### GOSPEL: Luke 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 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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Feasts of the Week

14 February - Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop. Memorial.

Cyril: Born about 826 in Thessalonica (Greece). Died at Rome in 869. His brother, Methodius: Born about 815. Died in Velehrad (Czech Republic) in 885. With papal approval they preached the gospel in Moravia using their own

translations of the Scriptures and the liturgy in the local language. These translations into Slavonic were based on an alphabet they invented, now called Cyrillic. The success of their preaching aroused jealous Frankish opposition. Honoured as apostles of the Slavic peoples. Remembered together for their contribution to Slavic culture, for their missionary inculturation of the faith, and for establishing links between East and West.



#### Discernment Retreat for Men (20-22 March 2019)

Take a glimpse into life and formation into the priesthood; the weekend includes talks, time for personal prayer, sacraments, spiritual guidance, Q & A with seminarians and discussions.

This retreat is designed to help men discern their vocations. Speakers include a keynote from Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. At the Seminary of the Good Shepherd, 50-58 Abbotsford Rd, Homebush. Cost :\$99. To register to go www.vocationcentre.org.au under ' Vocation Centre Events' To enquire about registration, contact the Vocation Centre on 9307 8424 or joseph.vuicakau@sydneycatholic.org

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## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil), Sunday: 8am, 10am (Children's Liturgy), 6pm, 12noon (Polish).

#### THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Tuesday - 8.00am Wednesday - 8.00am Thursday - 9.00am Friday - 8.00am Saturday - 8.00am

**Nursing Home Masses** NIL

Vietnamese Mass 7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

**DEVOTIONS** Benediction: Saturday 7.00am.

Rosary: Saturday 8.25am.

**Divine Mercy Prayer:** 6.30pm - 1st Wed of each month.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

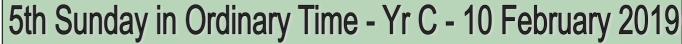
**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm Or by appointment.

Marriages: By arrangement with at least 6 months notice.

Care for the Sick: Any time. Please call the Presbytery.

Baptisms: Preparation classes are held in the Presbytery on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10AM Mass.

Next Weekend: 6th Sun Ord - Year C. Readings: Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26



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"Don't be afraid: from now on you will fish for people. So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him. Luke 5:10-11

Responsorial Psalm

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

#### **Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia!

Luke 5:1-11

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

**Comm 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.

This weeks readings - Isaiah 6:1-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11;

#### 2019 Lenten Program

With Lent fast approaching, we have ordered the Lenten Program from the Diocese of Wollongong. It is themed 'Trust'. If you would like to lead a Lenten Group this year please let the Parish office know how many books you require.

#### **Cemetery Meeting**

The Cemetery committee will be meeting in the presbytery on Tuesday 12th Feb at 10am.

#### Parish Pastoral Council meeting - change of date

The Parish Council will meet on next Tuesday 19th Feb commencing at 7.00pm in the presbytery.

#### Speaking Awesome Words

Lectors bring the Living Word of God to the liturgical assembly. Proclaiming God's Word well requires specialised training, careful preparation and practice. Therefore I am planning to organise a 2 hour interactive training program with Centre for Liturgy of Australian Catholic University. It will be held one Saturday morning on our parish premises. The parish will sponsor this Program. It will be open to all current readers of the parish and anyone interested in joining the ministry of Reading at Mass. I need 20 takers to organise it on our premises, therefore please let me or the parish office know by 22nd February, if you are interested.

#### Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Matthew Chu Van Tuynh; John Ashe; Van Phuong Pham Anniversary: Andrew DeSousa; Louise Rhea Descombes; Vaoliko Pesamino; Bernard Danh; Eugenie Thien Tai Tran; Phaolo Minh Truc Le; Maria Dinh Thi Kim Man; Vincent Pham Can; Magdalena Chu Thi Bang; Maria Nguyen Thi Men; Joseph Chu Van Nhuan; Maria Phan Quynh Thu Deceased: Lucien Descombes: Fahme Abdul Ahad; Giuseppe, Maria, Rosa Montagna; Joseph Condello; Phero Ha Van Thien; An Ton; Anne; Phaolo.

