

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

16th Sunday in Ordinary time- Year C

17th July 2022



Christ our Anchor

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New Testament Commentary Mary Coloe PBVM



The story of Martha and Mary is fraught with danger for any interpreter. The traditional approach sees Mary as a model of discipleship. She sits and listens to the word. This has even been presented as valuing the contemplative life over the active life. But it is not as simple as this. Last Sunday we heard a Gospel that criticised the Priest and Levite in their concern for 'religious' duties that led to their not giving practical care to the traveller in need.

When reading this Gospel passage, paired in the liturgy with the account in Genesis of Abraham's hospitality to the angelic visitors, it seems even more likely that Martha's hospitality and service cannot be the problem. Martha is the one who offers welcome into her house and then service to the traveller. Two Sundays ago, we heard that this is the way that a disciple is to be made welcome and where this welcome is given; a blessing comes to the house.

In many other places in Luke, the active ministry of women is subtly belittled in comparison with the way women's ministry is presented in the other three Gospels and the letters of Paul. In Luke, Mary's passive listening is praised over Martha's active table service. It is possible that as Luke's community developed, it became important for it to conform more closely to society, in order to be seen as a reputable religious group. This small

passage could reflect the struggle in Luke's community to reclaim a more traditional and passive role for women within the Christian movement.

Usually I comment only on the New Testament passages but today I want to offer a reflection on the passage from Genesis, based on my experience in Israel/Palestine in 2012. I was in a group that went to Hebron, which is where the Genesis story occurs. It is both a painful and beautiful place. Here, in Hebron, are the memorials to our great ancestors in faith – Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, and Leah, who are all thought to be buried in the Cave of Machpelah which Abraham purchased for the burial site of Sarah. For this reason, this site is honoured by the Jewish people with a Synagogue and by the Muslims with a Mosque. Jews and Muslims live side by side with a barrier and bullet proof glass protecting these children of Abraham from each other.

When we arrived in Hebron, our bus was met by dozens of small children selling trinkets to the tourists. They were waiflike and eager for our shekels. Then, after visiting the Mosque, we walked through the ancient marketplace where tourists are rather rare. Overhead stretched a large net holding the garbage tossed down by the Israeli settlers whose homes backed onto the small market stalls of the Palestinians. These experiences of poverty and oppression left me very saddened, particularly by the plight of the children. Then, when we returned to the bus, I saw a moment of grace. One of our travellers was an Australian who had brought with him many Australian Rules footballs, and there he was, in his Collingwood jumper playing with these Palestinian children. The children were transformed. From beggars and merchants to playful eight year olds. This one incident stood out for me from my month stay in Israel – in this incident, I met Jesus in black and white, in the goodness and generosity of Steve. Steve was just being himself, and in this, he allowed the children to be children. It made me want to teach AFL to both Jews and Muslims as a way to peace.

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Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 9am to 12 noon

SCHEDULES

Confession

Saturday 5.00 to 5.30pm

Or anytime by appointment

Normal Weekend Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am Mass

& 11.00am Chinese Mass

Normal Weekday Masses

Monday 8.00am Communion Service

Tuesday to Saturday 8.00am Mass

(Check Parish Calendar for Variations)

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9am Mass - to be nominated

11am Chinese Mass

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Weekend 16/17 July

Weekend 23/24 July

Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Carlos Sivalingam	Jean Pavey
	Sun 7.30am	Br Basil Hickey	Carol Nicklette
	Sun 9.00am	John Collins	Giselle Shankar
Counters		Terry & Meagan Scanlan	Sharon & Ryan Moore

Parish Calendar

July Mon 18	8.00am	Communion Service (Weekday, Ordinary Time 16) Church
Tue 19	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 16) Church
Wed 20	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 16) Church
Thu 21	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 16) Church
Fri 22	8.00am	Mass (St Mary Magdalene) Church
Sat 23	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 16) Church
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (17th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
Sun 24	7.30am	Mass (17th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
	9.00am	Mass (17th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (17th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church



2022 Sacraments Schedules

Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office to obtain an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/sacraments - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

**Confirmation
2022 Completed**

**First Holy Communion
9am Sunday, 11 September 2022**
Commitment Mass 6pm 30 July 2022

**First Reconciliation
10.30am-12pm
Saturday, 29 October 2022**
Commitment Mass 6pm 15 Oct 2022



Line Dancing Classes

Mondays and Wednesdays
10am - 12noon \$6 per session
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This is a community building initiative to keep you fit and active with the help of Francis & Hellen Tay
All are welcome; no age limits.



Tai Chi Group

Mondays in Parish Hall except holidays
Starts 7:30pm and finishes at 8:30pm
All parishioners are most welcome
For more information, please contact or text Maurice on 0408 782 224



Morning Tea Roster 2022

We are resuming our once a month morning tea (commencing in August) and in the process of preparing a roster.

If you would like to assist in hosting the Morning Tea, please put your name and phone number on the form provided in the foyer.

Thank you, Social Committee

"In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage. Commencing in Melbourne on 18 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

For more details, please see flyer on notice board in the foyer



Divine Mercy Hour

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction every third Sunday.

Please join us this Sunday at 3.00pm.

Natural Fertility Awareness Week

August 22 -28

Natural Fertility Awareness Week is dedicated to helping women understand their fertility and manage it without the need for drugs, devices or invasive techniques. Once learned, fertility awareness can be used throughout a woman's reproductive life, even when her cycles are not regular. The theme for Natural Fertility Awareness Week 2022 is "Fertility Literacy – Get the Know How"

Monitoring your fertility health is easy when you know how to do it accurately.

Visit www.billings.life for more information on events in your area.

Catholic Faith Renewal

Invites you, your family and friends to enjoy this evening of Songs of Praise (7.30pm) Thanksgiving Mass (8.00pm) Fellowship and light supper

**Friday 5 Aug 2022 - 7.30 pm
St John & Paul's Church
Pinetree Gully Road, Willetton**

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First Reading

Genesis 18:1-10

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)
2. He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

Second Reading

Colossians 1:24-28

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

See Lk 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart

Martha and Mary are often seen as symbols for a balance of hospitality. Martha represents the tasks of preparation – cleaning the house, cooking, setting the table, and the like. Mary represents the personal care of the visitor – listening, paying attention, spending quality time in conversation. Both are important.

If you were invited to someone's home for dinner and the house was a total mess and no food was prepared, but the person cleared the junk off the sofa so you both would have a place to sit and talk, how would you feel?

If you were invited to someone's home for dinner and the gourmet meal was so complicated that you were completely ignored until dinner was on the table, how would you feel?

Some people are the 'perfect blend' of the Martha - Mary examples of hospitality, but others fall off to one side or the other, being more talkers than housekeepers, or being more housekeepers than talkers.

When you have people around, do you tend to be more of a talker or more of a housekeeper? Or do you think you have a good balance, having all the preparations done ahead of time so that the focus of your attention is your guest?

Do you know anyone who has a perfect balance?

Next Sunday Readings

24 July 2022

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13



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Quest Youth Ministry

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CHILDREN'S CORNER



MARTHA AND MARY

How many words can you make from
the letters in MARTHA AND MARY?
