

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029

Archdiocese of Melbourne

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9 February 2025
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR FEBRUARY THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Entrance
Antiphon

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

1st Reading
Is 6:1-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

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.

2nd Reading
1 Cor 15:1-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

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;

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm

Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun at 1:15pm

Filipino – 4th Sun at 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue, Thu, Fri – 8:30am

Wed – 7:00pm

Sat – 9:00am

LITURGY OF THE WORD/COMMUNION SERVICE

Mon – 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: 6:30pm

Sat: After 9:00am Mass

DEVOTIONS

First Friday: 7:00pm to 8:15pm

Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament

Fri 9:00am & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sat 2:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual

Succour Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri - 8:00am

Sat 8:30am

Sun 8:00am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sundays at 12 noon

Baptism Preparation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS, VISITS & QUERIES

Parish Office on (03) 9749 4300

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

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

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 Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his Antiphon wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

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

Feasts of the **St. Scholastica** **Mon, 10 Feb**
Week **Sts. Cyril & Methodius** **Fri, 14 Feb**

SUNDAY SCHOOL SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Dear Parents, please note the enrolment procedure for the Sunday school Sacramental Program below:

There will be an Enrolment / Information session on **Tuesday 11th February at 7pm in Church. Attendance at this session is required to register your child for the Sacramental program. Please bring your child's Baptism Certificate with you.** Payment to be made on the day. Fees are mentioned below.

Sunday School – \$50 per family

Sacramental fee – \$50 per child.

Reconciliation – No Fee.

Enquiries, please email Sharon: snaps0910@gmail.com

ROSTERS

Money Counters – 15/16 Feb 25

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Roster for Readers – 15/16 Feb 25

6:00pm	Jeslin Shaji
8:30am	Grace Sharman
10:30am	Cleophas Peters
5:00pm	Youth Reader

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – 15/16 Feb 25

6:00pm	S. Joseph / K. Pham / S. Martis / B. Fernandes
8:30am	Karen D / V. Petkovic / M. Nelthropp / I. D'Lima
10:30am	M. Peters / S. Delos Reyes / A. Koek / Sophia D
5:00pm	C. Skinner / E. Angeles / R. Albuquerque / VOL

Music Ministry – 15/16 Feb 25

6:00pm	Mater Dolorosa
8:30am	St. Philomena
10:30am	FilOz
5:00pm	Young Adults

PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY PARISH DATES

Sundays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30am Mass – Children's Liturgy held 1st and 3rd Sundays. After 5:00pm Mass in Hall – Youth Group for youth 12 to 17 years on 2nd and 4th Sundays. 6:00pm in Community Centre – Young Adults (SPYA) meeting on 1st & 3rd Sundays. 6:30pm to 8:30pm – Alpha sessions in the Hall.
Mondays	7:00pm to 8:15pm – Bible Study on Zoom. Meeting ID: 826 5359 2389 Passcode: Bible. Contact Clive 0490814452.
Tuesdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00pm Online Zoom Rosary - Meeting ID: 893 5477 8556. Passcode: rosary. 7:00pm – RCIA Meeting in Theatre, contact Francis Thomas 0401787372.
Wednesdays	7:00pm Mass followed by Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena.
1 st Fridays	7:00pm to 8:15pm Mass & Adoration
2 nd Fridays	7:30pm to 8:30pm Shalom Kids Holy Hour with Exposition & Benediction.
Saturdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:30pm to 4:00pm St. Peter's Charismatic Prayer Community Praise & Worship. 1.30pm to 4:00pm - Next Healing Mass on Saturday 8th March 2025.
Baptisms	12 noon – Baptisms held 1 st & 3 rd Sundays. Baptism Preparation Meeting held on 1 st Monday of the month at 7:00pm. Next Baptism Preparation Meeting Monday 3rd March 2025 at 7:00pm in Church.

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$5306.40
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PRESBYTERY A/C:	\$1312.20
CHAPLAINCY (SP & FIL MASSES):	\$ 437.20

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTISED

We welcome into our Church community **Tarik Awwad-Hagos** who is to be baptised this Sunday. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the love of Parents, Godparents, family and friends, we pray that Tarik will lead a life full of happiness, faith and love.

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS please note that the next Roster from March to May 2025 includes the Easter Ceremonies. If you haven't already done so, please complete the Availability Forms and return them to the Parish office **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. (Copies are available in the Hall). Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

ST PETER'S MEN FOR CHRIST MINISTRY LAUNCH

We are thrilled to announce the launch of *St. Peter's Men for Christ Ministry*! Join us for a **Men's Breakfast** on **Saturday, 15th February at 8:30am** at St. Peter's Community Centre. The event features a talk on *Christian Leadership* by **Dcn. Royden Dsouza**, along with details about the ministry. All men aged 18+ are welcome. A gold coin donation would be appreciated. **Register now:** <http://tinyurl.com/spmensbreakfast> or scan QR code. Seats are limited, please book early. There will be a promotion at all the masses this weekend.



