BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

5th Sunday of Easter - Year B

2 May 2021



Manning Parish

Catholic Archdiocese of Perth

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Sunday Reflection by the late Fr John Thornhill sm



Today's gospel reading, 'I am the true vine', brings us another of John's 'Í AM' meditations. It takes up an important theme developed by the Old Testament prophets and one of the psalms: the old Israel was Yahweh's 'vine', lovingly planted and tended; but it brought forth only bitter fruits. In Jesus, however, this divine project has been taken up again by the Father — coming forth from his Paschal Mystery, he is the true vine which will bear fruits which give eternal 'glory' to the Father.

Thus our liturgy carries forward our Easter reflection upon what the Saviour's Paschal Mystery means in our lives and in the life of the Church. One of the central themes of the New Testament is the solidarity we have with Christ through what was achieved by God through his death and resurrection. For Paul we live 'in Christ', we are 'limbs of his body'. John often repeats that Christ (and his Father) now 'dwell' or 'make their home' in us.

We could easily overlook the fact that what comes through clearly in this gospel is the call to fruitfulness – sharing with the Son all that makes him the 'true' vine, beloved of the Father who has given him over for the sake of the whole world. The vine's branches are 'pruned' by the Father by means of 'the word' – a clear call to nourish our Resurrection life through a knowledge and love of the Scriptures. The fruits we will bear are primarily the witness we must give to others, and the outreach through which

we are called to embody the Saviour's presence in our world. Israel was called to be 'a light to the nations' but failed; the New Israel, brought into existence through our solidarity with Jesus in his Paschal Mystery, must fulfil that great mission – an apparently impossible task, until we recall that what is at stake is the Father's great design in creation, and we recognise that all that is to be achieved derives from the One who is 'the true vine'.

In the first reading from Acts, the story of the apostolic Church, energised by its Resurrection faith, continues. conversion of Paul - through his meeting with the Risen Lord - is a great turning point in this story. As now, the difficulties to be overcome, if the community of believers was to bear life-giving fruits, were both internal and external. It was not easy to accept and trust as a brother the man who had been so violent against them. And the message of life - brought to a lost world - was hated by those who preferred darkness to the light.

If the fruits of life 'in the vine' stressed in the gospel are the Church's effective witness and outreach, the 'discipleship' referred to at the end of the gospel's teaching brings great personal blessings to each believer. The reading from John's letter spells out some of them: learning from the Saviour what authentic 'love' is; finding the trust in God which overcomes all our deepest fears and self-doubts; the unspeakable privilege of the divine indwelling; and finally the gift of God's own Spirit.

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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.

Get in touch with us by finding us online at https://www.facebook.com/youth.manningparish/

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Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 9am to 12 noon

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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

Welcoming & Naming
First Sunday at 9.00am Mass
Baptism outside Mass
Second Saturday at 10.30am
No Baptism during Mass in Lent
Third Sunday during 9.00am Mass
Other Time

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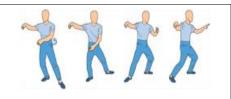
ROSTER		Weekend 1/2 May	Weekend of 8/9 May
Special Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 7.30am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Edwin Carvalho	Pam Vincent
	Sun 7.30am	Les Price	Mitchelle Cota
	Sun 9.00am	Maria Fernandes	Annalise Herrmann
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Volunteers	Volunteers
	Sun 9.00am	Volunteers	Volunteers
Counters		Terry & Meagan Scanlan	Sharon & Ryan Moore

PARISH CALENDAR				
May Sat 01	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B) Church		
Sun 02	7.30am	Sunday Mass (Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B) Church		
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B) Church		
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B) Church		
Mon 03	8.00am	Mass (Sts Philip & James) Church		
Tue 04	8.00am	Mass (Fifth week of Easter Year B) Church		
Wed 05	8.00am	Mass (St Peter Chanel) Church		
Thu 06	8.00am	Mass (Fifth week of Easter Year B) Church		
Fri 07	8.00am	Mass (Fifth week of Easter Year B) Church		
Sat 8	8.00am	Mass (Fifth week of Easter) Church		
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church		



Line Dancing Classes

Every Wednesday 10am - 12noon \$5 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 & Hellen Tay All are welcome; no age limits!



Tai Chi Group

In Manning Parish Hall Every Monday except holidays Starts 7:30pm and finishes at 8:30pm

All parishioners are most welcome. For more information, please contact or text Stephen on 0403167838.







2021 Sacraments

Here are the Schedules for the celebration of the sacraments for 2021. 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 - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

Confirmation Workshop

6pm Thursday 20 May 2021 Confirmation

6pm Saturday, 29 May 2021

Commitment Mass Done

First Holy Communion
9am Sunday, 5 September 2021

Commitment Mass 6pm 24 July 2021

First Reconciliation Saturday, 30 October 2021

Commitment Mass 6pm 11 Sept 2021

Catholic Charismatic Renewal

"Life in the Spirit Seminars
Catholic Charismatic Renewal is
supporting various 'Life in the Spirit'
Seminars across our city. These 7-session
seminars help people to encounter Jesus
Christ in a personal relationship of love,
and to experience the power of the Holy
Spirit alive and active to change their lives
for the good.

See notice board for locations or contact Dan on 0409 849 049."

5 first Saturdays Devotion

At Fatima, Our Lady pleaded with us to offer this Devotion as an Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
See Notice Board in the foyer.
For additional information contact Mignonne Goes on 0409 688 594 or Tony Pitchford on 0407 387 493



Preparations

Children from non-Catholic Schools who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will need to attend classes being held on Tuesdays, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th May from 4 to 4.45pm in the Parish Hall. Workshop for parents and candidates is also compulsory on Thursday 20 May at 6.00pm.

Parents please note these Classes are compulsory that your child/children attend before they receive the Sacrament.



The Holy Rosary

Every Friday, during the month of May, the Holy Rosary will be recited in church at 7 pm. Please join us in praying the Rosary.

First Reading

Acts 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R. v.26

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

- My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever! (R.)
- All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. (R.)
- And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.' (R.)

Second Reading

1 John 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

Gospel Acclamation

John 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away — he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart



The vine is the lifeline for the branches. If branches are cut off from the vine, they die. Jesus is our lifeline and he often works through the people in our life.

Who do you know that acts as an emotional lifeline for you? Who gives you life and support and strength?

The Scriptures tell us that those who live in Jesus do good work and bear much

fruit—apart from Jesus, we cannot do anything worth doing. Do you know people who clearly live in Jesus and are doing good work? What are they like? How do you know they are living in Jesus? What good work do they do? How can you be more like them?

Jesus says that if his words are living within us, whatever we ask for in prayer shall be granted. What does it mean to have Jesus' words living within us? If his words are truly living within us, then what would our prayer be like?

Next Sunday Readings

Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B 9th May 2021

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10 Gospel: John 15:9-17

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Who are some people in your community who are like branches of the vine? On each branch, write down a name and how they contribute their 'fruit' to the community.

