

# BULLETIN

## St Pius X Church

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

14 February 2021



Christ our Anchor

## Manning Parish

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#### Sunday Reflection by Fr John Thornhill sm

Jesus proclaimed the coming of the Kingdom, by preaching and by the healings that signalled the Kingdom's mysterious coming in his own person.

Critical studies of the miracle narratives of the four gospels have produced important conclusions. They concern a relatively small number of events – about 30 in all. These narratives offer a distinct contrast to the characteristics of typical 'wonder stories'. Though part of the Christian message from the beginning, they are constantly associated with a concern that they not give rise to a superficial popular enthusiasm, but be understood as signs of the coming of the Kingdom. We have already recognised the importance of this concern of Mark. His account of the healing of the leper, as Jesus begins his Galilean ministry presses home the point.

What a magnificent encounter with which to introduce the missionary journeys of Jesus. It would be hard to find a more telling symbol of the human miseries that Jesus was sent to overcome, than the plight of the leper who threw himself at the feet of Jesus – 'If you want to you can cure me'. It was a situation produced in large part by human ignorance and fear, accentuated by traditions of ritual cleanness. Our first reading from Leviticus describes this pathetic condition in graphic detail – obliged to wear torn clothes, with hair dishevelled, and sounding the warning cry, 'Unclean!', that ostracised the leper from normal society. What the biblical writings called 'leprosy' included not only the dread Hansen's disease, but many other skin disorders, many of which modern medicine recognises not to be contagious.

As the Saviour is moved with compassion in the presence of this human misery, we are reminded that the Servant of God of the late Isaian writings, who embodied God's saving designs, by 'bearing the sorrows' of the people, is described as assuming the condition of a leper – 'Despised, familiar with suffering, one from whom we averted our gaze' (Is 53:3). In fact, Jesus made an astounding gesture of solidarity with the man in his misery. As he healed the leper with his word of

prophetic authority, he 'stretched out his hand and touched him'. In doing so, according to the Law, he had made himself ritually unclean.

Those who claimed the power of healing were not uncommon in the world in which Jesus lived. Being seen as one of their number could seriously compromise the evangelising mission that had been so tellingly expressed in the healing of the leper. Jesus urged the man, therefore, to go off quietly, fulfilling the Law's prescription by having the priests verify his cure. But the man who had been cured could not contain himself. So important, however was it to Jesus – that the notoriety his healing had attracted be minimised – that he was forced to keep away from the towns. Nevertheless, the people were still drawn to him – Who is this man?



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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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#### Melissa Vranjes

New Principal 2021

#### Our Motto

At St Pius X Catholic Primary School, the values lived by Jesus Christ are the foundation for everything we do.

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<b>Special Ministers</b>	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 7.30am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
<b>Readers</b>	Sat 6.00pm	Christine Carvalho	Edwin Carvalho
	Sun 7.30am	Sr Margaret Keane	Carol Nicklette
	Sun 9.00am	Ron Fris	Vincent Whyte
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
<b>Counters</b>		M Prentice, H & F Tay	Kas Luczak, G Shankar

PARISH CALENDAR		
Feb Sat 13	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (6th Sunday Year B) Church
Sun 14	7.30am	Sunday Mass (6th Sunday Year B) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (6th Sunday Year B) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (6th Sunday Year B) Church
Feb Mon 15	8.00am	Communion (Week 6 Ordinary time) Church
Tue 16	8.00am	Mass (Week 6 Ordinary time) Church
Wed 17	7.30am	Mass (Ash Wednesday) Church
	9.00am	School Mass (Ash Wednesday) Church
	6.30pm	Mass (Ash Wednesday) Church
Thu 18	8.00pm	Mass (Thursday after Ash Wednesday) Church
Fri 19	8.00am	Mass (Friday after Ash Wednesday) Church
Sat 20	8.00am	Mass (Saturday after Ash Wednesday) Church
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church

**Ash Wednesday**  
Lent begins 17 February which is Ash Wednesday.

**Masses**  
7.30am Parish Mass  
9.00am School Mass  
6.30pm Parish Mass

**Stations of the Cross**  
Every Friday 7.00pm



**PROJECT COMPASSION  
BE MORE**

This week the season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which also marks the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal. Donations to Project Compassion allows Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work with local communities around the world to alleviate poverty, hunger, oppression and injustice.



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

**Confirmation**  
**Saturday, 29 May 2021**

**First Holy Communion**  
**Sunday, 5 September 2021**

**First Reconciliation**  
**Saturday, 30 October 2021**

We encourage you to put your compassion into action this Lent through your prayer, fasting and almsgiving by supporting Project Compassion. Each family will receive a Project Compassion box and/or a set of envelopes for their donations or you can donate online via the Caritas Australia website at: [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au)

Saint Oscar Romero is our inspiration for Project Compassion 2021, so in his words let's "Aspire not to have more, but to be more."

**Divine Mercy Hour**  
Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction-every third Sunday of the month at 3.00pm  
Please join us next Sunday 21 February.

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## First Reading

*Leviticus 13:1-2. 44-46*

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprosy: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

## Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 31:1-2. 5. 11. R. v.7*

(R.) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

1. Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.  
O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. (R.)
2. But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide.  
I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.'  
And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. (R.)
3. Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just!  
O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. (R.)

## Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1*

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Luke 7:16*

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

## Gospel

*Mark 1:40-45*

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

## Next Sunday Readings

**First Sunday of Lent Year B  
21 February 2021**

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15  
Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22  
Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

## Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart



The first reading relates an old Jewish practice of branding as unclean those who have leprosy and setting them apart from the community. It may also symbolise current practices of labelling persons and groups and excluding them from the community. The psalmist then tells us that we can attain acceptance and healing if we turn to the Lord.

In the reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians, Paul calls upon the people to build up the community by imitating him, who imitates Christ.

The leper in the Gospel reading did not wait for Jesus to come to him; he recognised his affliction and turned to Jesus for healing. Jesus healed him and sent him back to the community.



## 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.

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



## Seniors Gathering

on Thursday 25th February 2021  
from 12 to 2pm

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Thanks - Social Committee

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

**How were people with leprosy treated in Jesus' time?**

**What are some things we can do for sick people today?**