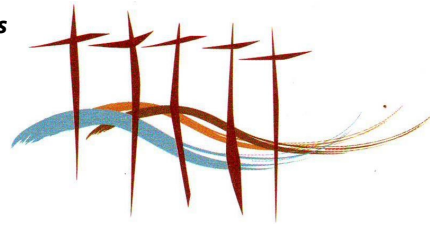


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## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10 February, 2019

Year C: Is 6:1-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11

next week's Readings: Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12,16-20; Lk 6:17,20-26

### Parish Weekly Diary....

**Monday, 11 February**

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

9.00am **Mass** - Miami - followed by Adoration  
of Blessed Sacrament until 11am

**Tuesday, 12 February**

7.30am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

**Wednesday, 13 February**

7.00am **Mass** - Miami  
9.30am **Mass** - Ozanam Villa  
5.30pm **Mass** - Palm Beach

**Thursday, 14 February**

**Sts Cyril and Methodius**

7.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads  
5.30pm **Mass** - Mudgeeraba

**Friday, 15 February**

9.00am **Mass** - Robina Hospital  
10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

**Saturday, 16 February**

8.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads  
4.30pm Sacrament of Penance - Miami  
5.30pm Sacrament of Penance - Palm Beach  
5.45pm Sacrament of Penance - Burleigh Heads

**Saturday, 16 February**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat 5.00pm **Mass** - Miami  
Sat 6.00pm **Mass** - Palm Beach  
Sat 6.15pm **Mass** - Burleigh Heads

**SUNDAY, 17 February**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads  
7.00am **Mass** - Palm Beach  
8.30am **Mass** - Miami  
8.30am **Mass** - Mudgeeraba  
10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Water  
5.00pm Sacrament of Penance - Burleigh Waters  
5.30pm **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

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"I didn't know what I was getting myself into!" I have heard people, including myself, exclaim that many times. They may be referring to the decision they made with their spouse to have children. There are wonderful moments parents have with their children, but over the years, the long haul, parenting requires love, patience, perseverance, humour and a large dose of hope. I am sure every parent has said, probably more than once, "I didn't know what I was getting myself into!" I know a man who also said the same thing. He decided to add a room to his house and did the work himself. Halfway through he felt he was in over his head and wondered what he had gotten himself into. Those of us who have gone on to college, or graduate school, inevitably feel that way, usually when we are racing to finish a term paper, or cramming for an exam. What did we get ourselves into?

I wonder if Peter and his companions, at some time further down the road, and after watching and listening to Jesus, wondered, "What have we gotten ourselves into?" – especially when Jesus began speaking about going to Jerusalem to die – most especially when he said they must be willing to deny self, pick up their cross and follow him. But all that comes much later in the story. That's not where we are in the gospel narrative today. We are still at the Lucan beginning of Jesus' ministry when he has begun calling his disciples.

It begins simply enough; but there are already suggestions in today's gospel that Peter and his companions are going to get very involved and much will be asked of them in their relationships with Christ – further on down the road. It all starts when Jesus gets into Simon's boat and asks him to, "put out a short distance from the shore." Then Jesus teaches the crowds from Simon's boat. But a teaching has begun for Simon. Since Jesus is in his boat, we can presume he heard Jesus' words. And that might be why he was willing to follow a carpenter's advice about fishing, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch."

It's one step at a time; not a sudden lunge into full-blown discipleship. First it's a "short distance" from the shore. Then Simon will go into "deep water." Out there his own resources and skill will be inadequate. He has come up empty in his attempts to catch fish. But listening to the word from Jesus and responding to it will make all the difference in deep waters. (Did you notice how Luke first calls him Simon and then, when he sees the enormous catch of fish, his name shifts to Simon Peter? It's as if he is already changing into the disciple – not completely, but little by little?)

How many people have we known, ourselves included, who have decided to "do a little something," or "give something back" by helping others? After a while, they find themselves deeply immersed in their good works – working hard, sometimes feeling drained, but loving it nevertheless. Someone decided to teach a religion class to teenagers; a few years later they are taking them on retreats, or spending vacation time with them to help repair homes in rural Timor. A college student joins friends to deliver a box of food to a needy family at Christmas, is moved enough by the experience to become part of the campus ministry's outreach program. A business man gives his just-purchased lunch to a homeless person near his office and then, before long, he and his family are making 50 sandwiches a night to be dropped off at a shelter on his way to work.

