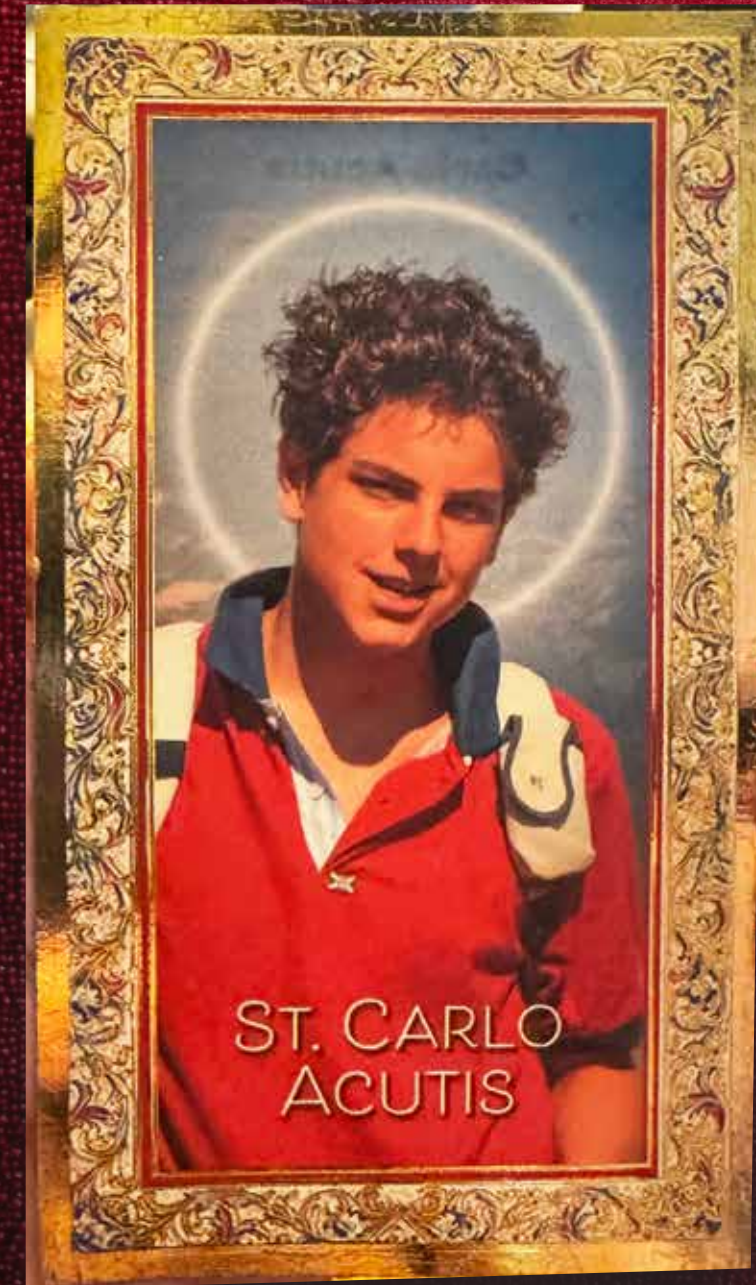
Location: Liverpool Catholic Club
424-458 Hoxton Park Rd
Prestons NSW

Date: 31 Oct - 1 Nov, 2025

Register: alpha.org.au/catholicconference



Holy Cross
Catholic Church Woollahra



First liturgical memorial of *Saint Carlo Acutis*

Sunday 12 October 2025
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Our beloved parishioner, Desmond Fox, passed away on Sunday, 5 October at the age of 90. May the Lord grant eternal rest and reward to this faithful servant.

Funeral: Tuesday, 15 October at 10:30am in our church. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, especially his wife, Mrs Colleen Fox.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

Mass Readers Schedule

Saturday – 5:30 PM Mass

First Reading: Phil Au
Second Reading: Rosemary Tan
Prayers of the Faithful: TBC

Sunday – 9:00 AM Mass

First Reading: Wilfred Pangan
Second Reading: Angeleina Gomez
Prayers of the Faithful: Mary Marshall Bhalia

Sunday – 6:00 PM Mass

First Reading: Fiona Fitzgerald
Second Reading: Loreta Speranza
Prayers of the Faithful: TBC

FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:14-17
A reading from the second book of the King
Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.
Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. ‘Now I know’ he said, ‘that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.’ But Elisha replied, ‘As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.’ Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, ‘Since your answer is “No,” allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.’
C: The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2:8-13
A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy
If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.
Remember the Good News that I carry. ‘Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David’; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God’s news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.
C: The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Thessalonians 5:18
Alleluia, alleluia!
For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.
On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, ‘Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.’ When he saw them he said, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, ‘Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.’ And he said to the man, ‘Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.’
C: The Gospel of the Lord
All: Praise to you, O Lord Jesus Christ

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Priest: With the faith of the ten lepers, let us bring our needs before the God of our salvation.

Reader: That the Church be a lasting sign of forgiveness and healing. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That refugees who flee from oppression and tyranny will be welcomed by their neighbours. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who live in hopelessness will meet God’s grace in new and unexpected ways. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who work to heal and comfort the sick will be strengthened, and blessed for their compassion and care. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who endure separation will know the presence of Christ. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That this community, mindful of the wonders God has worked, shares more fully the mysteries we celebrate in this Eucharistic sacrifice. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who have died may have eternal glory, including Salim El-Chami, Desmond Fox and Michael Mutthumani. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest: God, the font of all life, may we never cease to thank you for the gift of faith. Hear these prayers and help us to bear living witness to the salvation you continually offer us. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. All: Amen.

Collections Last Week

First Collection: \$513.70

Second Collection: \$581.85

Tap & Go, 2nd Oct - 8th Oct: \$616



Bible Study for
Adults & Families
Oct 15/22/29 & Nov 5

TOPIC:	The Letter to the Philippians
DATES:	October 15, 22, 29 & November 5
TIME:	7:30pm
LOCATION:	Crypt
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