

# BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - Year A

30<sup>th</sup> April 2023



Christ our Anchor

## Manning Parish

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responsibility of the shepherd to find pastures that will provide enough grazing and abundant water for the entire flock, to lead them there without allowing any of the sheep to stray and be lost, to guard them from predators or dangers of any kind, and to attend to their every need. Such a characterisation of the Lord implies trust that God will discharge all of these responsibilities. The psalmist is confident of the Lord's protection. This image also suggests a host who prepares a lavish banquet. The psalmist has been under the loving guidance of the Lord and will remain there forever.

The author of 1 Peter discusses the implications of following Christ. First he exhorts the disciples to imitate Jesus' manner of suffering. He knows that it might take a special grace from God to be patient when one suffers for having done good, but he believes that the Christian calling requires just such a disposition. The innocent suffering of Christ is then described in terms that recall a passage from one of the Suffering Servant Songs of the prophet Isaiah. Finally, the image of the shepherd is used to indicate that Jesus is the shepherd and his Christian disciples are the flock. Although at times they wander away from him, they will be safe and will prosper only if they follow his lead.

In the gospel, Jesus uses several features from sheep herding to characterise the relationship between himself and his followers. First he identifies himself as the shepherd and contrasts the way he guides, guards and nurtures the sheep with the way others might regard the sheep only as potential objects of immediate ill-gotten profit. For their part, the sheep will recognise the sound of their shepherd's voice and will follow him. Jesus then uses the technical phrase 'I am' in his characterisation of himself as the gate. Those who go through this gate will be safe within the pen. As both shepherd and gate of the sheepfold, Jesus is concerned with the welfare of the sheep.

Accompanied by the other apostles, Peter addresses a large crowd of Jewish people. He declares that God has made Jesus Lord and Christ. Lord (kýrios), a term of respect, was also the Greek word used as a substitution for YHWH, the personal name of God. Christ (christós) is the Greek translation for messiah, anointed one. The people who hear Peter are cut to the heart with remorse. They realise that they put to death the Holy One, God's anointed. Peter calls them to repentance (metánoia), a total change of heart, an interior disposition that will call for a new way of life. The Spirit is the promise of this change, and baptism is the rite that marks it.

The psalm opens with a metaphor that sets the tone of the entire song. It is the

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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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9am Mass - Tina Fernandes 0411 821 065

11am Chinese Mass

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ROSTER		Weekend 29/30 April	Weekend of 6/7 May
Special Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Carmen de Souza	Krystyna Henderson
	Sun 7.30am	B Molony	J Molony
	Sun 9.00am	Norma Fernandes	S McIlheney
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Jean Pavey	Edwin Carvalho
	Sun 7.30am	Les Price	Jim Kelly
	Sun 9.00am	Tony Pitchford	Giselle Shankar
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Volunteers	Volunteers
	Sun 9.00am	Volunteers	Volunteers
Counters		Volunteers	Kas Lucsak, G Shankar

Parish Calendar		
May Mon 1	8.00am	Communion Service (4th week of Easter) Church
Tue 2	8.00am	Mass - (St Athanasius) Church
Wed 3	8.00am	Mass (Sts Philip & James) Church
Thu 4	8.00am	Mass (4th week of Easter) Church
Fri 5	8.00am	Mass (4th week of Easter) Church
Sat 6	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (5th Sunday of Easter Year A) Church
Sun 7	7.30 am	Sunday Mass (5th Sunday of Easter Year A) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (5th Sunday of Easter Year A) Church
	11.00am	Sunday Chinese Mass (5th Sunday of Easter Year A) Church



### Line Dancing Classes

Mondays and Wednesdays  
10am - 12noon \$6 per session  
All proceeds go to the Parish  
All are welcome; no age limits.  
Line Dancing classes temporarily  
Closed until Monday, 15 May 2023



### 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

### New Norcia Meditative Retreat

**Tues 16 May – Thurs 18 May 2023**

Organised by: National Seniors, Perth Branch in collaboration with the Institute of Benedictine Studies

Cost \$250.00 (includes accommodation for two nights, all meals, entrance to the Art Gallery and Museum, Tour of the town, three workshops and piano recital)

Travel: Own vehicle or TransWA bus.  
Seniors Concession \$25.25.

This will be a two- and half-day Retreat involving staying at the New Norcia Monastery Guesthouse and at Gertrude's College for a total of 32 persons. A Retreat program will be delivered by the Director of the Institute of Benedictine Studies.

For more information please see flyer on the notice board or Contact: Adolph de Sousa Mob 0413129707 or email [adolphdesousa@hotmail.com](mailto:adolphdesousa@hotmail.com)

### Morning Tea



Our host for morning tea in May is Sr Martina

Please join us next Sunday after the 9.00 am mass

ALL ARE WELCOME

### Month of May - Rosary



Traditionally the month of May is dedicated to Mary.

Please come and join us at 7.00pm on Friday in May in the citation of the rosary to pray for the intercession of Mary for peace in the world - especially for Ukraine.



### 2023 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](http://manningparish.org.au/sacraments) - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

#### Confirmation

**6.00pm Saturday, 27 May 2023**

**Commitment Mass 6pm 29 April 2023**

**Parent/Child Workshop 6.00pm  
10 May 2023**

#### First Holy Communion

**9.00am Sunday, 11 June 2023**

**Commitment Mass 6pm 6 May 2023**

**Parent/Child Workshop 6.00pm  
25 May 2023**

#### First Reconciliation

**10.30am-12.30pm**

**Saturday 28 October 2023**

**Commitment Mass 6pm 16 Sept 2023**

**Parent/Child Workshop 6.00pm  
12 October 2023**



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### Online Rosary During May

In honour of Mary, our Mother, Catholic Mission in partnership with the Spirituality Hub in Kirup, offers the opportunity to be part of a Living Rosary group in the tradition of Blessed Pauline Jaricot.

Contact :

[deborahmrobertson@bigpond.com](mailto:deborahmrobertson@bigpond.com)  
or 0419 939 864 for more information  
about the group and how to participate in person or online via Zoom

## First Reading

Acts 2:14. 36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22:1-6. R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. 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.)
2. 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.)
3. 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.)
4. 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

1 Peter 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

## Gospel Acclamation

John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

## Gospel

John 10:1-10

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and

the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again: 'I tell you most solemnly,

I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

## Reflection for Young People

By Lisa Marie Calderone-Stewart

Jesus is the front door. Anyone else sneaking around, climbing fences, going through the back door, or doing anything in secret means trouble. Be upfront, do what you do in broad daylight, and it is usually the right thing. You are proud of what you do when it is the right thing. If you are sneaking because you do not want to get caught, you are probably doing something wrong! Doing the right thing brings abundant life! Doing wrong things can hurt your ability to enjoy life abundantly.

What is 'abundant life' or 'life to the full'? Do you think you can get it through Jesus? Do you think you can get it sneaking around, trying back doors, and climbing over fences? Why or why not?

Sheep pretty much follow the crowd. Not too many sheep are 'individuals'. Being an individual is fine, especially when the crowd is not a good bunch to follow. But following the crowd can be fine too, especially when the crowd is a fine crowd and is doing good things.

Are you usually an individual? Or do you prefer to follow the crowd? Give an example of when you have been either an individual or a crowd follower.

How can you tell if someone who wants you to follow them is really following the way of Jesus?

## Next Sunday Readings

6/7 May 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2: 4-9

Gospel: John 14:1-12

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

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to his disciples.



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