

# BULLETIN

## St Pius X Church

### First Sunday of Lent - Year B

21 February 2021



Christ our Anchor

## Manning Parish

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### Sunday Reflection by Fr John Thornhill sm

Today's gospel reading invites us to prepare ourselves in the company of Jesus. As he set out on the journey that was to lead to Easter, he prepared himself by withdrawing to some desert place, and confronting the temptation to avoid the great task that lay ahead of him. This is an astounding moment in the life of Jesus. Have we taken seriously the fact that, in sharing our human experience, Jesus knew the weight of human decisions and the temptations involved – though, of course, he was without sin in the response he made? This testing brought Jesus new strength, and he began to proclaim the Good News of the coming reign of God. In his company, during the coming days, let us recognise the nature of our temptations, and the bonds of selfishness from which we want to be freed as we make our journey to Easter.



It is the conclusion of the story of Noah and the ark which saved him from The Flood – one of the old stories in the introductory pages of the Bible, describing a wayward humanity, in need of the salvation God was to give. The story ends on a note of hope and promise – the rainbow will be a sign of the covenant God makes with humanity, promising that he will always be merciful.

What a magnificent symbol - reminding us of the trust we can place in God, whatever our difficulties and failings! Whenever we see the rainbow and know its promise of fine, clear weather after a storm, we should remember God's promise, and renew our trust in God's mercy, and the final triumph of God's goodness.

The second reading interprets the story of the flood and Noah's being saved as a kind of foretelling of the wonder of baptism – the destination of our journey to Easter, because it is through our baptism that we share in the risen life of Christ.

The beginning of our journey is a time for personal reflection for each of us. Perhaps, however, we need to ponder more deeply the astonishing fact that Jesus knew temptation, though he was without sin in his response to its challenge.

Jesus found strength in the certainty with which he looked to the end of his journey. Though what lay ahead would not be easy, he knew that God's goodness and mercy would be victorious in the end – through his generous response to the call of his Father.

The first reading from the Book of Genesis invites us to share in this hope and expectation as we set out on our journey.



Twenty-two-year-old Jamila is a single mother, living in the world's largest refugee camp in Bangladesh. A Rohingya woman, she fled the armed conflict in Myanmar's Rakhine State to save herself, her elderly mother and eight-month-old baby daughter. Having been abandoned by her husband, she faced life in the camp on her own. Hundreds of thousands of Rohingya people have crossed into Bangladesh since August 2017. Over 1.3 million people remain in the densely populated camps in desperate need of humanitarian assistance. Thanks to the generosity of Caritas Australia's supporters and through our partnership with Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila had access to emergency food and shelter.

Then, as her stay in the camp stretched on, Jamila joined the Women Friendly Spaces project where she received counselling and emotional support. She learnt about health and hygiene, participated in a parenting program and learnt sewing skills to help her to earn an income. Jamila now has a sense of community around her, and feels less alone and more supported – and she is able to "Be More" to her family. "I want to offer my thankful greetings to those who are kindly thinking of us from overseas," Jamila says. "Thank you, and thanks Caritas Australia."

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Tuesday to Friday 9am to 12 noon

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## 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

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### Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment with Fr Patrick

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### Melissa Vranjes

New Principal 2021

### Our Motto

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	Sun 7.30am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Edwin Carvalho	Pam Vincent
	Sun 7.30am	Carol Nicklette	Les Price
	Sun 9.00am	Vincent Whyte	Maria Fernandes
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Counters		Kas Luczak, G Shankar	Terry & Meagan Scanlan


PARISH CALENDAR		
Feb Sat 20	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (1st Sunday of Lent Year B) Church
Sun 21	7.30am	Sunday Mass (1st Sunday of Lent Year B) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (1st Sunday of Lent Year B) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (1st Sunday of Lent Year B) Church
Feb Mon 22	8.00am	Mass (Chair of St Peter) Church
Tue 23	8.00am	Mass (1st week of Lent) Church
Wed 24	8.00am	Mass (1st week of Lent) Church
Thu 25	8.00pm	Mass (1st week of Lent) Church
Fri 26	8.00am	Mass (1st week of Lent) Church
	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Sat 27	8.00am	Mass (1st week of Lent) Church
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church



Last week the season of Lent began with Ash Wednesday, which also marks the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal.

**PROJECT COMPASSION BE MORE**

Donations to Project Compassion allows Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work with local communities around the world to alleviate poverty, hunger, oppression and injustice.



**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!



**Tai Chi Group**  
 In Manning Parish Hall  
 Every Monday except holidays  
 Starts 7:30pm and finishes at 8:30pm  
 All parishioners are most welcome.  
 For more information, please contact or text Stephen on 0403167838.

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



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](http://manningparish.org.au/sacraments) - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

**Confirmation**  
**Saturday, 29 May 2021**

**First Holy Communion**  
**Sunday, 5 September 2021**

**First Reconciliation**  
**Saturday, 30 October 2021**

We encourage you to put your compassion into action this Lent through your prayer, fasting and almsgiving by supporting Project Compassion. Each family will receive a Project Compassion box and/or a set of envelopes for their donations or you can donate online via the Caritas Australia website at: [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au)

Saint Oscar Romero is our inspiration for Project Compassion 2021, so in his words let's "Aspire not to have more, but to be more."

**Seniors Gathering**  
 on Thursday 25th February 2021  
 from 12 to 2pm

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

**Divine Mercy Hour**  
 Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction-every third Sunday of the month at 3.00pm

Please join us this Sunday 21 February.

## First Reading

Genesis 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10

(R.) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my saviour. (R.)
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.  
In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O Lord. (R.)
3. The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

## Second Reading

1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

## Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

## Gospel

Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

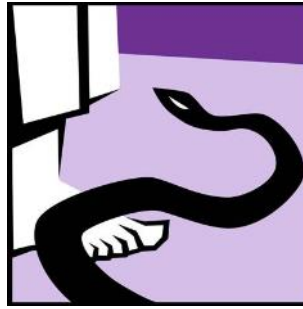
## Communion Antiphon

Matthew 4:4

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

## Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart



A rainbow is a symbol of diversity in harmony. In a rainbow, the individual colours are unique, but they blend together and form a beautiful unity. Being a 'Rainbow People' means we are a people of diversity who live together in harmony.

Can you think of people who are different from you yet live in the harmony of friendship with you? How are they different from you? How are

these differences a blessing to your friendship?

A rainbow is a symbol of faithfulness. Have you ever broken a promise? Has anyone ever broken a promise to you? Have you ever had an experience of unfaithfulness in a friendship? What happened?

God said the rainbow was a sign of the covenant between God and the earth. How is your relationship to our planet earth and all of its life? What are some of the problems human beings are creating for other forms of life, and what are some things you can do to help solve those problems

## Next Sunday Readings

Second Sunday of Lent Year B

28 February 2021

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

Second Reading: Romans 8:31-34

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

## CHILDREN'S CORNER



The season of Lent is a special time when we prepare for the events of Holy Week and Easter. What things can you do to try and be more like Jesus during the forty days of Lent?