



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C Cycle I

9 February 2025



It Just Is

D*o not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.* When Jesus shows us the abundance he has in store for us, when we get a glimpse of the utter goodness of God, it is natural for us to respond by saying we are not worthy. We are sinners. This was the case with Simon Peter when the Lord asked him to go out into the deep and put out his nets for a catch. A fisherman all his life, Peter told Jesus that he'd worked hard all night, but caught nothing, so what is likely to change now? But in obedience, he does as Jesus asks and catches so many fish that his nets break. Jesus meets Peter's lack with overflowing abundance and Peter is overcome by his sinfulness and unworthiness. But what we learn here is that God's goodness doesn't depend on our worthiness. We can't earn his abundance. It just is. And having strengthened Peter by giving him this glimpse of how God provides, Jesus urges him to banish his fears and step out in faith to share the message of God's goodness with others.

God's Word Debra Vermeer

Ambassadors

When Isaiah saw the vision of the Lord in the temple, he felt his unworthiness and smallness as a human being: "I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips." He had to be cleansed so that he could be a worthy *shaliah* or ambassador of the Holy One.

Following this pattern, Simon falls at the feet of Jesus after witnessing Jesus' miracle of the great catch of fish. Simon acknowledges that he is a sinner and is not worthy to stand before Jesus. But God in Christ deems him worthy. Jesus reassures him "Do not be afraid!" and sends him as a *shaliah*, to catch men and women for the Kingdom of God. God has a new life – and a new name – for him.

Today's readings invite us, too, to consider God's call on our lives. However unworthy we might feel, Jesus draws us to follow him and to live as his disciples. As each of us is unique, Jesus reaches out to us differently.

366 Days with the Lord Fr Gil Alinsangan SSP / *The Living Word* Majellan Family Media



**Feast Days
This Week**
St Scholastica
10 February
**Our Lady
of Lourdes**
11 February
**Sts Cyril &
Methodius**
14 February



**Happy
Valentines Day**
14 February
On this day we
offer prayers and
thanks for loving
families, friends
and couples.



**Nursing Home
Communion
Service**
will be celebrated
at Opal Killarney
Vale at 11am
next Tuesday.



**Flower
Arrangers
Needed**
One or two
people are
needed to
arrange and
maintain flowers
for the Sanctuary.
Please call
4332 2216.

God is Our Satnav

One of the helpful things about an in-car satnav system is that it's possible to programme it to help you reach your destination in a variety of ways. You might want to make the journey as quickly as possible, via the motorway, or you might prefer to avoid motorways and travel on ordinary roads, taking a little longer. If the satnav recognises a traffic jam or some sort of problem ahead, it will reroute you, finding the best possible way for you to complete your journey. This can be a little disconcerting. You set off expecting one route, only to discover you are driving on roads that you don't know and were not anticipating. At this point, the only question is whether you trust the device to lead you safely to the right destination. If you do, then you follow the guidance, enjoy the journey and recognise that, even if it's not the path you expected, you'll end up where you need to be – eventually.

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First Fruits Offering

Serve your parish through giving. "Our parish communities, much like our own households, rely on financial resources to operate and to thrive. God fulfills this need through you - you are the Parish." - Bishop Anthony
God calls us to be generous with all our gifts. Stewardship means giving back to God in gratitude for all he has given us, including giving from our treasure. We may often find ourselves throwing last minute donations into the collection basket, however, by creating a plan we can better share the gifts given to us.

We thank all of you for your regular support, and for those who don't know, giving can be made via the EFTPOS terminals at the doors, the collections and collection boxes, in person at the parish office, monthly on credit card, electronic funds transfer, or through direct debit arrangement. Electronically, there are several ways in which you can contribute but some incur higher fees than others. Transfer directly into our accounts incurs no fees and saves the parish. You may also like to consider a bequest to the parish in your will. Your generosity can have a huge impact on your parish's future.

The First Collection goes to the Diocese to help support all the priests and deacons - retired and active. The Second Collection is used for the upkeep of the parish, which includes continuous repairs and maintenance, wages for staff, Pastoral Works Fund, and other charitable work.

For any enquiries call 4332 2216 or fill in the form below and we will contact you to make arrangements to suit.

<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card	<input type="checkbox"/> EFT Electronic Funds Transfer
<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Debit	Pastoral (1st Collection)
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Bequest	Church (2nd Collection)

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

This form may be handed in at the office or placed in the collection box and we will contact you with account details.