Like Peter, we have heard an invitation to "put out a short distance" and, if we keep listening - at our liturgies, in prayer, during the very act of serving others - we hear a further call to, "put out into deep water." When we hear that voice

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### BOND UNIVERSITY SUNDAY MASS

4th Sunday of the month

**Bond University - 7pm - in the Student Lounge**  
**24 February**  
**24 March**

and respond, we become Simon's companions, whose very identity was changed from being fishers of fish to "fishers of people." Later, to show the extent and depth of the change that was taking place in Simon, Jesus will give him a new name – Peter. As Luke tells us at the end of today's episode, following Jesus requires leaving everything and receiving a new identity. We become, step by step, hearers and then responders to God's Word.

For the first time in this gospel, Luke uses the expression, "the word of God." People, he says, are pressing forward to hear "the word of God." (What preacher wouldn't like that said of him, or her!?) Also, for the first time, Jesus is addressed as "Master." Peter introduces the term of address here; throughout the gospel only the disciples will call him "Master." In today's account they not only hear the word from Jesus, their Master, they also decide to respond to it by following Jesus' command. Because of that, their efforts are rewarded. How does divine power for their task occur? – by their hearing and responding to the Word of God.

Any of us who have followed Jesus' invitation to "put out to deep water," know how demanding the work can be and how much is needed to be faithful and persevering, especially when the results of our toil are not immediately evident. We don't often get to see the nets full and overflowing.

What's more, all disciples, like Simon, feel at one time or another, a sense of unworthiness. We, like Isaiah, can say we are a people of "unclean lips." In today's gospel Luke is underlining the Word of God as the origin and sustaining power for our role as disciples. We are on the road with Jesus, trying to live by his word and respond to his call – especially when serving him has taken us into deep waters and we ask, "How did I get myself into this?"

These past two Sundays have emphasized God's call and our response. Last week we heard about Jeremiah's call and Jesus' announcement in the synagogue of his own vocation. Today Isaiah finds himself in God's presence, feels unworthy, is cleansed, purified and then he is ready to respond to God's call. Peter responds similarly when he senses the special presence and power before him. He too feels unworthy. But, as with Isaiah, the holy One does the calling and, despite feelings of unworthiness, the human is

invited to respond and follow. The issue isn't whether we think we are worthy or not to serve God. The issue is that God chooses us and finds ways to grace us with worthiness – and forgiveness, when we realize again and again, we are people of "unclean lips." Jesus isn't just asking Simon Peter to make an act of faith in him and then go home and pray. Faith in Jesus does require that – and more. His followers must also go out into the world and catch people for him. By our words and deeds, we must share with others the faith we have received.

Simon Peter received his call while he was doing his work. He said, "Yes," and responded by changing his life. Everyday, in the midst of our routine, at work, home, school or play, there are opportunities to respond to Jesus' call to follow him. In innumerable ways our Christian vocation must guide what we say and how we act. In big decisions and small, we are asked to live what we profess as Jesus' followers; to be attentive to what God may be asking of us at this moment of our lives. This may entail being faithful to the commitments we already have; responding to a need we see, or taking the opportunity to witness to what we believe. Of course such responses may seem small and insignificant. They may be small, but they are never insignificant! In addition, who knows where the next "Yes" we say to Christ may lead us? We might go places we never expected; say things to people we never thought we would – all because of Christ. We even might get to a place where we ask ourselves, in wonder and amazement, "I didn't know what I was getting myself into!...but it is very good!" Wherever and however we find ourselves serving the One, Peter and we call, "Lord," our faith assures us disciples he will be there with his presence and reassurance, "Do not be afraid...."



It's official: Religious people are happier and more engaged in their community, according to a new Pew Research Centre report. Source: *Eternity News*.

"People who are active in religious congregations tend to be happier and more civically engaged than either religiously unaffiliated adults or inactive members of religious groups," according to the report of "analysis of survey data from Australia, the United States and more than two dozen other countries."

The Pew Research also shows that religious people tend to smoke and drink less but are no more likely to exercise or have a lower rate of obesity.

Drawing on the World Values Survey 2010-2104, for countries outside the US, the Pew report divides the population into three groups:

- "Actively religious," made up of people who identify with a religious group and say they attend services at least once a month
- "inactively religious," defined as those who claim a religious identity but attend services less often
- "religiously unaffiliated," people who do not identify with any organised religion

"This analysis finds that in the US and many other countries, regular participation in a religious community clearly is linked with higher levels of happiness and civic engagement (specifically, voting in elections and joining community groups or other voluntary organisations)," Pew reports.

