

**OUR VISION:**

**“WE ARE CONTINUALLY ATTRACTING PEOPLE TO ST LUKE’S AND EVERYONE WHO ENGAGES AS A MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY IS TRANSFORMED IN EVERY AREA OF THEIR LIFE BY HAVING A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.”**



**First Reading**

Is 6:1-8

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.’

**Responsorial Psalm**

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

**Second Reading**

1 Cor 15:1-11

Brothers and sisters, 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 and sisters 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; 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.

**Gospel**

Lk 5:1-11

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 people you will catch.’ Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

**Reflection: Hearing the Call**

Like Isaiah and Peter, each and every one of us is called. It may not happen through Jesus stepping into our boat, but when we quieten our minds and our hearts enough to really listen, we become aware that God truly is calling to each and every one of us.

The call comes to us through our friends; our experiences; our hopes and our fears. Sometimes we are so afraid of hearing the call that we fill our lives with noise and distractions. We fear that the call will involve hardship, or at the very least: unpopularity. But that’s no excuse!

- Greg Sunter



**WANT TO GIVE TO ST LUKE’S?**



Choose ‘**MARSDEN PARK – St Luke’s Catholic Faith Community**’

**St Luke’s Building fund**  
(for a future Church building)

BSB: 067 950

Account: 0004307

Account Name: St Luke’s Marsden Park

Reference: Your name

**Please consider making these recurring payments (weekly).**

**We welcome this week as our Celebrants:**

Fr Gregory Jacobs (Vigil)

Fr Joseph Nguyen (10am)

**ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER...**

If you have prayer needs, please visit our website <https://stlukesmarsdenpark.org.au/> and scroll down to the heading; ‘Submit your own prayer intention or prayer of thanks.’ We have a team of prayer warriors ready to pray for your requests. If you would like to speak personally, please call me on 8840 8521 or email [tony.hoban@parracatholic.org](mailto:tony.hoban@parracatholic.org) Blessings to you and your family at this difficult time.  
Deacon Tony

## Donate to Caritas Australia Emergency Appeal for Tonga

Tonga is reeling after a violent underwater volcano eruption triggered tsunamis, destroyed telecommunications and blanketed the country in ash and rock. Roads, bridges and homes are damaged. Water supplies have been contaminated by volcanic ash and saltwater. Tonga needs your prayer and support urgently. Give now to help with emergency response. Visit [www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific](http://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific) or call 1800 024 413 toll free to make your donation.

### Positions Vacant:

- *Project Officer* – Parramatta Young Christian Workers
- *Graduate Accountant* – Diocesan Development Fund, Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: [parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)



### Novena to the Mother of Perpetual Help:

Wednesdays at 7.30pm via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/624180454>

### \*\*POSTPONED\*\*

#### St Josephine Bakhita Feast Day Mass

Dear friends. Unfortunately, due to concerns around the current strain of COVID-19, the Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Josephine Bakhita, Patron Saint of South Sudan and Sudan and of the Victims of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking, on Tuesday 8 February 2022 has been postponed. Information on a rescheduled date will be sent in due course.

#### CANCELLED: World Day of the Sick Mass 2022

Dear friends, please be aware that due to the coronavirus, the World Day of the Sick Mass that was scheduled for 11 February 2022 at St Patrick's Church, Blacktown has now been cancelled. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact [comms@parracatholic.org](mailto:comms@parracatholic.org) or (02) 8838 3400.

#### ACU database offers easily accessible Church teaching on ethics questions

Explore [www.ethicsfinder.com](http://www.ethicsfinder.com). Wish you could easily find Church teaching and the best articles, books and videos on bioethics, business ethics, cancel culture, human rights, marriage, family, subsidiarity, and 100+ other topics? Try ACU's free, digital tool [www.ethicsfinder.com](http://www.ethicsfinder.com).

#### God's Word 2022 daily reflections booklet available at St Pat's Gift Shop!

God's Word 2022, a book of daily reflections, offers a great service for all who

wish to unite their prayer with the Sacred Liturgy and be spiritually nourished by the Word of God. Copies are now available from St Patrick's Gift Shop, located in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta for \$19.95. Visit the website [www.stpatricksgiftshop.com](http://www.stpatricksgiftshop.com) or grab in store on Tuesdays to Fridays 10am-3pm and Sundays 9am-1pm.

#### Glenbrook Parish Liturgical Formation Day: 19 February

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting a liturgy formation day on 'The Mass – we go there but we don't get it' on Saturday 19 February, beginning with Morning Mass at 9.15am and finishing at 1pm with lunch. Fr Peter Williams AM, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia will present a talk, followed by a Q&A session. Cost is a donation for catering purposes. Please RSVP by 15 February to [secretary@stfinbars.org.au](mailto:secretary@stfinbars.org.au)

#### Pastoral Formation offering leadership and formation courses in 2022

In 2022, we can still deepen our community connections and growth in faith! To encourage this, Pastoral Formation – Diocese of Parramatta has two programs FOR YOU – all offered in a COVID-safe manner.

1) Ministry Leadership Program: Perfect for current and aspiring ministry leaders. 10 or 20 sessions (\$10/session).

2) Themes of Faith Program: Ideal for people interested in asking life & faith questions in discussion groups. 10 sessions (\$5/session).

See our website [pfparra.org.au](http://pfparra.org.au) or email [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org) for more details



#### 26 February 2022

Save the Date!

Our first Bunnings Sausage Sizzle 'Church Building' fundraiser for this year will be on 26<sup>th</sup> February, from 8am-4pm, at Bunnings Marsden Park. We will need many volunteers to help make this day a real success. If you would like to assist with cooking/selling please email us at: [marsdenpark@parracatholic.org](mailto:marsdenpark@parracatholic.org) for a link to the roster.

#### BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Catholic Christian family - the Body of Christ - this child who has recently been Baptised....



**Kassandra Nael**

Please uphold her and her family in prayer.

## 2022 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES AT ST LUKE'S

### First Holy Communion

Preparation dates (6pm – 7pm):

Wednesday May 25,

Wednesday, June 1

Wednesday, June 15

Sacrament received: Sunday, June 19

### First Reconciliation

Preparation Dates (6pm – 7pm):

Wednesday, July 20

Wednesday, July 27

Wednesday, August 3

Sacrament received: Wednesday, August 10 or 17 (TBC)

### Confirmation

Preparation Dates:

Wednesday, October 12, 6-7pm

Wednesday, October 19, 6-7pm

Friday, October 21, 7-8.45pm\*

Friday, October 26, 6-7pm

Sacrament received: Sunday, October 30, 10am Mass

\* As part of St Luke's Youth Group (Saints in Training).



Our first 'Saints-in-Training' youth group meeting for 2022 will be on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February from 7pm-8.30pm in the

Marketplace at St Luke's. For more information email: [saintlukesyg@gmail.com](mailto:saintlukesyg@gmail.com)



#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 10.00am

#### RECONCILIATION

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month after the Vigil Mass

Baptisms available most Sundays after Mass. Apply via email.

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