

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

15th Sunday in Ordinary time- Year C

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Christ our Anchor

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New Testament Commentary Mary Coloe PBVM



Today we hear a story that has lost its punch by being so familiar. Can we listen to it again in a different way? Can we become the audience who hear Jesus' parable? A crowd has gathered, for the miracle worker has come. Then one of the lawyers speaks up with a question to test him. You settle back to watch this exchange, as it could provide an interesting diversion to the day's monotony. The test question changes: 'Who is my neighbour?' The miracle worker becomes a storyteller: 'Once upon a time, a man was travelling from Jerusalem to Jericho.'

You know the road well – a two-day journey on foot, on a narrow dangerous road. This traveller's story is your story. You too could be in his extreme situation, robbed, beaten and left to die. Then the story becomes more interesting.

The story teller uses the familiar pattern of three: the Priest, the Levite, and the _____. The pattern sets up the probability that the next person will be a layperson like you, an ordinary Jew ready to do the good thing when the clerics have failed. 'Typical' you think to yourself. So now, you identify not only with the injured traveller, but anticipate identifying with the Saviour figure. But then Jesus continues his tale. Shock! Horror! The Saviour is a Samaritan! A despised group of half-breeds! Can you really identify with one of those? Can you

leave the security of your own identity to imagine, even for a minute, being this other? This outsider. You'd like the role of Saviour, but a Samaritan! You shake your head in utter confusion. The story-teller demands too much.

Who is my neighbour? Over recent years, I have watched both sides of politics try to outdo each other in offering harsh solutions to the unparalleled global crisis of millions of refugees. According to the United Nations at the end of 2012 there were around 10.5 million people seeking refuge from war, poverty, or famine. With the ongoing crisis in Syria, that number will now be much higher as something like 4 million Syrians are fleeing their country. While the papers can make it appear that we are being inundated with asylum seekers, the facts are that a very small percentage of the millions seeking asylum come here. So when I ask the question who is my neighbour I think of Selina from Sudan, or Fatiah from Afghanistan – real mothers and fathers seeking a chance for life for themselves and their children. Who can be a neighbour for them?

The letter to the Colossians is one of the disputed letters in that it is not clear that it was written by Paul, even though it has some things in common with Paul's way of thinking.

The passage today is often spoken of as a Cosmic Hymn as here the writer affirms the unique place of Jesus within the entire creation. It echoes the concept found in the Wisdom writings of Israel, designating Jesus as the image or icon of the invisible God and pre-existing with God before creation. When speaking of the church, this is likened to a body with Christ as its kephale/head/source. I think it is more likely that the writer is thinking of Christ as the source of the Church community, rather than as a 'head'. The Greek word kephale can hold this sense of 'head' just as we speak of 'the head' of a river, meaning its point of origin. The letter continues to present Jesus as the source, the beginning not only of creation, but of the new creation of those to be reborn from death.

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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

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9am Mass - to be nominated

11am Chinese Mass

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	Sun 7.30am	David Jenaway	Br Basil Hickey
	Sun 9.00am	Vincent Whyte	Volunteer
	Counters	Kas Luczak, G Shankar	Terry & Meagan Scanlan

Parish Calendar		
July Mon 11	8.00am	Communion Service (St Benedict) Church
Tue 12	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 15) Church
Wed 13	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 15) Church
Thu 14	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 15) Church
Fri 15	8.00am	Mass (St Bonaventure) Church
Sat 16	8.00am	Mass (Weekday, Ordinary Time 15) Church
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (16th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
Sun 17	7.30am	Mass (16th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
	9.00am	Mass (16th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (16th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church



2022 Sacraments Schedules

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 - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

Confirmation
2022 Completed

First Holy Communion
9am Sunday, 11 September 2022
Commitment Mass 6pm 30 July 2022

First Reconciliation
10.30am-12pm
Saturday, 29 October 2022
Commitment Mass 6pm 15 Oct 2022



Line Dancing Classes

Mondays and Wednesdays
10am - 12noon \$6 per session
All proceeds go to the Parish
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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

Morning Tea Roster 2022



We are resuming our once a month morning tea (commencing in August) and in the process of preparing a roster.

If you would like to assist in hosting the Morning Tea, please put your name and phone number on the form provided in the foyer.

Thank you, Social Committee

Geraldton Pilgrimage

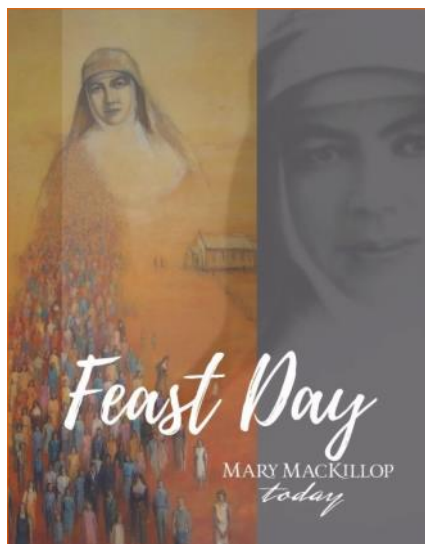
The Goan association with the Hawes Heritage Events is holding a Hawes Heritage Trail Pilgrimage from 25th August to 27 August 2022. Monsignor John Hawes arrived in Geraldton in 1915 and worked initially in several outback parishes before being assigned to the Mullewa Parish. During his time with the Geraldton Diocese, as well as ministering as a priest, he designed 44 buildings, 29 of which were built. St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Geraldton is one of his creations. Today his buildings are being restored and a Heritage Centre (Monsignor Hawes Heritage Inc) exists to make him better known to Australians. As well as visiting Hawes Heritage Trail sites, the Pilgrimage will include visits to the Kalbarri Skywalk, the Pink Lake, and will take in the local wildflowers. For a brochure on the two- and half-day pilgrimage and registering procedures please contact Adolph de Sousa mob 0413129707 or email adolphdesousa@hotmail.com For more information on John Hawes visit www.monsignorhawes.com



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First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R. see v.33

(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

1. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
2. As for me in my poverty and pain
let your help, O God, lift me up.
I will praise God's name with a song;
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their chains. (R.)
4. For God will bring help to Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah.
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;
those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)

Second Reading

Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation

See Jn 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place

saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart

Samaritans had a bad reputation among Jews. Jews regarded them as bad examples, people to avoid, people who did not follow God's law. Yet Jesus made a Samaritan the hero in his story. The priest and the Levite are people Jews were taught to respect and imitate, and yet Jesus made them the selfish and uncaring people in his story.

Besides telling us to get involved and help other people, what else do you think Jesus was trying to teach us with this story?

If Jesus came to us today, in our modern culture, how would he tell this story to get the same point across? Sometimes we avoid getting involved with strangers because it might be dangerous, and sometimes we avoid it because we might have to spend some time and energy, or because we would feel awkward in doing so.

What is an example of a dangerous situation when most people would agree that it would not be a good idea to get involved with a stranger in need?

What is an example of a situation when it would not be dangerous for you to get involved with a stranger in need?

What is an example of a situation involving a stranger in need that is difficult to decide upon – a situation that isn't completely dangerous, but isn't completely safe either? What would you do in that situation? What advice would you give regarding appropriate action to take in that situation?

Next Sunday Readings

17 July 2022

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10

Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Help the good Samaritan find the injured man and take him to the inn at Jericho.

