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## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Eucharistic Adoration**

Mon 9AM - 7PM

Fri 6PM - 7PM

Sun 9AM - 10AM

**Confessions**

Fri 6PM, Sat 10AM,

Sun 9:30AM



**I can't do this...** God chose the Prophet Isaiah, St Paul, and St Peter, yet each struggled with a deep awareness of their own weaknesses. They felt unworthy, convinced their flaws made them too sinful to truly fulfil God's mission. But God's grace always fills the gaps in our weakness. Isaiah, is given a glimpse of the splendour of God and becomes overwhelmed by his own imperfections, and cried out, "Woe is me! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips." Yet God purified him and sent him forth as a prophet. Paul, who once persecuted the Church with zeal, became its greatest apostle—not through his own merit, but by the transformative power of God's grace. Peter, an impulsive, uneducated fisherman who denied Jesus in His hour of need, was still chosen to be the rock upon which the Church was built. In the gospel Peter, overwhelmed in the presence of Christ and aware of his own sins, simply asks the Lord to leave. How can sinful humanity stand in the presence of God himself? But Jesus simply says 'Do not be afraid...' and Peter is given the task of being an Apostle, sharing in the mission of Christ. Both Isaiah and Peter are painfully aware of their shortcomings, acknowledge that and then the mercy of God equips them to be His servants. God is both the cause of their penitence, their acknowledgment of sin and yet also the cure for it! Like them, we often feel inadequate: "I'm not enough. I just can't do it." We may feel distant from God, but He is never distant from us. His love is constant, personal, and unwavering - loving each of us as if we were His only child. Surrendering control to God can feel like a painful loss, but it's a holy surrender. Our small, imperfect offerings are made worthy through Christ, and in His hands, even the smallest gift helps build His Kingdom. ...**I can, with God's help!**

Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Feria in Ordinary Time	09.30 AM 18.00 PM	Eddie O'Carroll RIP The Dean Family
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:00 AM 18.00 PM	Janet Eyles (Wellbeing) For Peace in the World.
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	Mary Melia RIP Tom Donnelly RIP
Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	Mass for all those who are sick. Jess & Moira Cottom (Wellbeing)
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	Michael Bedford RIP Tim Nevin RIP
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00 AM 14:00 PM 19.00 PM	Deceased members of Costello family Funeral Service of Tony Underwood William Keaney RIP
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Feast of St Cyril, Monk, and St Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	John & Joseph Curry RIP Ronald Aloysius Mendes (Anniversary)
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	Feria in Ordinary Time	09.30 AM 18.00 PM	All Parishioners Annetta Quigley RIP

**This Week's Gospel – Luke 5:1-11**  
**'They left everything and followed him.'**

At that time: The crowd was pressing in on Jesus to hear the word of God. He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.' And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.' And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.' For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.' And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**In the presence of the angels I praise you, O Lord.**

**Anointing Mass for the Sick**

Anointing Mass for the Sick will be held on **Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Feb at 10 AM** which is the **Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**. Transportation is available to those who would like to attend and are not able to drive or use public transport. There will be Tea & Coffee in Hibberts Hall after the Mass.

**Catechism Class for Children**

This Sunday (9<sup>th</sup> Feb), after the Morning Mass, **there will be a meeting for parents of children who attend the Sunday Catechism classes**. At this meeting, important details will be provided, and the admission form will be completed. If parents are unable to attend this week, there will be another opportunity to fill out the form next week.

**Retrouvaille**

Retrouvaille is a Catholic ministry for marriages in difficulty, helping couples whose relationships 'need a little help' to those with more serious challenges and thus are separated or considering divorce. The next program runs online from **Thu 27<sup>th</sup> Feb to Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar 2025**. The programmes has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. To register contact 0788 7296983 / [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk) or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

Join St Joseph's RC Church, Cardiff, on a spiritual journey to Medjugorje from **30<sup>th</sup> Mar to 6<sup>th</sup> Apr 2025**. The package costs £749 per person in a shared room, with an optional single supplement for £180. It includes return flights from Bristol, airport transfers, a local guide for 7 days, and 7 nights' half board accommodation. Contact Fr Jose on **01788562202 / [cathays@rcadc.org](mailto:cathays@rcadc.org)** for more details.

**Grandparents Faith Café**

The Catholic Grandparents Association invites you to a special online session on **Tue, 11<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7:30 PM** with guest speaker Bishop Peter Collins, on the topic '**The Lessons of Infirmary**' in honour of the World Day of Prayer for the Sick and Our Lady of Lourdes. Visit [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org).

**Evangelisation & Culture Conference**

Discover a profound opportunity to uncover the spiritual and theological meaning of the Bible with the Catholic approach, at the Bible conference hosted by **Word on Fire at Excel London**, London on **Fri 21<sup>st</sup> to Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2025**. The speakers include **Bishop Robert Barron, Prof N.T. Wright, Prof Tracey Rowland** and many others. Book tickets at <https://events.wordonfire.org/the-bible-event>

**Individually Guided Retreat**

Join for a transformative Individually Guided Retreat at **Franciscan Centre Ladywell** from on **Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Feb (4 PM) to Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb (11 AM) 2025**. Step away from the noise and haste of your everyday life and into the quiet beauty of the centre in the heart of Surrey. Each day a trained spiritual director will be accompanied, who will listen attentively and offer suggestions for allowing you to go deeper into your relationship with God. Call **01483 675575** for details.

**FEARLESS/LIMITLESS Open Retreat 2025**

he Kenelm Youth Trust (KYT) is offering two exciting retreats in 2025. The Fearless Retreat (£99 pp) will be held from **Fri, 28<sup>th</sup> Feb to Sun, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar 2025** at Alton Castle, Staffordshire, featuring adventure, prayer, and outdoor activities for youth groups and leaders. The Limitless Retreat (£69 pp) is designed for young people in Years 10-13, focusing on leadership development through workshops, outdoor activities, and team-building exercises. Register at [www.tfaforms.com/5062739](http://www.tfaforms.com/5062739)

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Tony Underwood, Brian Cystal, Jamie Morris, William Keaney, Tom Donnelly, Teresa Summersgill

**FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME**

Sean Morris, Patrick Blake, Mary Melia, Brian Barbes, Jeannie Williams, Mary Cunningham, Maureen Dooley, Andree Flint, Alfons Linden, Indiana Ward, Jan Sliwa, Patricia Roden

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK**

Sharon Colleran, George Mears, Freddie Fereday, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Hattie Taylor, Val Muir, Philomena Lenny & Marie Niner, Sybil Brookes, Maureen Keane, Ginny Eves, Paula Smith, Michael Duffin, Breda O'Byrne, Alan Thomas, Antonio Hernandez, Eamon Curry, Janet Eyles, Malcolm Reeves, John Dover, Stuart Woodcock, Terry McSweeney, Johnny Stott, Alan Parish, Emariciana D'Souza, Joseph Deery,