# BULLETIN

### St Pius X Church

# Saint Mary of the Cross - Mary MacKillop

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### **Gospel Reflection by the Fr John McKinnon**



Jesus encouraged his disciples to trust God, who would always give them personal dignity and value. God would not abandon them - they were blessed now and the Kingdom would be theirs though, in the meantime, they might experience the grinding effects of others' injustice and oppression.

From reminding them of their intrinsic value, Jesus proceeded to confront them their radical powerlessness. Unsupported by God, any anxious efforts they made to retain total control of their lives would be futile. Certainly, they were not to be totally passive, yet worry was pointless.

As with food, similarly with clothing: disciples were to do what they could and leave the rest to God. They needed to trust the God of the Kingdom, the God of 'enough'.

Gentiles did not know God, the Father of Jesus, who loved the creatures he had made, the heavenly Father in whom disciples placed their trust. Already, Jesus had spoken clearly of the Father who knows what you need before you ask him [6:8]. Clear-sighted Matthew demanded consistency between prayer behaviour. He reminded his community of their need to make up their minds.

Jesus was realistic. Unrelenting poverty meant that each day had to be faced on its own merits. Trust had to be constantly renewed. In his prayer, Jesus had taught them to pray: Give to us each day our bread for the day. That was today's need. God did not promise tomorrow's bread. Tomorrow's need could be faced tomorrow with the same trust as today's need can be faced today. That trust would need to be learnt and practised each new day. Yet each new day's trust would remove each new day's worry.

As disciples in the Western world hear Jesus' advice, most of them do not struggle to find food for their tables. Yet, most worry about food and clothing, not for sustenance, but for acceptance and enjoyment.

Like fasting, which in Jesus' day gave rise to the temptation to hypocrisy, questions of food and clothing present a greater challenge to today's disciples in the Western world. Most of the world's followers of Jesus live in the developing world, where about 850,000,000 go to bed hungry each night. The rest in the West worry about their diets, or confront massive problems connected with overweight, or are consumed by the need to wear the latest fashions. Their magazines are filled with recipes, slimming programs or advertisements for clothing. The hungry are hungry due, in part, to the neglect of the Western nations, for whom food and clothing can be challenging luxuries.

Yet, so much of the excess of the Western world is due to lack of trust. Many people lack a radical sense of their own dignity given to them by God. Their "eye is evil". Without a clear option for genuinely transcendent values, lesser goods become addictive. Skilled advertisers continue to exploit their insecurities. They feel desperately, but often unconsciously, inadequate and incomplete. They do not know, or fail to trust, the God who loves them passionately and unconditionally. Consequently, they are driven compensate – by looking good to or indulging their superficial desires.

Their only salvation is to learn to trust.

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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

**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 Negotiable with Father Patrick

### Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment with Fr Patrick At least 6 Months before wedding Marriage Preparation Course Enrolment Website: www.cmfs.org.au Email: enquiries@cmfs.org.au



### St Pius X Primary School

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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.

### SPX Safequarding Officers

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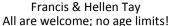
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ROSTER		Weekend 7/8 Aug	Weekend of 14/15 Aug
Special Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 7.30am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	lan Sydney-Smith	Christine Carvalho
	Sun 7.30am	Jeevan Joseph	S Hooper
	Sun 9.00am	Antonia Chandra	Maria Fernandes
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Volunteers	Volunteers
_	Sun 9.00am	Volunteers	Volunteers
Counters		D & B Molony	T Scanlan & E Noronha

PARISH CALENDAR				
Aug Sat 7	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (Saint Mary of the Cross) Church		
Sun 8	7.30am	Sunday Mass (Saint Mary of the Cross) Church		
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (Saint Mary of the Cross) Church		
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (Saint Mary of the Cross) Church		
Mon 9	8.00am	Communion Service (19th Week in Ordinary time) Church		
Tue 10	8.00am	Mass (St Lawrence) Church		
Wed 11	8.00am	Mass (St Clare) Church		
Thu 12	8.00am	Mass (19th Week in Ordinary time) Church		
Fri 13	8.00am	Mass (19th Week in Ordinary time) Church		
Sat 14	8.00am	Mass (St Maximilian Kolbe) Church		
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church		

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### St Pius X School

St Pius X School are currently interviewing for positions in Kindy 2023.

