

Feast ^{Of The} Exaltation of the HOLY CROSS 13 & 14 SEPT 2025

Holy Cross Festival
14 SEPTEMBER from 11.30 am

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Holy Cross Woollahra

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Mass Schedule - Week 17th August - 24th July
Monday: NO MASS
Tuesday: 7:30am
Wednesday: 9:00am
Thursday: 7:30am
Friday: 7:30am
Saturday: 9am and 5:30pm
Sunday: 9am and 6pm
Confession: Saturday 4:45pm-5:30pm

Fr Mirko Integlia
Administrator

Samson
Parish Pet

Mrs Aparna John
Parish Secretary

Mr Joe Scicluna
Safeguarding Officer

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Mirko Integlia

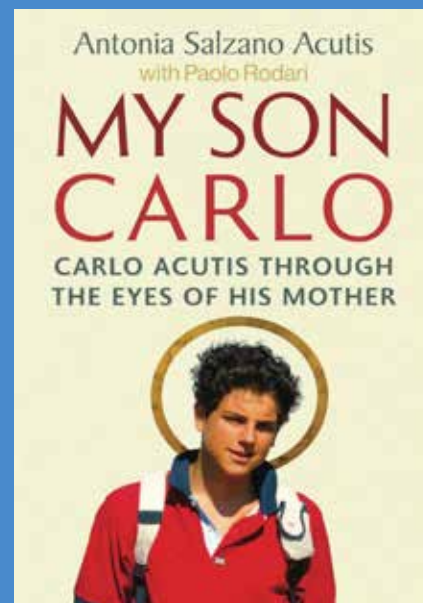


We are so honoured to be one of the many communities all over the world celebrating our first millennial Saint. Our amazing real-life statue is ready and will be delivered to the parish in September. It will be taking a special position in the church and we think you will all love it. Increase your devotion to the future Saint

1. Carlo Acutis Custom Ceramic Coaster



2. The story of Carlo told by his mum



Holy Cross
Catholic Church Woollahra

Sunday 17 Aug 2025 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Carlo is Coming!

St. Carlo Acutis
The First Millennial Saint
PRAY FOR US



Mass Readers Schedule

Saturday – 5:30 PM Mass

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

Sunday – 9:00 AM Mass

First Reading: Wilfred Pangan
Second Reading: Angelina Gomez
Prayers of the Faithful: TBC

Sunday – 6:00 PM Mass

First Reading: James Corocoran
Second Reading: Miwa Gentile
Prayers of the Faithful: Yumi Gentile

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 38:4-6. 8-10

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

You bore me to be a man of strife for the whole world.

The king’s leading men spoke to the king. ‘Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.’ ‘He is in your hands as you know,’ King Zedekiah answered ‘for the king is powerless against you.’ So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. ‘My lord king,’ he said, ‘these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.’ At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: ‘Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.’

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 39:2-4. 18. R. v.14

(R.) Lord, come to my aid!

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. **(R.)**
2. He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm. **(R.)**
3. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

Cont.

3. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord. **(R.)**

4. As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me. You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay! **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:1-4

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us.

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful-ness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God’s throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-53

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
I have come not to give peace, but discord.

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over! ‘Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in- law against mother-in-law.’

C: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Lord Jesus Christ

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Priest: Let us call on God to come to our aid, for he

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Priest: Let us call on God to come to our aid, for he is our saving help.

Reader: For the Church: that God’s people will remain faithful and never lose heart. (pause) In your mercy:
All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader:That those who are in desperate need of food, shelter or medical aid will receive urgent support, whether they be in our own neighbourhoods or in other parts of the world.
(pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For DiTrell, who today becomes a living member of the Catholic Church, and for his bride-to-be Jessica, whom he will join in marriage on the 23rd of August, that the Lord may bless their union and guide them together in faith, hope, and love. (pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That leaders everywhere will heed the call of Pope Leo and always keep in mind their responsibility for the consequences of their choices – never ignoring the needs of the most vulnerable, and the universal desire for peace.
(pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For those who have died, may they reach their final perfection in Christ.
(pause) In your mercy: **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest: God our help, with our eyes fixed on Jesus we desire to rid ourselves of every burden and sin that hides us from your presence. Hear our prayer and help us always to choose the path that Christ has won for us. We ask this in Jesus’ name. All: Amen.

Collections Last Week

First Collection: \$545.35

Second Collection: \$492.00

Candles: \$378.60

Tap & Go 7th Aug - 13th Aug: \$530.00

St. Carlo Acutis
The First Millenial Saint

Carlo Acutis was an Italian teenager known for his deep faith and love for the Eucharist, as well as his passion for technology. Born in 1991, he became known as the "Apostie of the Eucharist" for his efforts to promote devotion to the Blessed Sacrament through a website documenting Eucharistic miracles. He was beatified in 2020 and is on the path to canon-ization, with his canonization set for September 7, 2025.

Prayer for the intercession
of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Oh God, Our Father,
thank you for giving us Carlo,
a life example for the young
and a message of love for everyone.

You made him become enamoured with
Your Son Jesus, Making of the Eucharist
his "Highway to Heaven".
You gave him Mary, as a most loving Mother,
and, with the Rosary, you made him
a poet of her tenderness. Receive his prayer for us.
Above all, gaze upon the poor,
whom he loved and helped.
Grant for me too, by his intercession,
the grace that I need ...
And make our joy fulfilled,
placing Carlo among the Saints
of your Church, so that his smile
may shine again for us in the glory of your name.
Amen

Pater, Ave, Gloria
("Our Father","Hail Mary", "Glory be to God")

