

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
the man who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 5:13-16

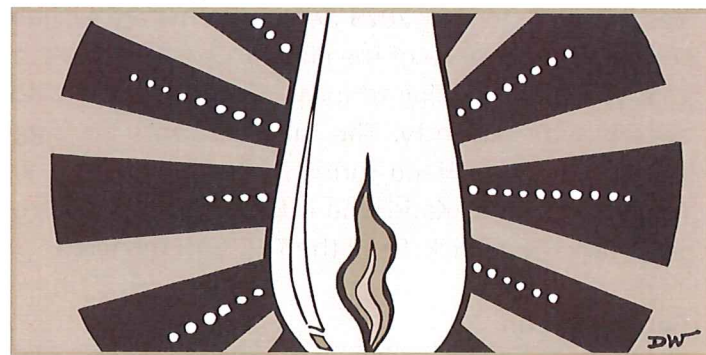
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

You are the light of the world.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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Breaking Open the Word



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

5 FEBRUARY 2023

FIRM FOUNDATIONS

When the people of Israel returned from exile it was a time of great hope and rejoicing. God's promises had proved true and their persistence in faith had been rewarded. Now was the time to rebuild and people set about re-establishing their lives, homes and businesses. During the exile, they had been united in their suffering but now there was the danger of people looking after themselves at the cost of others. Isaiah was concerned to nip this in the bud showing that the best foundation on which to rebuild was their concern for others, especially the poor and the disadvantaged. In this way, their lives would be a shining example. In the gospel, Jesus calls each of us to examine the quality of our care for our brothers and sisters. It is by means of our practical concern that we can be salt for the earth and light for our world.

Paul was concerned that the faith of some of the Corinthian Christians was not built on a firm foundation. They had been overly impressed by the quality of the preaching and rhetoric of the various preachers who had worked among them. He knew that while their response was understandable, it was nonetheless misguided. At the end of the day, he knew that rhetoric and philosophy would never build a foundation that could challenge the one built on the self-giving love of Jesus. With their eyes fixed on the crucified one, they could learn true wisdom and the meaning of love.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Isa 58:7-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Your light will shine like the dawn.

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,
and shelter the homeless poor;
clothe the man you see to be naked
and turn not from your own kin.
Then your light will shine like the dawn
and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you
and the glory of the Lord behind you.
Cry, and the Lord will answer;
call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke,
the clenched fist, the wicked word,
if you give your bread to the hungry,
and relief to the oppressed,
your light will rise in the darkness,
and your shadows become like noon.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

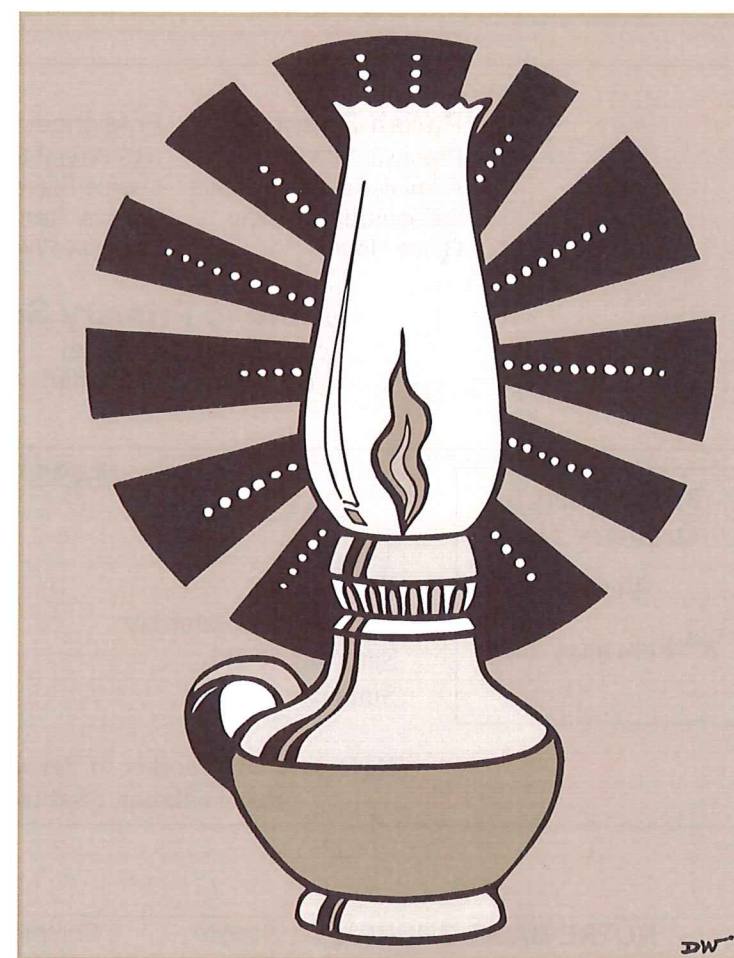
Ps 111:4-9. R. v. 4

R. A light rises in the darkness for the upright. (or **Alleluia!**)

1. He is light in the darkness for the upright: / he is generous, merciful and just. / The good man takes pity and lends, / he conducts his affairs with honour. **R.**

2. The just man will never waver: / he will be remembered for ever. / He has no fear of evil news; / with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. **R.**

3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; / open-handed, he gives to the poor; / his justice stands firm for ever. / His head will be raised in glory. **R.**



SECOND READING

1 Cor 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

■ The word of the Lord.



