

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

27th August 2023



Christ our Anchor

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Scripture Commentary by Dianne Bergant CSA



The first reading narrates the transfer of authority from one man to another. Some form of mismanagement or deceit had taken place, and so Shebna, the master of the palace was deposed. The description of the transfer resembles a ritual of investiture. Three metaphors characterise the authority bestowed upon Eliakim the successor: father of the people, key to the house, and tent peg. This oracle promises a person who will provide the order and stability that the kingdom of Judah must have needed. If this person was not himself a messianic figure, he seems to have ensured that the kingdom, which would eventually produce a messiah, would survive.

The temple setting of the psalm suggests that the psalmist has come to worship and publicly witness to the goodness of God. The temple was considered the earthly representation of the heavenly divine dwelling. Thus, standing in the temple in the presence of God, the psalmist would also be in the presence of the attending angels. The reason for

the psalmist's gratitude is God's faithfulness to covenant commitment: lovingkindness and truth. The psalmist concludes the prayer of thanksgiving on a note of confidence that this commitment will endure forever. God is not only faithful to past promises, but will be faithful into the endless future.

Paul speaks again of the mysterious ways of God in the plan of salvation. He argues that it will be through the very salvation of others that the first people (the Jews) will be brought to the gospel. God's ways do not follow the path of human logic. Even though human beings cannot grasp God's plan, it has meaning and purpose, and God's plan for all creation will unfold in God's way. The mysterious ways of salvation have brought Paul to praise the incomprehensible wisdom that determined them. Paul concludes by extolling God as creator and source of all that is, as the sustainer through whom all creation continues to be, and as the goal for whom all things were made and to whom all things proceed.

Jesus asks the disciples what people are saying about him; Who do they think he is? He seeks to discover how his words and actions are being understood, thus preparing the disciples for their own assessment of him. The answers given are all religious figures who have already died. The people seem to believe that Jesus is a prophetic figure come back from the dead. Speaking in the name of others, Simon Peter proclaims that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus insists that the only reason why Peter could make such a testimony of faith was that Jesus' identity had been revealed to him by God. After this Jesus announces that his church will be founded on Peter.

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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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11am Chinese Mass

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	Sun 7.30am	Volunteer	B Molony
	Sun 9.00am	Sandra McLlheney	Nancy Eliezer
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Pam Vincent	Ian Sydney-Smith
	Sun 7.30am	Carol Nicklette	Jeevan Joseph
	Sun 9.00am	Antonia Chandra	Tony Pitchford
	Counters	Kas Luczak, G Shankar	Janine Stanley, Nancy Permadi

Parish Calendar		
Aug Mon 28	8.00am	Communion Service - Church
Tue 29	8.00am	Mass (Week 21 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Wed 30	8.00am	Mass (Week 21 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Thu 31	8.00am	Mass (Week 21 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Sept Fri 1	8.00am	Mass (Week 21 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Sat 2	8.00am	Mass (Week 21 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (22nd Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church
Sun 3	7.30 am	Sunday Mass (22nd Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (22nd Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church
	11.00am	Sunday Chinese Mass (22nd 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

Catholic Faith Renewal

Invites you to bring your family and friends to enjoy an evening of Songs of Praise & Prayer at 7.30pm
 Thanksgiving Mass at 8.00pm

Followed with a talk by Fr Vijay D'Sousa
 CRS on "Called to be Saints"
 Fellowship and Light Supper

Friday 1 September 2023 at 7.30pm
 St John & Paul's Church
 Pinetree Gully Road, Willetton

Bring along with you any petitions as they will be taken up during offertory . Feel free to bring a plate for our fellowship after Holy Mass.

For more information please contact
 Charles on 0413 755 799 or
 Ivan on 0428 898 833
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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

48Hr Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady's Birthday

6.00pm Tuesday 5th September 2023 to
 6.00pm Thursday 7th September 2023



Presentation of the scroll of names will be made at the 12.10 pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on Friday 8th September 2023

To be a part of the bouquet, please write your name against the time of your choice on the form provided in the foyer.

All information can be found at
www.legionofmarywa.org
 or by emailing the secretary at
comitiumwa.secretary@gmail.com

Working Bee

It is proposed to hold a working bee in the grounds and gardens around the church and presbytery on the morning of Saturday 2 September 2023 starting at 9.00am to prune the hibiscus, weed and fertilize gardens, remove bore water stains and undertake a number of other maintenance tasks around the grounds.

If you can help please leave your name and phone number on the list in the foyer after mass and, on the day, bring along any gardening tools (eg forks, rakes, spades etc) you have available.

All parishioners are encouraged to assist.

Advertising spaces available

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Morning Tea



Our hosts for morning tea in September are Lina and Mignonne

Please join us next Sunday after the 9.00 am mass

ALL ARE WELCOME

Vehicle Break In

We have recently had a vehicle broken into and valuables stolen. Parishioners are urged to remove all valuables and keep their cars locked at all times.

First Reading

Isaiah 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137:1-3. 6. 8. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

Second Reading

Romans 11:33-36

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

Next Sunday Readings

Weekend 2/3 September 2023

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9
Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2
Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa Marie Calderone-Stewart

Keys are a symbol of trust and authority, along with responsibility.

When have you been given keys? Do you have a key to your family's house? your family's car? your place of work? a room at school? What responsibility comes with being entrusted with a key?

Have you ever locked your keys in a car? Have you ever locked yourself out of the house? If so, how did it happen? How did you feel? What did you do?

A rock is a symbol of solidness and strength. Rocks are hard to break, but they can break other things easily.

Why is a rock a good symbol for faith?

How would you describe your own faith? Is it as strong as a rock? Or is it more like a soft, weak substance, such as mashed potatoes, shaving cream, or a dried-out crumbling leaf?

Peter isn't perfect. Remember, before Jesus is crucified, Peter denies him three times, just as Jesus predicted he would. Yet Jesus trusts him to be the leader of his disciples.

Why would Jesus trust Peter to be the leader of his disciples?

If being perfect is not a condition for having faith, what are the qualities that mark a strong faith?



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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<https://www.facebook.com/youth.manningparish/>

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Who do you say Jesus is?

Write some words which describe Jesus.

A large empty rectangular box with a purple border, intended for children to write their answers to the question 'Who do you say Jesus is?' and 'Write some words which describe Jesus.'