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Sacramental Life

Celebration of the Eucharist:

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigils: 4.30pm & 5.30pm

Sunday - 7.30am & 9am

Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday and - Friday 9.00am

Reconciliation: Saturday

3.45 pm – 4.15 pm

Baptisms & Marriages:

By appointment at Presbytery

**Anointing: Every 2 months - check
bulletin for dates**

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

**Funeral Masses: In Co-operation
with Funeral Directors.**

5-6 June 2021

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



Entrance Antiphon: He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

Responsorial Psalm: I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the
name of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from
heaven, says the Lord: whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The [Second Reading](#) says that the blood of Christ cleans our
consciences from dead works.

Anybody who does laundry can tell you that one of the hardest stains to
get out is blood. Why would anybody think you could *clean* things with
blood?

What we could not do on our own, the Spirit of Christ can do in us.

The answer is that it depends on what you are trying to clean. The
Second Reading is talking about cleaning dead works out of the
conscience.

But what is a dead work?

Well, a thing that is dead just lies there, without moving. So dead works
are works that don't go anywhere. And where would works be going
except where the person who does the works wants them to go?
And now we have a better idea of what a dead work is, don't
we? In [Romans 7:15](#), Paul says, "I do not do what I want, but I do what I
hate." Is there anyone who doesn't understand this problem? Examples
of it are easy to come by. Here's one: you set out bravely to give up
smoking, and day after day you smoke.

It's not hard to see why dead works stain a conscience. Whose
conscience would not feel stained by endless daily failure to do what he
himself wants to do?

This is what the blood of Christ cleanses us from.

Blood is the life of a thing, scripture says ([Deuteronomy 12:23](#)). If in the
Eucharist the blood of Christ comes into us, then Christ's life comes into
us too. By his life, we are made into one body with him, one living body,
with a living Spirit, the Spirit of Christ.

What we could not do on our own, because our works are dead and our
consciences are stained, the blood, the life, the Spirit of Christ can do in
us.

When we are united with Christ through his body and blood in the
Eucharist, our works live, too, through him. And if our works live, then our
consciences are cleansed too.

In fact, it turns out that even our dirty laundry is cleaned by the blood of
Christ. The saints in heaven have made their clothes white in the blood
of the lamb ([Revelation 7:14](#)).

The old Spiritual hymn is right: there is power in the blood!

2. Hurray! We are St. Anthony's

The feast day of St. Anthony is here – about 7 days from now. 13 June is the day and celebration begins with 9am Mass and continues after with fun activities and social gatherings. The organizers are making sure there is



something for everyone, so please stay behind after the Mass. For those attending 4.30pm, 5.30pm Saturday and 7.30am Sunday Masses, please come at 10am on the day to join us in the celebration. It will be a good opportunity to catch up with all the parishioners both new and existing who attend different Mass times in the parish and have not had the opportunity to see one another.

Thank you to all those who have registered their interest in attending the 9am Mass and Feast Day celebrations.

For catering purposes and number estimates, please use the sheets of paper on the table at the foyer to indicate your availability if you have not done so. Also feel free to contact the Parish office if you require any information or would like to hold a stall on the day. Looking forward to seeing you.

3. COVID-19 update Easing of restrictions – the current rules

Masks are no longer necessary when attending churches.

Congregational singing is permitted. Singers or choir members should still remain 1.5 metres away from each other and from members of the congregation.

There is no limit on how many people can attend Masses and other liturgical celebrations subject to observing the 2m2 rule. Families can sit together, but if people do not belong in the same household, they must observe physical distancing of 1.5 metres.

The same rules apply to Masses and other religious services held outdoors on Parish premises.

More information is available online: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/>

4. Volunteers

There are so many ministries in the Parish especially behind the scenes. If you feel that your talent or time can be of a service, please consider being a volunteer.

5. Silence in the Church

Allow five minutes before Mass in the church to be a time of silence and quiet reflection in preparation for the celebration of the Eucharist. No group prayer at this time and, at all times, no noise in the church.

6. Welcome to our Parish

We are a growing community and we are happy to have all of you who have moved recently to become members of our Parish community. If there is any way we can be of help to make you comfortable, do not hesitate to contact us through the parish office. Please collect a Parish Census form at the foyer, fill it out and give to Fr Kene or send to the parish office.

7. Booking of Mass Intentions

Please book your Mass intentions by using the 'Mass intention' envelopes at the church foyer; clearly fill in the details and leave on the collection plate or give to Fr Kene when it is convenient to do so. Another option is to contact the parish office on Tuesdays and Thursdays earlier.

8. 4.30pm Mass

With Covid-19 restrictions slowly easing, the 4.30pm vigil mass each Saturday will rather be merged with 5.30pm Mass with the last 4.30pm mass being Saturday 12th June 2021. There will be only 5.30pm Mass on 19th June 2021 due to 1st Holy communion Mass on the day. The following Saturday 26th June, Mass time will be adjusted to 5pm throughout the winter period. We still reiterate that 4.30pm Mass was previously added for covid reasons and we do apologize for any inconvenience caused.

9. Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will return on the weekend of 26th June at 5pm and 27th June at 9am. Thank you for those who have volunteered. If you would still like to volunteer, please let the parish office know.

10. Project Compassion

Thank you to all parishioners who have donated through Project Compassion. Between the church and the school, we raised \$6,456.05 for Caritas Australia.

