

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th September 2021



Christ our Anchor

Manning Parish

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Gospel Reflection by the late Fr John Thornhill sm



Our readings from the Gospel of Mark make us aware of the way in which this gospel makes use of material concerning the life of Jesus – perhaps supplied in part by the apostle Peter. While he allows the events speak for themselves, Mark's presentation points to implications he wishes to emphasise. Today's reading concerns the healing of a deaf man with a speech impediment. While the healing and the wonder it provoked are described in detail, the fact that Jesus 'ordered them to tell no one' is again emphasised. Mark is maintaining a delicate balance: Jesus was truly a miraculous healer, but Mark wants those who hear the gospel to look beyond this fact to the nature of the mysterious mission Jesus has received from his Father, as the messiah who 'must suffer'.

'Be opened!' These dramatic words of Jesus are the climax of the story. In Mark's text, the Galilean mission of Jesus has ended with rejection by those of his 'home town'. Mark begins his account of the cure by describing the strange route taken by Jesus - through pagan territories -

probably pointing to the infant Church's mission to the gentiles and the openness with which that mission to preach the gospel truth was received. We too are invited to reflect upon the importance of openness, and to acknowledge the many ways in which we can be more open to God's call to the fullness of life. For Mark, life and joy will be found by those who become true disciples of the Crucified One, and so enter with him into his glory.

The second reading, from the Letter of James, brings this whole program down to earth. Let us be open and generous to those around us, and not imprisoned in our selfish outlooks, 'making distinctions between classes of people'. The teaching of James does not remain an abstraction. Who is not moved to reflect upon assumptions taken for granted, when confronted by the simple example of the 'beautifully dressed' person and the poor person 'in shabby clothes'? But for James this is more than a moral story; it is a story about discipleship – learning, in the company of Jesus, to identify with the ways of God: 'those who are poor according to the world God chose to be rich in faith and to be heirs to the kingdom'.

The first reading from Isaiah – describing the liberating ways of God – comes from the final pages of the first part of the Isaian tradition. It is taken from a passage that proclaims the magnificent future God has in store for Israel. The confidence of the Prophets expectations is amazing – in the continuation of the passage, he foresees God's people 'shouting for joy, their heads crowned with joy unending. We can rejoice, with James, that we know already the mysterious intimations of that future. We are challenged by the prophet's confidence, to become a Church giving the vital witness our troubled world needs, if that world to find hope by being 'open' to God's future.

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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)

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7:30am Mass – Jeevan Joseph 0434 038 353

9am Mass – Barbara Thompson 0408 955 859

11am Chinese Mass

Gregory Lo 0435 383 417, Augustine Lai 0402 185 248, Juliana Tseng 0438 864 689

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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 | Antonia Chandra | Krystyna Henderson |
| | Sun 7.30am | Jeevan Joseph | Br Basil Hickey |
| | Sun 9.00am | Jim Kelly | Giselle Shankar |
| Altar Servers | Sat 6.00pm | Volunteers | Volunteers |
| | Sun 9.00am | Volunteers | Volunteers |
| | Counters | T & M Scanlan | Sharon & Ryan Moore |

| Parish Calendar | | |
|-----------------|-------------|---|
| Sept Mon 6 | 8.00am | Communion Service (23rd Week in Ordinary time) Church |
| Tue 7 | 8.00am | Mass (23rd Week in Ordinary time) Church |
| Wed 8 | 8.00am | Mass (Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary) Church |
| Thu 9 | 8.00am | Mass (23rd Week in Ordinary time) Church |
| Fri 10 | 8.00am | Mass (23rd Week in Ordinary time) Church |
| Sat 11 | 8.00am | Mass (23rd Week in Ordinary time) Church |
| | 5.00-5.30pm | Confession - Church |
| | 6.00pm | Vigil Mass (24th Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church |
| Sun 12 | 7.30am | Sunday Mass (24th Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church |
| | 9.00am | Sunday Mass (24th Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church |
| | 11.00am | Chinese Mass (24th Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church |

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

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.

Line Dancing Classes
 Mondays 10am - 12noon
 Wednesdays 10am - 12noon
 \$5 per session
 All proceeds go to Manning 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!

HAPPY Father's DAY



We wish all the Dads of our Parish family, a very special Father's Day.



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

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.

Volunteers required
 We require the services of two volunteers to join our Finance Committee.
 Experience in book keeping, quarterly reports, BAS, etc. is required.
 If you would like to volunteer your services, please call our Chairperson, Basil Conti on 0407 380 809

MORNING TEA



Morning tea will be held this Sunday 5th September after the 9.00am Mass.
 Hosted by Margaret B, Beryl and Delys
 All are welcome

Seniors Gathering
Thursday
23 September 2021
 12 to 2pm



If you are interested please put your name and contact details on the list provided in the foyer

Seniors Luncheon

Thanks
 Social Committee

A Dialogue with female members of the Plenary Council
Thursday 9 September
5.30-8.30 pm
 Come and listen to what inspires and enriches their faith experience and hear about their hopes for the Plenary Council.
 Catholic Education Office
 60 Ruislip St., West Leederville
 Contact Kerry MacFarlane 0400 886 835

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First Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. 'Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy; for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake, the parched land springs of water.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145:7-10. R. v.1

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bound down, the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. (R.)
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading

James 2:1-5

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

Next Sunday Readings

12th September 2021

24th Sunday in Ordinary time

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

Second Reading: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart



People are amazed that Jesus can cure deafness. They are probably also amazed that Jesus would even be interested in giving any attention to a person who cannot hear. In his culture it was a popular belief that if you were deaf or blind or disabled in any way, it was because of a sin – your own sin or the sin of your parents. Anyone with such a condition was considered a social outcast, but Jesus is modelling a new type of behaviour. He reaches

out to anyone and everyone – even the ones most people are afraid to touch or talk to.

What makes someone a social outcast in your school? (Please do not name any names, but discuss the traits or criteria that might be used to decide why a person might be given such a status.)

Who decides who the social outcasts are? Is there complete agreement, or do different people have different ideas of who is acceptable and who is not acceptable? Does everyone know their own status? Is everyone aware that they are cast as acceptable or not acceptable? If so, how do they know?

What would Jesus say about the social games that are played out by young people in their schools and in their circles of friends? What advice would Jesus give you? Are you willing to follow it? Why or why not?

Do you have any friends or relatives who are deaf? Do you know any sign language? If you yourself are deaf, what is it like not hearing in a world built for those who can hear?



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Jesus did many good things, such as healing people and helping those in need. What are some good things you can do for others?