



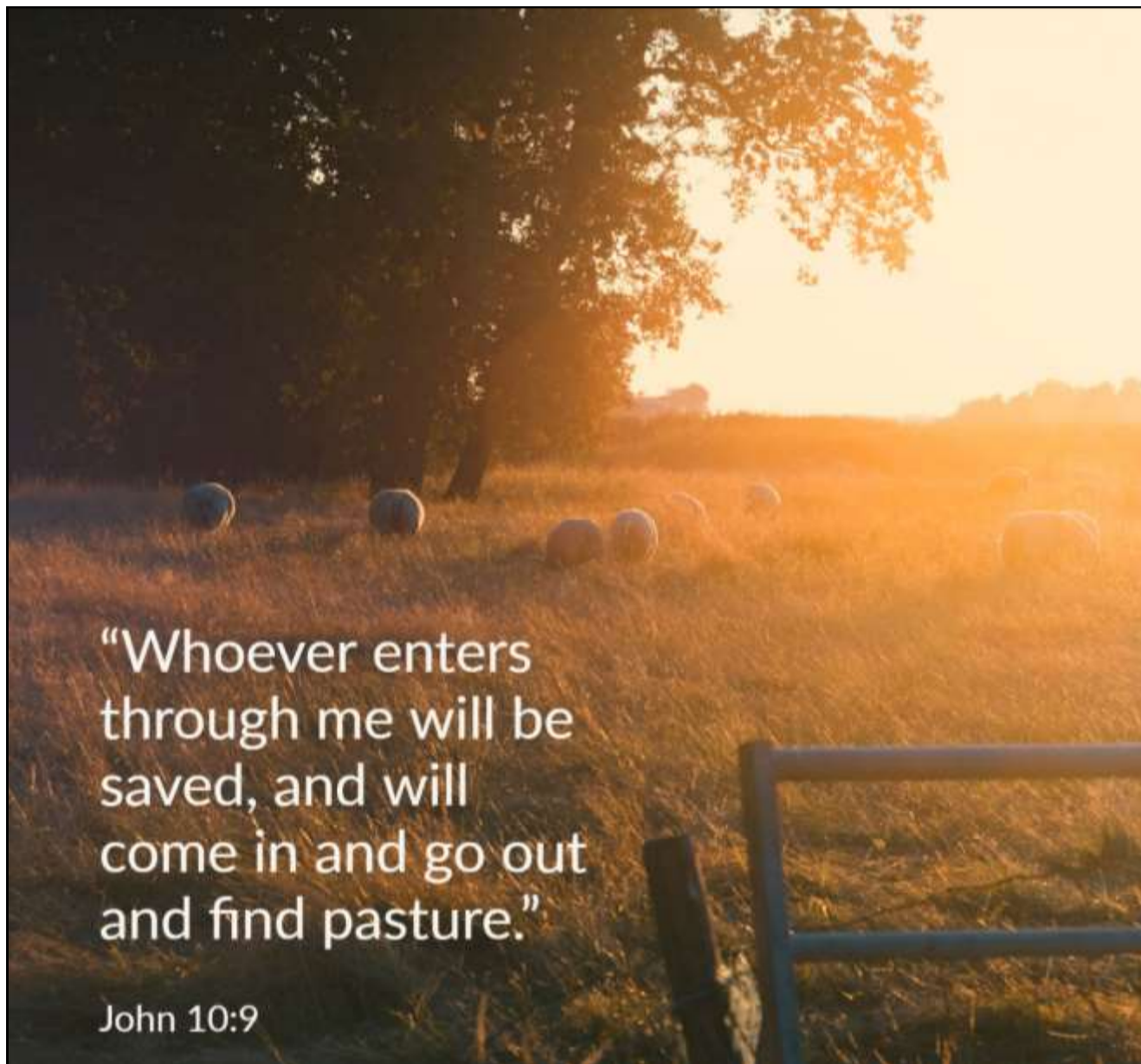
PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers

CELEBRATING SALVATORIANS' 25TH ANNIVERSARY IN PYMBLE



“Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.”

John 10:9

Prayer to the Good Shepherd

Lord Jesus,
You are the Gate of the sheepfold and the Good Shepherd who calls each of us by name. Lead me into the safety of Your truth and guard my heart from every voice that draws me away from Your peace. Open my ears to recognise Your call, open my steps to follow where You lead, and open my life to the fullness You promise—
life in abundance, held in Your care. Keep me close to You, that I may walk in trust, rest in Your mercy, and share Your compassion with all whom I meet.

