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St Pius X Church

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

5 July 2020



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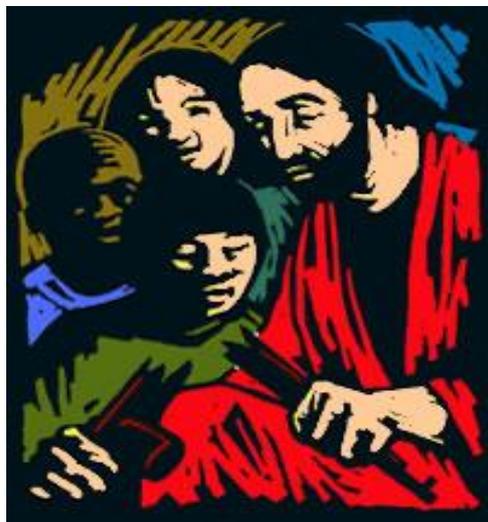
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Sunday Reflection by Fr John Thornhill sm



Today's gospel reading from Matthew - filled with light and joy - is all the more remarkable, in that it follows passages that recall a lack of response to the ministry of Jesus in his own region of Galilee. The leaders of the nation have rejected him; in Judea, he is despised as a Galilean; and now his own people have turned against him. Perhaps this passage, that promises 'rest', recalls the times he took his disciples aside to encourage them. But his call is universal, it includes 'all' who are overwhelmed by discouragement to come to him. We will find our encouragement in the joy brought by faith in him.

The note of joy brought by faith already sounds in the words of the prophet, in the first reading. Jesus knew that, despite all these setbacks, his ministry and his words are the long awaited climax to the remarkable tradition of faith and hope that has sustained the common people

who were the true believers of old Israel. 'Rejoice, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness', the prophet cries out, rejoice because the messiah king is coming - doing away with the 'horses' and other things of war, he will ride on a donkey, but strong and triumphant, as he brings a peace that embraces the whole world.

Gathering his disciples around him, Jesus

encouraged them by sharing with them, in prayer, the joy he found in the relationship with his Father that was his very life. The themes of the Scriptures heard in the synagogue, must often have found an echo in the prayer of Jesus. This passage brings out something we could easily overlook, as we ask ourselves how Jesus formed his disciples and prepared them to take up the great mission to which he was calling them. By sharing his prayer with them, he teaches them the great truths they must announce to the world - the mystery of his relationship with his Father; the strength he found in that relationship, how he made his whole life an expression of the ways of the Father. In the remarkable moment of prayer remembered in this gospel, Jesus is filled with joy and gratitude that the Father gives a privileged place to the 'little ones' who have been the first concern of his ministry. It is the simple people who have kept the faith of Israel alive, and who will carry on his mission down through the ages. As the disciples share in his prayer, he helps them to 'know' the Father. In the language of the Scriptures, let us recall, this word means far more than gathering information. It implies a sharing of life that brings the joys and security of true friendship. It was in his prayer that they came to know the intimacy with the Father that he expressed in the word, Abba, when addressing his Father. We know from St Paul, that the first Christians adopted this same form of address to the eternal Father (see Gal 4:6). As they recalled that he taught them to begin their prayer, 'Our Father', memories of the prayer he had shared with them must have given a greater depth to their personal prayer.

Both Paul and John tell us we should make the Saviour the model of our Christian life. He was himself the perfect embodiment of the life to which God's faithful people are called. In the time of Jesus, the rabbis spoke of the Law as God's 'yoke'. The Saviour assures that if we try to live as he would live, the 'yoke' of New Law he brings is 'easy and light'.

Condolences

Mary Webster's mother, Giacomina Capelli, passed away on Tuesday 30 June. Our condolences to Mary and the family. Many of you in the parish would have known her as Mina.

Her funeral is at 10.00am on Wednesday 8 July here at St Pius X Church and burial at Pinnaroo Cemetery at 12.30pm. There will be a Rosary and Vigil Prayers at 7.00pm on Tuesday 7 July.

Please keep her and the family in your prayers.