If you have a child that is due to commence Kindy in this year please contact the school office 9416 5600 to arrange an interview.

# **48-hour Rosary Bouquet**

For Our Lady's Birthday 6 pm Sunday 5 September to 6 pm Tuesday 7 September

Be a part of the bouquet. Please write your name against the time of your choice in the form provided in the foyer.

### Centre for Faith Enrichment

### **Evening Adult Faith Programme**

The Word of the Lord: Exploring Scriptures Tuesdays, 10 - 31 August (4 sessions) 7.30 pm - 8.30 pm Speaker: Dr Peter Christofides Cost: Suggested donation \$20

Location: Nollamara Parish, 269 Flinders Street, Nollamara WA 6061

For more information, see flyer on notice board in the foyer.

# **5 first Saturdays Devotion** At Fatima, Our Lady pleaded with us to

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

### 2021 Sacraments

Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office for an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/sacraments

First Holy Communion
9am Sunday, 12 September 2021

First Reconciliation
Saturday, 30 October 2021
Commitment Mass 6pm 11 Sept 2021

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

Mary MacKillop had a great desire to do God's will and help those most in need. Who are the people most in need of help in your community? In what ways can you help them?

I can help...

I can help...

I can help...

I can help...

1 Kings 17:8-16

And then the word of the Lord came to Elijah, 'Up and go to Zarephath, a Sidonian town, and stay there. I have ordered a widow there to give you food.' So he went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks. Addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please,' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 623:1-8

(R.) My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

- O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you Like a dry, weary land without water. (R.)
- So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. (R.)
- So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands.
   My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.)
- 4. On my bed I remember you.
  On you I muse through the night
  for you have been my help;
  in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. (R.)

# Second Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

# Gospel Acclamation

Mt 27:55

Alleluia, alleluia! Many women were there by the cross, watching from a distance, the same women who had followed Jesus and looked after him. Alleluia!

### Gospel

Jesus said to his disciples:

I am telling you not to worry about your life and what you are to eat, nor about your body and what you are to wear. Surely life is more than food, and the body more than clothing! Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they are? Can any of you, however much you worry, add one single cubit to your span of life?

And why worry about clothing? Think of the flowers growing in the fields; they never have to work or spin: yet I assure you that not even Solomon in all his royal robes was clothed like one of these. Now if that is how God clothes the wild flowers growing in the field which are there today and thrown into the furnace tomorrow, will he not much more look after you, you have so little faith?

So, do not worry; do not say, "What are we to eat? What are we to drink? What are we to wear?" It is the gentiles who set their hearts on all these things. Your heavenly Father knows you need them all. Set your hearts on his kingdom first, and on God's saving justice, and all these other things will be given you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow: tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

## Reflection for Young People



When we read in today's gospel that we are "not to worry", the word, worry, might better be translated as distracted. Jesus says to not be distracted or consumed by the pursuit of money, food and nice clothes. He says that it is the gentiles — those

who do not know the love of God – who set their hearts on attaining these things. We are immersed in a culture in society that values these outward signs of success above all else. The challenge is to avoid being caught up in the distractions of our material society. One way to do that is through regular prayer and reflection.

- Q. In what way does a particular phrase, or sentence, from today's gospel catch your attention?
- Q. Why might Jesus have used the particular images he did when he was speaking to his audience?
- Q. What does this gospel tell us about the sort of relationship God wants to have with us?
- Q. What is one thing in your life that is a distraction from you being the best you can be?

# Next Sunday Readings

Feast of Assumption of Mary 15th August 2021

First Reading: Apocalypse 11:19, 12:1-6, 10 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26 Gospel: Luke 1:39-56



# **Manning Parish Youth**

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Matthew 6:25-34