

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Simon Peter, the fisherman, is the first to be called personally by Jesus in Luke's Gospel.

His calling resembles Isaiah's commissioning in the First Reading: confronted with the holiness of the Lord, both Peter and Isaiah are overwhelmed by a sense of their own sinfulness and inadequacy. Yet each experiences the Lord's forgiveness and is sent to preach the good news of His mercy to the world.

No one is "fit to be called an apostle," Paul recognizes in today's Epistle. But by "the grace of God," even a persecutor of the Church—as Paul once was—can be lifted up for the Lord's service.

In the Old Testament, humanity was unfit for the divine—no man could stand in God's presence and live. But in Jesus, we're made able to speak with Him face-to-face, to taste His Word on our tongue.

Today's scene from Isaiah is recalled in every Mass. Before reading the Gospel, the priest silently asks God to cleanse his lips that he might worthily proclaim His Word.

God's Word comes to us as it came to Peter, Paul, Isaiah, and today's Psalmist—as a personal call to leave everything and follow Him, to surrender our weaknesses in order to be filled with His strength.

Simon put out into deep waters even though, as a professional fisherman, he knew it would be foolhardy to expect to catch anything. In humbling himself before the Lord's command, he was exalted—his nets filled to overflowing; later, as Paul tells us, he will become the first to see the risen Lord.

Jesus has made us worthy to receive Him in the company of angels in God's holy Temple. On our knees like Peter, with the humility of David in today's Psalm, we thank Him with all our hearts and join in the unending hymn that Isaiah heard around God's altar: "Holy, holy, holy . . .".

SOLEMN THANKSGIVING MASS FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF BLESSED DON GIOVANNI MERLINI

Please join us on Saturday, February 15 at 4:30PM Mass with The Most Reverend Robert Kasun together with the Very Emanuele Lupi, C.P.P.S. (Moderator General of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood) and concelebrating priests for the Solemn Thanksgiving Mass for the Beatification of Blessed Don Giovanni Merlini. After Mass there will be refreshments in the Parish Hall. All are welcome!

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Feb. 11, at 8AM & 12:05PM Masses - Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of Prayer for the Sick and its caregiver. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the sick will be administered after the Mass.

CWL BINGO NIGHT

The St Charles Borromeo Catholic Women's League is thrilled to present our Third Bingo Night with 50/50 Raffle on Friday, February 21st in the Parish Hall open to ALL parishioners. Dinner starts at 6pm with a choice of Veal, Sausage or Eggplant Sandwich with 1 beverage and a bag of chips followed by coffee and dessert. Additional beverages will be \$1.00 each. Bingo starts at 7pm sharp to 9:30pm. Tickets cost \$30 per person and include one dinner meal and 5 Bingo cards and can be purchased by contacting Gigetta Rizzo-Daudlin at 416-857-0108 or Anna Figliano Bellissimo at 647-444-6762. Ticket sales are limited and will not be available at the door on Bingo night. We are looking forward to enjoying a delightful evening with great fun and lots of prizes.

44TH ANNUAL CONCELEBRATED MASS IN HONOUR OF ST. PATRICK

The 44th Annual Concelebrated Mass in Honour of Saint Patrick will take place on Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025, 3:00 to 6 p.m. at St. Cecilia's Church, 163 Annette St., Toronto (Corner of Pacific Ave. and Annette St.; two blocks west of Keele St.)_Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be His Eminence, Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto. Eithne Heffernan will be the Guest Irish Harpist. Ceremonial co-ordinator will be Hugo Straney. An informal reception will follow the Mass in the church Hall, with refreshments and Irish entertainment provided by Michael Kelly and Irish dancers from Johnson Irish Dance.

THE SOURCE - HOLY HOUR - FEBRUARY 2025

Join the Sisters of Life and the Office of Catholic Youth on Thursday, February 20, 2025 7:00PM at St. Peter's Church, 840 Bathurst Street, Toronto, for an evening of prayer. Spend some time with Our Lord amidst your busy schedule with the source and summit of our faith – Jesus in the Eucharist. There will be some time for fellowship and refreshments after the Holy Hour.

