

PIUS VOICE

6th May, 2018, 6th Sunday of Easter



UNDER THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE OBLATES

Parish Priest

Fr. Mathewraj OMI

Assistant Priest

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David Cunningham

Mass Times

Tuesday , Wednesday &

Friday 9.15 am

Thursday 9.30 am

Saturday 6.30 pm

Sunday 9.30 am & 5.30 pm

Rosary: Tues, Wed,

Fri 8.55 am & Thurs 9.10 am

Adoration (During term time)

Fridays : 10 am— 12 noon &

6 pm — 9 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 11.30—12.00 noon

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Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

The love of God is universal, reaching out to everyone. The Holy Bible gives account of God's love to humanity from the foundation of the world. John in his writing defines God as love. Such an affirmation is simple and absolute. Initial knowledge of divine Love begins with opening Sacred Scripture and discovering the Creator who finds joy in his creation. Nonetheless, to enter into this mystery and truly understand it requires more than intellectual knowledge. To know that God is love requires our participation in his divine love. Authentic knowledge of God is only born in a simple heart that is open and attentive to him. Ultimately, this knowledge of God, of divine Love, is a personal experience. Man's response to divine Love establishes a communion between the Lover and the beloved that results in peace and mutual benevolence. In the first reading of today Peter preaches the Gospel to a genuine audience. As he speaks they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the second reading John tells us that God is love. This love of God for us prompts us to love others. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. In the Gospel Jesus declares that the intimate relationship that the disciples have with Jesus and God the Father must be translated into the disciples' loving one another as Jesus has loved them. Jesus tells his disciples that he has chosen them personally and commissioned them to bear fruit in the Father.

Today's gospel gives us two models of personal relationship to Jesus: as a servant or as a friend. At any given point in our faith journey one of these two models is dominant. Either we see our relationship to Christ mainly in terms of master-servant or in terms of friend-friend. With the exception of mystics, traditional lay spirituality in the church has usually followed the master-servant model. Jesus is seen more as a master to be feared, respected and obeyed than as a friend to love in intimacy and familiarity. Today's gospel challenges us to rethink our relationship with Christ because, evidently, Christ himself prefers to relate with his disciples as friend to friend rather than as master to servant. He tells them at the Last Supper: "I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends". Jesus says that he would no longer call his disciples servants. This seems to indicate that he called them servants until then. Our relationship with Christ goes through different stages. First it starts off as a master-servant relationship when we are new to the faith, but then as our relationship with Christ deepens it changes into a less formal friend-friend type of relationship.

Therefore let us move beyond the infant stage, the servant-master relationship, and go over to the adult stage, the friend-friend way of relating to Christ. This will change the way we pray and the way we live and to experience more peace and joy in our lives, as people do who are in love.

Solar Panels for the Church

11 KW System

Installation: Protec Electrical Contractors, Installers CEC Accredited

Solar Panels: 40 x Jinko 275 Watts,

Jinko Factory Warranty– 25 yrs on Power Output, 10 yrs on Product

Inverter: Fronius Symo 10kw-10 yrs Factory Warranty

Mounting System: Grace Extruded Aluminium

Hardware: Klip Loc Feet, Cable: 4mm UV Protected

Solar Panel cost.....\$9,485

Easter Raffle Money..... \$1,162

Generous Donation by families..... \$1,800

Still we need to raise \$6,523. Donations can be paid into our parish account BSB 085005, Account Number 478909010, Account Name—Dernancourt Parish, please include your name & solar in reference .

Any donation, no matter how small, will bring us closer to ensuring we have a well-lit house of God. My sincere thanks to all the family members of donors may God bless your generosity and grant your hearts desire.

Please contact me or any member of the Finance committee (Jean Canil, Margaret Duggan, Peter Roberts, David Lloyd, David Thomas, Jim Kelly, and Helen Mysak).

God Bless.....Fr. Mathew

Marian Procession

The 2018 Marian Procession and Peace Rally will be held on Sunday, May 20 in Pilgrim Peace Park in the South Parklands, situated between South Terrace, Peacock Road, Greenhill Road and Sir Lewis Cohen Avenue, where adequate parking should be available.

