

# 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

## 9th - 10th February 2019

**First Reading:** Isaiah 6:1-8

*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

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 137:1-5,7-8

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

**Second Reading:** 1Corinthians 15: 3-8. 11

*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

**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

*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

**We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the "successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.**



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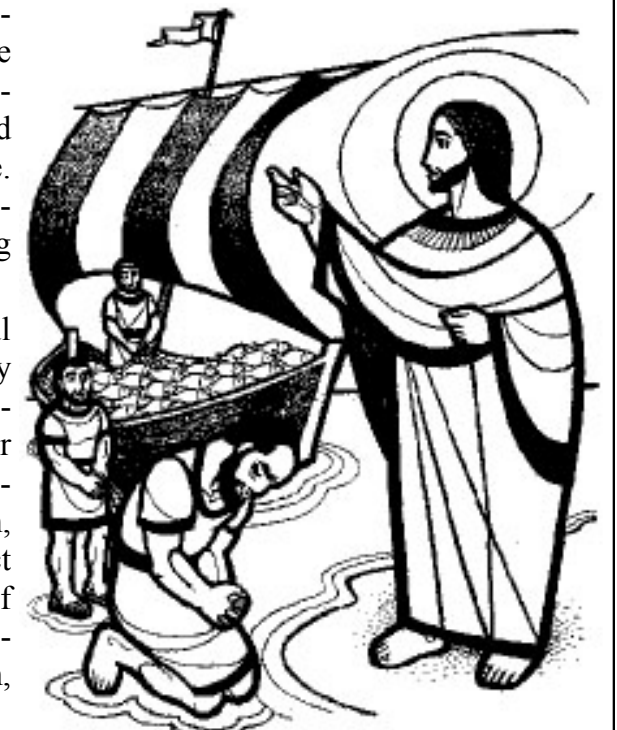
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### Put Out Into the Deep

Luke's gospel today opens with Jesus looking for a little breathing space from his mission to proclaim God's healing and the love for all. Jesus spots two empty boats, gets into the one belonging to Simon the fisherman. Simon's boat then becomes his teaching platform and Jesus resumes teaching the people. Simon, fed up after an unsuccessful night's fishing is ready to pack up and head for home. It's at this moment that Jesus asks him to set sail again and cast his nets into the deep waters of the lake. This is against his "experienced" judgement but he responds to Jesus' direction. The rest becomes a parable of Jesus' mission and the commissioning of Peter and his companions. The dramatic result of the unexpected 'catch' brings Peter to his knees. He acknowledges his scepticism and sinfulness having experienced the power and presence of God in the person of Jesus. This experience nurturing at the same time a sense of awe in God's presence and deep humility will change the rest of his life.

As Sr Veronica Lawson RSM describes it, "Jesus then commissions Peter to engage fearlessly and with Faith in a new mission of reaching out beyond his present enterprise to 'catch people'. This commission is not to a recruitment drive for the reign of God movement. As Luke's Gospel unfolds we discover that it is, rather, a mission to bring the vulnerable to shore where they can know the compassion, justice and the 'hospitality' of God." By re-centring their lives on following Jesus, the disciples are not being asked to separate themselves from life but to be instruments of God's action in the midst of the concerns of human life. Last week's Gospel provided us with a glimpse of what Jesus understood His mission to be: to bring Good News to the destitute, release the shattered, heal the sick and the broken and draw the isolated into the community of God which is not some exclusive state. Jesus proclaims later in Luke's Gospel, "The kingdom of God is among you."

In the readings today Isaiah, St Paul and Peter a fisherman, are driven by life changing encounters with the divine presence and power in their lives. Today's first reading, describing the awe-inspiring call of Isaiah, is an invitation to take time to reflect deeply upon our life as a journey of discipleship and to join in the response of the prophet: "Here I am, send me."



**Office Hours:**

Tues to Fri: 10.00am - 12.30pm

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**Parish Mass Schedule**

**Weekend Masses:**

**Saturday:** 6:00pm

**Sunday:** 9:00am (Italian),

10:30 am, 6:00 pm

**Weekday Masses:**

**Monday to Friday:** 9.10am

**Healing Mass:** 1st Thursday of

the month at 1.30pm

**Devotional Practices:**

**Adoration of the Blessed**

**Sacrament:** Wednesday after

9.10am Mass

**Holy Rosary:** Thursday

(English) & Friday (Italian) after

9.10am Mass

**Legion of Mary:** Thursday

7.30pm, in the Presbytery

**Reconciliation:**

Weekdays: 30 minutes before

Mass or by appointment

**Baptisms & Weddings:**

By appointment only



**Our Church - A Safe Community**  
**A Shared Commitment**  
**Working with Children Checks**

Dear Volunteers in our Parish,  
 To ensure compliance with the outcome of the Royal Commission, the Archdiocese has undertaken to ensure all staff and volunteers of every parish have required compliance checks in place, namely a Working with Children Card and in some cases a current police check. Accordingly, we are compiling a list of the status of all these checks and you may find that we contact you to arrange to have these checks in place if you do not already have them.  
 We realise it is a slight inconvenience on occasion, however it is terribly important we all cooperate to ensure we are prepared for a possible audit conducted by Catholic Professional Standards Ltd. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Sacramental Program 2019**

First Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in our parish on Tuesday 28th May, 2019 at 7.00 pm and First Holy Communion on Sunday 15th September, 2019 at 10.30 am. There will be preparation programs conducted in due time, to be announced later this month. Registration forms for children who attend schools other than Sacred Heart School and want to receive one or both of these sacraments, are available in the foyer of the church. Parents are asked to fill in a form and hand it to Fr. Jan after Sunday Masses.



