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**SUNDAY MASSES:** Lane Cove: Saturday 6pm, Sunday 9.30am, 6pm | Greenwich: Sunday 8am Mon-Sat: 8.30 am. | Riverview : Sunday 7.30am during school term

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Mon – Thu 9.15am | Fri 12pm **CONFESSION:** Sat 8.45am 5.15pm Sun 9am 5.30pm **EXPOSITION:** Mon–Wed 8am Thu 7pm Fri 11.30am

## Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year A, 7th of May, 2023

### First Reading

Acts 6:1-7

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:1-2. 4-5. 18-19. R. v.22

(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in you.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.

Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,  
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. (R.)

2. For the word of the Lord is faithful  
and all his works to be trusted.

The Lord loves justice and right  
and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

3. The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

### Second Reading

1 Pt 2:4-9

*A reading from the first letter of St Peter*

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the

keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down.

They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

### Gospel Acclamation

Jn 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;  
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

Jn 14:1-12

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'

Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.'

'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me? To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

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# Announcements

## From the Parish Priest

We welcome Josefine Tabuteau to the parish in the role of Parish Secretary this week. Jo comes to us with a long track record of administration and educational leadership. Please welcome her!

As part of the "Back to Parish" program initiated by Sydney Catholic Schools we will be encouraging our St Michael's school families to come to Family Masses on a number of occasions through 2023. School students will take a lead in various liturgical roles in the liturgy and hospitality afterwards in the parish hall..

Please note there is no Children's Liturgy scheduled next Sunday 14 May, being Mother's Day.

## Saint Vincent de Paul Society Member Drive

The Lane Cove Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society, aka Vinnies, are looking for new members. Interested parishioners may contact the Lane Cove Vinnies President Elizabeth Meagher or are free to attend the Vinnie's meetings in the Parish Hall. Meetings are held on the first & third Tuesday of each month at 7pm. e: Elizabeth.Meagher@vinnies.org.au

## St Michael's Men's Group

St Michael's Men's Group meeting this Thursday 11th May at 8pm in the Parish Hall. The topic for discussion is 'Spiritual Warfare'. All men welcome. Come for an evening of brotherhood, sharing and discussion on an important topic for our times.



## Donate to the Charitable Works Fund May 2023 Appeal

6th & 7th May 2023 is our parish appeal.

Help keep alive vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most. In hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place.

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WEDNESDAY 24TH 2:30PM - 7:00PM  
FRIDAY 26TH 2:45PM - 5:00PM

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**We pray for our sick:** Ann Ryan, Rebecca Shields, Bishop Peter Ingham, Jeanette Sharp, Eszter Kalotay, John Tesoriero, Caroline Simmonds, Pam and Paul Lenehan, Val Oberle, Mary Ng.

**Anniversaries:** Joe Khoury, Maria Schiavo, Monica Turner, Michael Turner, Mary Rodgers, Elva Cook, Mary Sivaram, Donald Buckley, Maria Tran Thi Phu, Anthony Tran Tu Trung, John Tran Nhat Quang, Basil Purtill, Patricia Purtill, Raymond Cummins, Iris Cummins.

**Recently deceased:** Therese Holles, Thomas Adams, Colette Droulers, Ross Goswell, Peter Signorelli, John Reid.

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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@sydnecatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydnecatholic.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.