

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

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Christ our Anchor

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Scripture Commentary by Dianne Bergant CSA



Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar

here it is also associated with the wondrous deeds that God has accomplished.

In the First letter to the Thessalonians, Paul writes in his own name and in the names of two missionary companions, Silvanus and Timothy. He tells the Thessalonians how grateful the missionaries are for their fidelity to the gospel that was preached to them. Theirs is an active faith, one that produces fruits, especially love. Having praised them, Paul reminds the Thessalonians of the circumstances of their conversion. They accepted the gospel through his preaching, but also through the power of the Holy Spirit. They had the example of the missionaries to strengthen them, but it was divine power that grounded them. Though spiritual children of Paul and his companions, they really belong to God.

The issue in the gospel reading is the possibility of being faithful both to God and to a secular state. The Pharisees did not approve of Gentile rule over the Jewish people. The Herodians, on the other hand, were Roman loyalists. The Zealots vehemently opposed the occupation, while many others had made their peace with it and sometimes even benefited from it. Roman taxation was an issue that could easily cause people to take sides. It was with this very issue that the Pharisees hoped to ensnare Jesus, but Jesus outwits them. Besides exonerating himself from possible political or religious reproach, Jesus' response suggests that one can indeed be loyal to both a religious tradition and a secular power.

The God of Israel addresses Cyrus, the Persian king, instructing him to release the Israelites from captivity in Babylon so that they can return home and rebuild their temple (see Ezra 1:1-8). Cyrus is called God's anointed, a title ascribed to Davidic kings. Cyrus was called even though he did not know the God of Israel. Here we see God working through people without their knowing that it is God who directs the events of history. Cyrus the foreigner is the agent of the release of the Israelites, but their release is for the enlightenment of the foreign nations. The phrase, 'I am the Lord, there is no other', seems to be God's primary self-identification (see Dt 4:35, 39; 1 Kgs 8:6)

Twice the psalmist calls for praise of God for the wonderful deeds that God has performed (vv.1, 3), each time highlighting a different aspect of the song. First, the song is to be new, suggesting that the old ways have passed away. Some kind of transformation has taken place. Second, it is directed to all the earth or all the lands (vv.1, 9). 'Earth' can mean both the natural world and human society. Everything is called to praise God, who is acclaimed king, creator and judge. The glory of God refers to the visible manifestation of God's splendour. While it is usually revealed in the temple (v.8),

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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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9am Mass - Tina Fernandes 0411 821 065

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	Sun 7.30am	J Molony	J Molony
	Sun 9.00am	Norma Fernandes	Norma Fernandes
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Christine Carvalho	Edwin Carvalho
	Sun 7.30am	Les Price	Pauline Joseph
	Sun 9.00am	Antonia Chandra	John Collins
Counters		Kas Luczak, G Shankar	Janine Stanley, Nancy Permadi

Parish Calendar		
Oct Mon 23	8.00am	Communion Service - Church
Tue 24	8.00am	Mass (Week 29 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Wed 25	8.00am	Mass (Week 29 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Thu 26	8.00am	Mass (Week 29 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Fri 27	8.00am	Mass (Week 29 in Ordinary Time 1) Church
Sat 28	8.00am	Mass (Sts Simon & Jude) Church
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church
Sun 29	7.30 am	Sunday Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church
	11.00am	Sunday Chinese Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year A) Church



THIS WEEKEND we celebrate **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**. We ask for your prayers & generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal.

You will be helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to vulnerable communities in East Timor & throughout the world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at www.catholicmission.org.au/timor

Email Francis Leong at director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au if you'd like to know about what's involved in volunteering through Catholic Mission



Line Dancing Classes

Mondays and Wednesdays
10am - 12noon \$6 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 and Hellen Tay
All are welcome; no age limits



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 or Stephen on 0403 167 838

The Legion of Mary Comitium of Perth (WA) Inc

October 27th 2023, 7.00pm



The Legion of Mary will hold their annual torchlight Rosary procession around Lake Monger.

Everyone is welcome to attend. For those who cannot walk, you can meet at the gazebo in Dodd St and say the Rosary with other non-walking Legion members and parishioners.

Please bring a chair if you are not walking. If walking a hat and water bottle is recommended.

Email: perthcomitium@iinet.net.au
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Catholic Theological College Online Information Session for 2024

Monday 30 October at 7.30pm (AEDT)

Register via our website:
ctc.edu.au/information-session

For more information contact:
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Centre for Faith Enrichment

Please note that the submission date for the BJ Hickey Scholarship has been extended to Friday, 17 November, 5pm.

To access the scholarship application details and the new digital Scholarship Application Form, please visit the Scholarships page on the Centre for Faith Enrichment website.

The scholarships are for Biblical studies of any length and at any level. You don't need to be an academic – just someone with a desire to further their knowledge of Scripture and to help others with that knowledge.

For all related inquiries, please email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au or call 9278 0261

Annual General Meeting

Our Parish Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, 11 November 2023 after the 6.00pm Mass followed by a light meal.

We will also celebrate Fr Pat's 73rd birthday.

For catering purposes if you would like to attend, please put your name and numbers to attend on the list provided in the foyer.

All are welcome

FUNERAL NOTICE

Joyce Edmonds RIP
Tuesday 24 October 2023
Requiem Mass 1.30pm St Pius X Church
Burial 3.30pm at Karrakatta Cemetery

Melbourne Cup



Seniors Gathering

The next gathering will be on 7 November 2023 for

Melbourne Cup.

If you wish to join in this social, fun and lunch please print your names, contact and total coming.

Bring a few dollars for the Sweeps Prizes for best Hats competition

First Reading

Isaiah 45:1.4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 95:1. 3-5. 7-10. R. v.7

(R.) Give the Lord glory and honour.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens. (R.)
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts. (R.)
4. Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

Gospel Acclamation

Philippians 2:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa Marie Calderone-Stewart

The Pharisees and the Herodians try to trip Jesus up, but he won't fall for their setup. They ask him to choose between the worldly and the holy, between the political and the religious. Jesus simply says that we need to give to each what is due to each.

- Do you ever experience a conflict between what your faith says and what your country says? If something is legal, is it always moral? And if something is moral, is it always legal? What is an example of such a conflict?
- Do you ever experience a conflict between what your civil community says and what your faith community says? If something is an acceptable practice in your school or in your circle of friends, does that mean it's always right to do? And is the right thing always acceptable in your social situation? What is an example of such a conflict? Some people try to live entirely in one arena, and they are totally against the other.
- Do you know anyone who completely rejects all religion and talk of God and only clings to the physical, modern world? What is that attitude like?
- Do you know anyone who completely rejects all earthly things and clings only to the religious and spiritual? What is that attitude like?
- Do you know anyone who lives a good balance of both the spiritual and the earthly? What is that attitude like?

Next Sunday Readings

Weekend 28/29 October 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Manning Parish Youth Quest Youth Ministry



Guiding our youth on a Quest to know, love and serve the Lord. The youth ministry for the parish is open to youth aged in High School or University, and meet every second Saturday after mass.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER



Give to God what belongs to God.

Jesus tells us that we belong to God. We can give ourselves to God by following Jesus' teachings and loving others as he did. Draw a picture of yourself doing something as Jesus would have done.