

# BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

20<sup>th</sup> August 2023



Christ our Anchor

## Manning Parish

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### Scripture Commentary by Dianne Bergant CSA



The first reading opens with a double imperative: Observe justice; Do righteousness! This word-pair enunciates Israel's primary ethical obligation, which is social responsibility. This imperative is followed by a twofold form of divine promise: Salvation will come; Righteousness will be revealed. The language presumes a covenant relationship. Some outside the community have shown their desire to become part of it. They may be foreigners, but both internally and externally they are one with the community of believers. In response, God invites them into the liturgical life of the community. They are encouraged to proceed to God's holy mountain. God is now accessible to all, not merely to those of the blood line of Israel. Salvation and righteousness embrace all.

The psalm begins with an adaptation of the first words of the blessing used by Aaron and his descendants (v.2; see Nm 6:24-26). This suggests that the favours once promised to that priestly family are now sought for the entire people. God's goodness will enhance God's reputation among other nations. They will conclude

that only a mighty and magnanimous God is able to secure such good fortune. The good fortune of one nation is testimony to the salvific activity of God, which in turn becomes the occasion of salvation for all the earth. Thus one nation becomes the source of blessing for all. This is the fulfilment of a promise made to Abraham (see Gen 12:2-3).

Although Paul is proud to be known as the 'apostle to the Gentiles', he continues to insist on Israelite privilege. Using a rabbinic form of argumentation, he explains that if the Jews' rejection of the gospel brought reconciliation to the rest of the world, how much more will their acceptance of the gospel effect? After all, they were God's special people, and it was to them that God granted extraordinary gifts. If God has shown mercy to those who originally worshipped other gods, surely God will show mercy to God's own people. The Gentiles have no reason to feel superior, for both Jew and Gentile have sinned. Both are shown mercy, not because they earned it, but because God is gracious.

The gospel story addresses several important issues: crossing territorial and cultural boundaries; women and men in public social exchange; the Christian mission to the Gentiles; and faith. It also raises important questions: Why does Jesus enter pagan territory in the first place? Why does he initially withhold his healing power? First Jesus himself disregards territorial boundaries. We are not told why. Then the woman disregards appropriate social decorum (she speaks to a man who is a stranger) and pleads for the healing of her daughter. She even disregards his initial rebuff, thus showing remarkable faith. Moved by this faith, Jesus is forced beyond the limited confines of his own cultural experience. He accedes to her wishes and heals her daughter.

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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)

### Sacrament of Baptism

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**7:30am Mass** - Marie Chaperon- 9313 4585

**9am Mass** - Tina Fernandes 0411 821 065

**11am Chinese Mass**

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|-------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Special Ministers | Sat 6.00pm | Janine Banks         | Janine Banks            |
|                   | Sun 7.30am | Volunteer            | Volunteer               |
|                   | Sun 9.00am | Sandra McLlheney     | Sandra McLlheney        |
| Readers           | Sat 6.00pm | Susanna Hooper       | Pam Vincent             |
|                   | Sun 7.30am | Les Price            | Carol Nicklette         |
|                   | Sun 9.00am | Vincent Whyte        | Antonia Chandra         |
|                   | Counters   | Colleen & Pat Lowry  | Kas Luczak, G Shankar   |

| Parish Calendar |         |  |
|-----------------|---------|--|
| Aug Mon 21      | 8.00am  | Mass (St Pius X) - Church  |
| Tue 22          | 8.00am  | Mass (Week 20 in Ordinary Time 1) Church                         |
| Wed 23          | 8.00am  | Mass (Week 20 in Ordinary Time 1) Church                         |
| Thu 24          | 8.00am  | Mass (St Bartholomew) Church                                     |
| Fri 25          | 8.00am  | Mass (Week 20 in Ordinary Time 1) Church                         |
| Sat 26          | 8.00am  | Mass (Week 20 in Ordinary Time 1) Church                         |
|                 | 6.00pm  | Vigil Mass (21st Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church          |
| Sun 27          | 7.30 am | Sunday Mass (21st Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church         |
|                 | 9.00am  | Sunday Mass (21st Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church         |
|                 | 11.00am | Sunday Chinese Mass (21st Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church |

## 2023 Sacraments Schedules

**First Reconciliation**  
**10.30am-12.30pm**  
**Saturday 28 October 2023**  
**Commitment Mass 6pm 16 Sept 2023**  
**Parent/Child Workshop 5.30pm**  
**12 October 2023**

## Safeguarding Induction for all Church workers

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened safeguarding to include adults at risk. **ALL** church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role paid or voluntary. If you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years, please register for the upcoming session.

