

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

11th Sunday in Ordinary time - Year B

13th June 2021



Christ our Anchor

Manning Parish

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Sunday Reflection by the late Fr John Thornhill sm



Today's gospel passage comes from a sequence called Mark's 'day of parables'. In the parables we can meet Jesus as an imaginative friend who is explaining his concerns and hopes to us. He tells us of 'the Kingdom', in which Israel's great hopes and all our human longings will be fulfilled. In Jesus' time, expectations were high and false human hopes were widespread. Jesus used figurative language, as more effective than plain language, to engage the people and awaken in them a sense of the mysterious message he brought. As our understanding of the mystery is awakened, so too is our understanding of the Saviour himself, for it is to the realisation of the 'Kingdom' that his whole existence among us is given.

Mark begins his 'day of parables' with three 'seed' parables. The familiar parable of the sower is not included in today's passage; it gives us the parable of the seed that grows mysteriously to produce a full

harvest, and the parable of the mustard seed, the smallest seed familiar to Palestinian farmers, which can produce a bush ten or twelve feet high. The most striking feature of these parables is the contrast between the tiny seed and what it goes on to produce. The 'Kingdom' Jesus announces is not a worldly triumph (something we need constantly to be reminded of); of its nature it has beginnings which are unimpressive and obscure by human standards. But in the end it initiates the realisation of the final achievement of God. Reference to the sickle and harvest echoes what the prophets had said about the End-time. Mark's audience, who had already seen the Church grow from being a marginal Jewish movement into an international fellowship, would have appreciated the prophetic promise of the original parable of Jesus. The 'birds of the air' may be an echo of this. The seed growing mysteriously has a lesson for every age. The growth of the 'kingdom' is God's work, a work that is vast and mysterious. Vatican II teaches that God's grace is at work in every human existence 'in a way known only to God' (Gaudium et spes, n.22). We must distinguish the Church and the 'Kingdom' – of which the Church is the 'first-fruits' and sign in the world. And even in the Church, as we all recognise, what is important to God is often humble and hidden.

The whole life of Jesus, we can say, is a parable, leading us into the mystery of God's generous and merciful dealings with us. As we come to appreciate the 'Kingdom' Jesus announced, and see him caring for God's people in their needs, we come to know the commitments which shaped his human existence. More than one of the Fathers spoke of Jesus as the 'seed'. In fact, he himself said he was the seed that must fall into the ground and die to produce God's final harvest.

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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

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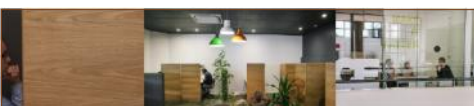
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Special Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 7.30am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Christine Carvalho	Ian Sydney-Smith
	Sun 7.30am	Tom Sweeny	Carol Nicklette
	Sun 9.00am	Vincent Whyte	Maria Fernandes
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Volunteers	Volunteers
	Sun 9.00am	Volunteers	Volunteers
Counters		Mark & Erica Lazurus	M Prentice, H & F Tay

PARISH CALENDAR		
June Sat 12	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (11th Sunday in Ordinary time) Church
Sun 13	7.30am	Sunday Mass (11th Sunday in Ordinary time) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (11th Sunday in Ordinary time) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (11th Sunday in Ordinary time) Church
Mon 14	8.00am	Communion Service (11th Week in Ordinary time) Church
Tue 15	8.00am	Mass (11th Week in Ordinary time) Church
Wed 16	8.00am	Mass (11th Week in Ordinary time) Church
Thu 17	8.00am	Mass (11th Week in Ordinary time) Church
Fri 18	8.00am	Mass (11th Week in Ordinary time) Church
Sat 19	8.00am	Mass (11th Week in Ordinary time) Church
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church

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



SOUP AND BINGO NIGHT

Saturday, 19 June

(after the 6pm mass)

Tickets: \$10 per person

\$5 for each primary school child

Bingo tickets will be sold in the Parish Hall. Please bring coins.

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Here are the Schedules for the celebration of the sacraments for 2021.

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First Holy Communion

9am Sunday, 12 September 2021

Commitment Mass 6pm 24 July 2021

First Reconciliation

Saturday, 30 October 2021

Commitment Mass 6pm 11 Sept 2021



Tai Chi Group

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Every Monday except holidays

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Divine Mercy Hour

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction every third Sunday of the month at 3pm.

Please join us next Sunday at 3 pm.

Seniors Gathering

Thursday 24 June 2021

12 to 2pm

If you are interested please put your name and contact details, as well as your preference of meal, on the list provided in the foyer.

Thanks - Social Committee

St Pius X School Kindy - 2023

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.

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First Reading

Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this:

From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. (R.)
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)
3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

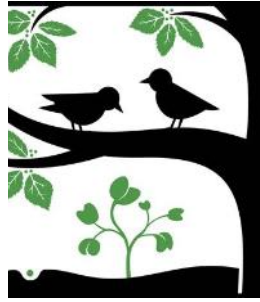
Next Sunday Readings

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year B
20th June 2021

First Reading: Job 38:1, 8-11
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17
Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

Reflection for Young People

By Greg Sunter



This week's gospel is a wonderful example of the teaching style of Jesus. It even tells us that 'he would not speak to them except in parables'. Jesus used the parable form almost exclusively to share his message. He used imagery that was familiar to his audience; parables about the everyday life of a rural community: seeds, planting, growing, harvesting. The secret of Jesus' parables, when we understand the cultural context, is that there was always a 'twist in the tale' – what is called a 'discombobulating shift' – that turns the expected outcome of the story on its head.

- Q. What comparison is being made between the kingdom of God and the seed growing night and day?
- Q. What is a literal interpretation of the parable of the mustard seed?
- Q. How does knowing some of the social context of a passage help in understanding and interpreting?
- Q. Why do you think Jesus so often taught through parables?
- Q. Why might Jesus have avoided a direct description of the kingdom of God?

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CHILDREN'S CORNER



What is God's Kingdom like?

Jesus described the Kingdom of God as being like a mustard seed - the smallest of seeds! - but once planted, it grows into the biggest of shrubs. What do you imagine the Kingdom of God to be like? Write or draw your answers