Holy hour with music: 7 p.m. Confessions available Social: 8-9 p.m.

V DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Questa domenica ha un tema preciso: la vocazione. Vocazione di Isaia e vocazione delle due coppie di fratelli, Simone e Andrea, Giacomo e Giovanni. Vocazioni speciali che inducono alla riflessione, sia sulle vocazioni speciali di oggi – sacerdozio, vita religiosa – sia su quelle comuni ad ogni cristiano e ad ogni uomo. Ognuno ha un ruolo, nessuno sta sulla terra per nulla.

Domenica scorsa ci è stata proposta la vocazione di Geremia, oggi la vocazione di Isaia: personaggi diversi per natura, vissuti in epoche differenti, Isaia in un periodo di relativo benessere, Geremia nel vortice della deportazione in Babilonia. Questo racconto della vocazione di Isaia è affascinante per le immagini e si conclude con il grido della generosità: “Eccomi, manda me!”

Inizia la lettura del 15 capitolo della lettera ai Corinzi, che ha per tema la risurrezione di Cristo e nostra. Si protrarrà per quattro domeniche. Su questo tema si gioca il destino dell’uomo e il destino della fede.

Un episodio carico di significati e di segnali” Gesù sale sulla barca di Pietro e invita a gettare le reti contro ogni norma di buon senso. La pesca è eccezionale. Pietro riconosce di essere un povero peccatore: a lui si uniscono il fratello e i due figli di Zebedeo. Ci sono spunti per molte applicazioni alla nostra vita.

SERATA BINGO CWL

La “Catholic Women's League” di San Carlo Borromeo, è lieta di annunciare la nostra terza serata di bingo con lotteria 50/50 venerdì 21 febbraio nella sala parrocchiale aperta a TUTTI i parrocchiani. La serata inizia con “cenetta”, alle 18:00, con una scelta di panino con vitello, salsiccia o melanzane, con 1 bevanda e un sacchetto di patatine, seguito da caffè e dolce. Le bevande aggiuntive costeranno \$ 1,00 ciascuna. Il bingo inizia alle 19:00 in punto fino alle 21:30. I biglietti costano \$ 30 a persona e includono la cenetta e 5 cartelle del bingo e possono essere acquistati contattando Gigetta Rizzo-Daudlin al numero 416-857-0108 o Anna Figliano Bellissimo al numero 647-444-6762. La vendita dei biglietti è limitata e non saranno disponibili alla porta la sera del bingo. Non vediamo l'ora di goderci una serata deliziosa con tanto divertimento e tanti premi.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the souls of Rosa “Bibi”Valdez, Maria De Caria, Sebastriano Montoni, Cesario Pascua whose funerals were celebrated this past week in our Church.

*Masses of the Week***SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

4:30PM Fernando La Posta, Argia & Antonio Della Savia, Ulderico Farelli, Anthonit Pagal

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8:00AM Anna e Luigi Ianacci
9:30AM Benito Porco
11:00AM Davide Sisca, Nilda e Saverio Coiro, Luciano Chiarotto, Liliana Mammone, Sebastiano Montoni, Lucia Giancola
12:30PM Gloria & Josè De Melo

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue
12:05PM In Honour Of The Blessed Mother and Angels
7:00 PM Pietro Francella

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8:00AM Casimiro Baldesarra
12:05PM Giuseppe Mario Nervo, Veronica & Simeon Fermindoza
7:00 PM Vincenzo Pietroniro

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:00AM Per La Guarigione di Vanessa Speranza
12:05PM Ortencia & Joaquim Barbosa

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue
12:05PM Antonio Gomes, Franco Palazzolo

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00AM Vittoria Iacobu
12:05PM Vittorio Manni

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

4:30PM Blessings for Luke Martins, For the Soul of Carlos Jacinto & Family