



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 18th June 2023



Gospel Reflection

Today's Gospel serves as a narrative transition from Matthew's recounting of Jesus' miracles and works of wonder (chapters 8 and 9) to Jesus' missionary discourse (chapters 10 and 11).

The missionary dimension of discipleship is centered in two images: the "sheep without a shepherd" and harvest in need of laborers. Having established his identity as God's Christ in his work as a healer, Jesus now commissions the Twelve and his Church to heal hearts and souls in a ministry of reconciliation:

"**cure the sick**" – bring back to God those who are alienated, those who are lost, those who are weak (the Greek word used in the text of today's Gospel *asthenes* means "weak");

"**raise the dead**" – lift up those hopelessly and helplessly dead because of sin, who are blind and deaf to the grace of God, who are entombed by poverty, racism and violence;

"**cleanse lepers**" – bring back the sons and daughters of God who are rejected or estranged from the human family;

"**drive out demons**" – liberate those enslaved by sin and evil.
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WYD CURRY & PASTA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Saturday 24th June

7pm St Mary's Parish Hall

Adults \$20, kids under 12 free



In support of Josh, Richard and Sampson who are representing our parish at WYD in Lisbon in July 2023.

Come along and enjoy the dishes from our Parishioners. Presented buffet style with a selection of wine, beer and soft drinks included.

Bookings are essential for catering purposes by using our Trybooking QR code or via the link below...



www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1067950

If you don't have access to book online please see Jenny in the Parish Office next week Monday - Thursday to purchase your ticket by CASH ONLY!!!

We would like to acknowledge the generous donations towards the WYD Raffle prizes which include ...

- Pilu Restaurant Freshwater
- Seafood platter
- 10 hampers from Freshwater House Homewares worth \$50-\$70
- Westfield Gift Vouchers

Purchase your raffle tickets at the fundraising events or the Parish Office.

Donations may be left at the Parish Office or placed in an envelope on the collection plate during weekend Masses. Please mark on the envelope – WYD Donation.

Thank you for your support!



The Cake Stalls at St John's and St Mary's last weekend raised over \$2400! This money goes a long way towards supporting our three WYD Pilgrims as they represent the Parish in their World Youth Day pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal in late July to early August. The boys are very grateful for the generosity shown by all and are humbled by your kind support.

There will also be BBQs held after the 5pm Family Mass at St John's this Saturday and the 8:30am Mass at St Mary's this Sunday, in support of the boys' journey. All are welcome!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Fr John will be celebrating his birthday on Saturday 17th June. We wish him a happy and blessed birthday and keep him in our prayers.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

We would like to thank everyone for their continuing support of Vinnies. Just a few facts about how your kind donation helps those in need.

Broken Bay Central Council which we belong to for the winter period between June and August 2022 provided \$232,000 worth of assistance to people experiencing disadvantage including \$90,000 worth of assistance for food. There are 10 Central Councils in NSW and combined they provided \$2,600,000 worth of assistance including \$1,371,000 in food. As you can see there is an enormous need for our help.

This year's appeal is high lighting "Older women experiencing homelessness".

At the heart of homelessness is poverty. In 2016 40% of women over 55 lived under the poverty line

Through our specialist homelessness and domestic violence services we are continuing to support these women as well as carrying on with our work helping all those in need. Please keep everyone in your prayers. Envelopes are on the pews or you can use the Vinnies QR code. Cheers Bruce and Mick





PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES for the new financial year are available for collection at both Churches. Please consider creating a monthly automatic debit by contacting the Parish Office on 9977 5822.

As we are slowly becoming a cashless society, we would like to remind you that we have Tap N Go facilities available at Manly and Freshwater.

Thank you for your generosity.



Raising Awareness and Education with the **3-Simple Steps to Potentially Save a Life** in case of a Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) outside a Hospital.

The parish have been given two defibrillators which will be installed at each Church. You are invited to a 30 minute demonstration on how to use the defibrillators this Sunday 18th June at 9:30am at Manly or Sunday 25th June at 10am at Freshwater.



SUPPORT OUR PARISH & PRIESTS FINANCIALLY by using one of the following...

- 1. Planned Giving:** through a monthly direct debit or credit card. Please contact the parish office for more information 9977 5822.
- 2. Collection plates during Mass**
- 3. Tap and Go machines** using your credit/debit card or **EFTPOS Terminals.**
- 4. Scan to Donate** using the QR code to access our BPoint Donation page.
- 5. Directly into Parish Bank Accounts**
- 6. 2nd collection Parish Bank Account**
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Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish
Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank
Account # 100002025 BSB: 062 784
- 7. 1st collection** Supports our Priests
Account: Manly Freshwater Parish Pastoral
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LET US PRAY FOR

18th June 2023

Recently Deceased: Zac Bray; James Nichols

Anniversary: Joe Smith; Dick (Diego) Arena

Prayers for the sick in our parish: "Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage" Margaret Burridge; Stephen Robertson; Maureen Williams; Gerry Wybrandt; Amy Farrow; Patricia Duffy; Florencia Lira; Ken Waller; Mary Helen Fogarty; Belinda Nicholls; Jacqui Dawson; Gerry Ring; Zacchaeus Ratnam; Pat Smith; John Connors; Don Hews; Joan Jacobs; Sheila Lee; Donnacha Donnelly; Paul Donnelly; Julie & Rodney Wallis; Lyn Hillard; Ian Flynn; Jake Usher; Wayne Smedley; Shirley Ford; Apolinar Anasarias; Kay Flenady; Annette Frances O'Leary

Dates to remember...

