

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

29th in Ordinary time- Year C

16th October 2022



Christ our Anchor

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New Testament Commentary Mary Coloe PBVM



Luke's community lives at a time when hope for an imminent return of Jesus is fading. The initial enthusiasm of faith is wearing thin with the constancy of living in a society where Christian values are odd. The parable is an encouragement to be persistent in faith. Don't give up.

The images in the parable are strange. The community is presented as a helpless widow. In the patriarchal society of that time, a woman without a male provider would be the most powerless. God is portrayed as a judge having neither a religious nor a social sense of responsibility. So the parable begins with one absolutely in need, with nothing to offer, and one with no sense of any moral claim to respond to the woman's need. The judge eventually gives in to the widow purely out of concern for himself, as the translation reads, 'She will worry me to death' (literally, 'punch me in the face'! The Greek verb used here, hypopiazō is an expression borrowed from boxing where it means to 'hit under the eye.') The reasoning is that if this unjust person will do the right thing for someone he doesn't care about, then surely we can trust that a loving God will do the right thing for us. Even though prayer seems to go unanswered, don't give up on God.

The images point to the humanness of prayer. A woman wants justice. A judge

wants peace. Prayer is a simple activity we can take part in anywhere and anytime. I often pray when I'm out walking or driving for in these times of solitude it is easy to begin a dialogue from my heart and let God know my current concerns. There's no need to save up prayer until you're in a holy place, or a prayerful position. Bring God into your daily activities and discover God as friend.

The Letter to Timothy offers instruction on the importance of Scripture for a Christian – 'from these you can learn wisdom that leads to salvation through faith.' One of my great laments is that for many, many years Catholics were not encouraged to read or pray from the Scriptures; since the time of the Protestant Reformation, the Church was very tentative about encouraging such reading. It was only in 1943 that Pius XII gave the go ahead for Catholic biblical scholars to make use of modern tools of biblical interpretation, and the most recent archaeological findings. Scholars were free to publish and teach with these new insights but it took a long time before such scholarship made it into Australian seminaries, I would say not until the late 60's. While Vatican II further encouraged Catholics to get to know the Scriptures we had few resources for widespread adult education. Far too often I meet adults who still consider the Bible from a historical perspective and then find it implausible with growing knowledge of the world and its evolution. The two creation stories of Genesis seem fantasy and so their deeper wisdom is entirely missed.

The Letter to Timothy has the correct perspective – the Scriptures offer wisdom for our faith, they are books about the religious experience of Israel and the early Christians, they are not books on ancient history, or science or cosmology. This week it might be good to set aside some time to sit and read a Scripture passage, slowly and prayerfully. Asking God to open your eyes to the wisdom God wants to reveal to you.

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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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Weekend 15/16 October

Weekend 22/23 October

Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Adolph de Sousa	Christine Carvalho
	Sun 7.30am	Br Basil Hickey	Les Price
	Sun 9.00am	Giselle Shankar	Tony Pitchford
Counters		Elizabeth Noronha, Terry Scanlan	D & B Molony

Parish Calendar

Oct Mon 17	8.00am	Communion Service (St Ignatius of Antioch) Church
Tue 18	8.00am	Mass (St Luke) Church
Wed 19	8.00am	Mass (Week 29, Ordinary Time) Church
Thu 20	8.00am	Mass (Week 29, Ordinary Time) Church
Fri 21	8.00am	Mass (Week 29, Ordinary Time) Church
Sat 22	8.00am	Mass (Week 29, Ordinary Time) Church
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
Sun 23	7.30am	Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church
	9.00am	Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C)
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (30th Sunday in Ordinary time Year C) Church

First Reconciliation

10.30am-12.00pm

Sat, 29 October 2022

Commitment Mass
Saturday 6.00pm 15 Oct 2022

Rosary

For our Lady of Fatima



The Rosary will be recited every Friday during the month of October at 7.00 pm in the Church.

All are welcome

Divine Mercy Hour

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



Please join us this Sunday at 3.00pm.



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 & Hellen Tay
All are welcome; no age limits.



Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers - Online

ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are invited to attend an online safeguarding induction
A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role – paid or voluntary

The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

The calendar dates are:

- Monday, 10 October 2022 at 2 pm
- Friday, 21 October 2022 at 10 am
- Wednesday, 26 October 2022 at 7pm
- Tuesday, 01 November 2022 at 10 am
- Wednesday, 16 November 2022 at 2 pm
- Wednesday, 07 December 2022 at 2 pm
- Thursday, 15 December 2022 at 7 pm

To register please Phone 9221 7762 or visit:

<http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/>



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



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First Reading

Exodus 17:8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 120. R. v.2

(R.) Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth. (R.)
2. May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard. (R.)
3. The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night. (R.)
4. The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and coming
both now and for ever. (R.)

Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

Gospel Acclamation

Hebrews 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 18:1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."'

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him

day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart

Think of any successful scientist, any successful musician, any successful writer. None of these people became successful overnight. It usually takes a lot of time and a lot of mistakes – a lot of close attempts – before success comes. That's true in any area of life.

If you learn from every mistake you make, then nothing you do can ever be seen as a failure. Every mistake can become a valuable lesson and an important step on the way to where you want to go.

- What is a mistake you made that actually taught you something important?
- Do you give up easily? Do you think you are a 'quitter'? Why or why not?
- Are you too persistent? Are you too tenacious? Do you sometimes need help to realise when it's time to 'let it go and get on with your life'? Why do you think so?
- When has persistence paid off for you?

Jesus advises us to be persistent in prayer. Prayer is our communication with God, our relationship with the Divine. Like any friendship, a prayer relationship takes time, effort and energy. How do you keep your friendships with others fresh and fulfilling? How do you keep your friendship with God fresh and fulfilling? Do you use the same techniques for both friendships? Why or why not?



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Next Sunday Readings

23 October 2022

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Draw a picture of the widow who pleaded with the judge for mercy.



God will grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night.

