



HOLY FAMILY COMMUNITY

UNDER THE CARE OF THE AUSTRALIAN JESUIT PROVINCE



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We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land this Church was built.

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MASS TIMES - HOLY FAMILY CHURCH - EMERTON

Saturday Vigil Mass : 5.30 pm Sunday: 9.00 am and 10.30 am

JOHN TERRY CHAPEL (DAY CHAPEL)

Monday 8.30am Mass
Tuesday 6.00pm Mass
Wednesday 6.00pm Mass
Thursday 8.30am Mass
Friday 9.00am Mass
Saturday 9.00am Mass

MASS AT WILLMOT CHURCH

Sunday 7.30am
Cnr Pelsart & Carteret Ave Willmot

RECONCILIATION AND HOLY HOUR—EMERTON

Saturday from 9.30 am to 10.00 am



MASS FOR YOU AT HOME



10.30am—Archdiocese of Sydney
www.youtube.com/watch?v=UHTnCBgGMDg

11.00am—Diocese of Parramatta
www.youtube.com/user/ParramattaDiocese/

COVID-SAFE PROCEDURES



*Register your details upon entering the church
*Masks are mandatory.

*Sanitise hands
*Maintain safe distancing
*Wipe down your chairs before you leave.

*Please do not enter the church if you are unwell and/or experiencing flu-like symptoms.

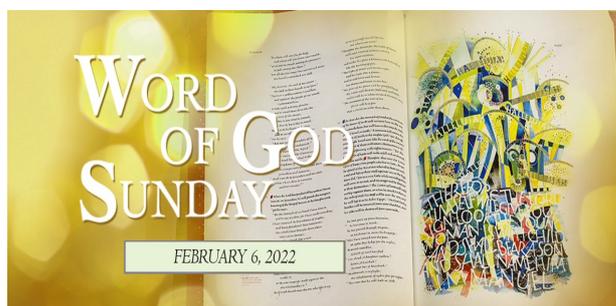
REFLECTION FROM THE PARISH PRIEST FOR THE

Word of God Sunday

Famously Pope Francis described himself at the beginning of his pontificate as “I am a sinner... I am sure of this. I am a sinner whom the Lord has looked upon with mercy.”

A few years ago he instituted this feast day of the Word of God Sunday with these readings that each highlight the sinfulness and unworthiness that Isaiah, Paul and Peter each feel in coming before the Lord. Isaiah, the great prophet, cannot speak until his lips are cleansed by the fiery coal. Paul recognizes himself as the least of the Apostles because of his history of persecution of the Church. Peter recognizes his sinfulness when put alongside the teaching and miracles of Jesus.

None of this sinfulness is an impediment to God, in fact it is an avenue for God to work through us. Paul especially identifies how it is only by the grace of God that his ministry comes to bear fruit. In spite of their sinfulness – and probably because each recognized their sinfulness – these followers of the Lord were called to lead the people. Human weakness and limitation is where God shines forth.



If this is the way that these biblical heavyweights experienced God's call, we need to ask ourselves how we are responding some 2000 years later. Am I open to acknowledge that “I am a sinner whom the Lord has looked upon with mercy”? This is a humble experience of our weaknesses, but also a recognition of the power of the mercy of God to work in us – if we let it infuse our life. In this humility, do I hear the Word of God call me to some action? to some call to be “fishers of people” around me (in my own family, friends or workplace)? How has God opened the Word of God in my life this week?

Fr Gregory



SCRIPTURE READINGS—YEAR C

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



LET US HEAR AND RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 6: 1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 137 (138): 1-5, 7-8

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

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the Angels I sing your praise;
I bow down toward your holy temple, and give thanks to your name
for your steadfast love and your faithfulness. R.

For you have exalted your name and your word above everything.
On the day I called, you answered me,
you increased my strength of soul. R.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
for great is the glory of the Lord. R.

You stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.
The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands. R.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 13th FEBRUARY 2022 –
6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C



1st Reading: Jeremiah 17: 5-8
2nd Reading: I Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20
Gospel: Luke 6: 17, 20-26

SECOND READING: I Corinthians 15: 2-8, 11 (shorter version)

Brothers and sisters: I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the Apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me,

Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 5: 1-11

While Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets.

Jesus got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way 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 the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink.

But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knee, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!"

For Simon Peter and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people."

