

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



James 2:18

Show me your faith apart from your works and I by my works will show you my faith

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday from 9:30am to 12:00pm

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MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) - 6pm

Sunday 9:30am & 5:30pm

Monday 8am

Tuesday 10am

2nd Tues of month: Anointing of the sick

Wednesday 8:00am

Thursday 7 pm Mass and Novena - IHM

Friday 8am

1st Saturday of Month 8am Mass

Reconciliation

Sat 5:30 to 5:50pm before Vigil

Sun 9 to 9.20am & 5.00 to 5:20pm

Baptism and Marriage By appointment

Working Bee - Sat 9am to 11am



PARISH NOTICES

CATECHISTS:

We urgently need Catechists for Thurgoona Public School.

Catechists share their faith and connect children and their families with the parish and the broader Church. If you are able to be involved in this important work, please contact Fr Anthony or the office on 02 6088 6222

Our Blessed Mother Statue: If you would like the statue for a week in your home, record your name in the roster in the Church Foyer.

Contact Denis Golden for further information.

Financial Report Cheques payable to IHM Parish Account

Direct Debit: BSB640000: Acc. No.111270902 Include name on transfers.

1st Coll \$428.75

2nd Coll \$194.00

Env \$185.00

Dir Debit \$685.00

Readers: Sat: 6.00pm Mary Seidel Sun: 9.30am

Next week: Sat: 6.00pm Denis Golden Sun: 9.30am Steve McCrohan

Cleaning Roster: Sat 12th Feb Denis & Martin



DIOCESAN COVID 19 PROTOCOLS 24/12/2021

- Registration still required - QR Code registration preferred.
- Masks are required in indoor settings, subject to exemptions.
- Those who prefer to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are asked to approach the communion line after those who have received on the hand.



First reading**Isaiah 6:1-2,3-8**

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord of Hosts 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.'

Responsorial Psalm**Psalm 137(138):1-5,7-8**

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

Second reading**1 Corinthians 15:3a-8,11**

Brothers, 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.

Gospel Acclamation**Matt 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**

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. *universalis.com*

Prayers of the Faithfull:

For our sick, Alex Krivtchoun, Bro Chris Greck, Jackson Davis, Shamus Clancy, Mathew Dix, Katerie Byrnes, Carmel Baker, & Laurie Evans.
We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed, Peter Kerstjens, John Corby and those who’s anniversaries occur at this time inc. Dallas Hanrahan, Andrew Trethowan, and Brian Baker.
We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 106: 8-9

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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BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Last Sunday, we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. In the verses that follow, Jesus travels to the town of Capernaum and begins his ministry of teaching and healing. While in Capernaum, Jesus cures a man possessed with a demon and heals Simon's mother-in-law. After spending some time there, Jesus prepares to preach in other places. The fact that Jesus had previously been in Simon's home and healed his mother-in-law suggests that this encounter is not the first between Jesus and Simon Peter.



We can read today's Gospel, therefore, as a description of the developing relationship between Jesus and Simon Peter. In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches from Simon's boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. Notice here that Peter calls Jesus by the title “master.” He already recognizes Jesus as a person of authority. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus'

presence has created abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the wedding feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago. Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus “Lord”, the title given to Jesus after his Resurrection and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus' presence. Today's Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter. Two of Simon's partners are also named as witnesses to the event described in today's Gospel: Zebedee's sons, James and John.

Yet Jesus' words are addressed only to Simon. Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples.

Peter was chosen for this role. His task will be to bring others to Jesus. Already he is doing so; the Gospel tells us that all the fishermen with Peter also left their nets and followed Jesus. 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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PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

FRIDAY 11th FEBURARY

Hail Mary, poor, humble Woman, Blessed by the Most High! Virgin of hope, dawn of a new era, we join your song of praise, to celebrate the Lord's mercy, to proclaim the coming of the Kingdom and the full liberation of humanity.

Hail Mary, lowly handmaid of the Lord, Glorious Mother of Christ! Faithful Virgin, holy dwelling-place of the Word, teach us to persevere in listening to the Word, and to be docile to the voice of the Spirit, attentive to his promptings in our conscience and to his manifestations in history.

Hail Mary, Woman of sorrows, Mother of the living! Virgin spouse beneath the Cross, the new Eve, Be our guide along the paths of the world. Teach us to experience and to spread the love of Christ, to stand with you before the innumerable crosses on which your Son is still crucified. Hail Mary, woman of faith, First of the disciples! Virgin Mother of the Church, help us always to account for the hope that is in us, with trust in human goodness and the Father's love.

Teach us to build up the world beginning from within: in the depths of silence and prayer, in the joy of fraternal love, in the unique fruitfulness of the Cross.

Holy Mary, Mother of believers, Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.



POPE JOHN PAUL II - AUGUST 15, 2004.

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