



Holy Cross
Catholic Church Woollahra

Sunday bulletin

Sunday 21 Sep 2025

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year

Saturday – 5:30 PM Mass

First Reading: Emma Milum (yr6)

Second Reading: Zoe Richmond (yr6)

Prayers of the Faithful: Bevelyne Frayne

Sunday – 9:00 AM Mass

First Reading: Julia Clarisse

Second Reading: Wilfred Pangan

Prayers of the Faithful: Angelina Gomez

Sunday – 6:00 PM Mass

First Reading: Loreta Speranza

Second Reading: Rosemary Tan

Prayers of the Faithful: TBC

FIRST READING

Amos 8:4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 112:1-2, 4-8. R. see vv.1, 7

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! **(R.)**

2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? **(R.)**

3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dunghheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. **(R.)**

SECOND READING *1 Timothy 2:1-8*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacri-

SECOND READING cont...

ficed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Corinthians 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes." 'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty." 'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own? 'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.' **C: The Gospel of the Lord**

All: Praise to you, O Lord Jesus Christ



UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Priest: *Let us bring our needs to God who looks down on those who lift up their hands in prayer.*

Reader: That the Church will earnestly and faithfully pray for the salvation of all peoples. (pause) To you we pray: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That nations will make proper use of God's gifts through good stewardship. (pause) To you we pray: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who work in commercial enterprise will be mindful that the poor depend on their honesty and integrity. (pause) To you we pray: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who give witness through the vocation of teaching will be strengthened in faith. (pause) To you we pray: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That we will put God, not wealth and possessions, at the centre of our lives. (pause) To you we pray: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who have died will inherit their eternal home. (pause) To you we pray: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest: *God of justice, you take pity on our human condition and lift up the lowly from the dust. Hear our prayer and help us to find delight in serving you and one another in a world seduced by wealth. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.*
All: Amen.

Holy Cross Woollahra

Parish Office Hours

Tues/Weds/Thurs 9am - 4pm

Holy Cross Woollahra

15 Adelaide Street, Woollahra

Postal Address:

Po Box 129, Bondi Junction NSW 2025

T: 02 9389 3156

F: 02 9389 2895

E: holycrossbj@gmail.com

W: holycrosswoollahra.com.au

Mass Schedule - Week 3rd August - 10th August

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

Fr Mirko Integlia

Administrator

Mrs Aparna John

Parish Secretary

Samson

Parish Pet

Mr Joe Scicluna

Safeguarding Officer

SOCIAL MEDIA - CURRENT NEWS & UPDATES

Follow the parish or my personal pages on facebook & instagram for current news and updates

Holy Cross Parish Woollahra
Mirko Integlia



Collections Last Week

First Collection: \$811.65

Second Collection: \$694.65

Tap & go, 11th-17th Sep: \$1,403.00

INNOVATION ✨ Parish Assembly ✨

Why: Let's come together as a community to reflect, share, and dream about the mission and future of our parish.

When: Tuesday, 23 September from 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Where: The Crypt

Who's invited: Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, volunteers, parish helpers, and every parishioner who would like to play a part in the renewal of our parish.

Led by: The Parish Renewal Team, Sydney Centre for Evangelisation, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney

🌟 **Your voice and presence matter — join us as we seek to strengthen our parish life together.** 🌟

