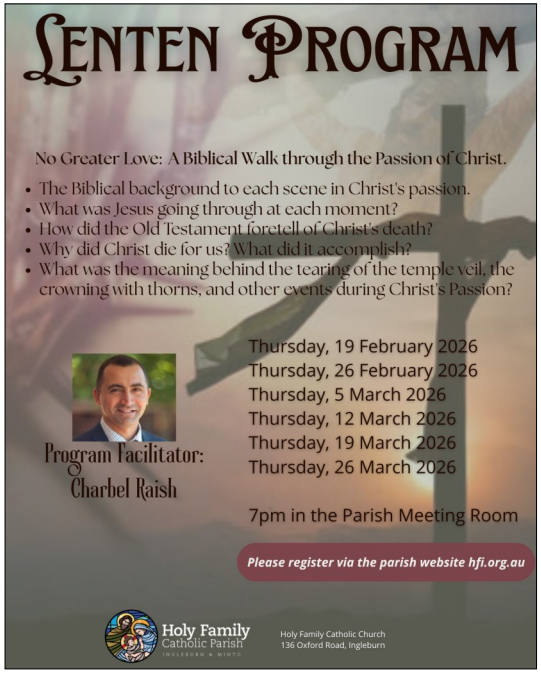

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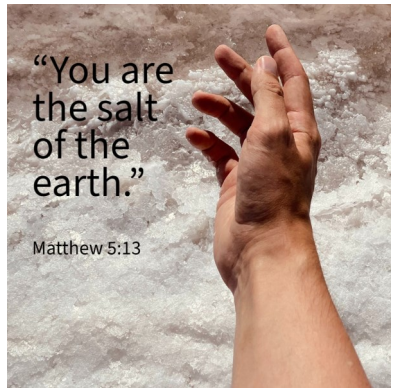
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
8 February 2026

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA



We live in a world where appearances frequently matter more than they should. Contrary to this predominating tendency, Jesus teaches us that what we do flows from who and what we are. We can enlighten the world with the message of the gospel, because our lives have been transformed by that gospel and now we ourselves are light for others. We can serve others in various ways, only because we have been saved by God's grace and now we are agents of that grace in the lives of others. Our own renewal becomes the means through which God renews the world.

This may sound grandiose, but it isn't. It is the truth about the way God works. Extraordinary things are accomplished through ordinary people. Jesus grew up as the son of a carpenter; some of the apostles were fishermen; Paul was a tentmaker; we are clerks and teachers, bus drivers and doctors, bank tellers and engineers. Like Paul we come to ministry in weakness and fear and much trembling. It is the Spirit and power of God that work the wonders, and God works them through mundane elements of life such as light and salt.

As children, many of us learned the corporal and the spiritual works of mercy. We learned that we can practise them in every walk of life. Today's readings remind us of this. We may not be asked to perform extraordinary feats, but all disciples of Jesus are called upon to do the ordinary things of life in an extraordinary way.

PARISH GROUPS & MEETINGS

LEGION OF MARY
6.30pm every Wednesday, Church Meeting Room.

BIBLE READING
9.45am 2nd & 4th Wednesday, Parish Meeting Room.

BIBLE STUDY
7pm 1st & 3rd Friday, Parish Meeting Room.

BIBLE SHARING
7pm 2nd & 4th Friday, Parish Meeting Room.

CHILDRENS LITURGY
Every Sunday during 9am Mass.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS
Information night for parents and social gathering for young people aged 12-28
Saturday 28 February at 6.30pm

SERVICE TIMES			
Holy Family	Mass	Wed - Fri	9am
		Tue	7pm
		First Friday of each month	6.30pm
		Sat	5pm Vigil
		Sun	9am and 5pm
	Adoration	Tues	7.30pm
	Benediction	First Friday of each month	9.30am
	Reconciliation	Tue Sat	6.30pm - 7pm 9am - 10am
Holy Trinity	*Rosary*	Mon	7pm
	Reconciliation	Wed	5.45pm - 6pm
	Mass	Wed	6pm
		Sun	8am

What's On In Our Parish

February

14 & 15 Project Compassion Sunday
Social Gathering Weekend after all Masses
18 Ash Wednesday (Holy Family 9am/11.35am (Parish School Mass)/7pm, Holy Trinity 6pm)
22 Older Children Baptism Preparation Session, 3.30pm Parish Meeting Room
26 Lenten Program, 7pm Parish Meeting Room

March

1 Older Children Baptism Preparation Session at 3.30pm
2 Sacrament of First Reconciliation Preparation Session 1 6.30pm Parish Meeting Room
8 Older Children Baptism Preparation Session at 3.30pm
9 Sacrament of First Reconciliation Preparation Session 2
16 Sacrament of First Reconciliation Preparation Session 3
17 St Patrick's Feast Day (Holy Family 9am/11.35am (Grade Mass - Yr 5 & Yr 1)/7pm)
19 St Joseph Feast Day (Holy Family 9am/11.35am (Grade Mass - Yr 2 & Yr 4)
23 Sacrament of First Reconciliation Preparation Session 4
25 Annunciation of the Lord (Holy Family 9am/11.35am (Grade Mass - Yr 6 & Yr 3), Holy Trinity 6pm)
29 Palm Sunday
30 Sacrament of Reconciliation Liturgy (5pm)