When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS

BAPTISMS: We welcomed into our community Enryu Falemaka, who was baptised last Sunday 30th January 2022.

LIST OF THE SICK: Kevin Smith, Carmen Carlon, Danielle Heatly, Janice Quinn, Rose Wilson, Sylvia Greene, Lopisoni Makario, George Mallouk, Zarouf Mallouk, Ave Sio, Cristina Frugone, Tracey Tosatto, Sandra Roseworn, Kenny McConnell, Jean Toovey, Kilisimasi Lolesio, Jose Manalo, Fely Dela Paz Manalo, Thomas Hurst, Monica Taylor, Pacita Galasgas, Dimaano, Leo Teman, Gene Nieborski, Colleen Hodges, Gerry Borg, Louise Hall, Helen Ryan, Lemauga Tuliatu, Vailemani Selui, Margaret Kearney, Eleanor Petterson, Margaret Joyce, Mary Facer, Antonia Beemster, Faith Nimmo, Janette Queensell, Vaha Vave, Barry Barrakett, Paul Cusack, Ian Watts, Corina Valentine, Jeffrey Bonnici, Jose Lay, Fay Iffland, Mayda Attachian, Tim Meagher, Ray Fenech, Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fe Llave, Fara Vargas, Stella Edwards, Boyet Llave.

ANNIVERSARIES: Lawrie Taylor, Johnny Hollingdale, Br Joseph Byrnes, Garran O'Mealley, Baby Hanna Scott, Veronica Hamilton, Mel Tala, Catherine Hay, Annie Kearney, Terry Grayson, Irene Way, Thomas Hickey, Avo Gago, Rev K. English, Justin Lobo, George Khawaga, Ernie Leonard, Anne and Alec Prentice, Geoff Gregory.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Paulino Tui Kolio, Judith Coyne.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday: 9.00am–4.30pm
Friday: 9.00am–3.30pm

CLOSED ON WEEKENDS

Note: Staff meetings held on Tuesdays 9.15am–10.00am

SUPPORT US ONLINE

For contributions towards the 1st Collection, for the clergy of the Diocese of Parramatta, please use the following details:

Acc Name: Diocesan Clergy
BSB: 067 950
Acc No: 0000 4265
Reference: 6024 (followed by your name).

For contributions towards the 2nd Collection, for our parish expenses, please use the following details:

Acc Name: Mount Druitt Catholic Church
BSB: 067 950
Acc No: 0000 0446
Reference: Envelope No OR Your full name).



*Thank you for your
generosity!*

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

for the weekend of the 29th/30th January 2022

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| 1st collection (for the clergy of the Diocese): | \$ 542.00 |
| 2nd collection (for parish expenses): | \$ 1,973.75 |
| Candles | \$ 105.00 |

LIST OF THE SICK

- Every so often we need to revise the listing of the names in our weekly parish bulletin. Thus, **from the first weekend** in March, 2022, we will have a fresh, new list.
- To compile this new list, we need express permission for the publication of your own name, or the name of your sick relative or friend.
- Please contact Holy Family Parish Office (Ph: 9628 7272), or see one of the Priests, or Sr Carlene, after Mass.

Synod 2023: Sharing Responsibility

Our Church is all about participation and shared responsibility. How well do we do we balance authority with teamwork and responsibility? How do we encourage lay participation, involvement and leadership?

Have a prayerful conversation with your family, friends or colleagues, and tell Bishop Vincent and Pope Francis what you find!

Online submissions close February 26. Find out more at [bit.ly/synod2023] bit.ly/synod2023.



For a synodal Church
communion | participation | mission

Call Wendy on 0427 863 149 or email MET@parracatholic.org if you need assistance.

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 6, 2022



The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 6 in 2022. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God.

Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.



A Prayer for Sunday of the Word of God

O Word that shapes our liturgies and litanies,
May we see you not as a dusty tome
But as a living invitation to an ongoing conversation.
O God who comes to us in sacred story,
May we find our own stories within your pages.
O Word that illuminates our darkness,
May we carry your light into the world.
O God who speaks into silence,
May we rest in the comfort of your voice.
O Word made flesh who dwells among us,
May we sense your presence with us on the road to Emmaus.
And when our hearts burn within us,
May we not only hear your Word, but speak it with our lives.
Amen.

