

SUNDAY TABLE SERVICE

9th February 2025

Let us sit and watch Songs of Praise together on the ABC



Setting our table for our Sunday lunch service.

Sometimes we eat, in front of the TV either together or alone; we eat on the run; we eat out in in restaurants or even in our car; but today we sit at a table that we have set for our Sunday lunch meal. It is our everyday altar of life-giving food. Give some thought to the presentation of our meal as a meditation on the importance of the time we are setting aside for worship, let us define the occasion by adding something special to our table. If you are celebrating this meal alone please be aware that **God Is With You.**

Have you ever listened to someone speak on a subjest. While listening your thinking these words are so true.? Can you imagine Peter, and all of a sudden this preacher climbs in his



boat. Jesus starts preaching to this mob on the beach. Peter would have heard every word Jesus was saying. These words we not the typical preachers words. What he hears ring true. Then Jesus tells Peter to fish once again. He'd fished all night, there weren't any fish. This time he catches many. Not only were Jesus words true but then he put action to his words.

opening prayer — consciously drawing together in our mind our Parish community around our table.

Be still and silent.

Visualise in your mind, those whom you invited to share with you. Pray:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
Here, and throughout the world,
We adore you O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world. Amen
Bless this food, both physical and spiritual.
Bless all who gather at your table, both seen and unseen,



Let us read and reflect on our cycle of readings.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 6 1-8

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a

man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted



out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

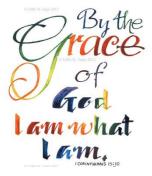
Psalm 138 — A.P.B.A. page 369

- 1. I will give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart: even before the gods will I sing your praises.
- 2. I will bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name: because of your faithfulness and your loving-kindness, for you have made your name and your word supreme over all things.
- 3. At a time when I called to you, you gave me answer: and put new strength with in my soul.
- 4. All the kings of the earth shall praise you O Lord: for they have heard the words of your mouth;
- 5. And they shall sing of the ways of the Lord: that the glory of the Lord is great.
- 6. For though the Lord is exalted he looks upon the lowly: and he comprehends the proud from afar.
- 7. Though I walk in the midst of danger yet will you preserve my life: you will stretch out your hand against the fury of my enemies and your right hand shall save me.
- 8. The Lord will complete his purpose for me: your loving-kindness O Lord endures for ever; do not forsake the work of your own hands.



A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians 15 1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you — unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that



he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been

in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them — though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 5 1-11

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let

down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.





The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sentence

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, and was buried, and was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and appeared to many. 1 Corinthians 15.3-4

Let us now engage in some quiet reflection, or conversation and sharing, responding to the Gospel passage. We may like to write down some key thoughts for further reflection.

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People can speak eloquently but the true test comes in ones actions. When someone is real in word and action there is no need to convince anyone. Their lives speak for themselves. This is why Jesus says to Peter I will make you a fisher of people. Its easy to get hooked on truth. With Jesus we can surrender all to follow him with amazing benifits.

prayer-time time We pray for family; for members of the parish and wider community, for the life and ministry of the Church, for encouragement in our journey of faith.



Father God, we pray for our world today. For all those recovering from natural disasters, war, famine and loss we pray for safe shelters and provision and protection for those affected and for those still in the path of danger. We give thanks for the ongoing peace in Gaza and pray for those being returned to their families.

We pray alongside those in our parish asking for prayer, Pratibha K, Jeanette B, Lynn H Barbara A, Jo M, Barbara W, Sue Mc, Griselda, Patrusca, Lorraine, Rachel (Bill *& Margarets

daughter), Steve, Ebony, Jean T, Nicole, David, Takoohi, Glenda, Margaret, Wendy, Gweneth, Jo and Ginne, Joyce and Ted, Matthew, Ann, Kathryn and Keiran, Ruth, Jean N, Colin, Georgia, Pat V, Brenda, Joanie, Jo, Jan, Joy I, Jac B; Eileen, Ursula P, Tom A, Nicholas & Ben; Sue & Frank G, Emily and her family; Trish S, Christina and any others we wish to remember, either silently or aloud.

Let us say the Lord's Prayer Together. Our Father

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HRD'S Prayer

Prayer of the Day

Most holy God, in whose presence angels serve in awe, and whose glory fills all heaven and earth: cleanse our unclean lips and transform us by your grace so that your word spoken through us may bring many to your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Conclude the meal with the following prayer together.



May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be amongst us and remain with us always. Amen.

intentional connection beyond your home

After our Table Service spend some time reaching out to others, a member of your family, or someone who does not have family, or a friend, someone in your community who may be alone and would welcome a call or message from you. Let them know of the hope God gives them as they journey through the year: a time of new beginnings with the promise of God's unconditional love and blessing for us all.

Let God guide you to the person or persons with whom you should connect. Contact them. Start a conversation: 'I was thinking of you......' Or What did you think of.......

