### A FUTURE TOGETHER IN FAITH

The Ordinariate beckons you to a communal journey of faith, deeply rooted in the English traditions and enriched within the Catholic Church. Our unique charism celebrates community, devotion, and sacred tradition, fostering a united future in faith.

Our commitment to communal faith practices and evangelical charity mirrors the selfless love Christ showed us. Through sacral English in our liturgies, we converse with God in the beauty and dignity befitting divine worship, creating a space where heaven meets earth.

Music and hymn singing enrich our worship, reflecting the belief in music's power to uplift and draw souls closer to God. The Ordinariate's emphasis on gospel preaching delivers transformative messages that challenge and empower us to live out the Gospel in our lives.

Rooted in the rich English theological tradition, we offer a unique perspective that enriches the universal Church. Join us in embracing this vibrant expression of Catholic life, where tradition and community converge, moving forward together in faith. The Ordinariate invites you to share in the treasure of our Anglican patrimony, united in diversity and faith.

#### WHAT IS THE ORDINARIATE?

The Ordinariate is a jurisdiction of the Catholic Church equivalent to a Diocese. It answers directly to the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith in Rome. Members of the Ordinariate are Roman Catholics. Ordinariate Priests are Catholic Priests. The liturgy used within the Ordinariates is known as "Divine Worship", and is noteworthy for its distinctive style of Sacral English, known as "Prayer Book English". All Catholics are welcome to make the Ordinariate their spiritual home.

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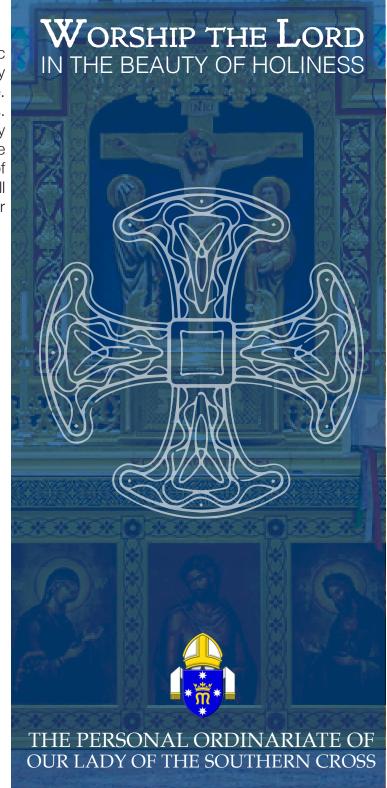
76A FIDDENS WHARF ROAD, KILLARA, NSW

SUNDAY: 12PM SUNG MASS FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 4PM CHORAL EVENSONG WED: 6PM MASS (exposition from 5PM) THUR, FRI: 9AM MASS

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# A RICH LITURGICAL HERITAGE

The Ordinariate represents a vibrant tapestry of rich liturgical heritage, weaving together the beauty of English tradition with the fullness of the Catholic faith. In the heart of its charism lies a profound respect for sacred language, music, and congregational hymn singing, honouring St Augustine's wisdom, "He who sings, prays



**twice."** This heritage is not merely about preserving history but about nurturing a living, breathing practice of faith that speaks directly to the soul.

Sacral English, derived from the Book of Common Prayer, adorns the liturgy with a poetic dialogue that elevates our conversation with the Divine, reminding us of the sacredness of our encounter with God. This choice of language, both ancient and alive, fosters a liturgical atmosphere where reverence and beauty are not only appreciated but deeply felt.

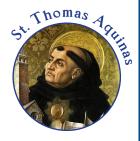
Music and hymn singing stand as central pillars of the Ordinariate's worship, reflecting a tradition where music is not just an accompaniment to liturgical action but an act of worship in its own right. The rich musical heritage of the English tradition, now shared within the Catholic Church, enriches the liturgical experience, inviting all to offer their voices in a harmonious act of divine praise.

## COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP

At the core of the Ordinariate's mission is the nurturing of community and fellowship, deeply engrained in the English tradition and now flourishing within the Catholic Church. This dedication transcends mere assembly, fostering a spiritual kinship where faith and devotion are communally celebrated, through practices like the Offices of Matins and Evensong and enriching study groups.

### FAITH • HOPE • CHARITY

Central to this communal charism is the embodiment of evangelical charity, inspired by the English tradition's commitment to service. This mirrors the ethos of the Anglo-Catholic slum priests, who ministered in areas rife with



hardship, bringing the light of Christ to the darkest corners. It's a vivid demonstration of the principle articulated by St Thomas Aquinas: "Where charity and love are, God is there." This spirit of compassion and outreach is the heartbeat of our community life.

In this shared path of faith, the Ordinariate exemplifies the strength of community and fellowship in bringing us closer to God and each other, cultivating a sanctuary of love and service where Aquinas's words resonate deeply. It's a testament to the transformative power of a community rooted in charity, love, and the English patrimonial heritage within the Catholic faith.

# TRADITION as EVANGELISM

In the heart of the Ordinariate's mission is the profound belief that tradition serves not only as a bridge to the past but as a vibrant and dynamic force for evangelism in the present. This unique approach to tradition, characterised by a deep reverence for

the English heritage within the Catholic faith, positions the Ordinariate as a testament to the power of tradition to draw souls closer to God.



St John Henry Newman's encouragement, "Do not be afraid of holiness. It will take none of your energy, or life, or joy," echoes the Ordinariate's mission to evangelise through the beauty and depth of its liturgical life. It is a reminder that the pursuit of holiness, far from draining life's vitality, enriches it, offering a fullness of joy found in the love and service of God and neighbour.

The Ordinariate's commitment to evangelical charity, sacral English, and reverence in worship not only honours its English patrimony but also serves as an invitation to all who seek a deeper relationship with Christ. Through its distinctive approach to liturgy, preaching, and community life, the Ordinariate exemplifies how tradition can be a powerful means of evangelisation, inviting the faithful to experience the timeless beauty of the Gospel anew.

This evangelistic thrust, rooted in the conviction that tradition can speak to every generation, is a call to witness the transformative power of God's love in the world. It is through living out this rich liturgical and communal tradition that the Ordinariate seeks to draw others into the fullness of Catholic faith, fulfilling its mission to evangelise the Good News.