Amen.

Baptisms at Pymble Parish



Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

Sunday, 21 June 2026
at 10:30am
at Sacred Heart Church

Bookings are essential, please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



Pope Leo XIV's official prayer intention for April

For Priests in Crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the means your love inspires. You filled him with universal apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence, with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

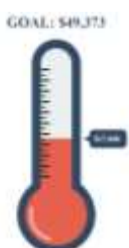
Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you for my special needs (include your personal intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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Our Parish Quota for this year is \$49,373, and to date we have raised \$17,406. Our PWBB Appeal will begin next week. Thank you for your support!



A warm welcome to all our Parishioners and visitors who are participating in Mass with us this weekend.



Parish Team

Pastoral care

Salvatorian Fathers

Parish Priest: Fr. Ireneusz Czech SDS

Email: fr.irek@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

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Parish Mass Times

Sacred Heart

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

Weekdays:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday after morning Mass

Weekend:

Sunday: 9:30 am, 6:00 pm

Reconciliation:

Tuesday - Friday 8:45am

Sunday 9:15am, 5:30 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

Weekend:

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 8:00 am (Quiet Mass)

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9:30am, 4:45pm

Sunday 7:45am

Contact details

Address: 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble, NSW 2073

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Telephone: (02) 9144 2702

Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Website: www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 3:30pm &

Friday 9am to 3:30pm

For information about Weddings please contact the Parish Office.

For information about the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Rebecca

Giving at the Parish

The **First Collection** goes to the upkeep of the clergy, Salvatorian Regional Office and the Broken Bay Diocese sustentation funds.



First Collection

The **Second Collection** goes towards maintaining our Churches and the upkeep of the Parish, supporting the ministries of our Parish (including our Sacramental programs and Catechist work), helping us continue our good works.



Second Collection

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Parish Primary Schools

Sacred Heart

Principal: Brenda Timp

Telephone: (02) 7256 2142

www.shpddb.catholic.edu.au

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Principal: Jodi Jefferson

Telephone: (02) 7256 2101

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Men's Fellowship Coffee Mornings

Our Pymble Men's Group gathers for a relaxed coffee, conversation, and fellowship at **Replay Espresso (2A William St, Turramurra)**, meeting every fortnight from **6:30am-7:30am**.

It's a simple way to start the day with community and encouragement. All men are welcome to join us!



Bible Study Get Together

The Bible Study Group met last Saturday. We were blessed with beautiful outdoor weather, and it was such a wonderful time of catching up, food and fellowship. We've also had some new members join the group recently who were able to join us for our gathering. We were so pleased that Fr Irek was able to join us. It was a wonderful time had by all.

If you would like to join the Bible Study group, please contact the Parish office for more details. We meet on Friday mornings at 10am online.



Our Postal Address has Changed

Please note that our Postal Address has recently changed!
Our new postal address is:

**PO Box 94
St Ives NSW 2075**

Please update your address books, thanks for your understanding.

Granny Flat Available

Furnished studio granny flat available for long or short term lease in West Pymble. Suits single. Quiet location few minutes from shops, church and parks. Call 0425 826 136 to enquire.

WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Saturday, 25 April

Anzac Day

9:00am Mass at OLPS with Morning Prayer (Breviary)

5:00pm Mass at OLPS

Sunday, 26 April

Fourth Sunday of Easter

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet)

9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart (Children's Liturgy)

6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Tuesday, 28 April

St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr (Memorial)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

7:00pm Faith Formation at Sacred Heart - Topic: The Mass

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group at Sacred Heart

Wednesday, 29 April

St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor (Memorial)

6:30am Men's Fellowship Meeting at Replay Espresso, Turramurra

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Thursday, 30 April

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Friday, 1 May

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart followed by First Friday Devotion with Adoration and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

10:00am Bible Study

Saturday, 2 May

St Athanasius, bishop, doctor (Memorial)

9:00am Mass at OLPS followed by First Saturday Devotion with Adoration and Prayers for New Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

5:00pm Mass at OLPS

Sunday, 3 May

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet)

9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart (Children's Liturgy)

5:00pm Taize with Exposition to the Blessed Sacrament

6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses at Sacred Heart Church and after 9am Saturday Mass at OLPS

Parish Prayer Zone

Praying for others gets our focus off ourselves and onto the needs of those around us. As we "carry each other's burdens," we "will fulfil the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). Praying for each other makes us stronger and helps us to grow our faith and Christian love.

