



# Morphett Vale Catholic Parish Bulletin

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025

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## MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH:

Corner Bains and Main South Roads, Morphett Vale

**ANNIE'S OP SHOP:** 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Tuesdays and Fridays  
**ANTONIO SCHOOL:** Bains Road Morphett Vale Phone 8325 4500  
**EMMAUS SCHOOL:** Todd Street, Woodcroft Phone 8322 7211

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## REGULAR PARISH MASSES

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 9:00am  
Saturday 6:00pm Vigil  
Sunday 8:00am  
Sunday 9:30am  
Sunday 11:00am - Polish

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9:15am  
Wednesday 10:00am - Polish & 6:00pm  
Thursday 9:15 am  
Friday 9:15am

## Feast Days This Week:

**Monday 10th** - St Scholastica; **Friday 14** - Saints Cyril and Methodius

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## REGULAR PARISH DEVOTIONS AND EVENTS

**RECONCILIATION:** After Saturday 9:00am Mass or contact Fr. Christopher  
**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:** Contact Parish Office or Fr. Christopher  
**ROSARY:** Monday - 7:30pm and after weekday Masses  
**ADORATION:** Every Friday following 9:15am Mass until 11am  
**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION:** First Sunday at 3:00pm  
**SACRED HEART OF JESUS:** First Friday Mass at 9:15am  
**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY:** First Saturday Mass at 9:00am  
**BAPTISM:** Enquiry forms available from the Parish website  
**MARRIAGE:** Six months notice - enquiries to the Parish Office  
**FUNERALS:** Contact Fr Christopher or text Parish Mobile  
**CENACLE:** Wednesday 1pm - 3pm in the Parish Hall - *All Welcome*  
**PLAYGROUP:** Thursday 10:00 am - in the Parish Hall

## READINGS - YEAR C

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9th February 2025**

First Reading     Isaiah 6:1-8  
Second Reading   1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
Gospel             Luke 5:1-11

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**16th February 2025**

Jeremiah 17:5-8  
1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20  
Luke 6:17, 20-26

**PSALM RESPONSE:** In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCL:**     Alleluia, alleluia!  
                          Come follow Me, says the Lord,  
                          and I will make you fishers of My people. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL:** 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. He then 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 they 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 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 dry land, they left everything and followed Him.

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**THANK YOU - CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL:** On behalf of the St Vincent de Paul Society Morphett Vale Conference and those families who are struggling to make ends meet, we’d like to thank the Parish and you, our parishioners, for your very generous support of our 2024 Christmas Hamper Appeal. Thank you too, to the parishioners assisted with assembling the hampers. We also thank the staff and communities of Antonio and Emmaus schools for their support, and the Mini Vinnies students and their teachers who came during their holidays to pack the toys for us. With your help we were able to provide 107 food hampers which assisted 201 adults and 218 children. Among these families were grandparents who are caring for their grandchildren and parents who are supporting their young adult children who are in study or training and living at home. Thank you too, to those who continue to place donations in the St Vincent de Paul Poor Box throughout the year. This is used to support those needing assistance during the year.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Corey Hatcher; Kevin O'Neil;  
and all who are mentioned in the Mass Intention Schedule below

*If you would like the names of your family members to be included on the Prayer List, please contact the Parish Office. Due to privacy laws, names cannot be published in the bulletin without prior permission of the person or family involved.*

**MASS INTENTIONS:** The schedule of Mass Intentions for the coming week is printed in the bulletin each week. If you would like a Mass said for a special intention, please use the envelopes which can be found in the foyer of the Church, print the information very clearly, and place the envelope in one of the offering bowls. It would be appreciated if you could give as much notice as possible for any Mass Intentions, especially if you would like the Mass said on a specific date. Emergencies, of course, can be accommodated.



### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS COMING WEEK

Mon 3	St Scholastica		For the Parish - the living and the dead
Tues 4		9:15 am	Lauri
Wed 5		10:00 am	Zofia
		6:00 pm	Cyril Roswan
Thurs 6		9:15 am	June Williams
Fri 7	Sts Cyril & Methodius	9:15 am	Mrs Lipczyk
Sat 8		9:00 am	All Souls
		6:00 pm	Nathan
Sun 9	Ordinary Sunday 6	8:00 am	Brother Bernard Wirth
		9:30 am	Family and friends of Pasquale de Matteis
		11:00 am	Karzek and Salawa families

How do we know Simon Peter was a rich fisherman?



By his net income!

**DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD APPEAL:** A special collection will be taken up after the Masses this weekend - **8th and 9th February** - to support of the work of Birthline Pregnancy Support and Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc. The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

**PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY AND POLAND - 2025:** Brochures are available showing details of the itinerary for the Pilgrimage - just ask Father Christopher. The information is also posted on the windows at the rear of the Church. The final cost will depend on the number of pilgrims and will be confirmed as soon as the number has been settled. Please register with Harvest Journeys: 1800 819 156 (free call) and quote PV25103 - or contact them via email: info@harvestjourneys.com

**DIVINE MERCY 2025 CALENDAR:** The 2025 Divine Mercy Calendar is now available as an app and can be purchased online for \$5.00 - <https://divinemercury.com.au/products/2025-divine-mercy-calendar-app>. More information about the app and other things such as movies and devotions can be found at <https://divinemercury.com.au>

**LEARNING ABOUT THE LITURGY:** If you were at Mass on Thursday you would have heard Father talk to the school children about the different colours used in the Church for the Liturgical seasons and reasons. These colours are drawn from creation to remind us of the many different blessings we receive from God. For the most part, the colours used are: green, white/gold, purple/violet, red, and rose pink (optional).

