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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 9 - 10 February 2019

*Readings Is 6:1-8; 1 Cor 15: 1-11; Luke 5: 1-11.
Having the Courage to answer God's call.*

Isaiah, Paul and Peter centre in this weekends readings. All three in their turn did great things for God. Each of them had an inferiority complex. Having low opinion of themselves, low self-esteem. They did not put their hands up, but were called by God. Reluctantly they accepted their call convinced of their own unworthiness.

Isaiah said, 'I am a man of unclean lips.' Paul said, 'Of all the apostles I am the least. I don't even deserve to be called an apostle.' And Peter, humbled to be in the presence of Jesus said 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man.' For each - this was not false humility; it was the truth.

To their credit, each starts by acknowledging his unworthiness and inadequacy. Spiritually, such a start is ideal. People who put themselves forward are more likely to do harm than good. Such people rely on their own resources, and are seeking their own glory. Pride and self-sufficiency are but sand, and the spiritual house built on them is sure to fall.

When we meet someone who is fearful, reluctant, hesitant, we find that person much more believable and much more human. Paul said, 'When I am weak, that is when I am strong.' (2 Cor 12:10). The meaning is when he recognises his own weakness and turns to God, God's power becomes available to him. When we acknowledge our weakness, God strengthens us. When we acknowledge our emptiness, God can fill us. When we acknowledge our poverty, God can enrich us. Then we become available to do his work, and he accomplishes in us the things we find impossible.

Humility is the starting point - its not that we are bad through and through, far from it. It's just that we are weak, perhaps selfish and cowardly. Without grace, we are unable to save ourselves, much less save anyone else.

However, people can use their sins and weaknesses as a cop-out. Isaiah asked God to choose someone else, someone with a clean mouth. Peter asked Christ to leave him alone because he was a sinner - when we do this we are giving in to our weakness. We are using a ploy to escape from the challenge of goodness.

Jesus refuses to distance himself from sinners. It was for sinners he came. He changed people's understanding of God. God does not shun sinners, God wants them to be saved and generously gives them a new start.

Isaiah, Paul and Peter accepted God's invitation and all three did outstandingly. This is the paradox – strength arising out of weakness. When we answer God's call, God empowers us so that we can do things we never thought possible.

Let us ask the lord for humility to acknowledge our weakness, and for the strength to rise above them. Let us pray

Lord our God, grant us in all our tasks your help, in all our doubts your guidance, in all our weaknesses your strength, in all our dangers your protection and in all our sorrows your consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. May we all have the experience of discovering that it is when we are weak that we are strong, because the Lord's power is available to us.

*Peace love and strength to all
Dean Peter*

PARISH CALENDAR

Tues 12 Feb - Liturgy Group Meeting 2pm
Wed 20 Feb - Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7pm
Sun 3 March - First Sunday Cuppa, St Mary's School
Sun 3 March - Healing Mass 12.00pm
Wednesday 6 March - Ash Wednesday
Sun 10 March - Rite of Election Mass 3pm

PLENARY NEWS please check the noticeboard at the back of the Cathedral for Plenary News and updates. In February submission writing sessions for the Parish will take place soon. Details to come.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Enrolment for sacraments in 2019 begins with a parent only information and enrolment meeting on **Thursday 7 March at 7pm**, to be held in the open area of the Cathedral. Enrolments close by the end of term 1.

CATHEDRAL MASS ROSTERS, Mary's Kitchen rosters and Flower Rosters are available for collection in the foyer of the Cathedral. Please take yours home as this saves the parish postage.

LITURGY GROUP MEETING the next Liturgy group meeting will be held at **2pm this Tuesday 12 February**.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING the next PPC Meeting will be held at **7pm on Wednesday 20 February**.

HEALING MASS: The next Healing Mass will be held on **Sunday, 3 March** in St Mary's Cathedral, Sale commencing at **12pm**.

31 Club reminder for the 13 - 19 February. Please pray for vocations

Murphy's other Laws: When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office or with Veronica, phone 5144 4100.
ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday after Mass 1130am—12.00noon **First Friday of the Month** 11.30am-4.00pm At St Rose of Lima, Rosedale on 1st Wednesday of each month 9.30am-10.30am **RECONCILIATION: Cathedral: Friday** 11.30am after Mass, **Saturday** After the 9.30am Mass—10.30am **Stratford and Briagolong on Sunday or Rosedale on Saturday evening:** Before or after Mass or anytime by arrangement with the priest. **MARRIAGES:** Not less than six months notice please.

RITE OF ELECTION for Catechumens and the Formal Recognition of Baptised Candidates An invitation is extended to all catechumens, candidates and their families, RCIA team members and parishioners to the Rite of Election celebrated by Bishop Pat O'Regan on **Sunday 10th March at 3.00 pm** in St. Mary's Cathedral, Sale.

2.00 pm Bishop Pat warmly invites catechumens, candidates and their families, sponsors and RCIA teams to meet him at the Chapter House (at the rear of the Cathedral precinct)

3.00 pm The Rite of Election of Catechumens and Formal Recognition of Baptised Candidates in the Cathedral

4.00 pm Afternoon tea in the Cathedral gathering space. Please bring some food to share.

Attention: Parish Singers and Musicians Wanted for the Rite of Election! As in past years, we are forming a Diocesan choir for the Rite of Election at St Mary's Cathedral on **Sunday 10 March**.

1.30 - 2.30 pm Choir rehearsal

3.00 - 4.00 pm Rite of Election

To register your interest and receive the music pack, please contact Sophy Morley at smorley@sale.catholic.org.au or phone 5622 6677.

PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM 2019 The Sale Cathedral parish will use the Brisbane Archdiocese 2019 Lenten Program of Gospel reflections titled '**Compassion - Reflecting, Sharing and Living the Good News**'. The program commences after Ash Wednesday which is on **6 March**. Parishioners wishing to lead or attend a Lenten group please contact the parish office on 5144 4100 or call into collect your Lenten Resource book. Books will be available for \$10 each. Thank you.

FAMILY GROUPS Tuesday 19 Feb 9am. Breakfast at Triple F. All welcome. Enquiries to Pam Edgley 5143 3270.

BLACK SATURDAY April 7, 2009 Ten years ago the whole of Australia identified with the suffering families of 173 lives lost due to the horrific fires which devastated the areas of Kilmore East where 119 people perished, and 1242 houses destroyed
Murrindindi where 40 people died and 538 houses destroyed
Churchill where 11 people died and 145 houses destroyed
Beechworth- Mudgegonga where 2 people died. and 38 houses were destroyed
Coleraine - no loss of life but 1 house destroyed
Bendigo - 1 person died and 58 houses destroyed
Narre Warren and Upper Ferntree Gully - no loss of life - but 7 houses destroyed
These figures tells us of how wide-spread the fires were and the many communities still grieving. Stories still told today appreciate the generous involvement of those members in Victoria Police who worked tirelessly - of those in the Fire-brigades that came together from all parts of Australia to fight the fires. Of the communities and volunteers supplying relief, through food supplies and accommodation.
This weekend we pray for loved ones lost and their families and their communities still grieving.
Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

COUNTERS: 10 Feb: Team 4: Jack & Jenny Noone

17 Feb: Team 5: Len and Lyn Althaus

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:

Planned Giving: \$2,295.50

Presbytery: \$862.50

Credit Cards: \$2,758.33

Direct Debits: \$974.00

With thanks from a grateful parish.

SACRISTY: 14 Feb: Team 4: Mary Cooper, Sue Harvey, Therese Cooper
21 Feb: Team 5: Lenie Smolenaars and Sue Harvey

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK
Sun 10 Feb 9.30am: Eileen Henebery (A)

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**Mass Timetable this week
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
9 - 10 February 2019**

Day/Date	Time	Place
Sunday 10 February	9.30am 9.30am 6.00pm	Cathedral Briagolong Cathedral
Monday 11 February	NO	MASS
Tuesday 12 February	9.30am 10.30am	Cathedral Opal Aged Care
Wednesday 13 February	10.30am	Ashleigh House
Thursday 14 February	9.30am	Cathedral
Friday 15 February	9.15am 11.00am	St Thomas' school Cathedral
Saturday 16 February <i>Reconciliation after 9.30am Mass</i>	9.30am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale

Plenary Council Prayer

***Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way
of the Plenary Council.***

***Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.***

***Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.***

***Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.***

PARISH PRAYER.

***God our loving Father, we give you thanks and praise for our
Cathedral Parish of Sale, for your people and your Creation.
Nourish us by your daily Word and Eucharist.
Enrich us in our faith, hope and love.
Strengthen us with the spirit of your mercy and grace.
Make us grateful for your gifts as we journey
through our lives together.
May we be a welcoming and serving community,
always discerning and doing your will for one another.
We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.***

EMMAUS SPIRITUALITY TEAM

The first 'Four Seasons - Summer' prayer session for the year is on **Thursday 14th February at Newborough from 1.00-3.00 pm**. At this session participants will be invited to reflect on their personal inner journey during the season of summer. 'How do I relate to the God of creation during the season of summer?' Please contact Theresa Denny on 0477 474 848 for more information.

PALMS AUSTRALIA Encounter April 7-19, 2019 See the valuable work of parishes in Timor Leste on a guided group tour with Palms Australia. Book today at Palms.org.au/encounters or call Robert on 02 9560 5333

We remember those who have died recently **Sr Margaret Rush NDS, Sr Patricia Carroll PVBM, Danka Vravcovcv, Leona Mendes Flores (Philippines), Fr Russell Hardiman (Perth), Leo Kerin (Father of Fr Tony Kerin - Melbourne),** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Bishop Arthur Fox, Fr D Gordon, Fr J Russell, Eileen Henebery.** We pray for those who are sick **Fr Kevin Hennessy CP, Sr Lauraine Brice, Elly Cox, Peter Smyth, Anna Pohlodora & husband and Maureen O'Kane.** **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**

Date: 17/02/2019	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Offertory Procession	Extraordinary Minister of Communion
Saturday 5.30pm		Margaret Shirreffs	Sandra Smolenaars Liz Tabuteau		Bryan Leak, Ann Neville, Sue Harvey
Sunday 9.30am	Dalia Ellison	Bill Smolenaars	Brenda Bowden Jeff Hobbs	Doug Waite	Pam Edgely, John Vermaelen, Lenie Smolenaars
Sunday 6.00pm		Jennifer Fitzgerald	Lyn Althaus Yvonne Hope		Lindsay & Stephanie Broughton, Kath Telling

NEW IN THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?

Please let us know we'd like to meet you!

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program

If you would like to join a Family Group

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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.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 6:1-8

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 to one 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:

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

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.)

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.)

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.)

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 :

A reading from the first Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:1-11

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you – believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, 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.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless.

On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have

worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord,

and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 5:1-11

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

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.



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READINGS NEXT WEEK

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year C**

First Reading: **Jeremiah 17: 5-8**

Second Reading: **1 Corinthians
15:12,16-20**

Gospel: **Luke 6:17, 20-26**

SUNDAY MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm Vigil

Saturday: Rosedale - 7:00pm Vigil

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th)

Sunday: Cathedral - 9:30am

Sunday. Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th)

Sunday Stratford - 9.30am (1st,3rd & 5th)

Sunday: Cathedral - 6.00pm