

Pope Francis Jubilee Audience 1 February 2025

The Jubilee is for people and for the Earth a new beginning; it is a time when everything must be rethought within the dream of God. And we know that the word "conversion" indicates a *change of direction*. Everything can be seen, at last, from another perspective, and so our steps also go towards new goals. This is how hope, which never disappoints, arises. The Bible tells of this in many ways. And for us too, the experience of faith has been stimulated by encounters with people who have been able to change in life and have, so to speak, entered into God's dreams. For even though there is much evil in the world, we can distinguish who is different: their greatness, which often coincides with littleness, wins us over.

In the Gospels, the figure of Mary Magdalene stands out above all others for this. Jesus healed her with mercy (cf. *Lk 8:2*), and she changed: sisters and brothers, mercy changes, mercy changes the heart, and for Mary Magdalene, mercy brought her into God's dreams and gave new purpose to her journey.

The Gospel of John tells of her encounter with the Risen Jesus in a way that makes us think. It is repeated several times that Mary *turned around*. The Evangelist chooses his words well! In tears, Mary looks first inside the tomb, then she turns around: the Risen one is not on the side of death, but on the side of life. He can be mistaken for one of the people we encounter every day. Then, when she hears her name spoken, the Gospel says that again Mary turns around. And this is how her hope grows: now she sees the tomb, but not like before. She can dry her tears, because she has heard her own name: only the Master pronounces it in this way. The old world still seems to be there, but it is no more. When we feel that the Holy Spirit is acting in our heart, and we feel that the Lord is calling us by name, do we know how to distinguish the voice of the Master?

Dear brothers and sisters, from Mary Magdalene, whom tradition calls "the apostle of the apostles", we learn hope. One enters the new world by *converting more than once*. Our journey is a constant invitation to change perspective. The Risen One takes us into His world, step by step, on the condition that we do not claim to know everything already. Let us ask ourselves today: do I know how to *turn around* to see things differently, with a different outlook? Do I have the desire for conversion? An overconfident ego that is too proud prevents us from recognizing the Risen Jesus. Even when we weep and despair, we turn our back on Him. Instead of looking into the darkness of the past, into the emptiness of a tomb, from Mary Magdalene we learn to turn towards life. There our Master awaits us. There our name is spoken. For in real life there is a place for us, always and everywhere. There is a place for you, for me, for everyone. No one can take it, because it has always been meant for us. It is bad, as they say in the common parlance, it is bad to leave an empty seat: "This place is for me; if I don't go...". Everyone can say: I have a place, I am a mission! Think about this: what is my place? What is the mission that the Lord gives us? May this thought help us to take a courageous attitude in life. Thank you

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



HOLY MASS

Saturday: 05:30 pm English, Church.

Sunday: 09:00 am English, Church.
10:30 am Creole, Church.
12:30 pm Spanish, Church.

Weekdays: 05:30 pm English, Upper Room, St. Maria Goretti.

Fridays: 04:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary.

05:30 pm Upper Room
St. Maria Goretti.

SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Contact one of the priests in person.

1st Confession: 13 June, 2025.
1st Communions: 22 June, 2025.

Confirmations: To be confirmed.

Marriage: Call the parish office for preparation before setting a fixed date.

Anointing of the Sick: Upon request.

Confessions: Everyday before Mass or by appointment.

In today's Gospel we see St. Peter brought to his knees as he has seen the depth of his sins. This produced in him the gift of repentance. Jesus tells him not to be downcast but now He is giving Peter his mission. The Church is always in mission or it is slowly dying. You are called to be an evangelizer.

The first step is to allow yourself to be touched by the word of God and secondly to become aware of your true state, which is that you are a sinner. The next step is to receive the good news and finally to go out and give this good news. Have you really received the good news? Has your life begun to change or are you always the same? Has the Lord entered into your life and if so How? When?

All of this is perfect timing for the Catechesis that is about to begin in the parish starting this Monday. When I came to these talks in my parish in Australia many years ago I wasn't a regular Sunday massgoer but something in the talks really touched me. It was the beginning of a journey to meet Jesus Christ.

I thought I knew Him but it was "Fool's Gold", i.e. not the real thing. Through the talks that begin this Monday and continue every Monday and Thursday for a while, you can receive the same experience that I had. If you come to these talks your relationship with the Lord will change for the better and so will you.

They are given by ordinary people but all of them have had an encounter with Jesus Christ and are passing on that encounter. It is open to everyone; Catholic or non-Catholic, even atheists. Anyone can come over 12 years old and listen for free to the proclamation of the Good News. It begins tomorrow, so please come and listen to some good news for a change, literally.
Fr. Paul



"Come to me, all who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest."

(Matthew 11:28)

**Are you suffering and don't know why?
Worried about the future?
Do you feel alone?**

**Come and Listen
God Loves You!**

Catechesis for Youth and Adults
(13 years old and up)
Starting February 10th, 2025
Mondays and Thursdays
at 7:00pm
(Free babysitting available)

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PLEASE HELP US GET THERE

(around 50 young & adults \$3,000 e/a)



Any help God will reward you a hundred fold, not only spiritually but materially as well.

Parish Events Feb 9-16

Holy Mass: 09:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm.
04:00pm Coeur de Marie Children's group.
05:00pm Fraternite, Red Room.
05:00pm Creole Youth Choir practice.
05:30pm Sacre Coeur de Jesus, P. Hall.
06:00pm Choeur D'hommes 1st and 3rd Sunday at church.

Monday St. Scholastica
05:30 pm Daily Mass, SMG, Upper Room

Tuesday Our Lady of Lourdes
05:30pm Daily Mass, SMG, Upper Room
07:00pm First English, Blue Chapel
07:00pm Second English, St. Joseph's Room
07:00pm Spanish, St. Maria Goretti

Wednesday
05:30pm Daily Mass, SMG, Upper Room
07:00pm Third English, SMG, Upper Room
07:00pm Fourth English, St. Joseph Room
07:00pm Fifth English, Blue Chapel
07:00pm Creole Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Thursday
05:30 pm Daily Mass SMG, Upper Room

Friday St. s Cyril & Methodius
04:00 pm Adoration, SMG upstairs
05:30 pm Daily Mass, SMG upstairs

Saturday
05:30 pm Mass in Church
07:00 pm Eucharist NCW



School Notes

Holy Family Academy
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HFA students showcased their scientific skills at the recent science fair. Guest judges provided valuable feedback, helping students refine their projects for the national science fair. The diverse range of experiments highlighted students' creativity and scientific curiosity.



At the start of the week; morning mass demonstrated the power god gives through faith and how it empowers us to overcome adversity and experience God's transformative everlasting love.

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- Printing Paper
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