



Morphett Vale Catholic Parish Bulletin

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

16TH FEBRUARY 2025

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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:

Saturday 22nd February - The Chair of St Peter

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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
16th February 2025

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
23rd February 2025

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

1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23
1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Luke 6:27-38

PSALM RESPONSE: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCL: Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad;
Your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and be cured of their diseases. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the Kingdom of God. Happy are you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. But alas for you who are rich: you have your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'



INFORMATION NIGHT FOR THE PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY AND POLAND:

On **Wednesday 19th March**, Colleen from Harvest Journeys will be here to talk about the proposed Pilgrimage in September.

The gathering will be in the Church (air conditioning!!) after the

6:00pm Mass. This information night is for **anyone** who might be interested, or has already booked for the September

Pilgrimage, or may be interested in future pilgrimages. Colleen

will explain what the booking procedures are and the journey itself. She will be

able to answer your questions. Brochures for the September Pilgrimage are still available in the Church foyer, and 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. Come

along, listen and then register with Harvest Journeys: 1800 819 156 (free call) and quote PV25103 - or contact them via email: info@harvestjourneys.com



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Corey Hatcher,
and all who are mentioned in our Mass Intention Schedule

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 SCHEDULE FOR THIS COMING WEEK 17th - 23rd FEBRUARY

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| Mon 17 | | | For the parish: Living & Dead |
| Tues 18 | | 9:15 am | Colleen & Mark Kearney |
| Wed 19 | | 10:00 am | Family & friends of Danuta Sudak |
| | | 6:00 pm | Peter Panter |
| Thurs 20 | | 9:15 am | Family & Friends of the Scully, Haran & McGreevy Families |
| Fri 21 | | 9:15 am | Lauri & Nathan |
| Sat 22 | Chair of St Peter | 9:00 am | All Souls |
| | | 6:00 pm | Catherine Mubinya & family |
| Sun 23 | 7th Ordinary Sunday | 8:00 am | Jan, Stanislaw, Wladyslawa, Helena Horowicz |
| | | 9:30 am | Family & friends of Of Mia Lauret |
| | | 11:00 am | Family of Teresa Kepka |

PARISH GROUNDS WORKING BEE: There will be working bee **next Saturday - 22nd** February - to tidy the Parish grounds. It will begin at **9:00am** and everyone is very welcome to attend.

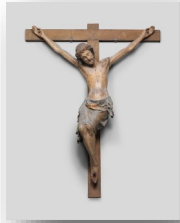


CATHOLIC WEEKLY: This newspaper is available in the foyer of the Church for \$2.00. The publication has articles, written by Catholic journalists, on interesting and topical articles. As with any other newspaper, sport is covered! The week before last the article was about the faith of some of the great tennis players we have today. Last week, an article expanded on that theme, discussing people who go to watch a tennis match people who go to Church!! It is well worth the \$2.00.

DO YOU KNOW WHY it is a common practice to eat pancakes on '*Shrove*' Tuesday - the day before *Ash Wednesday*? Back around 600 A.D. Pope St. Gregory banned Christians from eating animal products and all meat during Lent. So on the day before Ash Wednesday, which this year is Wednesday 5th March, people had a big clean out of the pantry and used up all milk, butter and eggs. What better way than to make pancakes!! So break out that crepe pan ready for Tuesday 4th March! By the way, the word '*Shrove*' comes from the word '*shrive*' which refers to the tradition of the confession of sins in preparation for Lent. Shrove Tuesday is, in some cultures, a day of festival. The French name *Mardi Gras*, literally means *Fat Tuesday*, the day when all the fats in the home are used up before Lent when fasting and abstinence are practiced.



