



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 6:1-8
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11



Readings for
next Sunday

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



Liturgical Jottings

Seraphim

The Prophet Isaiah introduces the angelic order of seraph to Judaism, Christianity and Islam. "Seraphim" means "those who are on fire, Today's first reading we learn that the Seraphim or seraphs give praise and glory to God in Heaven. Likewise angels in the Responsorial Psalm (137:1) accompany the psalmist to sing praise. In both testaments the Angels are depicted as messengers, defenders and generally agents of God's providence.

Seraphim also feature in our liturgy in four of the Roman Prefaces. In the Franciscan Missal St Francis is called the Seraphic Father and St Bonaventure the Seraphic Doctor. The Franciscans are called the Seraphic order.

Looking at the Readings

Installing lights on tractors, explained a farmer's wife, was the worse innovation for agricultural life. No longer did the farmer, grazier, harvester, come home at sunset for dinner. Before Christ to the latter part of the twentieth century outdoor work, especially farming, was done in daylight. Nefarious activities were confined to night-time. Hence the situation in today's Gospel: The fisherman caught nothing all night. Now in the daytime they had a marvellous haul of fish.

The double lesson did not escape Peter. The dawn of new light gave deeper insight to his life and the miraculous catch, far beyond the natural order, revealed Christ as a great and holy person. Like Peter, the disciple is invited to recognise Jesus in their life, and leave everything to follow him. We do so in a Christian way. We retain balance in life, with work and family and give priority to God and his Word that gives true life.

Word of God Sunday

In September 2019, Pope Francis instituted Sunday of the Word of God encouraging the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God. While most countries celebrate the day on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Church in Australia celebrates it on the first Sunday in February each year since 2020.

The first Eucharistic Prayer of Masses for Various Needs would be particularly appropriate. It acknowledges the Word of Christ's Gospel calling us to unity across every people, tongue and nation, and asks that the Church be renewed by the light of the Gospel.

Other suggestions to celebrate, study and disseminate include: Procession and Enthronement of the Book of the Gospels, Brief Homily on the beauty of the Word in our daily lives, Scripturally based Prayers, Commissioning Readers. Bible Study groups, Gifts of the Bible or just a copy Mark's Gospel for this year.

World Day of Prayer for the Sick

This day is celebrated on the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, Friday 11 February, around the world. "A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned." Pope Francis World Day of Prayer for the Sick 2021

On the Lighter Side

St Peter declared himself a sinner (peccatore [Ital], pécheur [Fr], pecador [Sp] peccator [Lat]). Jesus called him a fisherman (pescatore, pêcheur, pescador, piscator). At least in these languages there is not much difference between the two.



	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	Carmine (Charlie) Nigro,
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Mario Muto, Betty Curtis, Margaret Carney, Trevor Hilton-Howell
	Our sick and their carers	Phyllis Newman

Two Week Mass Timetable Week commencing 7th February

Weekday Mass

Mon 7th Feb No Mass
 Tue 8th Feb No Mass
 Wed 9th Feb 9:15 am Mass
 Thur 10th Feb No Mass
 Fri 11th Feb 9:15 am Mass

Weekend Mass

Sat 12th Feb No Mass
 Sun 13th Feb 10:00 am Mass

Weekday Mass

Mon 14th Feb No Mass
 Tue 15th Feb No Mass
 Wed 16th Feb 9:15 am Mass
 Thur 17th Feb No Mass
 Fri 18th Feb 9:15 am Mass

Weekend Mass

Sat 19th Feb No Mass
 Sun 20th Feb 10:00 am Mass

Reconciliation (1st Saturday of the Month)
 Saturday 5th March 2022



JOURNEY
CATHOLIC RADIO

"he also says to us, do not be afraid"

FR DAVID CATTERALL

This week on the Journey (Ep 444)

On the Journey this week: Fr David Catterall says that on Word of God Sunday, we are called to step out into the deep and take God's Word and proclaim it in word and action. Mother Hilda has a story of 5 blind men describing an elephant. We introduce new presenter Fr Anthony Crook, plus Trish McCarthy and Fr Dave Callaghan, and more great music!

Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

Priesthood Ordination of Rev. Jackson Saunders

I am very pleased to advise you that I have accepted the recommendation of Corpus Christi Seminary, warmly endorsed by the College of Consultors, that Deacon Jackson Saunders be ordained as a priest.

His ordination will take place

Venue: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo,
 Date: Saturday 26 March,
 Time: 11.00am.

Please pray for Jackson during this time of preparation.

Yours sincerely,
 +Shane Mackinlay

Looking for your help

Do you realise what talents you have?
 Would you like to use your talents to help your parish?

There are so many different tasks around the parish that we need your help with. We need people to help us with Pastoral Care - Baptism program – Maintenance - Child Safety - Finance - Administration

The weekend of 19 and 20 February we will discuss the various functions and how you can help. If you have any questions or would like to find out more before this weekend, please talk to myself or Mary.

Very Rev John Paul Pasala

Administration Support Position Available

St Brendan's Catholic Church Office
121 Knight Street, Shepparton
2 days/week

(Thursdays and Fridays)

9am – 3pm

Email shepparton@cdos.org.au or

phone 5821 2633 to obtain Position Description

In line with current state COVID-19 requirements, this
position has been identified as requiring
a COVID-19 vaccination

Applications close 14th February 2022

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN WHAT THE CATHOLIC FAITH TEACHES?

In 2022, the local Adult Faith Education ministry will once again be running every week. These classes are for anyone who wants to learn more about what the Catholic faith actually teaches, by taking an in-depth look at the Catechism. Led by a local Theology teacher, each week we unpack the teachings of the Church in a clear and approachable way.

The classes run **every Tuesday night, 7:30pm-8:30pm** at the St. Brendan's Parish Centre, beginning on **February 15th**. Make 2022 the year where you commit to learning the Catholic faith in a deeper way. All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Hayden on 0438 071 630.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR LENT?

We have two programs to present to you. You browse through and make your decision and either follow it up yourself or let us do the ordering for you.

Remember published by the Diocese of Wollongong. The cost is \$9.90 for the booklet, or you can get the booklet and CD set for \$15.40.

Restoring Freshness in the Time of Lent published by Garratt Publishing, The cost is \$8.95.

Samples are in the Narthex and a form if you would like us to order them for last day for Orders will be Wednesday 9th February.

ITALIAN ROSARY

Il Rosario italiano sarà recitato in Chiesa venerdì 11 febbraio alle ore 14.00.

The Italian Rosary will be recited in the Church on Friday 11th February at 2.00pm

Parish BBQ

Fr John invites all parishioners, their families and friends to join with him for a Parish BBQ at 6pm on Friday 18th February.

This is a great opportunity for us to socialise, enjoy good food and fellowship

To help with the main meal catering please let Mary know by Wednesday 16th February, by phoning or texting 0484 332 397.

Please bring a Salad or a Dessert to share (please let Mary know what you plan to bring) also please bring your own chair and drinks.

Caritas/Justice Meetings Tuesday 8th February 5:15pm

If you are interested in becoming our Parish Representative for Caritas, please consider attending the meeting on Tuesday 8th with Trish Warnet. For more information please talk to Trish.

GOULBURN VALLEY Deanery
Tuesday 8th Feb at Shepparton 5.00 pm
St Brendan's Meeting Room, behind church,
Knight St Shepparton Cuppa at 5.00pm Meeting
begins 5.15 pm & concludes 7.00 pm

A big thank you, we collected a total \$620 for the Caritas appeals for Tonga and Philippines.