

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

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Christ our Anchor

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tragedy that marks the circumstances of the people with good fortune. This is their prayer; it is for this that they hope. They are confident that their prayer will be answered and their hope will be realised, because God has been gracious to them in the past.

High priests interceded with God on behalf of the people. Acknowledgment of their commonly shared human limitations and weaknesses prevented them from assuming an arrogant air. No one took the office of high priest upon himself. Like Aaron who was explicitly called by God (Exod 28:1; Num 3:10), the high priest must belong to one of the divinely appointed priestly families. However, Jesus did not trace his ancestry to one of the priestly families, and there was no need for him to make sin offerings for himself. The quotes from psalms identified him as a son of God (Ps 2:7) and as the priest-king Melchizedek of old (Gen 14:18). Like the royal high priest, Jesus is the representative before God.

The account of the healing of a blind man is also a call narrative, for the man interprets Jesus' words in this way. When he hears that it is Jesus of Nazareth who is passing by him, he identifies Jesus as a descendant of David and the long-awaited one who would fulfil religious and political expectations. When Jesus called for him, he threw his cloak aside, leaving behind the alms he had already collected as well as his life of begging. The man who was blind had eyes of faith and he acted on this faith, publicly proclaiming it. As a consequence of his profession, Jesus tells him that it is this faith that gave him his sight. In his eagerness to respond to Jesus' call, he had already left everything. Having been cured, he now follows Jesus.

In the oracle (first reading), salvation is an accomplished fact; the return is an event of the future. Only a remnant consisting of the most vulnerable of the people will return. The imagery is replete with allusions to new life. Ephraim, who received his inheritance through adoption by Jacob, was granted the privileges of the first-born in place of his older brother (cf. Gen 48:5-20). Just as the returnees are evidence of God's willingness to grant a second chance, so Ephraim symbolises kinship through God's choice. The restoration promised here is clearly a work of God. Customary human initiative plays no role in it.

Confidence in God's saving power is here based on remembrance of God's former saving acts. Israel's great blessing was the return from exile. In it, other nations see God's preference for the most vulnerable. The reversal of fortune is described in symbolic language: sowing in tears, and reaping in joy; leaving with only the promise of harvest, and returning with its abundant fruits. God will replace the

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Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 9am to 1.00 pm

SCHEDULES

Confession

Saturday 5.00 to 5.45pm

Or anytime by appointment

Weekend Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am Mass
& 11.00am Chinese Mass

Weekday Masses

Monday 8.00am Communion Service
Tuesday to Saturday 8.00am Mass
(Check Parish Calendar for Variations)

Sacrament of Baptism

Saturdays at 10.30am

Or any time by appointment
with Fr Anthony

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By appointment with Fr Anthony
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9am Mass - Tina Fernandes 0411 821 065

11am Chinese Mass

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Our Motto

At St Pius X Catholic Primary School, the values lived by Jesus Christ are the foundation for everything we do

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout: The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel! See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 125. R. v.3

(R.) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
It seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. (R.)
2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. (R.)
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. (R.)
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. (R.)

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

See 2 Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Bartimaeus' popularity increases immediately with the attention he receives from Jesus. One minute the crowd is scolding him to keep quiet, the next minute they are reassuring him and urging him to go to Jesus.

Jesus' gift to Bartimaeus is not only his sight but also his status in the community. By reaching out to the outcasts of society, Jesus brings general acceptance to them. How might you be able to bring general acceptance to the 'outcasts' at your school? What would happen if those students seen as unpopular were suddenly being given sincere attention and friendship by popular students?

Bartimaeus' response to Jesus' healing is to become his follower. Jesus tells him, 'Be on your way'. Bartimaeus chooses then to follow the way of Jesus.

If Bartimaeus had been given sight, and yet failed to recognise God's blessings in his life, would that have been much of a success story?

You have been given many blessings by God. Do you always recognise your good fortune? Are you grateful to God for all you have? How are you a success story? What response would Jesus want you to give, as a demonstration of your thankfulness for all you have been blessed with?

Next Sunday Readings

31st Sunday in Ordinary time - 3 Nov 2024

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

CHILDREN'S CORNER



The Lord helps those who are less fortunate - the poor, the sick and people who are sad. Write or draw about something nice you could do for someone who is poor, sick or sad.

A large white rectangular area with a blue border, intended for children to write or draw their response to the prompt.

ROSTER		Weekend of 26/27 October	Weekend of 2/3 November
Special Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Carmen De Sousa	Maria Edith Handojo
	Sun 7.30am	J Molony	John Miles
	Sun 9.00am	Norma Fernandes	Mary Webster
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Christine Carvalho	Edwin Carvalho
	Sun 7.30am	Mitchelle Cota	Volunteer
	Sun 9.00am	Antonia Chandra	John Collins
	Counters	Elizabeth Noronha and Terry Scanlan	Colleen & Pat Lowry

St Pius X Church Masses		
Oct Mon 28	8.00am	Mass (Sts Simon and Jude))
Tue 29	8.00am	Mass (Week 30 in Ordinary Time)
Wed 30	8.00am	Mass (Week 30 in Ordinary Time)
Thu 31	8.00am	Mass (Week 30 in Ordinary Time)
Nov Fri 1	8.00am	Mass (All Saints Day)
Sat 2	8.00am	Mass (All Souls Day)
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (31st Sunday in Ordinary time)
Sun 3	7.30am	Mass (31st Sunday in Ordinary time)
	9.00am	Mass (31st Sunday in Ordinary time)
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (31st Sunday in Ordinary time)



2024 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.

First Reconciliation (Completed)
Any enquiries, please see Fr Anthony Vu

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
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Tai Chi Group

Mondays in Parish Hall except holidays
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All parishioners are most welcome
For more information, please contact or text Maurice on 0408 782 224 or Stephen on 0403 167 838

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

Morning Tea

Our hosts for morning tea in November are Oscar and Colleen Lewis and Faye Keeffe
Please join us next Sunday 3 November after the 9.00 am Mass.
All are welcome.

Little Sisters of the Poor

Little Sisters of the Poor will be collecting donations at all Masses on the weekend of 2nd/3rd November.
Please support them by giving generously.

Columban Calendars 2025

If you placed an order they will be available for payment and collection this weekend in the foyer of the church..

Seniors Gathering

Tuesday 5 November 2024
11.00am - 2.00pm
If you wish to join in this social event, fun and lunch, please print your name, contact and total number attending.
Bring a few dollars for the Sweep Stakes Prizes to be won for the best Hat competition

Godly Women with Faith Catholic Ministry Gathering

Saturday 7th December 2024
10:30am to 12:30pm
67 Howe Street, Osborne Park
Tickets available from godlywomenwithfaith.com/upcomingevents/

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Volunteers required

We are in the throes of preparing rosters for 2025.
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