TWG UPDATE

Dear parishioners, St. Peter's Parish continues on its journey to adopt pathways from 'Take The Way of The Gospel' (TWG) in our parish community. The questionnaire, as previously advised, has been completed by leaders of all ministries. Many thanks to the leaders for this exemplary work. The assessment of the questionnaires has been completed, which identifies a lot of work has to be undertaken to adopt the TWG pathways. Additionally, the Archdiocese Proclaim Mission Renewal team has a Self-Reflection Assessment tool that will give us greater clarity of what and how to adopt the TWG pathways. The Archdiocese team is meeting the TWG team and parish priest on 13 Feb 25 to gauge where all the ministries are at currently. Thereafter, on 1 Mar, the Archdiocese Proclaim team will meet with the ministry leaders and other parish leaders and carry out the Self-Reflection Assessment tool to identify future TWG pathways in our parish community. We will update the parishioners with further updates when that is concluded.

ON SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY, St Patrick's Cathedral celebrated [the Episcopal Consecration our two newest bishops](#), Bishop Thinh Nguyen and Bishop Rene Ramirez RCJ – a joyful and hopeful moment for the People of God in Melbourne.

GOSPEL FOCUS – DO NOT BE AFRAID

When Peter is overcome by the catch of fish and falls on his knees before Jesus, the response Jesus makes is to simply say, **'Do not be afraid'**. This phrase is the most often repeated phrase in the Bible. It appears more than 60 times throughout the Bible – depending on which translation one uses. This is an extraordinary number of times for the one phrase to appear. And the references stretch from the first book, Genesis, to the last, Revelation. It is God's message to us echoing throughout the Bible: **Do not be afraid**.



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GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today we consider the call to continue the mission of Jesus by engaging in some form of ministry. The first and the last readings are call narratives; the epistle contains a statement of the faith that undergirds our response to our call; the psalm response celebrates the gracious goodness of God that makes all of this possible. Our call is more than a summons to faith; it is a call to ministry. Isaiah is called in order to be sent; the fishermen are called in order to gather others to Jesus. So it is with us. We are called to be sent out to the world. This call comes to us in the ordinariness of life. It will usually come to us as we wash our nets or our dishes, as we teach or raise children, as we prepare a brief for trial or examine a patient; as we repair cars or work at the computer. The call of God comes to us in the ordinariness of life. We are called to proclaim the message of the resurrection by any and every means possible. Some, like Isaiah and the disciples of Jesus, will witness in open and dramatic ways. They will teach and preach; they will nurse the sick and care for the elderly. Others will witness in less conspicuous ways. They will insist on fair practices in their own workplaces; they will weed out expressions of prejudice and violence so that a new and just world can be fashioned for themselves and for their children. Called in the ordinariness of their lives, they will witness to the death and resurrection in that very ordinariness, thus transforming everything into extraordinariness.

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MONTHLY HOLY MASS & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION


Join us every second Thursday of the month, **starting 13th February 2025**, for an evening of prayer and reflection at St. Peter's Church. Holy Mass & Eucharistic Adoration: 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Celebrant: Fr. Rojan George VC Come and spend time in the presence of the Lord. All are welcome!

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Keith Gill, Lucas Slee, Rosendo Madeloso, Bill Kotow, Remigio Vasquez, Andrea Prea, Elizabeth Cura, Willem Christ, Khamsiah Lat, Gerry Shaw, Lolita Aguilos, Oscar Gomez Herrera, and all who have died in disasters all over the world.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Brian Smith, Trevor D'Souza, Arturo Bacani, Gerardo Almonacid Monsalve and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Violet Lawrence, Elaine & Jeffrey Dalton, Sean Donaldson, Dale D'Souza, Stephen Beaton, John O'Regan, Draga Vekic, Thais Long, Ollie Orlinki, Gina Linning, Teresita Grisancich, Alister Dias, Rohan Graham, Gus Jones, Frank O'Brien, Roland Arigadas, Delflor Fernandez, Terry Pountney, Eileen Lewis, Romano Apostoli, Mavis D'Cruz, Helena Coghlan, June Shaw, Elizabeth Palmeiri, Michael Benedict, Kerri Jewell, Wilfrid D'Cruz, Bettina Coli, Luz Viviana Sastre, Frida Silva, Juan Antonio Mena, Ellen Angeles, Noelle Tenney and all who are ill in our Parish.

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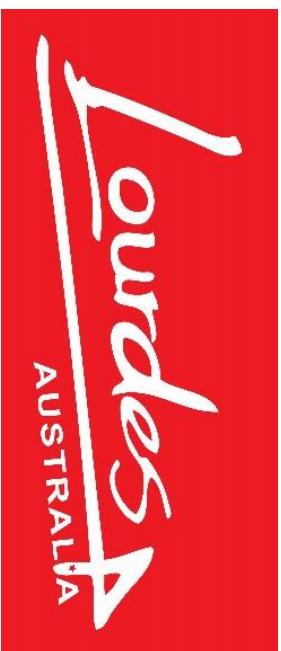


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Filipino Mass 2025

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish
 Fourth Sunday 12 noon

23 February 2025
23 March 2025
27 April 2025

Hair Talk – Irene's

* Ladies, Men's &
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