"This may suggest that societies with declining levels of religious engagement, like the US, could be at risk for declines in personal and societal wellbeing. But the analysis finds comparatively little evidence that religious affiliation, by itself, is associated with a greater likelihood of personal happiness or civic involvement."

In Pew's table, Australia comes across as a relatively happy country: 45 per cent of people active in religious communities report themselves as "very happy," with unaffiliated and inactive religious people closely bunched at 33 and 32 per cent respectively.

The United States is less happy overall than Australia, but with 36 per cent of those active in a religious community "very happy," and their "nones" and religiously inactive tied at 25 per cent.

# Parish News and Happenings

An **INFORMATION SESSION** for anyone interested in finding out more about the **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND** in September will be held on **TUESDAY 26 February at 7pm** in Mary, Mother of Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters.

*Pilgrimage will be from 4 - 15 September and is especially suitable for 75+ age group.*

*Please contact the Parish Office for a brochure and booking form.*

- **PARISH PASTORAL LEADERSHIP RESTRUCTURE** - Last year the Parish Council considered a new structure of leadership in the Parish. The Parish seeks to create a council that is representative of each Mass (not just each Church, but each Mass) and every group in the Parish. We will call this new group the **Parish Pastoral Entrepreneurs Council (PPEC)**. With this understanding we call for all Mass Co-ordinators, Church Reps, Parish Group Reps to our first meeting on Saturday 2 March at MMM Community Centre. The PPEC will be vital in the future for organising events and issues in our very large Parish. If you want a voice please attend or at least nominate yourself as a representative. We also have a new Parish Advisory Council Chair - Mr David Sewell. **PARISH MEETING Saturday 2 March, 9am - 10.30am, MMM Community Centre. Padre**
- This weekend we farewell Claude and Maureen Hayson who are relocating to Bega in NSW to be closer to family. Claude and Maureen have been valued and loved members of the St Benedict's community for many years and our best wishes and prayers go with them.
- **THE CATHOLIC LEADER** - Vinnies appoints new CEO in Queensland ... Five sets of twins join the largest ever intake at St Pius V Primary School, Banyo .. Youth unemployment rampant as Vinnies representative points out a job trap keeping young people from full-time work.
- **MASS FOR YOUTH** - Sunday 17 February, Mary, Mother of Mercy Church, 5.30pm. Musicians and singers needed - please meet at 4.30pm for practice.
- **PARISH CHOIR REHEARSALS** - Mondays from 5.30 - 6.30pm, Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. Bring your AOV books, a pencil, a waterbottle and your singing voice. Come along and join an enthusiastic group of choristers preparing for weekly Masses, Lent and Easter. Contact Cathy Carroll 0431 356007. All welcome.
- **RE INSTRUCTORS and ASSISTANTS NEEDED** - any day of the week for 1 - 2 hours to help teach children in our State Primary Schools about Jesus. No experience required - training is free, with support. New volunteers are placed with experienced Instructors. Further details please phone Helene - 5539 4374 or email helene.mccowan@gmail.com
- **SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP** - The parish is hoping to start a Scripture Study Group. If there are interested parishioners who feel able to co-ordinate the group, could they please ring the Parish Office.
- **LUKE GOSPEL** - This year - 2019 - our reading cycle connects with Luke's Gospel. We will be holding **FAITH EDUCATION** nights this year on understanding Luke. More information soon.

## Psalm Responses for Weekday Masses this week:

- Monday:** May the Lord be glad in his works.  
**Tuesday:** O Lord our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!  
**Wednesday:** Bless the Lord, my soul!  
**Thursday:** Happy are those who fear the Lord.  
**Friday:** Happy are those whose sins are forgiven.  
**Saturday:** In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

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## BAPTISMS

We welcome to our faith community Aria, Darcy and Willow who were baptised last week.

## FUNERALS

Last week we celebrated the funeral of Doris Ellen Catherine Mellifont who has died in Christ.

Let us remember her family and friends in our prayers this week.