This induction provides an overview of the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer, and the importance of Safeguarding within the parish

To register online please visit: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>

Or phone 9221 7762 to book in



## Line Dancing Classes

Mondays and Wednesdays  
 10am - 12noon \$6 per session  
 All proceeds go to the Parish  
 This is a community building initiative to keep you fit and active with the help of Francis and 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 or Stephen on 0403 167 838

## Divine Mercy Sunday



Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction every 3rd Sunday of the month at 3 pm.

Please join us this Sunday at 3.00pm.

## Special Morning Tea



This Sunday we are having a Morning Tea hosted by Mignonne Goes, to celebrate the Feast of St Pius X.

Please join us this Sunday after the 9.00am Mass.

**All are welcome**

## 48 Hour Rosary Bouquet For Our Lady's Birthday

**6pm Tuesday 5th Sept 2023 to 6pm Thursday 7th Sept 2023**

Presentation of the scroll of names will be made at the 12.10pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on Friday 8.9.23

All information can be found at [www.legionofmarywa.org](http://www.legionofmarywa.org) or by Emailing the secretary at [comitiumwa.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:comitiumwa.secretary@gmail.com)

## Vehicle Break in

We have recently had a vehicle broken into and valuables stolen from a vehicle parked in the carpark. The incident has been reported to the Police.

Parishioners are urged to remove all valuables and keep their cars locked at all times.



## Catholic Youth Unite 2023

**Rise Up and Follow Mary's Example!**

We are thrilled to continue the spirit and theme of World Youth Day by coming together on the 25<sup>th</sup> of August 2023 for UNITE. This event will be a beacon of unity, where young hearts can connect, share their faith, and grow stronger together.

Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023  
 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm Tickets: \$12  
 University of Notre Dame Australia - Drill Hall [32 Mouat St, Fremantle WA 6160]

For more details and to purchase tickets, please visit [unite.cym.com.au](http://unite.cym.com.au)

## First Reading

Isaiah 56:1.6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66:2-3 5-6. 8. R. v.4

(R.) O God, let all the nations praise you!

1. O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help. (R.)
2. Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
You guide the nations on earth. (R.)
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him. (R.)

## Second Reading

Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

## Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

## Gospel

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

## Reflection for Young People

By Lisa Marie Calderone-Stewart

In Jesus' time the Jewish faith had very strict dietary laws regarding what foods could be eaten and what kinds of dishes the food could be eaten from. On the other hand, Gentiles could eat anything. Some Jews likened them to dogs, who would often be given leftover food to eat off the ground. So when Jesus and this woman speak about children and dogs, they are definitely talking about the Jews and the Gentiles.

This Gentile woman is brave, standing up to the disciples and even to Jesus. She has a point to make, and they listen. Have you ever been that persistent in a conversation with someone who had 'higher' status than you? If so, what happened?

Does our society think of some people as 'dogs'? If so, who are the dogs of our society? Who is seen as holding lower status? What is your usual response to people such as these? What would be the Christian response that Jesus calls us to? What makes that such a difficult response?

Do you have any close friends who are Jewish? If you have friends who are Orthodox Jews, then they still obey certain dietary rules. Have you ever heard them talk of kosher foods? What kinds of things do they eat?

## Manning Parish Youth

### Quest Youth Ministry

Guiding our youth on a Quest to know, love and serve the Lord. The youth ministry for the parish is open to youth aged in High School or University, and meet every second Saturday after mass.



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## Next Sunday Readings

Weekend 26/27 August 2023

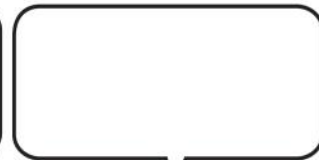
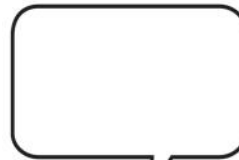
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

# CHILDREN'S CORNER



Draw the Canaanite woman asking Jesus for help. Write down what the apostles and the woman each said to Jesus.