Recently Deceased:

Alan Baumgart, Eduardo Malonda, Myrna Malonda, Debbie Fernandes, David Seymour, Patrick Martin, Antoni Szczur, Simon Devitt, Chan Siew Gaik, Douglas Jacks, John Nolem, Cindy Cheung, Teresa Sit, Daisy Chiu

Death Anniversaries:

Moro Neily, Santa Celio, Lilian Castilo, Rikki Doumit, Sergio Contardo, Joseph Matthew Lyons, Judy Carson, Nancy Dal Cin, Petra & Luciano Dumrique, Rita & David Roach, Patricia Grass, Antonius Djunaidi, Owen Thomas, Kerry Oei, Pertiwiningsih Arifui, Trena Scanlan, Antonio, Faride, Carlos, Salim, Virginia, Salvadal Younes

Prayers for the sick:

Kathy (Ya Wen) Sun, Stan Brataniec, Craig Shepherd, Daniel Fileman, Jan Drobczyk, Janusz Czech, Elliot Leahy

Monthly prayer intention:

This week we pray for peace and unity: We pray for peace in the midst of violence and tragedy in this world. May we have the patience to be understanding, the strength to be forgiving, and the grace to admit when we are wrong. Amen.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday. Remember that due to privacy policy, names of the sick can only be put on the bulletin with permission of the immediate family. This list will be updated every month and we would appreciate if we are advised of any updates. Thank you.

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 Serra Vocations Weekly Prayer Calendar	
Please pray daily for those in formation or already serving the Church, especially those listed in our calendar below.	
27 April	Deacon Paul Simmons
28 April	Deacon Kevin Hale Deacon Kevin McGregor
29 April	Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS
30 April	Fr Brendan Lee Fr Anoop Devasia
1 May	Deacon Peter McCulloch
2 May	Fr Roger Delmonte
3 May	Fr Vitalis Oguh

DAILY PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your goodness and thank You for Your gifts. Help us respond to and live out our mission in the Church. Assist all Your people to know their vocation in life and help them to prepare for it. Call many to be priests, deacons and consecrated men and women for Your greater glory, and for the service of Your people. Give those whom You call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithful. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



upcoming events

10
MAY

MOTHER'S DAY MORNING TEA

After Sunday morning Masses at OLPS & Sacred Heart



PARISH CAKE STALL AT PHILLIP ST MALL 16 MAY

8am until sold out at Phillip Street Mall, West Pymble

14
JUN

SALVATORIANS' 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Morning Tea & Lunch following 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart



SOUP & BBQ 27 JUN

Following 5pm Mass at OLPS

28
JUN

FR IREK'S BIRTHDAY

Morning Tea following 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart



PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT 25 JUL

Starting 6:30pm at Marian Hall, Sacred Heart

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BAKE & DONATE

cakes, slices, cookies, macarons, anything sweet

Fundraising Cake Stall for Pastoral Works Fund
Saturday, 16 May 2026



DROP OFF TO OLPS SCHOOL FRIDAY, 15 MAY DURING SCHOOL HOURS OR DIRECTLY TO THE STALL AT PHILLIP MALL WEST PYMBLE ON SATURDAY, 16 MAY MORNING



RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED PLEASE!

If you have new or unused items you'd like to donate—treats, gifts, or treasures—please place them in the donation baskets located at the back of both churches. Every contribution helps make our raffle a joyful success. Thank you for your generosity!



IGNITE CONFERENCE 26

Ignite Conference 2026 | Ascend
Thursday 9 July – Sunday 12 July 2026
Light of Christ Centre, Waitara
Sponsored by the Diocese of Broken Bay

Experience God in the most extraordinary way through formation, renewal of faith, amazing people and powerful worship. Ignite Conference 2026 is coming to Broken Bay.

Registrations are now open

To support our young people encountering Christ and community through this event, the Diocese of Broken Bay will offer subsidies for individual young participants to attend Ignite Conference with a group from their parish.

If you would like to express interest in obtaining a Broken Bay subsidy, complete the Microsoft Form via through the QR code attached.