Liturgical Dates

February

10 St Scholastica, *Virgin*
11 Our Lady of Lourdes
14 Sts Cyril, *Monk* and Methodius, *Bishop*
18 Ash Wednesday
23 St Polycarp, *Bishop and Martyr*

March

17 St Patrick, *Bishop*
19 St Joseph, *Spouse of the Blessed virgin Mary*
25 Annunciation of the Lord
29 Palm Sunday

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 18 February **- Ash Wednesday**
Mass at 9am, 11.35am (School Mass) and 7pm, Holy Family Ingleburn
Mass at 6pm, Holy Trinity Minto

Thursday 26 February
Lenten Program with Charbel Raish
7pm Parish Meeting Room

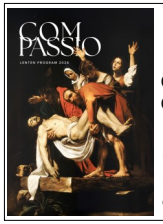
Monday 30 March **- Sacrament of Reconciliation**
5pm Liturgy (for enrolled candidates only)

REQUEST FOR PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE

We warmly invite members of our parish community who have professional skills - such as carpentry, plumbing, electricians, IT knowledge, gardening/landscaping, or related trades - to kindly offer their assistance from time to time.
If you are willing to help, please speak with Father Henry.
Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Has Your Child Been Baptised?

Our parish warmly invites families with children aged 5 to 12 years who have not yet been baptised to being their journey towards this Sacrament.
A preparation program will commence on *22 February at 3.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room*. For further information, please speak with Father Henry or the Parish Office .



2026 Diocesan Lenten Program Book - "Compassio"

AVAILABLE NOW

Copies of the 2026 Diocesan Lenten Book, "Compassio" are available for purchase from the table in the Church foyer for $4.50.

This Lent, enter into the heart of compassion - to "suffer with" - a grace-filled invitation to stand with Christ and with one another. Let this beautifully designed, 76-page, full-colour companion guide you through daily reflections, Sunday Gospel readings and reflections, spiritual direction, prayers, and group discussion questions, all crafted to deepen your encounter with God's mercy.

2026 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

****PLEASE REGISTER VIA THE PARISH WEBSITE****

Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion
If your child is in Year 3 or above, and has been Baptised, they are eligible to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in our parish.
The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be celebrated on Monday, 30 March 2026.
The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, 31 May 2026.

Are you a Catholic Teacher attending Holy Family Church?

We encourage Catholic teachers who are part of our parish community to connect with Father Henry. This is a valuable opportunity for Father Henry to get to know you, and for you to share your faith journey and a commitment to Catholic education. This information may be helpful for any pastoral references needed. Consider introducing yourself to Father Henry after Mass or make an appointment at a convenient time.
Thank you for your service to our parish and schools.

Thank You

With grateful hearts, we thank all our parish volunteers who so generously serve our parish.

We are deeply thankful for our liturgy team, altar servers, acolytes, bell ringers, flower ladies, musicians, choirs, and cleaning and gardening teams. Through your prayerful preparation, faithful service, and generous sharing of your gifts, you help lead our parish more fully into the sacred mystery of the Eucharist.

May God bless you abundantly for the time, love, and devotion you offer in service to Him and to our parish community.

With joyful hearts, we welcomed the newly Baptised into our Parish community:
Santiago Revollar, Avery D'Souza, Kira Woods, Carmelo Echano.
We ask God to bless these children, their parents, Godparents and families, to surround them with your goodness and lead them in Your light each day of their lives.

We pray ... For world leaders and policy makers to work to foster peace and justice in all nations. For those feeling overwhelmed and challenged in mind, body, soul and spirit. For those who have nobody to pray for them. For all the forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

For the sick and homebound: *May the saving power of the risen Lord bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies and send strength to their carers. Amen.* For our sick relatives, friends and parishioners and all who have nobody to pray for them; Maria Elizabeth Tuason, Emerlida Castillo, Rebecca Velasco, Susitina Unasa, Josephine Flores Ferrer.

For our recently dearly departed: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*
Walter Glynn, Flora Manuel-Castro, Benita Cervantes.

For those whose death anniversaries occur at this time: *Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace. Amen.* For those who have nobody to pray for them; For all of our family members and friends; Horatius Macariola, Clarita Trajano, Anicita Medalla, Francisco Medalla, Alfonso Emnas, Victoria C. Macariola, Luz U. Lopez, Queenie Pereira, Hubert Pereira, Arnold rodaje LaPena.

Other intentions: Offering for the Church from John Hall
Best wishes to all students, teachers, school staff, and families for the new school year. May the Lord grant you wisdom, patience, and joy, and may His loving presence accompany you throughout the year.