

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH MENAI

LIVING AND SHARING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE AS A GROWING PARISH FAMILY

Alfords Point Bangor Barden Ridge Illawong Lucas Heights Menai Woronora West



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6 July 2025 Year C/1—Divine office Psalter Week 2

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
(Isaiah 66:10-14)

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her!

Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord:

Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap.

Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you.

And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass.

To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians (Galatians 6:14-18)

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Luke 10:1-12, 17-20)

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Parish Office hours:
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9am - 4pm

Mass Timings:
Weekday: Tue - Sat 9.15am
1st Friday of the month: 7.00pm
Weekend: Saturday Vigil 5.30pm
Sunday: 8.30am, 10.00am

Blessed Sacrament Exposition

Tue - Sat: 8.30am - 9.10am
Fri - 8.30am Laud's music
8.45am Divine Mercy Chaplet
9am Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Friday of the month (after 7pm Mass - 12am)

Lauds Tue, Wed and Thu - 8.45am

Reconciliation: Sat: 4.30 - 5.15pm
Or by appointment.

Holy Communion or Visit at Home:
Please contact the parish office to arrange a time.

Baptisms: 1st Sunday during 10am Mass and every 2nd and 4th Sunday, 11.15am (no baptisms during Lent)

Baptism Preparation Program:
11am on the 1st Sat of each month.

In your love and concern, please pray for all the sick and vulnerable members of our Holy Family community:

Robert Haymes, Lila Diakos, Doris Attard, Lena Galdes, Marko Petrak, Peter Kaye, Lynette Rocca, Marie Gonsalvez, Victoriano Mendoza, Jan Kurianski, Bernadette O'Brien, Ivan David, Tony Trainor, Ilse Von Stamm, Anthony Mifsud, Dymrna Fitzpatrick, Sandra Thomas, Frances Rupolo, Matthew McLachlan, Mark F, Robert A, Carlos Simoes, Beatrice Gonsalvez, Matilda Oliver-Nalder, Angela Symons, Carol Galdes, Julie Gonsalvez, Robert Nicholls, Brad Jory, Jayden, Natividad Sora, Bernard Aclan, Julius Aclan, Jean Aclan, Geoff Eastgate, Joanne Mannah and Chris Halvey.

We remember those whose Anniversaries and Special Prayers have been requested:

Frank Lynch, Mannah and Karam Family's, Margaret Calman, Toby Jamolin, Anne Hay, Hannah McCrossan, Rebecca Fonseca, Vernon Fonseca, Michael Halvey, Piero Sordo, Agostino, Aurelio and Assunta Tuosto, Marilyn Nicholls, Johanna Nicholls, Justin Oliffe, Ken Olliffe, Joe Bridgett and Peter Howlett.

Recently Deceased.

Janet Haymes, Sina Galea, Amy McLachlan Wright and Barry Walley.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. - Amen -

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is

seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

AFTER THE PREFACE

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks
refuge in him.**

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

What's on at Holy Family Parish

† **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** - Tue - Sat: 8.30am - 9.10am

† **Morning Prayer (Lauds)** - Tue - Thu 8.45am.

† **Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament** - Fri 8.45am

1st Friday of the month (after 7pm Mass - 12am)

† **Rosary** - Sat - 8.45am.

† **Mass** - Tue - Sat 9.15am, during Lent Wed 7.30pm and Fri 7pm (Confession available during Adoration)

† **Children's Liturgy** - Sun - 8.30am Mass

† **Daily Rosary, Rosary** at 8-8.30pm on Zoom, please text (ROSARY) to 0418 433 333 to receive the link.

LIVING THE GOSPEL

Discipleship

Today's gospel passage immediately follows the passage used last week that spelt out the difficulties of discipleship. Having explained how hard it is to be a disciple, Jesus sends his followers out to 'have a go' at being a disciple. When they come back successful he tells them not to be boastful or proud at their achievements but rather to be happy that their "names are written in heaven". In other words, anything they accomplished was because they were 'known' by God and that God was working through them. Disciples make themselves 'known' to God and God works through them to accomplish great things!

Missionaries of Jesus

In order to understand and make a fruitful meditation on the passage of today's gospel, we must set ourselves some guidelines.

The **first** is that the seventy-two who were sent out by Jesus to go "ahead of him to all the towns and places he himself was to visit" represent all of us in our different vocations. As spouses, parents, teachers, ministers in the church community, friends, spiritual guides, political or civic leaders, we open the way for others to meet God, "go ahead of him". Jesus' instructions can help us become life-giving in our deep relationships.

The **second** is that we must not read the passage in a moralizing way, as if it is imposing a burden on us. Like all Bible passages, it invites us to celebrate with joy, humility and gratitude those, including ourselves, who have lived Jesus' instructions in practice. We have also failed to live them out of course, and from that perspective, the passage calls us, in communion with the whole Church and all humanity, to conversion and repentance.