**Sick:** Max Goodwin, Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima Fernandes; Rukmani Krishnan; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Georgina Omeros; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Madelyn Nicole; Andrew Nguyen; Jun Ibarra; Maria Bui Thi Don; Abida Gill; Vo Van Kiet; Maria Portia Mariano; Brian Dimmock.

#### Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 17/2/19 Group 3: Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu (Florist)

St Vincent de Paul: 17/2/19 Andrew Nguyen

Church Cleaners: 15/2/19: Vinh Nguyen

Children's Liturgy: 10th Feb - Donna

24/2/19 Thom Pham

Weekend Choirs: 17/2 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir.

Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God. 10am - Samoan Divine Mercy Group. 6pm - Youth Choir.

Reader	s & Ministers			
Sat 6pm 10 FEBRUARY 8am 10am 6pm				
С	Gabrielle Nguyen	Maxwell Asuzu	Helen Vujevic	Elias Eltarraf
R	Gloria Booby	Kiara Asuzu	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
М	Emmanuel Icard	Thao Nguyen	Rosa House	Paul Ngoc
М	Cindy Hoang	Melanie Campisi	Tu Nguyen	Phu Nguyen
17 FEBRUARY				
С	Patrick Abourizk	Joseph Dang	Thu Ha Kim	Kathleen Mezentsef
R	Kalisiana Mar	Imelda Dela Cruz	Mary O'Hea	Lucia Mezentsef
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
М	Emmanuel Icard	Mesake Mar	Ala Pesamino	Amelia Mezentsef
М	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Joe Luongo	Loreto Eduardo

## Follow Jesus

Reflection In the people whom Jesus chose to be his closest friends—his disciples—we see many of the characteristic foibles of ordinary human beings. We also see the ways that God uses the gifts he gave us to transform us into new people, the agents through whom God will lead others to Jesus and to his kingdom. Let's consider the person Jesus chose to be a leader among the disciples and whom he sent to "catch people." Based on the evidence found in Scripture, we can imagine what Peter must have been like:

• Peter seems unafraid to speak his mind, yet he is also able to take direction. In today's Gospel, Simon Peter lowers his nets as Jesus commands, but not before reminding Jesus that he and his partners have been fishing all night and haven't caught anything.

• Peter is a leader, a spokesperson for others. Today's Gospel suggests that Simon Peter was a leader in his fishing business. When Simon Peter chooses to follow Jesus, others become Jesus' disciple as well.

• Peter's personality and charisma seem to make him the centre of attention; yet Peter learned to be transparent, to let others see Jesus through him.

 Peter possesses a dynamic and open relationship with Jesus. Peter often approaches Jesus and speaks what is in his heart.

Gather as a family and spend some time imagining the person of Simon Peter. Encourage family members to tell details about Simon Peter that they recall from Scripture. Consider these questions: Is Peter someone you would like to be friends with? Why or why not? Do you consider Peter a good leader? Why or why not? Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 5:1-11.

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**Baptism:** 

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith: Juan Ezekiel Dunca Aria Elle Tully May they always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout their life.

### A Notice for Volunteers - Re: Working With Children

According to the Archdiocese's new Working With Children policy, all volunteers who are 18 years or over must now do the followings:

Obtain a Working With Children Number: You must make an online application via this link: https:// www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check

The Office of the Children's Guardian will send you an email (titled 'New Application Receipt') with your Application Number. You must then go to RTA bringing with you this Application Number and your ID (driver's licence for example) for verification. It will then take about four weeks for them to process your application. If you are cleared, you will receive a notification email from the Office of the Children's Guardian that includes your WWC number. Please forward this email to the Parish Office (admin@stfelixparish.org.au) together with your Date of Birth.

Complete a Safeguard Induction Training Course: You can do this online by following this link: https://goo.gl/forms/XjXDmPsp8bnBB7e43

For those who do not have facilities to do the course online, we will be offering catch-up training courses at the Presbytery meeting room. Information about this will be published on the Bulletin.

Read and sign a Volunteer's Agreement

Read and sign a Code of Conduct for working with children. All links plus Volunteer's Agreement and Code of Conduct forms can be downloaded from our Parish website via http://stfelixparish.org.au/news-and-events/parish-news

When completed, please send your Volunteer's Agreement, Code of Conduct and Induction Training certificate to the Parish Office.

Should you need help, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office.