



## Western Port Catholic Parish

Immaculate Conception Hastings, St Peter's  
Shoreham and St Brendan's Church Somerville

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year C, 9 February 2025**

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**CRIB POINT** St Joseph's  
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### First Reading

Isaiah 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 one to 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

Ps 137:1-5. 7-8

**R. 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

1 Corinthians 15:3-8. 11

#### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

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.

#### The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:19

### Alleluia, alleluia!

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

### Alleluia!

Luke 5:1-11

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to 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.

## REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

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

## REFLECTION FOR YOUTH

### SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT

#### The Call of the disciples

*In the other two synoptic gospels – Matthew and Mark – the call of the disciples is one of the first recorded actions of Jesus' adult life. Luke, on the other hand, delays the call until after Jesus' public ministry has commenced. By this stage of the gospel, Jesus has made a public declaration about the nature of his ministry and begun to enact it. In this way, the sort of ministry Jesus will undertake is already established when the disciples are called to join it. It becomes a more conscious decision by the disciples – they know what they're getting in to!*

**Western Port Parish** is committed to making our Church a safe place for children and young people and protect them from harm.

**LITURGIES THIS WEEK, 10 February —16 February 2025**

**MONDAY** No Service

**TUESDAY 9.30am** Mass at Somerville

**WEDNESDAY 9.00am** Mass at Shoreham

**THURSDAY 9.30am** Mass at Hastings

**FRIDAY 9.30am** Mass at Hastings

**SATURDAY**

**10.00am-10.30am** Reconciliation at Hastings

**6.00pm** Mass at St Brendan's Church, Somerville

**SUNDAY**

**8.00am** Mass at St Peter's Church, Shoreham

**10.00am** Mass at Immaculate Conception Church,  
Hastings

**PRAYERS AND PETITIONS**

*Please pray for those who are sick, especially Janelle Farley, Mary McCluskey, Paula, Maureen Bleighly, Sandra, Marissa, Amber, Peter Rogan, Bernadette Sexton, Peter Munyan, Tommy Judge, Mary Sloan, Paula Murphy, Pat Tagliabue, Frank Tagliabue, Michael Pound, John Kelly, Janice Danaher, Vicky Mathis, Edna Walsh, Jane Maria, Oliver Munoz, Kathy Burke, Frank Howard, Mike Mason, Elaine Duyvestyn, James Smythe, Lucy Triffett, Helena Jaskolski, Oscar Dixon-Rotherham, Margaret Sherlock and all those who need our prayers, especially Finian and Kathleen. May they receive the Lord's comfort and strength.*

*Please pray for those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Leo Marx. May they rest in peace.*

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL:**

We are in desperate need of your support. Our cupboard is depleted, and we need some more perishable items. If you can help with cans of Soup, Meat & Vegetables, Diced Tomatoes, Spaghetti, Baked Beans, Tuna or Salmon, Vegetables, tinned fruit. Pasta and Sauces, Vegemite, Peanut Butter, Jam. Packets of sweet and dry biscuits, two-minute noodles and cup of soup, long life milk. Tea and Coffee and toiletries. Please do not donate sugar or powdered milk. Thank you for your ongoing support.

**NAMES ON ROSTERS BELOW FOR SERVICES NEXT WEEK, 15/2 & 16/2/2025**

<b>MINISTRY</b>	<b>Somerville</b>	<b>Shoreham</b>	<b>Hastings</b>		
<b>Lector</b>	Tracey Clark	Anthony Grimes	Geraldine Prescott	<b>Mass Welcomer Hastings</b>	Linda Weir
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Maree Chapman	Sr Joan Power	Barbara Farley Deirdre Fennessy	<b>Counters This Week</b>	Stephen Stewart Ian Marshall
<b>Commentator</b>	Louise Hennessys	Sylvia Falzon		<b>Counters Next Week</b>	Hijacinta Svabelj Heimann Sissing
<b>Mass Prep</b>	Mary Marshall	FEBRUARY: Sylvia Falzon		<b>Sacristan</b>	Paula Stokes
<b>Altar Linen</b>		FEBRUARY: Ann Lorkin		<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Jesele Baxter
<b>Flowers</b>	Val Baxter	<b>Somerville Maintenance—</b>		<b>Communion to the Sick This Week</b>	Group 2— Judy Deefholts
<b>Cleaning</b>	FEBRUARY: Christine Coleman	Matthew & Louise Street			



## SCHOOL MASSES

- \* **St Joseph's** Opening Mass & School Reco Commitment Mass—celebrated on 7 February
- \* **St Mary's** Opening Mass & School Reco Commitment Mass—Wednesday, 19 February 2.15pm
- \* **St Brendan's** Opening Mass & School Reco Commitment Mass—Thursday, 20 February 11.30am

## JUBILEE YEAR 2025



Last weekend, during Masses, Jubilee candles were blessed and lit in all our three churches.

With Jubilee 2025 now properly underway, local pilgrims hungry to know more about how to participate can find everything they need on a new '2025 Jubilee—Pilgrims of Hope' webpage on the Melbourne Catholic website, including information on all the local Pilgrim Places and on how to obtain Jubilee plenary indulgences, a Jubilee calendar and other useful Jubilee resources.

Continue reading: [Jubilee 2025: new webpage launches for local 'pilgrims of hope'](#)


## JOY OVERFLOWS AT CONSECRATION OF MELBOURNE'S NEWEST BISHOPS

On 1 February 2025, **St Patrick's Cathedral** was overflowing—with people and with a spirit of joy and hopeful anticipation—as the Archdiocese of Melbourne welcomed two new auxiliary bishops.

About 3,000 faithful gathered at the Cathedral and at nearby Cathedral Hall on a warm, bright Saturday morning for the Episcopal Consecration of the **Most Rev Tinh Nguyen** and **Most Rev Rene Ramirez RCJ**, with thousands more joining online from across Australia and overseas for the almost three-hour liturgy.

Continue reading: [Joy overflows at Consecration of Melbourne's newest bishops](#)

## **Bl. Carlo Acutis Parish Mission—St Thomas More Parish from February 17th - 23rd 2025**

- \* First Class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis (to be canonised a Saint on April 27th 2025) 
- \* International Exhibition of Miracles of the Holy Eucharist, devised by Carlo
- \* Guest Speakers include: Anna Krohn Rev Dr Trevor Tibbertsma John Canavan
- \* For more information and detailed schedule, please see the flyer in the foyers of our three churches

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## Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal

We urgently need your support. The ceasefire means more aid can assist people in Gaza, but the need is immense and the recovery long. Gaza's people cannot recover alone. They need the support of the global community to survive and rebuild.

**Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.**

You can donate online [www.caritas.org.au/gaza](http://www.caritas.org.au/gaza) or phone 1800 024 413

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## Total givings from the week 27/1/25-2/2/25

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection – Presbytery (Including Direct Debits, Credit Cards and cheques)	\$776.90
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection – Church Account (Including Direct Debits, Credit Cards and cheques)	\$1893.80
Tap Machine	\$98.37

Thank you for your ongoing support!