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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

"Blessed are those who have not seen
and have believed." - Jn 20:29

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1ST READING

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16
The Apostles work many signs.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. R. v.1
*Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.*

2ND READING

Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19
*A figure like a Son of man appears to John,
instructing him to write his visions.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 20:29
*Alleluia, alleluia!
You believe in me, Thomas,
because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me,
but still believe!
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31
Doubting Thomas.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES

CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

MASS:

Wednesday, 9am
Sunday, 9am

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 10.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.*

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm
Church of St. Kieran

YOUTH MASS:

2nd Sundays of the month
during the school term.

WEDDING:

Require six months notice and
include Pre-Marriage Course as
part of the preparation.

CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday*, Saturday,
8.30am
Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm
Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

** Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass
on Fridays.*

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 11.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.*

In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather.
We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present
and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.



WELCOME TO NORTH HARBOUR

- YOU ARE INVITED
- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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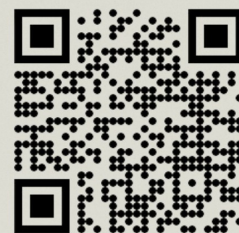


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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

I have a friend who says she doesn't need to attend Mass because she prays to God every day. What are your thoughts on this justification?

Answer:

If the only reason for going to church were to talk to God, your friend might be right. Prayer is not something limited to a physical place or even a holy place. If the sole purpose of the Church were prayer, it would be a narrow purpose indeed. The Church is a community of believers, formed by "one Lord, one faith, one Baptism." It is an outward sign of our faith in God instituted by Christ, and the purpose of the Church is to give us grace, that is, a share in God's life.

Coming to Mass is not really for God's sake, but for ours. If we believe that Jesus is truly present in the holy Eucharist, then we will want to be in his presence. We will want to be fed by him. Our daily prayer and good works are strengthened by our authentic encounter with our Lord. For Catholics, it is at Mass that we celebrate the source and summit of our faith. If this is true, why would we ever stay away? ©LPI

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

When Jesus shows his disciples his hands and side, we are all given an important insight: The Risen Christ still carries the wounds of a broken world. In the glorified Christ we find all those who suffer, all those who are estranged and even all those who are unrepentant sinners. In this wounded Christ we find ourselves with all our own hurts and failings. What Jesus does after he presents himself to his followers is even more significant.

After he shows his disciples his wounds, Jesus breathes the Spirit into them. He sends them out as he was sent, to offer healing, forgiveness and, above all, love. This is our mission, too.

We are asked to love the beggar and the sinner as much as we love the self-reliant and the saint. The key is to remember that love is not just a feeling of attraction. It is a sense of attachment and acceptance. Love is a bond. It is realizing in heart and head that we are all one (sinners and saints) in the Risen Christ.

We can't help the way we feel, but we are certainly responsible for the way we act. We have to teach our children, through word and action, not to judge others so harshly that they fail to love them.

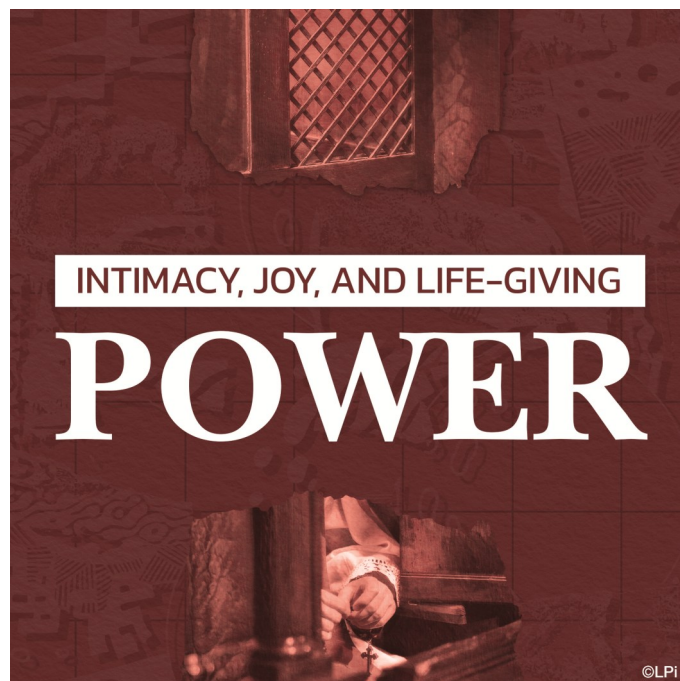
FAMILY RESPONSE:

