

Sacred Heart Parish

North Albury



Fifth Sunday of the Year

6th / 7th February 2016

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Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

WEEKDAYS: 9.30 am Monday,
Wednesday, Friday (in the church)

First Tuesday of the month: 11.00 am
Mass at Mercy Place.

RECONCILIATION

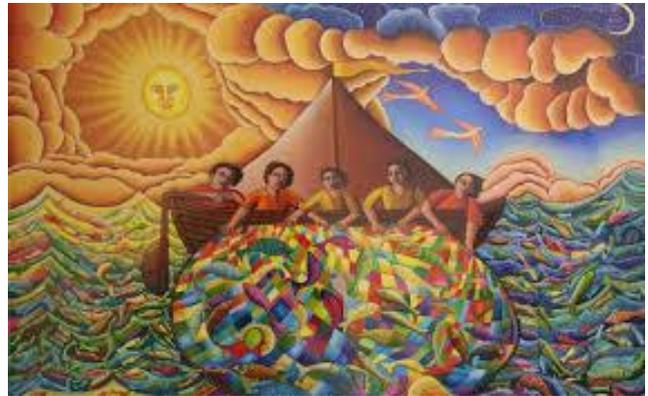
SATURDAY: 4.45 PM-5.45 PM

WEDDINGS—By appointment.

Preparation course: 6051 0222

BAPTISMS—By appointment.

Preparation Course: 0411 883 661



“Put out into deep water, and let down the nets
for a catch.” (Luke 5:1-11)

Why did Jesus perform the miracle of the great catch of fish? No doubt the great crowd of people who had pressed upon Jesus had something to do with this miracle. They were very hungry for God and were eager to hear his word. Jesus wanted to use this occasion to teach his disciples an important lesson. Although Simon was wearied from a night of fruitless toil, he nonetheless pressed upon Jesus for his word of command: “At your word I will let down the nets.” When you meet disappointment and failure, do you press upon the Lord, like Simon, to hear his word and to receive his command? This incident tells us an important truth about how God works in and through us for his glory. God expects of us greater things than we can do by ourselves. When we cooperate in His works, we accomplish far beyond what we can do on our own.

Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Margaret Costigan, Lilian Nicholl, Mary Lonergan, Ross Smith, George Dick.

ANNIVERSARIES: Noel Hickey, Bill Gibbs, John Powell, John Gogoll, Edith Ryan, Ivan Hanrahan, Peter Urosevic, Herbert O'Callaghan, Wayne Boyd, Beryl McBrien, Josie Favell, Fr Jim Clarke, Max Butts, Shirley Pantling, Arthur Campbell, Les Bingham, Les Bright, Sr Carmella Nesbitt, Sr Patricia Marcella, George Dalahunty, Brendan Dodd, Michael Bourke Sadie Berkley, Alan Gray, Kath Dowling.

Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 6th / 7th February		
Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Anthony Foley Ed Brown Tony Smit	Roy Thompson Gavin Dykes Nicola Hanzic
Eucharistic Ministers	Geoff Jervois Jeneice Harding	Kevin Kennedy Pamela McIntosh Pauline Willis
Cantor Musicians	Brian Waters Mary Minchin	Volunteer
Counters: Desmond Lum & Jane Togher		Cleaning Group: Group 6

Sat /Sun: 13th / 14th February		
Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Virginia Mitsch Barbara Godde Kellie Gordes	Richard Parkinson Terry Hillman Kathy Nyhan
Eucharistic Ministers	Jim & Kaye Deanshaw	Noelene Cruise Mary Lefevre Marie Pennay
Cantor Musicians	Catherine / Judy Judy Foley	Anne McIntyre Volunteer
Counters: Peter Toner & Gordon Bryant		Cleaning Group: Group 7

Parish News

Ash Wednesday

Mass for Ash Wednesday will be 9.30am.