BACK TO BASICS: In this 'sometime' inclusion in the Bulletin we will give some explanation about various symbols of our Faith. Today we look at the most obvious symbol of our faith, the ***Crucifix***. The crucifix is a cross with the figure of the body of Jesus Christ attached to it. It is a symbol of sacrifice and atonement, since, as told in the Bible, Jesus died for the sins of the world. The crucifix is found wherever there is a Catholic presence. A crucifix usually has the letters '***INRI***' carved into the wood of the cross. These letters are short for the Latin phrase, "***I***esus ***N***azarenius, ***R***ex ***I***udaeorum', which translates as 'Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews'. These are the words which Pontius Pilate ordered to be written on the cross on which Jesus Christ was crucified. The crucifix and other images are covered during Lent to make us aware that something is 'missing' and we should get ready for the celebration of the Sacred Triduum. Some churches have the veils in place for the entire season of Lent, some just for Holy Week.



The Kids' Bulletin

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16th, 2025

Can you match up the pieces in this puzzle?

Blessed are you
when people
hate you
because of me...

Blessed are
you who are
poor...

for you will
be satisfied.

for the kingdom
of God is yours.

Blessed are
you who are
now hungry...

your reward
will be great
in Heaven.

for you will
laugh.

Blessed are you
who are now
weeping...



Luke 6:20-26

Hidden Blessings

**AAA!
I'M SO
HUNGRY!**



In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us that people who are poor, hungry, or sad are blessed! Do they sound blessed to you?

Bad things that happen to us have hidden blessings in them. If you are poor then your family and friends are more important to you than money and things. If you are hungry then you appreciate food more. If you are sad then sometimes it's easier to remember to pray.

But things that seem bad have another hidden blessing in them- when you are suffering, you can give your sadness or hurt to Jesus. Tell Him you are offering it up along with Him on the cross. He will give you grace to make your soul stronger. You can offer things up for other people too, and God will use your gift to help them!

Next time you feel unhappy about something, try to find the hidden blessing!

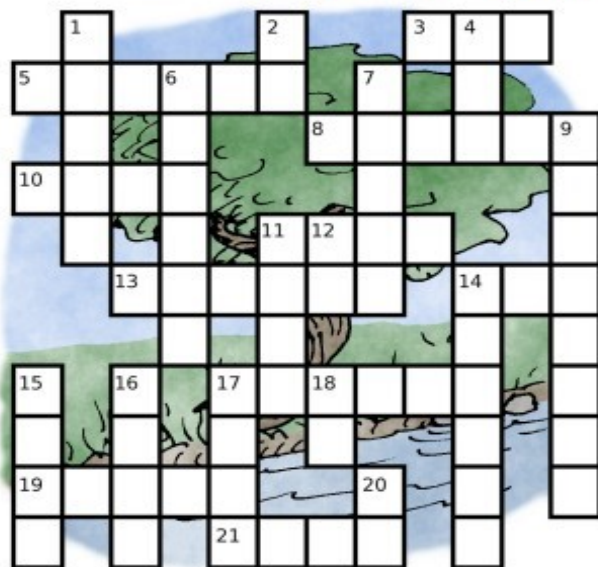
Answers to Cross-Word puzzle:
Across: 3. who 5. trusts 8. cursed 10. year 11. that 13. barren
14. but 17. beings 19. roots 21. heat
Down: 1. green 2. is 4. his 6. stream 7. human 9. distress
11. tree 12. he 14. beside 15. Lord 16. from 17. bush 18. in
20. it

**JESUS,
I OFFER
THIS UP
TO
YOU!**



Trust in the Lord

Cross-Word



beings it
 distress tree
 stream is
 human but
 trusts who
 cursed he
 beside in
 roots his
 barren bush
 green Lord
 heat that
 year from

*Here is today's first reading, from Jeremiah.
 Fill in the blanks using the words from the list and fit
 them into the puzzle.*

Thus says the Lord:

8a is the one who trusts in 7d 17a,

3a seeks 4d strength 18d flesh,

whose heart turns away 16d the Lord.

12d is like a 13a 17d in the desert

11a enjoys no change of season,

14a stands in a lava waste, a salt and empty earth.

Blessed is the one who 5a in the Lord,

whose hope is the 15d.

He 2d like a 11d planted 14d the waters that
 stretches out its 19a to the 6d;

it fears not the 21a when 20d comes; its leaves stay 1d;

in the 10a of drought it shows no 9d,

but still bears fruit.