The Procession commences at 2pm and you are asked to assemble behind your parish or community notice (by 1:30pm) at the starting point adjacent to Sir Lewis Cohen Avenue. The event is expected to end shortly before 4pm. Should the weather be so inclement that a decision is made to cancel the event, every effort will be made to broadcast on local ABC radio 891 during the morning . In honour of our Lady, there will be a collection to support the work of Caritas .

Feast of St Eugene De Mazenod - Monday 21st May- Oblate Feast Day



The Oblates invite you to join with them on Monday 21st May at 9.15am at St David's Tea Tree Gully for Mass to Celebrate their feast day. Following Mass we will have a shared morning tea with the Dernancourt Parish in the foyer. Please bring a plate of food to share.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS

Alison Hellams, Barbara Stirling, Ken Porter, Anthony Young, Charlie Bell, Christine Brassier, Cynthia Edwards, Denzil Simmons, Eddy Pericone, Frank, Fr Jim Fitzpatrick Omi, Gloria & Robert Hopkins, Graham Smith, Heather Jones, Helen Durkin, Lyn Cibich, Margaret Baughen, Margaret Daly, Mary Meatheringham, Maureen Habets, Pam Tully, Roger Price, Simon Albury, Trina Roberts and Ursula Suharto, Vic,

Recently Deceased

Br Pat Guidera CFC (Br Pat taught at St Paul's in late 1970's)

Parish Prayer Network:

Prayers for any need. All you need to do is call one of the following: Marie 8264 9569,
Maureen 8261 6906 or Beth 8396 2079

Mass Intentions this week

12th 6.30pm A Jeczalik Dec, Carlo Caretti 10th Anniv, 13th 9.30am Lucia Leone & Giovanna Buiatti Anniv, 5.30pm
Evelina Ross Anniv

This Week's Saints

12th STS Nereus & Achilleus, St Pancras

Next Week's Readings: Ascension Sunday Year B:

Acts 1:1-11, Ps 46:2-3. 6-9. R. v.6, Eph 1:17-23, Mk 16:15-20

Vinnies Food Bank

URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD FOR VINNIES:

Tins of soup; small and medium weetbix and cornflakes; pasta sauce; longlife full cream milk; tinned tomatoes; rice. Grateful thanks for your kind donations.

Palms Australia - Be a volunteer OUT THERE

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but **immerse themselves in overseas communities** for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, **share them with our global family!**

Come to the **Palms Info Session: Saturday 26 May 10:30am , Adelaide City Library, 71-91 Rundle Mall**

The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate invite you Come & See Vocation Day

Mazenod College Victoria, 27th May 2018 9am—4pm for post secondary students. Speak with one of our Priests after Mass if you are interested or have family members who may be interested. Please pray for and support Br Thuan, Br Joshua & Christopher, young Oblates in formation.

Midwinter Warmer Lunch

3 Course Meal, includes tea and coffee and door prize. BYO drinks. \$25 per person, 8th July 11.30am for 12 noon lunch. St Pius X Parish Hall. Tickets available shortly.

Leaving Collection

19th & 20th May , there will be a leaving collection for Solar Panel at all Masses.

Ministry Roster 12/13 May

6.30pm C Anna Szczepanik, **R1** Jean Canil, **R2** Mary Grace Esrada, **E1** Roman Szczepanik , **E2** Dennis Rodrigues, **E3** Hilda Cheah, **E4** Terence Cheah, **M** James Lloyd

9.30am C Dot Nappa, **R1** Vin Thomas, **R2** Thelma Weber, **E1** Jos Hensing, **E2** Peggy McNeil, **E3** Charlie Baldacchino, **E4** Annette Stone, **M** Peter Roberts

5.30pm C Heather Hier, **R1** Alex Kaminski, **R2** Amy Bartjes, **E1** Sunil Mohanaraj, **E2** Stuart Feirlough, **E3** Maria Cid, **E4** Doris Taylor, **M** Michael & Tim Carter

Church Cleaners: Team G: Cid, Poczman, Crowe, Weber, Charles

Altar Linen: Dot

First Reading Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said, 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said, 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (R.)

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Jn 4:7-10

A reading from the first letter of St John

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 15:9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you, I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name.

What I command you is to love one another.'