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Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm

6 February 2022 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Ron Perry (Pat Reidy's brother)

Deceased:

Anniversary: Lucy Moran & Jim Moran; Monsignor John O'Connor; Raymond & Catherine Campbell; Reginald Crossan; Robert Ferguson; Carmel Woodward; Leo Press; Frank Ryan; Teresa Lantry; Bel Carpenter; Kathleen Perkins; Marie Howard; William Guyer; Edna Baker; Duice Tinson; Corey Baker; Leonard Turner; Carol Bourke; Michelle (Tootle) Lawrence; Win Lawson; Sam Miller; John Barr; Margaret Squires; Frank Donnelly; Bob Webeck; Michel Dare
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest In Peace. Amen.

And for those who are ill: Pat Reidy; Rohan Guest; Dawn & Colin Graham; Brian Lobley; Noel Leech; Mary Smith; Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Billy Godden; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lisa Brown; Clare Crane; Bill Gleason; Lucy Gigli; Joan Greentree; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Other Intentions:

Roster
12/2/2022 R: H Passfield
13/2/2022 R: M & J Easley
C: K Sweep & C Taylor
Flower/Altar Roster for February M Corbould & F Heath

The Sacred Liturgy

Weekday Masses:

Monday No Mass today
Tuesday Mass at Eloura at 2.00pm
Wednesday 9.30am - Werris Creek
Thursday 9.30am - Werris Creek
Friday 8.30am - Quirindi for Parishioners
Friday 10.00am - Quirindi for the School

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: Vigil Masses
5.00pm - Quirindi
6.30pm - Werris Creek
Sunday: 8.00am - Willow Tree
9.30am - Quirindi

Carona: Last Sunday of the Month

Baptism: At any Sunday at 11.00am, arrangement to be made with the Parish Secretary. A Baptism preparation seminar is held every 1st Saturday of the Month at 10.00am at the Presbytery Meeting Room.
Reconciliation: Every Saturday at 4.15pm - 4.45pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of the Month

Rosary is said 30 minutes before the Mass during weekdays along with prayers to Our Lady of La Salette Stations of the Cross will be after Mass each Friday up until Ash Wednesday. All welcome to attend.

Coming Events

Mon 7 No Mass at St Brigid's today
Tues 8 Mass at Eloura at 2.00pm - No Mass at St Brigid's Today
Fri 11 Mass for Parishioners at 8.30am today
Fri 11 Mass for St Joseph's School at 10.00am for Parents & Students only
Mon 14 No Mass at St Brigid's today
Tues 15 Mass for Consecrated Life at Gunnedah at 11.00am - No Mass at St Brigid's

Father Vince Amaro will be returning to the Phillipines after Easter 2022. Father Vince has been on loan to the Diocese since June 2008 and in that time has had appointments in the Cathedral Parish, Inverell, Gunnedah, Quirindi and Werris Creek. We will be organising a Farewell for Father Vince and will advise a date, time and place shortly.

Mass on Friday 11th February 2022 - Mass will be at 8.30am at St Brigid's for Parishioners and the Opening School Mass for St Joseph's School will be at St Brigid's at 10.00am. Unfortunately parishioners/parents are not able to attend this Mass and we will have a formal Liturgy to induct our new School Leaders later in the term.

Annual Mass for Consecrated Life 2022

You are invited to join with Bishop Kennedy, Diocesan Clergy and Religious for the Annual Mass for Consecrated Life 2022 at St Joseph's Catholic Church Gunnedah. Tuesday 15th February at 11.00am.

Saints to Remember

St Jerome Emiliani- Memorial - 8th
St Josephine Bakhita - Memorial - 8th
St Scholastica - Memorial - 10th
Our Lady of Lourdes - Memorial - 11th
World Day of prayer for the Sick - 11th

Altar / Flower Roster - the new roster is at the back of the church and will be published on the bulletin. A list of tasks is also attached. For those with email it has been emailed to you. If you wish to help, please check in with the ladies rostered on. Many thanks.

Lenten Program Will begin on Friday 4 March at 10.30am at St Joseph's Centre. The Lenten Group will be held every Friday after the 9.30am Mass. If you are interested in attending, or would like a book, please place your name on the sheet at the back of the church. Price of books will be \$10.00 each. Orders will close Monday 7th February 2022.

Armidale Diocesan Men's Gathering 2022

Saturday 19th March 2022 - St Joseph's Feast Day 7.30am to lunch time at McCarthy Catholic College Tribe Street North Tamworth. All parishes are welcome. Designed for all men, all ages including casual mass goers and non Catholics. There is no charge to attend.

For the health and safety of all concerned, parishioners are encouraged to comply with all relevant Public Health Orders.

Home Visits With Covid-19 and rules and regulations and lockdowns in Hospitals and Nursing Homes, any Parishioner who would like a visit by Father Vince for Anointing and Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office on 6746 1133 and we will arrange a suitable time.

Sick List From the first weekend in February 2022 all names on the sick list will be removed. If you would like anyone to be included on the list, please complete a mass offering envelope at the back of the church and place on the collection plates. Many thanks.

Bulletins could those of you who receive the Bulletin either online or delivered, and know of someone who would like a bulletin, please contact the parish office and we will add them to the list

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

St Brigid's Parish now has a Facebook page. (Work in progress). **St Brigid's Catholic Church Quirindi**. Each week the bulletin will be posted to the page. Photos will be taken shortly if there are any changes it will be noted on the Facebook page. Stay tuned.

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

GOSPEL

Lk 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 boats 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.

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Breaking Open the Word

APOSTLES OF THE LORD

All the readings for today share a sense of awe and wonder as Isaiah, Peter, and Paul reflect on their respective vocations. In their own ways, each of them has to come to terms with their unworthiness to undertake the mission they have been given. Having seen the living God in a vision, Isaiah knew he was unworthy. However, once he had been purified, he was able to respond willingly and generously to God's call. In the face of the miraculous catch of fish, Peter pleads with the Lord that he would depart from him. He knows he is a sinner and yet the Lord will make use of him as one who will be catching people for the kingdom of God.

Paul understood that of all the people who bore the name apostle, he was the most unworthy. He makes mention of his persecution of Christians before his conversion in 1 Corinthians 15:9, Galatians 1:13,23, and Philippians 3:6. The damage that he had inflicted was to become a powerful stimulus for his tireless missionary endeavours. In today's reading, Paul reminds the Corinthians of the message they had received concerning the resurrection by drawing upon one of the earliest creeds. Some of the members of the community had mistakenly come to think that they already shared fully in the life of the resurrection. Their baptism had immersed them in the mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, but Paul knew that Christians would need to wait until Jesus' return to experience this fully.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

THE SAVING WORD

6 FEBRUARY 2022

FIRST READING

Isa 6:1-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

How am I sent 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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 137:1-5, 7-8. R. v. 1

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

1. 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. **R.**

2. 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. **R.**



3. 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! **R.**

4. 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. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 15:3-8, 11

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

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

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.

But what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

✠ The word of the Lord.

Longer form, 1 Cor 15:1-11.