BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe -Year A 26th November 2023



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Scripture Commentary by Dianne Bergant CSA



The metaphor of the Good Shepherd aptly characterises God's concern and personal intervention in the shepherding of the flock. God fulfils this role primarily in two ways: by caring for the sheep, particularly the most vulnerable; and by separating the good from the bad, for even those under the care of the shepherd will be judged. There is no intermediary here; God is immediately involved, because those formerly responsible for the sheep failed to carry out their responsibilities. The simple reference 'the day', along with characterisation of that day as one of gloom and darkness, and the final depiction of separation, suggest the eschatological day of the Lord, the day of final judgment.

This responsorial psalm is one of the best-loved psalms of the entire psalter. It paints vivid pictures of carefree existence, peaceful rest, and abundant fruitfulness. Although 'shepherd' suggests a flock, here the focus is on the individual. In addition to this image, God is characterised as a host, one who supervises a banquet and within whose house the psalmist ultimately dwells. The guidance of the shepherd is more than provident; it is moral as well. The image of the shepherd securing nourishment for the flock leads into the metaphor of the host who

When the son of man comes, the nations will be gathered before him

prepares a lavish banquet for guests. It is clear that the psalmist has been under the loving guidance of the Lord.

of Paul's most treasured theological themes are brought together here: the efficacy of Christ's resurrection; human solidarity in Adam and in Christ; the sequence of eschatological events; the victory of Christ; and the ultimate reign of God. As the first fruits of the dead, the Risen Christ is the most forceful expression of life after death, and his resurrection contains the promise of resurrection for all who are joined to him. Both Adam and Christ stand for the entire race, one in sin and death, and the other in eternal life. Having conquered death, Christ will bring the fruits of his victory to God so that at the final consummation, God will be all in

The scene of the last judgment is one of apocalyptic splendour and majesty; a scene of separation of the righteous from the unrighteous; a scene of reward and punishment. The throng of people gathered at this eschatological event is judged according to their treatment of the disciples of Jesus. Since Jesus identifies with his disciples ('Whoever receives you, receives me' - see Mt 10:40), to reject the apostle is to reject him. The guilt of the people is not based on the wrong that they have done, but in their failure to accept those who were bringing the kingdom of God to them. To reject them is to reject the kingdom. Their sentences hinge on their openness to this kingdom.

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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
No Baptism during Lent
Other Time
Negotiable with Father Patrick

Sacrament of Marriage

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At least 6 Months before wedding
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ROSTER		Weekend of 25/26 Nov	Weekend of 2/3 Dec
Special Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Maria Edith Handojo	Krystyna Henderson
	Sun 7.30am	John Miles	Marilyn Lamplugh
	Sun 9.00am	Sandra McLlheney	Mary Webster
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Carlos Sivalingam	Susanna Hooper
	Sun 7.30am	Pauline Joseph	Volunteer
	Sun 9.00am	John Collins	Tony Pitchford
Counters		Colleen & Pat Lowry	Terry & Meagan Scanlan

Parish Calendar				
Nov Mon 27	8.00am	Communion Service - Church		
Tue 28	8.00am	Mass (Week 34 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
Wed 29	8.00am	Mass (Week 34 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
Thu 30	8.00am	Mass (St Andrew) Church		
Dec Fri 1	8.00am	Mass (Week 34 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
Sat 2	8.00am	Mass (Week 34 in Ordinary Time 1) Church		
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (First Sunday of Advent Year B) Church		
Sun 3	7.30am	Sunday Mass (First Sunday of Advent Year B) Church		
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (First Sunday of Advent Year B) Church		
	11.00am	Sunday (First Sunday of Advent Year B) Church		



The last Seniors lunch will be our Christmas lunch on Thursday 14 December 12.00 to 2.00pm

Please put your Name, Contact and Total coming on the list in the Foyer so that we can prepare enough food for all.



Line Dancing Classes

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



Morning Tea

Our hosts for morning tea in December are Mignonne and Lina.

Please join us next Sunday after the 9.00 am mass

ALL ARE WELCOME

This is a community building initiative.

Volunteers are required for 2024.

If you can assist, and contact details

please put your name and contact details on the list provided in the foyer.

VOLUNTEERS 2024 COUNTING ROSTER

Counters are urgently required to assist with the weekly collections. Please place your name and contact details on the form located in the church foyer.

Alternatively you can contact Terry Scanlan on 0439972583 or tscanlan1240@gmail.com for further details.

Parishioners can also assist by making donations via direct payment EFT to the 1st and 2nd collection bank accounts.

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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

Refugee Family Sponsorship

An Information Session on Refugee Family Sponsorship will be held on Wednesday, 6 December23 from 2:00 – 3:30 pm at St Mary's Cathedral Parish Centre

Please register by contacting wacmro@perthcatholic.org.au last date for registration is Friday, 1 December 23

Gardening & General Maintenance of Garden

Two of the church volunteers have reached retirement age and we are looking for volunteers to take over maintenance of the grounds and gardens.

It has been suggested that two mini working bees be conducted each month. One on the first and one on the third Saturday. If any parishioner is available on either of these two days each month, please place your name on the list in the foyer. Ideally, we would wish to see five or six volunteers on each of the two Saturdays.

Tasks include but not limited to-

- Maintaining gardens, removing all weeds and dead material dead heading plants
- Spraying weeds in all paved areas, car park, footpath and kerbing with glyphosate or something similar.
- Treating areas of ant infestation in all paved areas, car park, footpath and kerbing with Antex or something similar.
- Collecting and disposing of any rubbish, leaves etc on grounds
- Sweeping all paved areas and car park perimeter
- Watering pot plants in church and columbarium

It is realized that many of our parishioners have busy lives and a number of commitments, but we are asking for only a few hours of your time each year to maintain the grounds of your church.

First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-12. 15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest — it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22:1-3, 5-6, R. see v.1

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

- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
 Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. (R.)
- Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. (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

1 Corinthians 15:20-26. 28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 11:9-10

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in

prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

Reflection for Young People By Lisa Marie Calderone-Stewart

Jesus never really declared himself to be king of anything on earth. But we declare him to be our king.

- How is Jesus like an earthly king?
- How is he different from an earthly king?

Every so often you read in the paper or see on television that some famous person or religious group is predicting the end of the world.

- How do you feel when you hear such predictions? Are you concerned? Are you fascinated? Are you troubled? How so?
- What would you be more afraid of the sudden end of the world or your sudden death? How do both of these events affect you when you consider their actual possibility?

Next Sunday Readings 2 & 3 December 2023 First Sunday of Advent Year B

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

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