

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you - believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Mt 4:19

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 5:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
They left everything and followed him.

Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats - it was Simon's - and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Jer 17: 5 - 8;
1 Cor 15: 12, 16 – 20;
Lk 6: 17,20 – 26.

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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL:	6:00 pm.
SUNDAY:	8:00 am and 9:30 am.
MONDAY:	No Mass.
TUESDAY:	8am Mass.
WEDNESDAY through to SATURDAY:	9.00 am Mass.
FRIDAY:	9.00 am Mass. Exposition & Benediction every Friday after Mass.
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.
Baptism:	Every Sunday at 11am or 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
Marriage:	By appointment.
Anointing of the sick:	Please give names to Father Roberto Castillo.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

5th / 6th February 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

FIRST READING: First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Here am I! Send me.

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings.

And they cried out one to another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. His glory fills the whole earth.'

The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said:

'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said:

'See now, this has touched your lips,

your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: 'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?' I answered, 'Here I am, send me.' The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 137:1-5. 7-8

RESPONSE: In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **Response.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **Response.**

All earth's kings shall thank you when they hear the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the Lord's ways: 'How great is the glory of the Lord!' **Response.**

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **Response.**

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5 / 6 FEBRUARY 2022 – 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 9.30AM
Acolyte	STILL TO BE ROSTERED	STILL TO BE ROSTERED	STILL TO BE ROSTERED
Reader	V PERERA	E WHEELER	R DEARING
Offertory	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	NONE - DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS	NONE - DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS	NONE - DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS
Altar Servers	GRP 1: JAMES D'MELLO, IAN PILENA & AIDEN SHEEKA	NO ROSTERED GROUP	GROUP 5: DEARING FAMILY
Welcomers	S CHAMISA		
Counters	GROUP 9: C DABBAH	T DABBAH	A STANTON
Altar Flowers	KAYSHINEE PERERA / TINA CHAMISA	FEBRUARY ALTAR LINEN: MIRA SAVIC	

12 / 13 FEBRUARY 2022 – 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 9.30AM
Acolyte	STILL TO BE ROSTERED	STILL TO BE ROSTERED	STILL TO BE ROSTERED
Reader	B CLARK	P TREACY	C LAYOUN
Offertory	DABBAH FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY	VOLUNTEER FAMILY
Projection	NONE- DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS	NONE - DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS	NONE - DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS
Altar Servers	GRP 2: ZAC O'DONOGHUE & NOAH EL-AZZI	NO ROSTERED GROUP	GROUP 6: ADAM CALLAGHAN
Welcomers	A CHAN & P ONG		
Counters	GROUP 10: V MAMO	C MAMO	
Altar Flowers	N HAHN	FEBRUARY ALTAR LINEN: MIRA SAVIC	

PARISH NEWS & NOTICES:

Request for Mass and Prayers.

We pray for those who have recently died. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries at this time.



Catechist Sunday.

This weekend we celebrate Catechist Sunday. It's a day when we recognise the terrific work of our catechists in the public schools. This volunteer work is mostly unseen by us all but it is such great work and crucial for the evangelisation of future generations. Please pray for our catechists today and throughout the year ahead.

This weekend we will bless and commission our wonderful catechists as they begin a new year teaching scripture at Denistone East Public School.

We also congratulate and thank Yvonne Leung for her 15 years of Outstanding Service to teaching catechism and Josefina Delavega for completing Levels 2 and 3 in catechist training courses.

Well done and Congratulations!

Additionally, we also want to thank Anne-Marie Naganathan for her years of being a catechist. Anne-Marie needed to relinquish her much loved role due to increasing work commitments.

Catechists are people who keep the memory of God alive; they keep it alive in themselves and they are able to revive it in others.

-Pope Francis



Recruitment for Catechist Teachers.

Every year brings challenges! Our challenge this year is to find another catechist teacher for Year 6. Are you able to help? Your help is needed! Please contact the presbytery and find out more information. Only half an hour during school terms is needed and training is provided.



Rite of Commitment and Commissioning.

Fr Roberto: Let us all join in prayer that God will bless these Catechists. By carefully undertaking the task that has been entrusted to them, may they teach the Good News and help young people to experience the love that God has for each of them.

Fr Roberto: As Catechists, do you promise to help bring the Word of God to the children you teach through your prayer, teaching and example?

Catechists: Yes I do and I'll do my best to fulfil the responsibility of being a catechist in the name of Jesus Christ.

Fr Roberto: May God bless you, our Catechists, with wisdom, strength and joy. We ask this in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy spirit.



Church opening times.

Good News Brothers and Sisters! As COVID19 disruptions are evolving we have decided to re-open the Church for private prayers throughout the day. This means that the church will remain open till around 4 or 5pm every day.



Please don't forget to use the QR code upon entry and checkout when you leave.

Resuming private prayer in the church will be most welcomed by many of our parishioners.

Parish Council meeting - Update.

- Planning is under way for Lent and Easter.
- Re-starting morning teas after 10am Mass from Palm Sunday.
- Re-opening the church throughout the days for private prayer.
- Volunteers are needed – Parish Council

Thank you!

After 9 years on the Parish Council Helen Vaz has resigned. It has been a privilege to have Helen on our Council and we thank her for her generosity in sharing her talents as she unfailingly supported the parish both liturgically or our socially.



Thank you.

Many thanks to all those wonderful volunteers who helped support the parish whilst I was on holidays. All your help was so appreciated, from those who helped Fr Terry Bell, our acolytes, our counters and those who have resumed their ministry, Deacon Aruna Perera for all the Communion liturgies and those who secured the church at the end of the day. Blessings, Fr Roberto



Bulletins will resume from this week.

As you have noticed bulletins have resumed and will continue for the rest of the year. But please remember they are for single use only so please take it home with you and give yourself an opportunity to re-read the scripture readings during the week.



Volunteers needed.

Our parish needs more volunteers in everything.

People to help trim the hedges and support our gardener with some of the heavier tasks / Catechists / Readers / Acolytes / Counters / Offertory families!

So if you can help out please let us know.

Volunteers Needed!



From the Liturgy Office.

This year there will be some training / information courses for Readers, Acolytes and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you want to take up one of these ministries then let us know, as the Liturgy Office needs to know numbers in advance to enable them to plan for the year ahead. Please call the presbytery on 9809-2925 and give your name to Gayle or speak to Fr Roberto after Mass.