BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

15th October 2023



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Scripture Commentary by Dianne Bergant CSA



The passage from Isaiah depicts a scene of permanent victory, abundant feasting and life without end. The setting is a high mountain from which the power and the munificence of God are made manifest, and a sumptuous eschatological banquet is prepared. The rich foods mentioned are symbols of the fullness of life. It is also on this mountain that God destroys death, along with the pall and shroud, symbols of death. This is a time when all promises are fulfilled, a time of ultimate salvation. This eschatological fulfilment embraces not only the entire human race, but the natural world as well. Finally, on that day of eschatological fulfilment, the people acclaim the God to whom they looked for salvation.

The responsorial psalm, one of the most familiar and beloved psalms of the Psalter, paints vivid pictures of carefree existence, peaceful rest, and abundant fruitfulness. Although 'shepherd' suggests a flock rather than merely one sheep, here the focus is on the individual. The magnanimous care shown by the flows enduring shepherd from righteousness rather than from some passing sentiment of the heart. The divine shepherd's tender commitment to the flock, and to each individual within it, is as lasting as is God's covenant commitment. The psalmist claims to be unafraid, for the

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presence of the Lord is reassuring. In addition to this image, God is characterised as a host who supervises a banquet, and within whose house the psalmist ultimately dwells.

Paul is not referring to the ordinary trials and sufferings of life. He is talking about the tribulations that will engulf all people at the onslaught of the endtime. This suffering, known as the 'birth pangs of the Messiah', stems from the apocalyptic conclusion of this age. The avenue through which Paul enters this time of tribulation is the burdens of the ministry. The help offered by the Philippians was not merely philanthropic assistance. They participated in Paul's ministerial endeavours his distress, and tribulations of the endtime. Therefore, they are promised a share in the glory of the new age. Paul concludes by praising the glory that has been God's from the beginning and that will continue to be God's from age to age.

Jesus uses a parable to illustrate the severe consequences of refusing the invitation to a royal wedding banquet. The culpable negligence or indifference of those originally called was tantamount to political insubordination. The wedding garment probably represented some aspect of righteousness. The banquet is a metaphor for the delights of the eschatological age of fulfilment (see Is 25:6). The time between the initial invitation and the announcement that the banquet is ready resembles the interim between the invitation to participate in the age of fulfilment and one's entrance into it. Finally, the punishment meted out by the king suggests the final judgment and the distress that will accompany it.

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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

Saturdays at 10.30am
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	Sun 7.30am	J Molony	J Molony
	Sun 9.00am	Norma Fernandes	Norma Fernandes
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Adolph de Sousa	Christine Carvalho
	Sun 7.30am	Br Basil Hickey	Les Price
	Sun 9.00am	Giselle Shankar	Antonia Chandra
Counters		Terry & Meagan Scanlan	Kas Luczak & G Shankar

Parish Calendar				
Oct Mon 16	8.00am	Communion Service - Church		
Tue 17	8.00am	Mass (Week 28 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
Wed 18	8.00am	Mass (St Luke) Church		
Thu 19	8.00am	Mass (Week 28 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
Fri 20	8.00am	Mass (Week 28 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
Sat 21	8.00am	Mass (Week 28 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (29th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church		
Sun 22	7.30 am	Sunday Mass (29th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church		
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (29th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church		
	11.00am	Sunday Chinese Mass (29th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church		



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



Rosary For our Lady of Fatima

The Rosary will be recited every Friday during the month of October at 7.00 pm in the Church.

All are welcome

Seniors outing Bus trip to York

Thursday 19 October

Departing from St Pius X at 9.00am and back 4.00pm



Lunch somewhere at your own expense.

Please indicate if you are interested on the list provided in the Foyer

Catholic Archdiocese of Perth

Employment Opportunities

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has a number of employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church.

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Next weekend is World Mission Sunday

On this day, we ask for your prayers & generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal.

You will be helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to vulnerable communities in East Timor & throughout the world.

Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at www.catholicmission.org.au/timor.

Email Francis Leong at director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au if you'd like to know about what's involved in volunteering through Catholic Mission.

The Legion of Mary

Comitium of Perth (WA) Inc

October 27th 2023, 7.00pm



The Legion of Mary will hold their annual torchlight Rosary procession around Lake Monger.

Everyone is welcome to attend. For those who cannot walk, you can meet at the gazebo in Dodd St and say the Rosary with other non-walking

Legion members and parishioners.

Please bring a chair if you are not walking. If walking a hat and water bottle is recommended.

Email: perthcomitium@iinet.net.au Website: www.legionofmarywa.org Tel: 08 93282726

2023 First Reconciliation

10.30am-12.30pm Saturday 28 October 2023

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22. R. v.6

(R.) I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
 Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
 Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)
- He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
 If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
 You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. (R.)
- You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
 My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R.)
- Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
 In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading

Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

See Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone

they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa Marie Calderone-Stewart

What a story! It's not your typical wedding. The king is God. The first people invited are those who reject God's way of living. The second people are those who don't expect the invitation but are delighted when it comes, and they accept it wholeheartedly. And the person not properly dressed represents those who may say that they have accepted God's invitation, but whose life choices show that they have not yet really said yes to God.

When have you been among the first group – those who don't care about church, who don't want to be involved with anything 'churchy', and who don't think faith is relevant today? What do you think Jesus would say to you about this attitude?

When have you been among the second group – those who see that faith is important, who try to live their faith by doing works of service, and who aren't embarrassed by their relationship with God? What do you think Jesus would say to you about this attitude?

When have you been among the third group – those who say that faith is important and yet don't really practise their faith. What do you think Jesus would say to you about this attitude?

Next Sunday Readings

Weekend 21/22 October 2023

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

CHILDREN'S CORNER



How many words can you make from the letters in the word BANQUET?