Lenten Reflection Evenings

This Tuesday 9th February at 7.30pm we commence our Lenten evenings in the Church. These will be on the spirit of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Dr John Brabant (Founder of Carevan) - Feeding the Hungry. Please bring pancakes to share at the conclusion of the evening.

Preparation of Ashes

If you would like to bring in your blessed Palms from last year and place them in the box provided, these will be burned to form the ashes for this year's Ash Wednesday. The box is on the table near the Swan Street entrance.

Australian Catholics 2016

Mercy in spirituality - Finding forgiveness in God through the sacrament of reconciliation, and leading others to God's mercy. Please take a copy from Church entrances.

Palms Australia

Palms Australia will be conducting a guided tour of the communities in which their global volunteers are working in East Timor from: 11-23 April 4-16 July and 26 Sept - 8 Oct 2016. There are limited places. Enquiries need to be processed by 22 Feb. Please call 02 9518 9551 or register interest online: www.palms.org.au/Encounters

Jubilee Year of Mercy

At the beginning of Lent we will display in the Church our special Year of Mercy banners.

The Jubilee Year of Mercy extends to 20th November, 2016.

Each weekend we will say the Prayer for the Year of Mercy at the end of Mass.

Project Compassion

This year's theme is *Learning More, Creating Change*. Please give generously to Project Compassion 2016 and help people in remote areas of Malawi harness their strengths and pave the way towards a thriving future. "Education is an act of hope" Pope Francis.

Year of Mercy Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father and told us that whoever sees you sees him...

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord. May our Church, with renewed enthusiasm bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed and restore sight to the blind...

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy and through you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever.

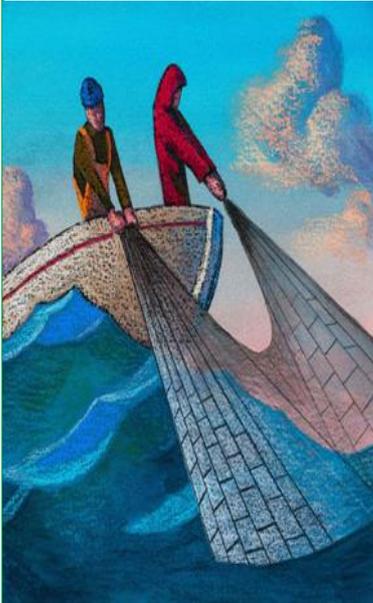
Amen

Feastdays of the Week

Monday 8th February – St Jerome Emiliani & St Josephine Bakhita

Wednesday 10th February – Ash Wednesday

Liturgy of the Word



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Readings: Is 6: 1-8 ; 1 Cor 15: 1-11; Luke 5: 1-11

Responsorial Psalm



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

Alleluia Verse: Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Reflection on the Readings:

Disciples hear the call and respond without hesitation

Some commentators feel that Luke may have borrowed this story from John's account of the disciples going fishing at the end of that gospel. It has been noted that Simon calls Jesus "Lord," a post-resurrection title and refers to his sinfulness, which makes more sense after his triple denial during the Passion. It also looks forward to Peter's leadership which is confirmed in the same chapter of John.

Jesus then reassures Simon and his companions: "Do not be afraid." They are words they will hear again; because he is calling them to be his partners in the work of building his Kingdom. The huge catch of fish made by the boat in which Jesus and Peter were is a sign of a much greater catch of people to be made by the new community led by the Spirit of Jesus and under the leadership of Peter.

Unlike the other gospels, Luke has a period of teaching and miracles precede the call of the disciples. This makes their unhesitating response less surprising and more plausible. They heard the message, they accepted the call and "with that they brought their boats to land, left everything, and become his followers." In Mark and Matthew they left their nets and boats. In Luke's gospel especially, the following of Jesus is understood as absolute – one must leave everything and throw in one's lot totally with Jesus wherever that will lead. Those boats and nets were the security on which the lives of Peter, his companions and their families depended. But they left them and everything else. This is faith, this is trust. Without it, the mission cannot succeed. (From a reflection on the Sacred Space website)



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