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## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YC (FEBRUARY 9, 2025)

Entrance Antiphon: **O Come let us worship God  
and bow low before the God who made us,  
for he is the Lord our God.**

Response to the Psalm: **In the presence of the angels I praise you, O Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Follow me, says the Lord,  
and I will make you fishers of men.**

Communion Antiphon: **Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be consoled.  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they shall have their fill.**

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.00pm (Sat) 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9.30am – 10am and 5pm - 5.30pm

### THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>SUNDAY (Sat)</b>	06.00pm	Mass – Isobel Harris (RIP) Terry Harris (RIP) Shalom Da Costa (Intention)
	08.00am	Mass – Ray Blakeman (RIP)
	09.30am	Mass – Renora Rodrigues (Intention)
	11.00am	Mass - Giuseppe Gugliotta (RIP) & Maria Anello (RIP)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	09.00am	Mass – Lourdes De Sa (Intention) Valien De Souza (Intention) Menorah Cardozo (Intention)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	09.00am	Mass – Vitorino Fernandes (Anniversary)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	09.00am	Mass - Valanka Dias (Intention)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	09.00am	Mass - Stephen Sloan (RIP) And all deceased members of the Sloan family Especiosa Pires De Araujo (Intention)

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (FEBRUARY 16, 2025)

<b>SUNDAY (Sat)</b>	06.00pm	Mass – John & Marlene Carvalho (Intention) Megan Rodrigues (Intention) Jovito Rodrigues (Intention)
	08.00am	Mass – Caitano Gracias (RIP)
	09.30am	Mass – Isaac Rodrigues (Anniversary)
	11.00am	Mass - Toni Carelli (RIP)

**Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated**

**DIED RECENTLY:** Please remember to pray for the repose of the soul of Ranvil Cardozo, who died recently. His Requiem Mass is on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 11am. Please also remember his family in your prayers.

**REQUIEM MASS:** Please pray for the soul of Mary Sheerin who died recently. Her Funeral Service is on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 11.30am here in St Marys.

**BAPTISM:** We welcome into the Church Malachi Dias who is being baptised here in St Marys this weekend.

**READERS ROTA:** The new Readers Rota for February and March is now available. There are spare copies at the back of the Church.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** 72 of our Children have now begun their preparation to receive their First Communion. Please keep them in your prayer.

**CONFIRMATION:** Bishop Bosco is coming to our Parish in July to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Registration is now complete and 62 of our young people will be confirmed. Please keep them in your prayer.

**MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE** is on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2025 for 7 nights and is £829 per person. For more details please contact Mario Pereira: 07985 553325. Rosie De Sa 07424716644. Poster on the notice board.

**PILGRIMAGE WALK** carrying the Pilgrim Cross from Oxford to Walsingham 11th-20th April (including Holy Week 2025):100miles, in this Jubilee Year of Hope when pilgrimage is being encouraged why not consider a UK walking pilgrimage starting not too far from home? Click here (<https://pilgrimcross.org.uk/event/oxford-leg-24/>) to find out more; click here to register; or email Deacon Eric: [eric.holliday@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:eric.holliday@cliftondiocese.com) Those who would like to take part please contact by email: [studentcross.oxfordleg@gmail.com](mailto:studentcross.oxfordleg@gmail.com) Poster on the board.

**Volunteer driver needed to support pilgrimage walk:** Do you have a full driving licence? Would you be comfortable driving a small van? Might you feel called to be one of the drivers of the support vehicle for the local leg of Pilgrim Cross for a week or a few days? The group walk from Oxford to Walsingham (Friday 11th - Saturday 18th April 2025). If so, please get in touch with Deacon Eric on 07779 329173 or [eric.holliday@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:eric.holliday@cliftondiocese.com).

**GIFT AID DONATIONS:** Anyone who wishes to start donating weekly/ monthly either through Gift Aid envelopes or direct debit/ Standing order/ through offertory envelope donations order may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

**PARISH OFFERTORY:** The offertory collection last Sunday came to £1600.02 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

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**OUR LADY OF FATIMA:** The Parish statue of our Lady of Fatima is available for people to take to their home for prayer and for special occasions. For booking contact: **Natasha Vas** on Mobile 07720982226 after 4.30pm until 8pm.

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**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** all those who are sick especially: Peter Hazel, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Emmanuella Ruck, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Caroline Borg, Nellie Blake, Martin Connolly, Colin Sobers, Nicola Campbell

"To pray the Rosary is to hand over our burdens  
to the merciful hearts  
of Christ and his Mother."  
Pope St. John Paul II

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Mass Readings – 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025

#### First reading

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

**'Here I am! Send me.'**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the Temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings. And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!'

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: 'Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.'

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then I said, 'Here I am! Send me.'

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#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 138(137):1-2a, 2bc, 3, 4-5, 7c-8, ~~R~~1c

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

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart;  
you have heard the words of my mouth.

In the presence of the angels I praise you.

I bow down towards your holy Temple.

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

I give thanks to your name  
for your merciful love and your faithfulness.

For you have exalted over all  
your name and your promise.

On the day I called, you answered me;  
you increased the strength of my soul.

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

All earth's kings shall thank you, O Lord,  
when they hear the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
'How great is the glory of the Lord!'

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

With your right hand you save me;  
the Lord will accomplish this for me.

O Lord, your merciful love is eternal;  
discard not the work of your hands.

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

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**EITHER:**

**Second reading**

**1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

**'So we preach and so you believed.'**

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you — unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, 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 fallen asleep. 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, unworthy 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 towards me was not 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 preach and so you believed.

**OR:**

**Second reading**

**1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 11**

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Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Matthew 4:19**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Follow me, says the Lord,  
and I will make you fishers of men.

Alleluia.

**'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.