Have a family reconciliation prayer service. Light a candle. Read the Scripture above just to the place where Jesus tells his disciples that the sins they have committed are forgiven. Ask each family member to think about a hurt they experienced from a family member that they are ready to let go of. When everyone is ready, ask each person to take a deep breath in and then slowly let the breath out as they forgive the person who hurt them. Close with an Our Father.

PERSONAL RESPONSE:

Are you able to forgive easily? What keeps you from letting go of old hurts or wounds? Write a short prayer asking God to help you let go of your anger and disappointment.

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WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

A consistent theme in Catholic social teaching is the preferential option for the poor and vulnerable. God loves all people but has a soft spot in his heart for the poor and vulnerable members of society. Thomas was vulnerable because he missed out on the first appearance of Jesus to the Apostles. He was an outsider among the group, and he expressed his sense of being “distant” by refusing to believe their story. When Jesus arrived again with Thomas present, he directed his attention to the vulnerable Thomas. Jesus loved all of his followers, but Thomas was in need of special, preferential attention. Jesus delivered, and Thomas believed. The challenge this week is to give attention to the outsider in your group. Draw that person back in with your love. It’s just the right thing to do as we celebrate Divine Mercy!



PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving the sacraments, contact Parish Office.

CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

Depending on where you live, vegetable gardening getting popular. Do you have a small patch of earth where you can grow some food? Some pots on a patio or a bright windowsill? What about a local community garden? It is a good and holy thing to work with the earth, to plant seeds, and to tend them while they grow into plants. Jesus told many stories of farmers in Scripture. Your challenge this week is to seek out a place to grow food in your community. If you don’t have your own space to garden or you have space to share with others, sign onto SharedEarth.com a site which matches up those with garden space and those seeking it. Plant some seeds or volunteer to help weed or water and support those who are caring for God’s creation and feeding those most in need.



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AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

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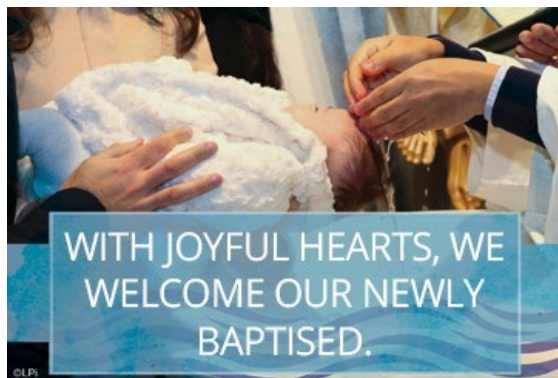
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AFTER HOURS:

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Lucie Frances Watson

Daughter of Andrew & Natalie

Milania Rose Vaquerano

Daughter of Meldavid & Danielle

Nathaniel Mangali

Son of Stephen & Joy

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK:

Odette James, Peter and Jan Van de Velde,
Joyce Arnold, Cecilia Yeung, Erroll Abbott, Greg Hyde

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Pope Francis, Margaret Traynor, Fr John Whelan OSA,
Fr John Hennebry OSA, Horst Bodisco

ANNIVERSARIES:

Catherine Moscrop, Jack Saunders,
Jeanne McGlynn, Dot Riddington, Elvira Sotelo

Our community would love to pray for you.