*God will raise you up an eagle's wings*

## SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

Your prayers have been requested for Michael Allan, Noreen Andersen, Patricia Ashton, Glenys Bailey, Leigh Boulcher, Peter Briggs, Jacob Burgstaller, Lily Burgstaller, James Burke, Diane Busutil, Jan Carmont, John Costigan, Michelle Cronin, Graham Dall, Fr Des Fitzgerald, Anne Gavaghan, Norma Greenland, Geromy Grima, Fred Grioli, Vera Havlik, Cheryl Hingerty, Jean Hokin, Patricia Holmes, Angelika Huber, Nona Hudson, Harry Hunter, Norman Ingle, Stuart Ingram, Annette Kassulke, Margaret Kennedy, Terry Maguire, Denis McEnery, Anne McInnes, John Mooney, Stephen Murray, Mary O'Brien, Sr Annette O'Connor, Paul O'Connor, Eileen O'Neill, Michael Onn, Joan O'Leary, Sean O'Reilly, Anne Owens, Mike Parker, Velma Phillips, Paula Pinch, Maureen Pocock, Phyllis Pola, Donna Redman, Peter Reid, William Sheehan, Peter Smith, Pacing Soriano, Isaac Stafrace, Andrew Supple, Odette Sweeney, Carmel Taylor, Dean Taylor, Luke Thorpe, Lourdes Toledo, Nemcio Toledo, Nigel Tomlinson, Sarra Tyler, Marie Walker, Norma Ward, Sylvia Wesley, Dan Wilson, Graham Zender, Norah Zipf, the sick of our Parish and all in need of God's healing Spirit.

## DECEASED

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for friends and relatives whose anniversaries occur about this time: Crescencia Baumgart, Glad Kelly, Hal Ward, John Hankin, Vince Karel, Cathy Duggan, Rachel Andrews, Margaret Anning, Doris Mellifont, Christina O'Brien, Tom Hill, John Gilbert, Jim Gardener.

*May the choir of angels come to greet you ...*

*May you find eternal life.*

## PLANNED GIVING LAST WEEK - ☺

CODE: ☺☺ = very good;  
☺ = good;  
☺ = hangin' in there;  
☺ = help!

Counting roster this week: Miami

## Family Groups

**Goannas** Sunday 24 February  
12 noon, Dog & Parrot Tavern, 2 Scottsdale Dr, Robina. Phone Margaret 5534 2654.



# Liturgical Music for Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## INTRODUCTORY RITES:

### **Gathering:**

#### **Holy God, We Praise Thy Name**

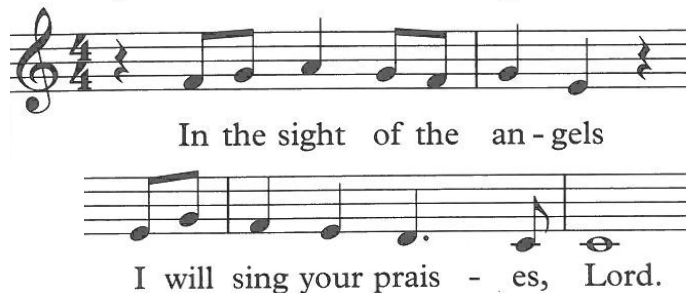
Holy God, we praise thy name;  
Lord of all, we bow before thee;  
all on earth thy sceptre claim,  
all in heav'n above adore thee.  
Infinite, thy vast domain,  
everlasting is thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn  
angels choirs above are raising;  
Cherubin and Seraphim  
in unceasing chorus praising;  
fill the heavens with sweet accord:  
Holy, holy, holy Lord!

Holy Father, holy Son,  
Holy Spirit, three we name thee;  
while in essence only One,  
undivided God we claim thee;  
and adoring, bend the knee,  
while we own the mystery.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

### **Psalm Response:**



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## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

### **Acclamation:**

We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
and profess your resurrection  
until you come again.

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

### **Communion:**

#### **Eat This Bread**

Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
trust in me and you will not thirst.

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### **Thanksgiving:**

#### **Be Not Afraid**

You shall cross the barren desert,  
but you shall not die of thirst.  
You shall wander far in safety  
though you do not know the way.  
You shall speak your words in foreign lands  
and all will understand.  
You shall see the face of God and live.

*Be not afraid. I go before you always.  
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.*

If you pass through raging waters  
in the sea, you shall not drown.  
If you walk amid the burning flames,  
you shall not be harmed.  
If you stand before the pow'r of hell  
and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you through it all.

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## CONCLUDING RITES

### **Dismissal:**

#### **The Summons**

Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?

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