Priestly Ordination Bus Bookings

As announced Deacon Rosan Mathew will be Ordained a Priest at OLR Cathedral Waitara on Wednesday 19 March at 7.30pm. Two buses are available for parishioners to book a seat to the Ordination. Call the parish office to book. The buses will leave around 5pm and return approximately 10pm. Your own personal transport will be needed to and from the Church. Fr Rosan's First Mass of Thanksgiving will be held here on Thursday 20 March at 11am, to which all are welcome to attend, followed by a light lunch in the Parish Centre. There will also be a parish celebration at the 5pm Mass on Saturday 22 March, with supper to follow in the Parish Centre.

Family Mass - Saturday 15 February 5pm

We invite you to join us for our first Family Mass of 2025 next Saturday 15 February at 5pm. Following the Mass, we'll be serving pizza and light refreshments in the Parish Hall. Feel free to bring a plate to share. This will be a great opportunity for families to have a chat and meet other families. We hope to see you there! To register your attendance for catering purposes, please contact the parish office or register online using the QR code or link <https://forms.office.com/r/MZkmp2RKUP>



2025 Sacramental Programme

The dates for our 2025 Sacramental Programme have now been set. Please see the parish website for more information or pick up a flyer from the church foyer or scan the QR code to take you to our webpage.



CatholicCare Home Care

CatholicCare is proud to announce our new accreditation for Home Care packages. Our social care agency in the Diocese of Broken Bay has been supporting the Northern Sydney, Northern Beaches and Central Coast communities for 35 years. We understand many seniors prefer to stay at home as they age. The Government's funding for Home Care Packages can help you live independently at home for longer. For expressions of interest call: 1800 324 924, email: info@catholiccareddb.org.au or see the website: www.catholiccareddb.org.au

Please Note

Communion to the Sick Prayer

Beginning this month we will say a prayer after the Blessing at the end of Mass and give the Pyx to the ministers taking Communion to the sick as a reminder of us praying for those who cannot be with us and sending them our greetings and love and linking them to our community at Mass.

Secular Franciscans

All are welcome to join us for our meeting each 2nd Friday of the month (14 February) in the Reynolds Room at 1pm. Enq: Gerard 0439 519 018.



Welcome
to the Favre,
Todd Howe &
Harrison Families
for the Reception
of their children
for the Sacrament
of Baptism.

Parish Morning Tea



The Combined
Choirs are hosting
our Morning Tea
this Sunday
9 February in the
Parish Centre
after 9:30am
Mass.
All Welcome!



Niches Available
We have 6 niches
in St Francis' Wall,
2 in St Patrick's
Wall & 30 in
Our Lady of the
Rosary's Wall
available for
purchase. Enq:
4332 2216.



Holy Souls Crusade

Please join in
prayer with others
around the world
for the Holy Souls
in Purgatory!
Tuesdays after
9am Mass in the
Church. Enq:
0438 320 927.

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Mass & Devotions

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am (11am at Reynolds Court) Maronite Mass 5pm.

Weekday Masses Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday 11:45am Saturday 9:00am

Reconciliations Saturdays 9:30-10am and 4-4:30pm

Liturgy of the Hours Saturday 8:40am **Rosary** Monday-Thursday 8:35am Friday 11:20am Saturday 9:30am

Cenacle Prayer Group Wednesday 9:30am **Christian Meditation** Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room

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

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

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

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.

Keep Us In Your Prayers *There is no gift more precious than prayer - Fr Benedict Groeschel*

Recently Deceased: Rhonda Galvin, Margaret Ayres, Deanna Little, Marko Adric, Mario Cauchi.

Anniversaries: Dennis Clarke, Wilfred McCudden, Virginia Bilaw.

Remembrances: Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Rita Malone, Diana Dakula, Simon Butcher and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Families: Moore & Langley.

Sick: Antonio Palagiano, Pam Elliott, Angel Gustavo Cabral, Patricia Bubb, Neville Allen, Rosalyn Evans, Charmaine Goodwin, Glenda Way, Jacob McCarrroll, Beau Davis, Max Leete, Frano Stitic, Anne Clancy, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Paul Smith, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will and all with serious illness.

Welcome Newly Baptised: John Reardon & Maisie Johnstone.

Pearly Gates Revisited



Welcome to OLR Sacred Gifts

We have a new name! OLR Sacred Gifts is open on Saturdays before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass and Sundays before and after the 9:30am Mass. You'll find us in the foyer of the Church. Enquiries: 4332 2216.