**Lenten Prayer / Reflection Groups**

The time of Lent offers us an opportunity to meet for prayer and reflection. A proposal has been put forward to invite families who would like to meet with a small group of friends and parishioners to host such gatherings. Prayer / reflection / music materials will be provided. Please see Fr. Jan for more information.

**Dates to Remember**

- Sunday 17th February:** 10.30am  
Opening of School Year Mass
- Wednesday 6th March:** Ash Wednesday

**Last Week's Collection: 03/02/19**

1st Collection for our Church: \$1420.70  
 2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$811.60  
 Thank you for your kind generosity!



**Opening of the School Mass**

Next Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February, we will celebrate the opening of the 2019 school year at the 10.30am Mass. It is a great opportunity for our school community to join our wider parish in celebration.



**Sacred Heart Primary School**  
**Enrolments**

Enrolments for the 2020 school year are open. For a school tour, contact the school principal on 9487 1001 or via the school website: <http://www.shpreston.catholic.edu.au>  
**Open Day:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am – 11.00am and 12.00pm – 1.30pm

**A reminder to all members of Sacred Heart St Vincent de Paul Conference.**

Our first monthly meeting for the year will be on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm. Weekly visits have now resumed following the January break. Persons interested in the work of the society may contact Pauline O'Day on 9484 2445.



**A Catholic Way of Receiving Holy Communion**  
**Guidelines for Communicants**

- When possible, join in the singing of the Communion chant/hymn/song during the Communion procession. This gesture helps to express the spiritual union of the communicants by the unity of voices, it shows gladness of heart, and it helps to bring out more clearly the 'communitarian' nature of the procession to receive the Body and Blood of Christ.
- In the dioceses of Australia, standing is the most common posture to receive Holy Communion, though individual members of the faithful may choose to receive Communion while kneeling.
- When approaching to receive Holy Communion, bow in reverence of the Sacrament you are to receive. A common posture and gesture helps to symbolise the assembly's unity in Christ and also helps the communion procession to flow smoothly.
- When receiving Communion in the hand, the communicant might be guided by the words of St Cyril of Jerusalem (313-386AD): "When you approach, take care not to do so with your hand stretched out and your fingers open or apart, but rather place your left hand as a throne beneath your right, as befits one who is about to receive the King. Then receive him, taking care that nothing is lost". Communicants who are left-handed are obviously free to receive Communion on whichever hand they feel most comfortable.

**Organ and Vocal Concert**

Where: St Patrick's Cathedral  
 When: Tuesday 19th February, 2019 at 6.30pm.

This concert will feature the great French Organist Johann Vexo (former Choir Organist of Notre-Dame Cathedral, Paris) and French Tenor Damien Riviere.



Tickets: \$20.00 (no concessions)  
 Children under 15 years free  
 Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/ZONI> or at the door.

**Walking Toward Eternity:**  
**Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart**

Have you struggled with Shame? Anger? Loneliness? Walking Toward Eternity: Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart, is a DVD based Bible study that can open our eyes to the obstacles in our Christian walk and help us overcome our struggles.

In our busy lives we are faced with obstacles that aggravate us, discourage us, and even hinder our relationship with Christ. Finding the time to address them is often lost by the busyness of life. How do we overcome these obstacles, and hear God's voice in our lives?

Come and join us as we begin to engage these difficulties through prayer, reflection, guidance and the aid of the Holy Spirit, as we journey towards union with Christ.

Where: Sacred Heart Presbytery  
 When: 8 Saturdays beginning 16th February (except 13 & 20 April) from 3:30 – 5:30.  
 If there is enough interest in an evening session, we will offer it on Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

Cost: Estimated Journal cost is \$35 (less if we have more participants to buy in bulk)  
 A sign up sheet is in the Church Foyer.  
 This program is run by the Verbum Domini group.

*Thank you for your presence this weekend at Sacred Heart Preston. You are always welcome here.*



PLEASE TAKE THE BULLETIN HOME

**WE PRAY FOR:**

The elderly and the sick  
*Brian Donnellon, Irene Navascues, Dale O'Keefe, Veronica Parkes, Rosie Potter & Lidia Razzi*

Those who have died  
*Isa, Mario, Rino & Orfeo Bergamin, Alfonso, Dino, John & Natalina Bernardini, Vincenzo Capobianco, Teresina De Stefani, Ted Murphy, Guerrino, Maria & Primo Pellizzer, Carlo, Livio & Pasqua Trentin, Pio Vigo (1st Anni.) and all deceased members of the Ottaviano Bertinello & Trentin families.*

O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.



**Plenary Council 2020:**  
**What is God asking of us in Australia at this time?**

Have your say by Wednesday 6th March, 2019  
 Details: <http://www.cam.org.au/plenary/>

**Liturgy Committee**

In the near future we will re-establish a Parish Liturgy Committee. Some parishioners have expressed their willingness to serve on this Committee through the Stewardship Program. Others may consider serving our parish on such committee. More about the role and function of this ministry may be found by googling 'Parish Liturgy Committee'.

**Cleaning Roster: Saturday 16th February 2019**

**Anna O'Neil & Lucy Bizzotto**  
 Thank you for your help!

**Roster for weekend of 16th - 17th February 2019**

	Readers	Ministers	Projector
<b>Sat 6.00pm</b>	Terry Murphy	Mary Harb Charlotte Bainy	Rohan Lemos
<b>Sun 9.00am (Italian)</b>	Paiano T.	Mancini M. Mendolicchio A.	Tamburrini M.
<b>Sun 10.30am</b>	Sacred Heart Students	Pauline Veamatahau Alan Castles	Carolina Constable
<b>Sun 6.00pm</b>	Ylenia Useli Priscilla Stanley	Sharon Kotz Margaret Bannon	Jessica Suppiah