Ignite Conference 2026- Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay Subsidy- Expression of Interest



Planned Giving

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'.
Acts 20:35

The Parish that we share and enjoy today has grown from the generosity of those who have been before us. We started in a simple wooden hall on Pymble Hill. The hall was replaced by a sandstone building in 1884. We later moved to a larger church on the hill, now the Ku Ring Gai Town Hall. From that, we built today's Sacred Heart Church in Pymble. To maintain that legacy, we need to be able to fund current operations and maintain the facilities that have been generously built up over a long period of time. We need to ensure that our facilities are relevant into the future and we rely on our community to provide the vital funding to continue this work.

Your donations acknowledge the important role the parish has played in your life. Your contribution will, in turn, help to enrich the lives of those within our community today and continue that foundation for future generations.

The Planned Giving program within the Parish allows parishioners to support Parish finances with a commitment to donate funds at regular intervals. Parishioners can join the traditional envelope donation program or can donate through monthly credit or debit card donations.

Planned Giving Forms are available at the back of both Churches. If you would like to receive a set of Planned Giving envelopes for 2026/27 or if you require more information regarding our program, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your generous contributions.

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Our next 'Taizé' Holy Hour with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be on this Sunday, 3 May 2026 from 5pm to

5:55pm, before our 6pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church. All welcome!

Children's Liturgy Sacred Heart Church



Children are welcome to join us at our Children's liturgy at Sacred Heart Church. Children's Liturgy is a great way to engage and nourish the children of our Parish with God's Word.

Our sessions for Term 2 at Sacred Heart will be at our
Sunday 9:30am Masses as follows:
26 April | 10 May | 31 May | 7 June | 21 June

Please join us for Children's Liturgy at our Church. If you would like to join our team, please contact the Parish Office. It is a wonderful faith enriching experience for the children of our Parish.



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Unveiling the Mystical Movement of the Mass



Invitation

You are invited to join our six part Liturgy & Life series
Unveiling the Mystical Movement of the Mass with Matthew Leonard

Topics

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- Welling Up To Eternal Life
- Shadow, Image & Reality
- Giving & Receiving
- The Exodus Out of Self
- From Sacrifice to Sacrament
- Preparing to Participate in the Mystery

For further information:

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Context

Beyond rites and rubrics, we go below the surface of the liturgy and explore the breathtaking, mystical realities that unite us to Christ and allow us to participate in the Divine Family of God. The series will transform your understanding and participation in the Mass, and provide practical advice to prepare for deeper union with God.

Join In

Please join in with this opportunity to learn, share your thoughts and to get to know others in our Parish community.

7pm alternate Tuesday evenings
Sacred Heart Church Pymble
Next event 28 April 2026

Matthew Leonard

Matthew Leonard is the founder of the Science of Sainthood online program for Catholic formation. He has produced many best-selling series that have been broadcast around the world.



PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH
2 RICHARD PORTER WAY PYMBLE



Join us for Family Mass this Pentecost Sunday

SATURDAY, 23 MAY

OLPS Church @ 5pm
BBQ to follow

SUNDAY, 24 MAY

Sacred Heart Church @ 9:30am
Morning tea to follow

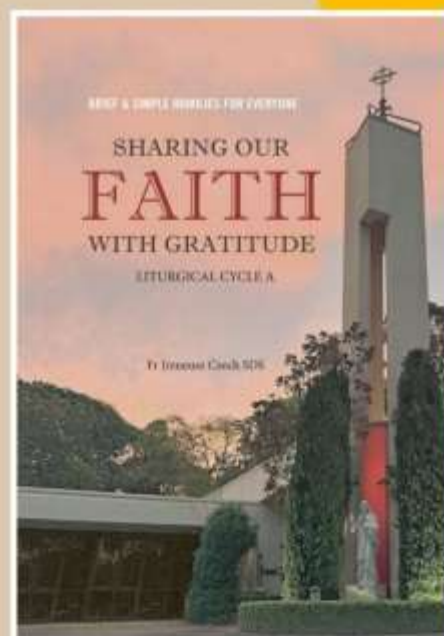


Brief and Simple Homilies for Everyone Sharing Our Faith With Gratitude Liturgical Cycle A

By Ireneusz Czech SDS

*Dedicated
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Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 2: 14, 36-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

On the day of Pentecost, Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: ‘The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.’

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, ‘What must we do, brothers?’ ‘You must repent,’ Peter answered ‘and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.’ He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, ‘Save yourselves from this perverse generation.’ They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22: 1-6 R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green at the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. **(R.)**
2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff;
with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall
follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Peter 20: 20-25

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation John 10: 14

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know the sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel John 10: 1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said: ‘I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.’