If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail office@nhcatholic.org.au



VOTIVE MASS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF POPE FRANCIS

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 8:30AM
ST KIERAN'S CHURCH

SOLEMN MASS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF POPE FRANCIS

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 7:00PM
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL, WAITARA
PRESIDER: FR DAVID RANSON, VICAR GENERAL



Youth MASS
Sun 11 May, 2025
St Kieran's Catholic Church
2 King St., Manly Vale 2093 NSW
All welcome!
followed by a sausage sizzle & light refreshments

What is Social Justice?
Come and join the Social Justice group as Fr John guides us spiritually and explores the meaning of social justice and the ways we can make a difference in our community.
**MONDAY, MAY 12
7PM, PARISH CENTRE**

Cleaner Wanted!
MANLY VALE, 4 HOURS/WEEK
St Kieran's Priory is looking for an experienced cleaner.
Duties include general household cleaning and some light laundry/housekeeping duties.
This is a permanent position including superannuation & leave entitlements.
Enquiries/Applications: Contact Jacky
manager@nhcatholic.org.au or 9949 4455.

PARISH ROSARY PRAYER
JOYFUL MYSTERIES
Monday and Saturday
SORROWFUL MYSTERIES
Tuesday and Friday
GLORIOUS MYSTERIES
Wednesday and Sunday
LUMINOUS MYSTERIES
Thursday
You are invited to pray the Rosary with your family for the renewal of our parish.
Prayer booklets are available in our churches. You can pray with others using this meditation after Mass on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

LITURGICAL FORMATION SERIES

Throughout the year, the Diocese will be holding a number of formation opportunities for those interested and engaged in Liturgical Ministries.

SATURDAY, 10 MAY
9:30AM-3PM
CAROLINE CHISHOLM
CENTRE, PENNANT HILLS

Back to Basics:
Serving at Mass

Morning tea and lunch provided



For more information, or to register:
email mission@bbcatholic.org.au

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SATURDAY,
MAY 3

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SYMBOLS:

THE HEART: AUGUSTINIAN IDENTITY, OUR
UNIFIED AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY, AND OUR
LOCATION ON THE NORTHERN BEACHES

THE CROSS: OUR CATHOLIC IDENTITY AND OUR FOCUS ON
NURTURING FAITH AND SPIRITUALITY. THE CROSS SLIGHTLY
PIERCES THE HEART, ANOTHER REFERENCE TO OUR
AUGUSTINIAN SPIRIT.

THE SHIP'S HELM: THE CENTRALITY OF THE EUCHARIST, OUR
PASSION FOR JUSTICE, AND OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER AS A
COMMUNITY.



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Come and Celebrate

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

27 April 2025

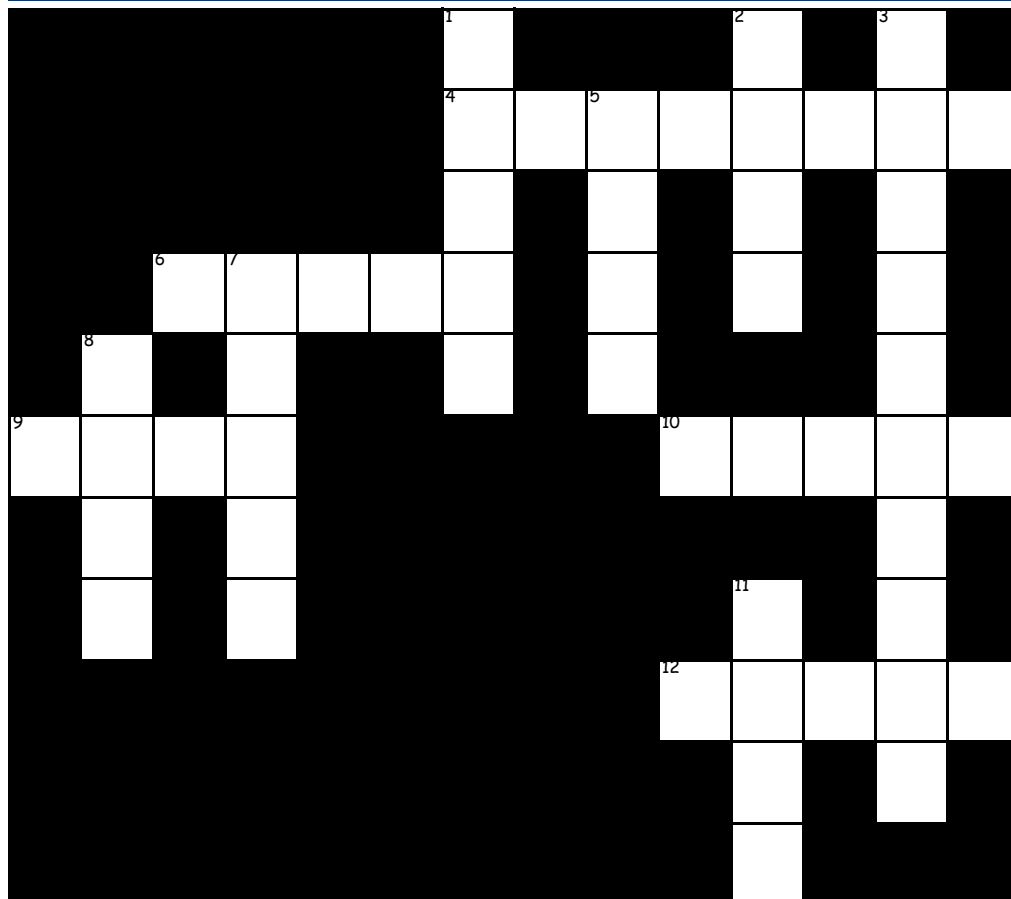
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ROSARY, MASS, ADORATION,
RECONCILIATION, BENEDICTION AND VENERATION

