

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th September 2021



Christ our Anchor

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Gospel Reflection by the late Fr John Thornhill sm



Today's reading from Mark is the climax to which his presentation of the life of Jesus to this point has been leading. The mission of Jesus has been rejected and misunderstood. It is essential to God's designs that the disciples of Jesus do not misunderstand the mission that has brought the Son forth from the Father to bring healing to a lost world.

The 'who' question is central to our human existence: 'Who are you, my companion on the journey of life?' 'Who am I?' These questions, if we face their implications, confront us with the depths and mystery of our common humanity. Jesus called himself, 'the Son of Man', a title that affirmed his sharing in our human condition. When the 'who' question is addressed to him we find not only the mysterious depths of our common humanity, but also the mystery of the generous designs of God, conceived with the Son and the Holy Spirit, in the depths of the divine eternity. Discipleship is learning, in the course of our lives, the answer to the 'who' question we address to the Saviour - who has made himself our ever-present companion. Like Peter, we

shall find that we are forced to re-evaluate our most basic assumptions in the light of the ways of God we learn from Jesus.

Jesus is 'the Christ', the messiah in whom Israel's hopes are centred. He begins to teach his disciples 'quite openly' what lay ahead of them in Jerusalem. He is not the political saviour so ardently hoped for in popular expectations: the 'Son of Man' will be 'rejected' - 'put to death' even. Peter's brave act of faith must be further clarified. Mark's gospel does not spare Peter - perhaps because this community has already heard of Peter's humiliations from Peter himself. Jesus addresses Peter as 'Satan', obstructing God's plan. That plan, Jesus explains, has been foreshadowed in two themes of Israel's hopes, the 'Suffering Servant' (see Is 52-53 etc - the first reading is one of the descriptions of the 'Servant') and the 'Son of Man' (Dan 7). Both of these themes envisage a mysterious personage who will fulfil the destiny of Israel - the first bringing healing for the world's self-inflicted suffering by sharing in that suffering himself; the other bringing all peoples together under the beneficent reign of God's ways.

Jesus emphatically spells out the demands of discipleship: sharing in his responsibility for the human family, even if it means sharing his 'cross'; living 'for the sake of the gospel', the Good News of the generous future God has in store for struggling humanity.

Once again, the reading from James speaks in very practical terms. His discussion of 'faith', that is 'quite dead' if it has no 'good works' to show, is familiar. It is possible that James is responding to a self-serving misinterpretation of Paul's teaching that 'we are justified by faith'. True discipleship, as Jesus reminds Peter, proves itself in a generosity that has been learned in the presence of the Crucified Saviour.

FIRST COMMUNION

Our year 4 students are by making their First Communion on Sunday at the 9.00am Mass. We pray for them as they take this important step in the faith. We pray for their parents and those who support and teach them the Sacraments.

May they and their families continue to participate in the Sacramental life of the Church.

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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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Or call 9221 7762



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ROSTER		Weekend 11/12 Sept	Weekend of 18/19 Sept
Special Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 7.30am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Krystyna Henderson	Carlos Sivalingam
	Sun 7.30am	Br Basil Hickey	S Hooper
	Sun 9.00am	Giselle Shankar	Ron Fris
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Volunteers	Volunteers
	Sun 9.00am	Volunteers	Volunteers
	Counters	Sharon & Ryan Moore	Colleen & Pat Lowry

Parish Calendar		
Sept Mon 13	8.00am	Communion Service (24th Week in Ordinary time) Church
Tue 14	8.00am	Mass (The Exaltation of the Holy Cross) Church
Wed 15	8.00am	Mass (Our Lady of Sorrows) Church
Thu 16	8.00am	Mass (Saints Cornelius & Cyprian) Church
Fri 17	8.00am	Mass (24th Week in Ordinary time) Church
	9.00am	Mass for Grandparents (St Pius X School) Church
Sat 18	8.00am	Mass (24th Week in Ordinary time) Church
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (25th Sunday Year B) Church
Sun 19	7.30am	Sunday Mass (25th Sunday in Year B) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (25th Sunday Year B) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (25th Sunday Year B) Church

2021 Sacraments
 Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office for an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/sacraments

First Reconciliation
Saturday, 30 October 2021

Finance Committee
 We require the services of two volunteers to join our Finance Committee.
 Experience in book keeping, quarterly reports, BAS, etc. is required.
 If you would like to volunteer your services, please call our Chairperson, Basil Conti on 0407 380 809

St Pius X School
 St Pius X School are currently interviewing for positions in Kindy 2023.
 If you have a child that is due to commence Kindy in this year please contact the school office 9416 5600 to arrange an interview.

Parish Fundraising
 500ml Hand Sanitiser with 70% Alcohol & Aloe Vera
 1 x Bottle for \$2-00; 3 x Bottles for \$5-00; Box 30 for \$50-00
 Please let as many of your friends and family know about this great promotion. You can collect after Mass or contact the office for pickup

Grandparents Mass
Friday, 17 September 2020
 St Pius X Primary School invite all Grandparents to join in celebrating Grandparents Day by attending Mass at SPX Church at 9.00 am, followed by breakfast straight after at the school library.
 All are welcome.

Line Dancing Classes
 Mondays 10am - 12noon
 Wednesdays 10am - 12noon
 \$5 per session
 All proceeds go to Manning Parish
 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!

Seniors Lunch
Thursday
23 September 2021
 12 to 2pm

 If you are interested please put your name and contact details on the list provided in the foyer
 Thanks
 Social Committee


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

Divine Mercy Hour
 Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction every third Sunday of the month at 3pm.
 Please join us next Sunday at 3 pm.

Pray for the sick
 We pray for our parishioners who are sick in particular for Mary Baruffi. May they feel the healing touch of our Saviour.

Pray for the deceased
 Keith Watson passed away peacefully on 8 September after a short illness.
 We pray particular for Barbara, his wife, and his family

Welcome to the Lovett's
 Hudson and Theodore Lovett were baptised on Saturday 4 September.
 We welcome them and their family into our Parish Community. May we continue to support them in their journey of faith.

PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN HOME - DON'T LEAVE IT BEHIND (COVID-SAFE RULE)

First Reading

Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; = I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 114:1-6. 8-9. R. v.9

(R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

1. I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him. (R.)
2. They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord my God, deliver me! (R.)
3. How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me. (R.)
4. He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living. (R.)

Second Reading

James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

Gospel Acclamation

Galatians 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart



In the Gospel Peter goes from the top to the bottom in no time. He scores high when he answers that Jesus is the Messiah, but then is reprimanded by Jesus when he doesn't want to hear of death and suffering. It's like a roller coaster ride for poor Peter.

Have you ever had one of those roller-coaster days – up one minute, down the next? Describe what it was like. Do you think Peter could relate to that day? Can you relate to Peter's?

Obviously Jesus loves Peter, even when he messes up. He congratulates Peter when he does well, and he criticises him when he does poorly. Peter is praised when successful, and forgiven when unsuccessful. How is Peter's relationship with Jesus like your relationship with your parents? How is it different?

Jesus speaks of following him and taking up the cross. He means that we will have to endure the suffering and the difficult times if we are to be his followers. Have you endured some hard times? Who has endured those hard times with you? When have you supported someone else going through hard times? Do you think this is what Jesus is talking about? Why or why not?

How is taking up the cross and following Jesus (mentioned in the Gospel reading) connected to putting your faith into practice (mentioned in the second reading)? How is Jesus' message similar to James' message?

Next Sunday Readings

19th September 2021 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary time

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Second Reading: James 3:16-4:3

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

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"If you want to be my followers you must take up your cross and follow me."

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