

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

24 January 2021



Christ our Anchor

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Sunday Reflection by Fr John Thornhill sm

Today's liturgy invites us to take up again the reflections on Christian discipleship that we began last Sunday. Last week we considered what Christian discipleship has in common with the following of inspiring human leaders. The vivid picture painted by Mark in today's gospel reading highlights characteristics of Christian discipleship that have no parallel in the world of human discipleship.

In our common human experience, the decision to become a disciple is first and foremost a decision made by the follower. The decision to become a disciple of the Saviour has its origin in the decision and call of the Lord himself. Mark's brief narrative probably has its basis in a more complex sequence of events - in which the four fishermen have already heard the 'Good News' preached by Jesus, that 'the kingdom of God is close at hand': alluded to in the previous verses. But Mark wishes to emphasise the authoritative call of Jesus as the basis of the relationship they enter into, and the unconditional nature of their response. 'You did not choose me, no. I chose you' - these words of Jesus at the supper, in John's gospel, are addressed to each of us. Our relationship with the Lord is grounded in his decision on our behalf and his eternal fidelity.

Responding to the call of Jesus - like all the great decisions of a full and generous life - is not without its cost. We are reminded of this by Mark's stark narrative - as the four leave behind old securities and their kinsfolk to throw in their lot with Jesus.

The choice of Jesus is not related to any previous formation or qualifications. Mark describes the call as coming to them unexpectedly, in the midst of their daily work. As successful fishermen, with hired labour, they were probably literate and relatively well informed in the faith of old Israel. But this is of no consequence in Mark's narrative. We who are called together to form the community of the Lord's disciples come from different backgrounds and outlooks, young and old, rich and poor; united in our discipleship of the one Lord we must show the world all

that a generous following of Christ has to offer the human family - nothing less than a foretaste of the final Kingdom.

'I will make you fishers of men' - the call to discipleship is an invitation to share in the mission of Jesus, to share his responsibility for the whole human family. If the Church in which we believe is the community of those who have responded to this call, Mark's account presents Jesus as beginning to create the Church at the very outset of his ministry.

The contrast between the relationship entered into by Jewish rabbi of the time of Jesus, and the relationship the Saviour entered into with his disciples has often been remarked upon. 'Follow me' - these words give expression to a decision made from all eternity, a decision that will never be revoked, as he leads us to share in his own eternal destiny.



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Or anytime by appointment

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

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Tuesday to Saturday 8.00am Mass
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	Sun 7.30am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Susanna Hooper	Carmen de Souza
	Sun 7.30am	Tom Sweeny	Br Basil Hickey
	Sun 9.00am	Giselle Shankar	Emma Gallagher
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
	Sun 9.00am	Suspended temporarily	Suspended temporarily
Counters		Elizabeth Noronha, T Scanlan	D & B Molony

PARISH CALENDAR

Jan Sat 23	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (3rd Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church
Sun 24	7.30am	Sunday Mass (3rd Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church
	9.00am	Sunday Mass (3rd Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (3rd Sunday in Ordinary time Year B) Church
Mon 25	8.00am	Mass (Conversion of St Paul) Church
Tue 26	8.00am	Mass (Australia Day) Church
Wed 27	8.00am	Mass (Ordinary time 3) Church
Thu 28	8.00pm	Mass (St Thomas Aquinas) Church
Fri 29	8.00am	Mass (Ordinary time Week 3) Church
Sat 30	8.00am	Mass (Ordinary time Week 3) Church
	5.00-5.30pm	Confession - Church

Columbarium Garden

The main structures of the Columbarium are now completed. As some parishioners requested that we should have some trees in it we are purchasing 8 large pots to plant them in. We are also making some benches for people to sit.

If any parishioner wishes to contribute to the cost, then give it to Fr Patrick.

All donations are greatly appreciated.

Torchlight Procession

Around Lake Monger
In honour of
Our Lady of Lourdes
Friday, 12th February 2021 Starting at
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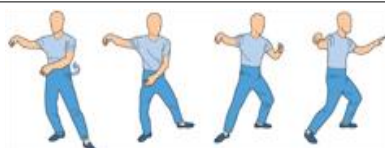
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Here are the Schedules for the celebration of the sacraments for 2021. Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office to obtain an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/sacraments - 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**



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In Manning Parish Hall
Every Monday except holidays
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First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5. 10

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24:4-9. R. v.4

(R.) Teach me your ways, O Lord.

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 Corinthians 7:29-31

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

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.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

Next Sunday Readings 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 31 January 2021

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart



The passage from the Book of Jonah gives a perspective on the mercy of God. It shows that God will forgive anyone who takes the call to conversion seriously. The Ninevites change their behaviour and ways of living that led to evil and show by their actions that they are willing to embrace a new way of life. And God, to the dismay of Jonah, does not destroy them.

The psalm recognises God as teacher and implores us to call upon the Lord to teach us the ways of the Lord. God is good and merciful. We are all welcome to walk in God's ways – even those who have taken the wrong path before – proud people and sinners.

Paul's letter is a wake-up call for all those who may become too worried about life in this world. The world as we know it is not the Kingdom God promises. We need to live in this world with one eye on the next. Paul has a sense of urgency about this because at the time of this letter, he believed the Second Coming of Christ would occur in his lifetime.

Mark tells us how Jesus began his mission and called the first disciples. Jesus calls on all who will listen, saying, 'Reform your lives and believe in the good news.' Jesus finds his first disciples in ordinary places doing ordinary things. He asks them to give up all they know and follow him. They are to become members of the Kingdom of God and to play an active role in establishing the Kingdom – to proclaim the Good News and be the Good News.



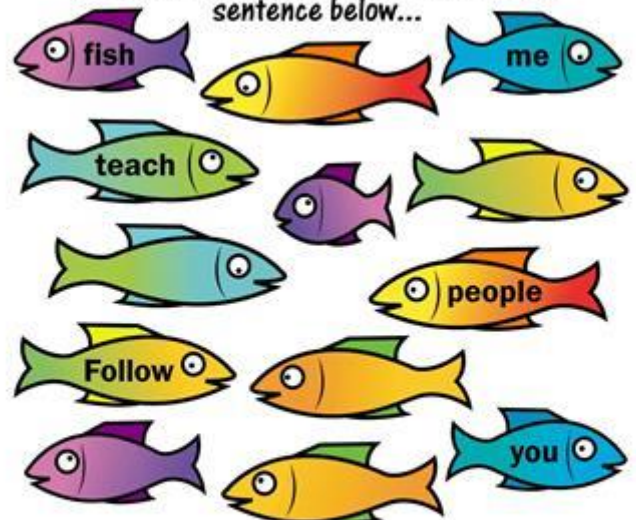
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