Jesus, I trust in You

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Jesus Christ is risen!

ACROSS

- 4: the front opening of a building
- 6: this covered the entrance to Jesus' tomb
- 9: without light
- 10: a piece of fabric
- 12: a type of cotton fabric

DOWN

- 1: Jesus' disciple who was also known as Simon
- 2: the front part of the head
- 3: sacred texts
- 5: burial chamber
- 7: removed
- 8: she was the first to notice that Jesus' body was missing
- 11: the opposite of death

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Sharing the Gospel

Jesus, the best friend of the apostles, had just been killed for his teachings. The apostles were afraid the soldiers would come and kill them, too. They were so frightened that they locked all the windows and the doors in the upper room where they had the Last Supper. They huddled together in fear. When Jesus appeared right in the middle of them, they were amazed. He said, "Do not be afraid. I am with you."

Prayer

Lord, come to me when I am afraid.

Mission

When I am afraid, I will ask Jesus to come and help me.

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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.





To those who love You, O Lord, according to Your command, You show Yourself and You are all they seek. Thus they do not fall away from You nor back into themselves.

Sermon 261, 1
- St. Augustine of Hippo

NEXT WEEKEND (4 MAY 2025): 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

1ST READING

Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32.
40-41

The Sanhedrin tells the apostles not to mention Jesus.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2
I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

2ND READING

Revelation 5:11-14
John hears the voices of angels.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 21:1-19
Jesus questions Peter.

3 MAY, 5.30PM
ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server
David

Readers
Val
Cecilia

Music
Parish Choir

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

Welcomers
Volunteers needed

4 MAY, 7.30AM
ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server
Jo

Readers
Judith
Jenny

Music
None

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

Welcomers
Volunteers needed

4 MAY, 9AM
ST CECILIA'S

Senior Server
Ilde

Readers
Michael H
Michael C
Pauline

Music
TBD

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

Welcomers
Volunteers needed

4 MAY, 9.30AM
ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server
Michael

Readers
Brian
Kate

Music
Harvest

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

Welcomers
Volunteers needed

4 MAY, 5PM
ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server
Kevin

Readers
Louise
Catherine

Music
Ben

Communion Min
Volunteer needed

Powerpoint
Volunteer needed

Welcomers
Volunteers needed

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 27 APRIL

Mon 28 Apr: St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr

Tue 29 Apr: St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor

Wed 30 Apr: Wednesday of the 2nd Week of Easter

Thu 1 May: Thursday of the 2nd Week of Easter

Fri 2 May: St Athanasius, bishop, doctor

Sat 3 May: Sts Phillip and James, apostles

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