– Cameron Bellm

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A READER OR A MINISTER OF COMMUNION? ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO TAKE A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN OUR LITURGIES?

- Don't be shy! Please come forward and seek some further information.
- Training is available ... our Diocesan Office advises that 2022 LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES commence early February.
- For FURTHER DETAILS, please contact Sr Carlene.





HOLY FAMILY PARISH VISION

Holy Family Mt Druitt is a welcoming community:
 † **on a journey towards a personal encounter with Jesus;**
 † **called to unity and celebrating our diversity;**
 † **living and sharing the joy of the Gospel.**



A Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to the priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will.

Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments.



We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



Be a Jesuit

Jesuits strive to live as Jesus did, answering his call to serve others and working to build a just world. Do you have a desire to use your gifts and talents in the service of God? Does the idea of living out your faith at the frontiers of our world – both spiritual and physical – excite you? Perhaps you are being called to Jesuit life.

Fr Pedro Arrupe SJ, who was superior of the Jesuits from 1965 to 1983, said the Jesuit vocation is about living the Gospel message fully, generously, and even heroically. It is about giving everything for the greater glory of God. He writes:

‘Nothing is more practical than finding God, that is, than falling in love in a quite absolute, final way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you will do with your evenings, how you spend your weekends, what you read, who you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in love, stay in love and it will decide everything.’

For more information about becoming a Jesuit, contact us at vocations@sjasl.org.au OR talk to any Jesuit.



INSTITUTE OF **SISTERS OF MERCY** OF AUSTRALIA & PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Become a Sister of Mercy

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Centred in God, women of Mercy reach out with compassion, hospitality and justice to the broken and displaced of the world.

DO YOU WANT A MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD? EXPLORE MERCY!

If you are interested in finding out more about being a Sisters of Mercy, please contact: Kathy Ryan RSM Initial Formation Director: vocations@ismapng.org.au



MARIST BROTHERS AUSTRALIA

Discerning your vocation in life takes time and prayer as you seek to understand how best to respond to God's call.

If you are attracted to the idea of being a Marist Brother, following a spirituality of Mary, living in a community and making a difference in the lives of young people, then contact us and together we can try and discover what God is saying to you.

Marist Centre, Sydney—(02) 9218 4000



Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart

Founded by St Mary Mackillop and Father Julian Tenison Woods, the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred heart shares in the one mission of Jesus, sent by the Father to proclaim the Kingdom. Our response to that call is shaped by our charism and our traditions. We serve in a variety of ministries: of being and presence, of suffering and healing, of educating and caring. Through these ministries we continue to experience and reveal God's loving kindness.

Contact (02) 8912 2700 // enquiries@sosj.org.au

“On this World Day of Consecrated Life, let us pray that those consecrated to God by their vows may seek to live their baptismal promises more intensely and have the grace to persevere in their commitment to our God and serve with open and willing spirits.”

(Sr Alisa Mackinnon RSM, Vicar for Consecrated Life and the Chancellor (Ministries) in the Diocese of Parramatta, excerpt from a reflection for World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life 02/02/2022).

“Come, follow me,” Jesus said.

MARK 1:17

If you feel as though God may be calling you to the priesthood, the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta welcomes the opportunity to help you with your discernment. Director of Priestly Vocations, Fr John Paul Escarlan, is your first point of contact.

Ph (02) 8838 3400 // vocations@parracatholic.org

“Every vocation is a summons not to stand on the shore, nets in hand, but to follow Jesus on the path he has marked out for us, for our own happiness and for the good of those around us.”

POPE FRANCIS, WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

CONSECRATED VIRGINITY

A consecrated virgin is a never-married woman who dedicates her perpetual virginity to God, and is set aside as a sacred person who belongs to Christ in the Catholic Church.

Upon consecration, they are betrothed mystically to Christ and are dedicated to the service of the Church, while remaining in a public state of life. Consecrated Virgins live individually and receive direction from the diocesan bishop. Their consecration and life of perpetual virginity is permanent.

Their call to a secular state of life means that consecrated virgins have jobs and lives much like that of the average person. They provide for their own needs and the local diocese is not financially responsible for them.



A consecrated virgin also has a particular focus on prayer, which is usually lived out through Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, spiritual readings and personal prayer.

If you would like more information about this vocation, contact the Diocese of Parramatta on (02) 8838 3400 / diocese@parracatholic.org