Thirdly we must enter into the highly imaginative language of the passage, allowing it to touch us even as it speaks to our reality. Two mistakes are to be avoided therefore: to "interpret" the language so rationally that it no longer speaks to our emotions; to "romanticize" the passage so that it is not connected to real life.

The image of approaching people as a "rich harvest" (the same as telling them, "the kingdom of God is very near to you") is very touching and radical, but must be correctly interpreted. It speaks of approaching others not as objects of pity, but in admiration, aware of how much we can learn from them.

The attitude is especially important for missionaries and all who work in transcultural situations. Unfortunately it has not been the most common approach among church workers, neither in the past nor today. There is an important message for those who hold leadership positions at local and national level. So often they don't trust the creativity of their communities.

Michael de Verteuil

ROSTER FOR 12/13 JULY (2ND WEEKEND) 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		5.30pm	8:30am	10am	OTHER
	ACOLYTES/ SERVERS	Ivan David	Volunteer Needed	Adrian D'Mello	Counters: Manuel Ortiz's Team
	READERS	Luce Dunn Hastie Family Bridget Nappa	Allen Oliver Maguy Nakhl Georgette Roumanos	Julie or Michael Monk John Shanahan	Children's Liturgy: Not during the school holidays
	WARDENS	Charlie Zammit/Benny Falls	George Szymura/Jim Montague	Cosimo Gioiello	Aeralife Aged Care: Roslyn
	MUSICIANS	Parish Choir	Jeff and Sue Low	Emma (PowerPoint MP3)	Barden Lodge Aged Care: Ann
	PIETY STALL	Michelle	Roslyn	Dianna G	



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 5810 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.

YOU CAN HELP BREAK THE CYCLE OF HOMELESSNESS



DONATE NOW



Our Appeal this year highlights the struggles of vulnerable people facing housing difficulties and disadvantage stemming from challenging past experiences, and who continue to experience the lasting impacts of homelessness in their lives.

This year's Winter Appeal will run from the **28th June up until the 13th July 2025**

The conference will be fundraising and collecting nonperishable food and new clothing through the through Holy Family and Aquinas schools and here at the Parish.

Fundraiser

Conference members will be outside before and after each mass on **Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 July 2024** to collect donations.

Donation options available:

Envelopes	Envelopes will be handed out at each mass and can be returned by placing them: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In mass collection bags,• Poor box or• Handed to a Vinnies conference member
Tap and Go	There will be 4 Tap and Go terminals available with lots of support to write out receipts.
Cash	Vinnies conference members will be holding donation buckets at the front of the church.

Food and Clothing

Once again, we are collecting non-perishable food, new clothing to give a hand up to vulnerable people experiencing homelessness and struggling with poverty and cost-of-living pressures this winter.

Donation boxes will be places in the church foyer between 28 June and 13 July 2025.

*** All food items MUST have long best-before and use-by dates**

We are collecting

New Clothing	Blankets, jumpers, tracksuit pants, thermal wear, socks, scarves, gloves or mittens, or beanies
Canned Foods	fish, fruits, vegetables, beans, soups, tomatoes
Dry Goods	pasta, rice, cereals dried fruit
Beverages	long life milk, cordial, Up-and-Go, Sustagen gold, Energy or sports drinks
Condiments	vinegar, ketchup, mustard, soy sauce



Allen Oliver will be stepping down as the Treasurer of the Menai Conference at the end of this financial year. Allen will remain a conference member and continue to support people in our community.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Allen for his commitment and dedication to the Treasurers role of our conference over the years.

I invite you to thank Allen for all his work when you see him.

Volunteer Treasurer Wanted

With Allen moving on we need to find a new Volunteer Treasurer for next financial year.

The St Vincent de Paul Society is a *lay Catholic organisation* that aspires to live the gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice, hope and joy, and to bring about a more just and compassionate society.

The Society aspires to be recognised as a caring Catholic charity offering "a hand up" to people in need. We do this by respecting every person's human dignity, sharing our hope, and encouraging them to take control of their own destiny.

The Spiritual Mission of the St Vincent de Paul Society is to continue the work of Jesus.

Volunteering is a great way to give back and make a direct impact on people's lives and become part of a community of people who care.

The Treasurer is elected from Conference Member. So, you must live in the local area and join the conference.

Treasurer Duties Include

Cash Handling	Collection, receipting, counting, banking and recording of monies
Expenditure	Co-Accountable for approving Conference purchases and expenditure
Vouchers	Management and reconciliation of Vinnies store and gift cards
Budget & Reporting	Budget Management and Financial Approval
Visits	If home visits are not for you that is okay

Skills

While we would prefer someone with an accounting background or studying accounting, if you have good computing, (outlook, word, email, excel etc), compassion, a non-judgmental attitude and most of all a good and kind heart. We will train and mentor you at every stage.

You will meet some wonderful people, and you will feel a great sense of achievement when you have made a real difference to somebody's life. We are a friendly, supportive group of people.

We look forward to meeting you.

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