11. Sunday 6pm Mass?

As our parish community expectedly keeps growing, a consideration is being made on the introduction of a Sunday 5pm mass (6pm during summer) in our Parish. This will fit in well in anticipation of the youths from our growing community and from St. Anthony's Catholic College. It is hoped to start within the next financial year. But regular attendees are needed to make sure various ministries are taken care of. Could you use our parish suggestion box to indicate if you will like to be part of the 5pm Sunday Mass when it does begin.

12. Planned Giving Envelopes

The next financial year planned giving envelopes have been placed at the back of the church for pick up. If you are interested in joining our Planned Giving, please contact the Parish Office. All donations through the Planned Giving program are tax deductible. Thanks for your generosity throughout this financial year.

13. Congratulations

Congratulations and God Bless to Deacon Paul and Julieanne Naggar as they celebrate 50 years of marriage this weekend



14. Safeguarding Workshop

When volunteering in the Parish you must have a valid Working with Children Check and have attended a Safeguarding Workshop. If you have not done a workshop or passed on your working with children's details, please do so as soon as possible. If you need assistance with any of these items, please contact the Parish office.

15. St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website: <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

16. Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Twilight Reflection Evening – 30 June 2021 6:00-8:00pm, Pennant Hills

Join keynote speakers Bishop Anthony Randazzo, Dr. Robbie Lloyd and Ms Ashleigh Donnelly together with Catholics from the Archdiocese of Sydney, Parramatta Diocese and the Diocese of Broken Bay for a prayerful dinner event to celebrate our social justice work and reflect on the themes of this year's Social Justice Statement "To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today."

Date: Wednesday 30th June 2021

Time: 6.00pm – 8.30pm

Venue: Pennant Hills Bowling Club, 52 Yarrara Rd, Pennant Hills.

Please register your attendance here: <https://form.jotform.com/211228078037048> or by emailing ruth.moraes@sydneycatholic.org or 0439 584 221.

God bless,

Fr Kene Onwukwe

Support your Archdiocese of Sydney newspaper- The Catholic Weekly

In this week's edition:

- Archbishop Fisher appeals directly to state MPs to reverse cemeteries' takeover
- How three siblings entered religious life
- New voice for Catholic women

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Events in the Parish —

Legion of Mary Prayer Group: Every Thursday after the 9am Mass in the Parish cry room

Dates to Remember

Monday 7 June —4pm First Holy Communion Preparation Class

Wednesday 9 June —6.30pm First Holy Communion Preparation Class

Friday 11 June 2021—Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Do you need help finding help in Liverpool?

A community care worker has joined All Saints Parish, Liverpool for help and referrals to services concerned with relationships, parenting, ageing, disability, addiction and mental health.



Call for a free consultation

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CatholicCare.org

connect@catholiccare.org

8am – 6pm Monday – Friday

The Paduans Prayer during the Pandemic

Merciful God of hope and life, during this time of pandemic, May we hold to attitudes and behaviours that profess our faith in Jesus Christ, May we act with care and responsibility to keep our community safe, May we be beacons of hope to those feeling overwhelmed and fearful. Heal those who are infected by the virus, Guide healthcare professionals and researchers in their work, Inspire politicians, business and community leaders by your wisdom, Bring those who have died to yourself and comfort their loved ones. We make this prayer through Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen Mary, Mother of God: pray for us. All Saints: pray for us.

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time 12-13 June 2021

	Saturday 4.30pm	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 7.30am	Sunday 9am
Reader/s Com/1st/Psalm 2nd/POF	Rita Moro	Margaret D’Vries & Teresa Calarco	Liz Habib & Kylie Xerri	Commentary Nicole Hext 2nd Reading only John- Willam Fisher 1st/POF Students of St Anthony of Padua
Acolytes	Joe Cilia	Gerry Crescini	George Aj kay	Anthony Zanetic
Counters: Wendy, Joe, Frances - 15th June				

A Message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with the 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.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED OR ARE IN NEED OUR PRAYERS

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased: Renzo Martignago, Constantine (Con) Pellegrini, Lindsay Paul, Donald D’Souza, Romeo Cabiluna Jr, Anne Boyce, Lourdes Ever Juan, Kitty and Charlie Micallef

Anniversaries: Hellen Argyle, Kristie Scibilia, Vincent & Josephine Bonnici, Guiseppina & Filippo Musso, Alfonso & Annunziata Gioffre, Giovanni Macerola, Anna Luciani, George Velso, Stephen Vella, Nicole Simone, Molly Morton, Regina Jasenko, August Naydek, Teresa Brassil, Ross Cavallaro and Emmanuel & Mary Grace Gatt, Ernest Rust, Isidoro Bianchi

Also for: Antonio Pisano, The Dimech Family, Grace Cilia, The Pace Family & The Bonanno Family

We remember those who are sick in the community that the Lord will be their comforter and healer as we pray for: Ian & Shirley Farrell, Ken O’Leary, Paul Farnsworth, Michael Jasenko, Tomislav Juric, James Dimech, Jean Poles, Hane Abe Rached, Rhodora Manon, Anastacio Swing, Irene Norris, Natalie Biro, Carmela Garzanti, Rene D’Silva, Mrs Mary Vella, Lena Xerri, Anita and Anthony Zappia