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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

5th February 2023

MASS TIMES

Tuesday	5.30pm
Wednesday	8.45am
Thursday to Saturday	8.30am
Saturday	6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8.00am, 10.00am & 6pm

Baptism & Wedding Bookings : Please call the Parish Office

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 6pm

Reconciliation : Saturday 9.00am – 9.30am

	NOTRE DAME CHURCH	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Special Ministers	Altar Servers
R O	Saturday 11 th Feb 2023 6.00pm	Greg Kempton		Phillipa Timms Leonie Blake	T Khoo L Blake	B Kareng J Chapin
S T	Sunday 12 th Feb 2023 8am Mass	George Sekulla	G Ottaway	S Robinson Alina Sali	L Millington G Ottaway	P Sekulla
E R	10.00am Mass	Malcolm Barraclough	Joy Intervencion	I Intervencion N Barker	M Bijoux V Erskine	T Harding S Barker
	6pm Mass	Ramil Cortez		S Irene R Gayagoy	J & R Fernandez	S Surin

PARISH NOTICES

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE! We all have our special gifts, but sometimes we fail to recognize this. We may feel that we have little to offer others. That is never true. As Jesus says: 'you are the salt of the earth! You are the light of the world!' Let us ask Jesus

Multicultural Friendship Dinner Dance Feb 18th

This is our first big fundraiser for the year.

Come join us in the Parish Centre on Saturday 18th February 7.30pm – to 10.30 pm for a 3 course Banquet of Entree, Main & Dessert. BYO Drinks & drink ware. Coffee & Tea included. Music provided by our wonderfully talented Rozario Family Band.

Tickets are \$35.00 per person and available from Rita: 0419 900 455 or Rosemary 0421 580 783.

There will also be raffles, \$100 board & door prizes.

After school Religious Classes

Have commenced in the Parish Centre on Thursday afternoons 4.30 – 5.30pm. If you have a child or children attending a non catholic school & wish for them to receive instructions in preparation for the Sacraments, please contact Muriel via email,

mbijoux@optusnet.com.au

Morning Tea & Food Stall – Sunday 5th February

Morning Tea will be served after the 8am & 10am Masses. Curries, Rice, Fried Rice, Pickles & Sweet Treats will be available for purchase. Curries will be \$10 each. Foods will be available for purchase also after the 6pm Mass (4th February). All funds raised will go the PBF.

In Memoriam

We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially: *Ivy & Harry Klass, Sharon Fletcher, Stephen & Margaret D'Cruz, Nicola & Carmela Di Giovanni, Michael Orsi, deceased members of Kym Nguyen's Family and all souls in Purgatory.*

Pilgrim Statues – 4th February 2023

If you wish for one of 'Our Lady's Statues to visit your home for a week, please contact Sandra 9277 2878
J Turner U6/30C Chester St Belmont & A Colum 12 Pearl Rd, Cloverdale.

Word of God Sunday

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February, February 5 in 2023 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to 'the celebration, study and dissemination' of the Word of God.

Centre for Liturgy – Upcoming Workshops

Proclaimers of the Word: Saturday 11th February 10am – 12pm @ CFL 28 Marda Way Nollamara. \$10.00 pp.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Saturday 18th February 9.30am – 11.30am @ CFL 28 Marda Way, Nollamara.

To book E: cfl@perthcatholic.org.au or phone 92073350.

Safeguarding Induction Training Level – 1

Online courses for Church workers (paid/unpaid) will be held on the following dates: 2nd Feb @ 10am, 13th Feb @ 2pm & 21st Feb @ 7pm. For further information safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/>

Footy Tipping AFL Season 2023

Yes it is back for the 2023 Season Forms are available from either entrance of the church. Cross out the team that you think is going to loose. Do this for the whole season. \$10 per entry. The more entrants the bigger the prize money. Hand forms to family members and friends. Thanks to Katie who is taking on this task from John York. Good luck. Read the T&C's on the form.

Parish Bulletin

To those that think we have changed the format again, NO, this is a temporary change. Due to the age of the parish computer and not the operator, it decided on Friday, just gone, to go to computer heaven. Hopefully on Fr Quynh's return our technical issues will be resolved.

Feasts for the Week

6th February: St Paul Miki and Companions

10th February: St Scholastica