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

‘I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate.
Anyone who enters through me will be safe:
he will go freely in and out
and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes
only to steal and kill and destroy.
I have come
so that they may have life
and have it to the full.’

Gospel Reflection

The whole of John 10 develops the theme of Christ as the good shepherd; it is divided over the A, B and C cycles in the Lectionary for the Fourth Sunday of Easter.

The shepherd is known – recognised by the gatekeeper who lets him in, and by the sheep who follow him because they know his voice. The image of the good shepherd draws us into a deeper encounter with Christ. This is wonderfully life-giving. Finish the reading with exultant emphasis on the final sentence.

Throughout, the reading builds a strong contrast with the stranger, the thief, the brigand. They are not recognised by the sheep. They undermine the protection and security provided by the shepherd. Then there is the image of the gate, the door. It marks a threshold between inside/outside, safe/unsafe, intimate/foreign. Getting to know Christ lets us cross the threshold into something new – life, life in all its fullness.

As he was about to celebrate his ‘pass-over’, Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life! (Jn 14:6). This will be next week’s gospel!

(c) Sunday Readings & Reflections 2026

To access Fr Irek’s homily on YouTube, please scan the QR code or click on this link:



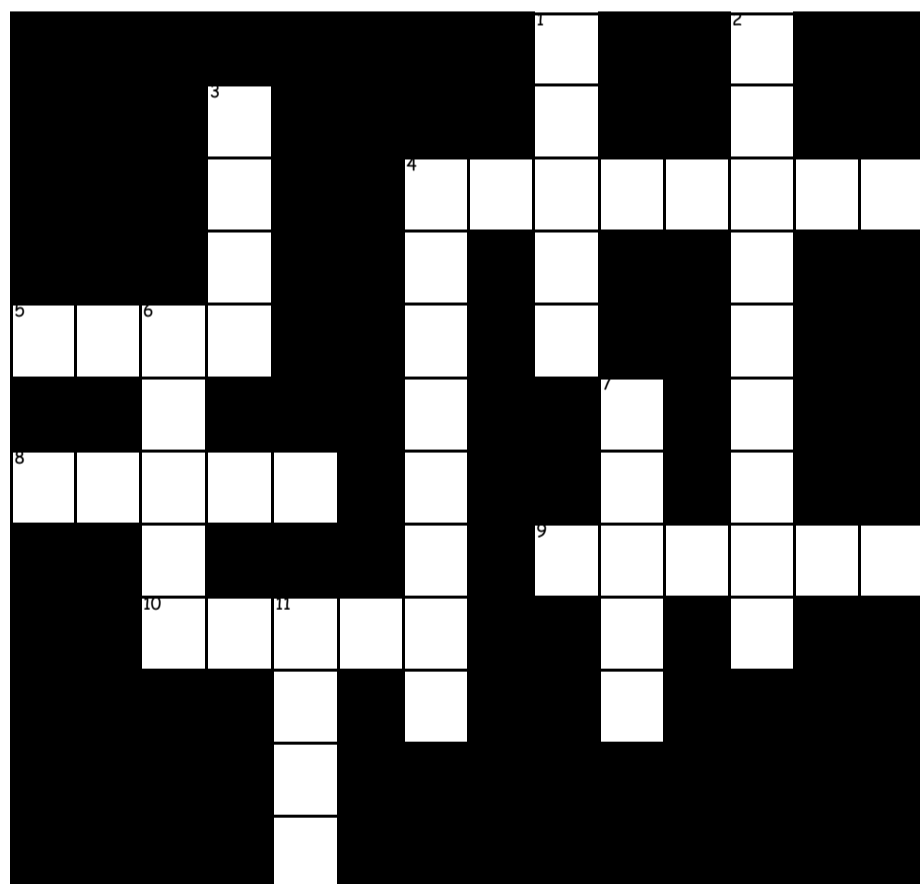
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5XTX4Y6ooc>

Pymble Parish Roster - 2 & 3 May 2026

Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	C Wawrzyniak	J Starnawski
Altar Servers	D & A Down	W Rusak / W Ng
Readers	D McGreal	N Saber
Altar Society	2 May: Carmel & Tracy	
Counters	3 May: T Scanlan / G Hugh / M Boland	
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am
Acolytes	J Pease	M D'Silva
Altar Servers	Evan	Volunteers needed
Readers	A Pease	M Walz
Altar Cloth	2 May: A Glover	