In Loving Memory
2 June 1927 - 30 June 2020



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SCHEDULES

Confession

Saturday 5.00 to 5.30pm
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Normal Weekend Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am Live Stream 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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Sacrament of Marriage

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ROSTER		Weekend 4th & 5th July	Weekend of 11th & 12th July
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	S Hooper	K Henderson
	Sun 7.30am	M Cota	Sr Margaret
	Sun 9.00am	T Pitchford	F Widjaja
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Counters		Sharon & Ryan Moore	D & B Molony

PARISH CALENDAR

Sat 4th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (14h Sunday Year A) - Church
Sun 5th	7.30am	Sunday Mass (14th Sunday Year A) - Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (14th Sunday Year A) - Church
Mon 6th	11.00am	Chinese Mass (14th Sunday Year A) - Church
	8.00am	Communion Service - Church
Tues 7th	8.00am	Mass (Ordinary Time Week 14) - Church
	7.00pm	Rosary & Vigil Prayer for Giacomina Capelli - Church
Wed 8th	8.00am	Mass (Ordinary Time Week 14) - Church
	10.00am	Funeral Mass for Giacomina Capelli - Church
Thurs 9th	8.00am	Mass (Ordinary Time Week 14) - Church
Fri 10th	8.00am	Mass (Ordinary Time Week 14) - Church
Sat 11th	8.00am	Mass (St Benedict) - Church
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church

2020-2021 Financial Year

Once again we are reminding parishioners that we have already begun a new financial year. Therefore, if you have been using the envelope system for the second collection you would have used your last envelope for last Financial Year Planned-Giving. If you do not wish to use the Direct Debit and Electronic Funds Transfer methods and would like to have a set of envelopes for this Financial Year, please fill in a Pledge Form and we will issue you a new set of envelopes.

We thank you for your financial support to keep your parish running.

Manning Finance Committee

Seniors Gathering

Our July gathering is on Thursday 23 from 12 noon to 2pm with a sausage sizzle

If you are interested please put your name and contact on the list provided in the foyer. Thanks - Social Committee

SOUP/BINGO NIGHT

SATURDAY, 18 JULY 2020

TICKETS ON SALE FROM THIS WEEKEND

Primary school children \$5 each. All others \$10 each.

Children under 5yo free.

Bingo tickets \$2 per sheet of 6 tickets.

Social committee members will be selling tickets after each mass from THIS weekend or see the Parish Office for tickets during the week.



CHURCH SACRAMENTS



Tai Chi Group

St Pius Tai Chi Group has recommenced COVID Safety Plan will strictly followed.

Every Monday except holidays, with a new format.

Normal Tai Chi exercises will start as usual between 7:30 and 8:30. But it will be preceded by half an hour (7 - 7:30) of instructions for beginners and for those who want some revision. All parishioners, beginners and advanced practitioners are most welcome.

The venue is the parish hall.

For more information, please contact or text Stephen on 0403167838.



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!



MORNING TEA

Morning tea will be held this Sunday after the 9.00am Mass.

Come for a Cuppa

All are welcome

Please take note of the Parish Schedules for our children in their Sacramental Programs for 2020. Parents if your child/children are attending a State School please take note of the dates and contact the parish office so that we can organise the preparations for them.

- Commitment for the Sacraments can be arranged with Fr Pat
- Sunday 13th September 11.00am First Holy Communion. (Church capacity will be determined by COVID-19 Safety Plan directives)
- 19th September Reconciliation (Time slot allocation 10am-12pm)
- 15th October Confirmation (Tentative only pending approval by the Archbishop)

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem! See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R. v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. (R.)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. (R.)
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

Second Reading

Romans 8:9.11-13

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

Next Sunday Readings
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
12 July 2020

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11
Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23
Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart



According to Jesus, children know more about some of God's secrets than do the most clever adults.

Have you ever held a crying baby? Have you seen anyone else do it? Can anything be done to stop a baby crying? When the baby finally stops crying, is it because the pain has gone away? How can rocking, singing and cuddling help?

As we grow older, we perhaps don't cry when we skin our knees or drop our toys, but we still have plenty of pain in our life. We never outgrow the ability to hurt or the need for comfort.

What might be one of God's secrets about dealing with suffering or about comforting someone in pain?

Jesus doesn't promise us a life without pain, but he says that the yoke and burden will be light and easy to bear.

When have you had to deal with great physical pain? What happened?

When have you had to deal with great emotional pain? What happened?

Which is easier to deal with – physical pain or emotional pain? Why?

How does living in the spirit of Jesus affect the way we deal with our pain?



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