



Holy Cross Parish

Community Feast

— 15 of June —

On the occasion Fr Mirko Integlia's 50th Birthday!

You are warmly invited to a special day of faith, fun, and fellowship as we come together to celebrate not just a milestone birthday, but the gift of our community: parish and school.



PLEASE NOTE:
Booking is
essential for
Lunch &
Luna Park



A Gift of Music for Our Future:

Instead of personal gifts, Fr Mirko kindly invites you to support a cause close to his heart — the Holy Cross Children's Choir Project. Your contribution, no matter the amount, will help build something beautiful for our children.

Donation Details

Holy Cross Parish Account Number: 100 005 147
BSB: 062784 Reference: Children Choir Project

Or during the lunch.

Program of the Day:

-  **9:00 AM** Holy Mass (Holy Cross Parish)
-  **10:15 AM** Morning Tea (Parish Grounds)
-  **11:00 AM – 3:00 PM** Luna Park for Children (Holy Cross School) with inflatable games, a mobile zoo, and more fun surprises!
-  **12:00 PM** Community Lunch (Holy Cross School) with live musical entertainment

Make a booking using the QR code
or write an email to mirko.integlia@icloud.com



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Holy Cross Children's Choir Project



Holy Cross
Catholic Church Woollahra

Your Sunday bulletin

Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C
Sunday 18 May 2025

There's something for everyone - Come and join one of our community events!!



Mass Readers Schedule

Saturday – 5:30 PM Mass

First Reading: Philip Au

Second Reading: Miwa Gentile

Prayers of the Faithful: Joanne Nizzari

Sunday – 9:00 AM Mass

First Reading: Angelina Gomez

Second Reading: Stefan Wagiel

Prayers of the Faithful: Francine Freitas

Sunday – 6:00 PM Mass

First Reading: Loreta Speranza

Second Reading: Rosemary

Prayers of the Faithful: James Corcoran

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 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.

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. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

C: The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. 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. (R.)

2. 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. (R.)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Cont.

(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom;

your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

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.'

C: The word of the Lord. All: 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.'

C: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, o Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest: As followers of Christ, the Good Shepherd, let us come to God in prayer with our needs and those of the world.

Reader: That the Pope and bishops everywhere will be faithful shepherds of Christ's flock.

We are your people: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That all nations and peoples will stand up for those who are persecuted and wrongly imprisoned. We are your people: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who live on the land will be blessed with healthy stock and abundant crops. We are your people: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That this community comes to know Christ more deeply and listens to his voice. We are your people: All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who have died will find eternal glory. We are your people. All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest: God, the fountain of all joy, you have entrusted your people into the hands of Christ, your son. May we never become separated from Jesus, our shepherd. We ask this through Christ our Lord. All: Amen.

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 5813 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.

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HOLY CROSS PARISH

RAFFLE

Tickets: Just \$5 each

1st Prize: 98" Kogan QLED 4K Smart AI Google TV (Valued AUD \$6,999.99)

Your ticket helps us launch a Children's Choir for our parish — nurturing musical talent, joy, and community spirit!

Buy now and be part of something beautiful.

Tickets available at: <https://rafflelink.com.au/communityfeast2025>

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL holyrossbj@gmail.com

WHEN BROTHERS PRAY

You are invited to a special Men's Dinner

CALLING ALL MEN OF HOLY CROSS PARISH!

WEDS 4th June @ 7pm at Holy Cross Presbytery

Special Guest: Michael Jaksic – Leader of the Archdiocese of Sydney Men's Ministry Michael will share his vision for men's groups across the Archdiocese and inspire us to kickstart ours with purpose and strength.

This is more than just a meal – it's the first step toward rebuilding our Holy Cross Men's Group. We need strong men to step up, connect, and build something great together.

Don't miss it. This is your moment to be part of something bigger.

Come hungry. Leave stronger.

THE MONTH OF MARY

If you are able to host the Statue of Mary and a Rosary prayer at your house or in your garden at 6:30PM, on one of the Fridays in May please let me know. It would be a lovely way to bring prayer into our homes and honour Mary together with other parishioners.

Friday 9th May Friday 23rd May

Friday 16th May Friday 30th May

OUR NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE!!

holycrosswoollahra.com.au

COLLECTIONS

First Collection: \$663.10

Second Collection: \$380.05

CWF: \$390.00

Candles: \$432.30