Children's Corner

I am the gate for the sheep

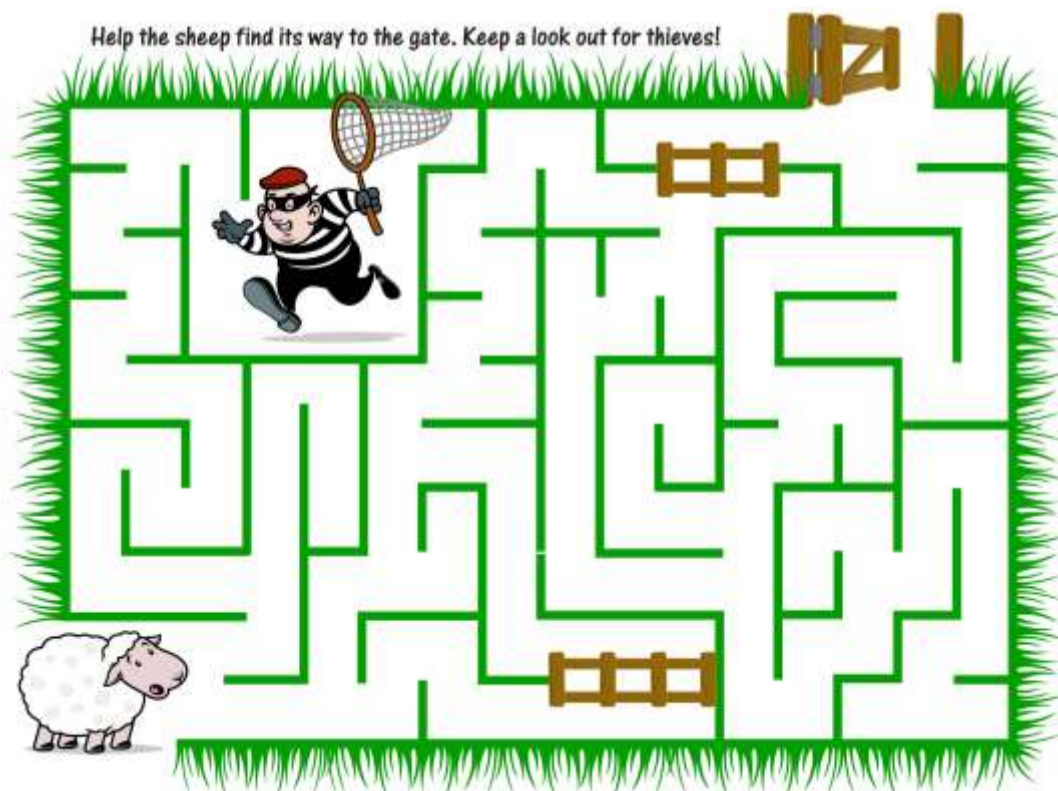


Across

- 4: someone who looks after sheep
- 5: a door that opens up a fenced off area
- 8: the sound of someone speaking
- 9: take the path of a leader
- 10: a structure used to contain an area outside

Down

- 1: an animal that is covered in fleece
- 2: Jesus said "I am the gate of the _____"
- 3: the opposite of death
- 4: a person whom you do not know
- 6: someone who steals things
- 7: a parable or tale
- 11: the shepherd calls each sheep by _____



A thief has stolen some letters from the passage of text below.
Use these letters to discover something that Jesus said to his disciples.



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If you have any concern about the treatment of a child, young person or anyone within our parish environment, please approach myself directly or Claudia within the parish office on 02 9144 2702.

Alternatively, you may wish to contact Pamela Sweeney, Safeguarding Manager (Chancery & Churches) on 02 8379 1651.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS

Children, the young, and the vulnerable must be safe

Supported by adults who ...



CARE

for us as we are a precious gift from God

RESPECT

our rights, abilities, contributions, needs and wishes

ASK

us how we are feeling and what we are thinking, ask us what we need

LISTEN

to what we are really saying

TELL us about dangers – and what's being done to protect us

SEE what other adults are doing, and how they are behaving

DO what they are supposed to do and what they say they will do

STEP UP AND SPEAK OUT

when we are being hurt, bullied or treated badly.



"Christ has no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world."

- attributed to St Teresa of Avila

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