The colour of Ordinary Time is **green** - as a sign of life in nature, for us it represents growth, life, and hope, and symbolises the graces that draw people into the life of God.

**White or gold** is festive and joyful and is used during the Christmas and Easter seasons and for major celebration feasts of the Lord (other than his Passion), the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Angels, Saints who were not martyrs, and on the Solemnity of All Saints. White is often used for funerals as it symbolises the Resurrection.

We will soon be in the season of Lent and the colour used is **purple (or violet)**. The violet flower bows its head and is a symbol of humility, and the colour was adopted as a symbol of penance and repentance. Lent is a season of quiet reflection, of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Purple is also used for Advent - again a time of prayer and reflection, and preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

**Red** is the colour of blood and fire, and is used on Passion (Palm) Sunday, Pentecost Sunday, and for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is also used on the feast days of martyrs.

**Rose pink** is optional and is often used on the fourth Sunday of Lent and the third Sunday of Advent. For these two days the Entrance Antiphon asks us to rejoice, and the pink is a symbol of the softening of the penitential tone of the season.

# The Kids' Bulletin

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9th, 2025



*Luke 5:1-11*

*Peter had been fishing all night and caught nothing. But when Jesus told him to let the nets down again, they got filled right up! Can you draw enough fish to fill the nets?*

# *Fishers of Men*



In today's gospel reading Peter had been out fishing all night and hadn't been able to catch any fish. When Jesus told him to let down the nets again he did it anyway. He was very surprised when the nets filled up with fish right away. And there were so many that the boat started to sink!



Jesus told Peter and his friends James and John that he was going to make them "fishers of men." But He didn't mean that they would catch people in nets! He was showing them that they had to bring people into the Church.



Who are the "fishers of men" today? Priests! They help people to come to the Faith by giving them the sacraments and teaching them the truth about God.



Answers to picture puzzle: top 2,4; middle 5,1; bottom 6, 3

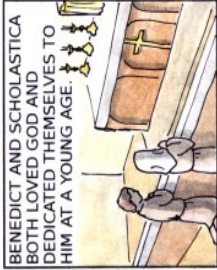


# Saint Scholastica

## February 10



SCHOLASTICA WAS BORN AROUND THE YEAR 480 IN ITALY. SHE WAS THE TWIN SISTER OF SAINT BENEDICT OF NURSIA.



BENEDICT AND SCHOLASTICA BOTH LOVED GOD AND DEDICATED THEMSELVES TO HIM AT A YOUNG AGE.



WHEN BENEDICT STARTED A MONASTERY SCHOLASTICA BEGAN A CONVENT.

Let's build here!



We can meet here every year to talk about God!

THE BROTHER AND SISTER VISITED EACH OTHER ONCE A YEAR.



THEN ONE TIME... This will be the last time you see Benedict...



BENEDICT REFUSED TO STAY LONGER WHEN SCHOLASTICA ASKED, BUT THEN SHE PRAYED AND A HUGE STORM CAME!

You refused my request, but God listened!



THREE DAYS LATER WHEN BENEDICT WAS IN HIS MONASTERY HE HAD A VISION OF A DOVE GOING UP TO HEAVEN WHEN SCHOLASTICA DIED.

SAINT SCHOLASTICA AND HER BROTHER SAINT BENEDICT ARE A GREAT EXAMPLE TO US OF HOW BROTHERS AND SISTERS CAN HELP EACH OTHER TO BECOME HOLY. DO YOU EVER PRAY WITH YOUR BROTHERS OR SISTERS OR FRIENDS? YOU CAN HELP EACH OTHER BECOME SAINTS!

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# Picture Puzzle: An Amazing Catch!

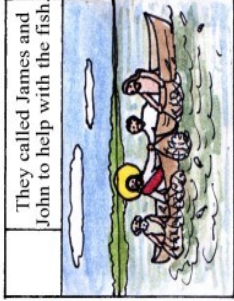
The pictures for this story are all mixed up! Sort them out by putting the right numbers in the corners.



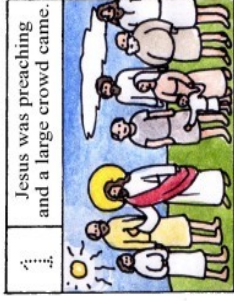
So Jesus preached from Peter's boat.



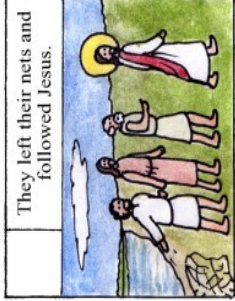
The nets were completely filled!



They called James and John to help with the fish.



Jesus was preaching and a large crowd came.



They left their nets and followed Jesus.



Then Jesus told Peter to let down the nets.