- **WYD Curry & Pasta Night** Sat 24th June 7pm
- **Cenacle of Our Lady** Manly Tues 9:45am
- **Lectio Divina** Tues 7:30pm and Wed 10am
- **Eucharistic Adoration in Manly** Wed 6pm – 7:30pm



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS

Quiet Prayer & Adoration
6:00pm – 7pm

Scripture Reflection on the Eucharist & Benediction 7pm – 7:30pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said starting at 6pm

PARISH GIVING – thank you for your generous support. We encourage you to use the tap machines at the Church entrances. If you prefer to use cash there will be **ONE** collection during Mass at the offertory at Manly and **TWO** at Freshwater.



CAN'T GET TO MASS ON SUNDAY AND WANT TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION?

Many of you have not been able to come back to Mass on Sunday for different reasons. If you would like one of the Priest to visit you at home, please ring the parish office on 9977 5822.

Bequests – Remembering your faith community in your Will!

After providing for family members in your Will, have you ever considered leaving a bequest directly to your local parish or the Diocese of Broken Bay? This is called a legacy or bequest. Over the years, many people who have felt a special connection with their local parish and church have left part of their Estate to their Parish or the Diocese of Broken Bay. Like a gift to a charity, a bequest of any amount to the Church is a way of saying "thank you" for the spiritual nurturing provided to you and your family over the years.

If you would like further information on bequests including how we can acknowledge your generosity in your lifetime, please speak with your Parish Priest or the Broken Bay Diocese Office for Communications on 8379 1664.

PIETY STORE

Movie of the month – The Robe. Nominated for 5 Academy Awards in 1953. A roman centurion charged with overseeing the crucifixion. But when he wins Christ's robe in a gambling game at the foot of the cross, his life is forever changed. Only \$10 @ the piety store.

CD of the month – the 12 promises of the sacred heart of Jesus – Raymond De Souza. Taken from the approved visions of St Margaret Mary Alacoque, the 12 promises of the Sacred Heart show us a fireproof means of restoring our lives, homes and cultures to true union with Christ. Only \$5 @ the piety store.

Manly Freshwater Parish promotes SAFEGUARDING which involves the implementation of proactive, common sense and practical ideas that ensure the safety of children and vulnerable adults in our community.

Manly Freshwater Parish ACKNOWLEDGES the traditional owners and custodians of the land, past and present on which our parish buildings are located.

Livestreaming on Facebook Sunday 8:30am
Mass manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Note: The readings for the Freshwater Family Mass will be taken from the Children's Lectionary

First Reading *Exodus 19:2-6 (JB)*

A reading from the book of Exodus

You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp. Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 99:2-3, 5 (JB)*

R. We are his people: the sheep of his flock

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. R.

Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. R.

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. R.

Second Reading *Romans 5:6-11 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Mark 1:15 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near; repent and believe the Good News! Alleluia!

Gospel *Matthew 9:36 - 10:8 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.' The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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St John the Baptist Church

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Presbytery: 9977 2100

After Hours Sick Calls: 0499 910 010

Parish Pastoral Council: Paul Pervan (Chair);

Michael McGrath (Deputy Chair); Margaret Dent

(Secretary); Patricia Carroll; Joanne Druery;

Val Buono; Ivica Covic; Robert Marshall;

Peter Nacard, Ian Press, Katalina Taefotu

Weekend Masses:

Manly: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

Freshwater: Saturday Vigil 5:00pm & Sunday 9am

Weekday Masses:

Manly: Tuesday – Friday 9:15am

Freshwater: Tuesday – Friday 9:15am

Baptisms: please contact the parish office

Manly: 4th Sunday of the month

Freshwater: 2nd Sunday of month

Reconciliation: *Manly* Sat 10am – 11am

St Mary's Primary School 9977 2225

Principal: Paul McGuire

St John the Baptist Primary School 9939 6699

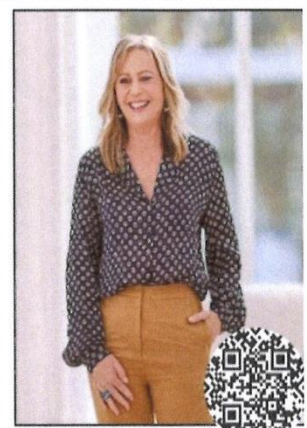
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