

Diocese of Broken Bay

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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

Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Hory Communion

Manly: Monday 9:15am Freshwater: Monday 9:15am

Baptisms: by appointment only

Manly 4th Sunday of the month

Freshwater 2nd Sunday of month

Reconciliation:

Manly Sat 10am – 11am Freshwater Sat 4:30pm

WEEKEND MASS COLLECTIONS

Thank You for your financial support of our Priests and Parish Community.

The 1st Collection is for the financial support of our priests.

The 2nd Collection is for the maintenance & running costs of our Parish Community.

MANLY FRESHWATER PARISH Mary Immaculate, Manly and St John the Baptist, Freshwater

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 28th July 2019



Today's readings reveal a parental God who loves us eternally and cares for us. We are his children, the 'works of his hands'. Though we have fallen short (First Reading), God finds the good in us and is ever ready to respond with faithfulness and compassion.

St Paul's letter to the Colossians (Second Reading) shows the extent of that eternal love. God is willing to go even to the cross in order that we might be brought to understand the loving relationship and new life He offers us.

The opening section of today's Gospel gives us the shorter form of the Lord's Prayer, and this is followed by the parable of the friend who comes by night. This teaches perseverance in prayer and shows that God's parental love far surpasses any human love.

The readings invite us to reflect on prayer. Whether our prayer be praise, contrition, thanksgiving or petition, it always recognises our need for God. In the gospel Jesus instructs us to ask for what we need. He assures us that God is more than willing to give us what we need. However, for this to happen we must turn to God and humbly acknowledge our need.

The most obvious characteristic of prayer depicted in the readings for this Sunday is persistence. Neither Abraham nor the man in the gospel was deterred by any obstacle. They show that it is not so much that we persist in prayer in order to change God's mind as it is that we persist in order to discover what God's mind might be.

The benefits of prayer is often found in the change that it effects in us, not in God. By persevering in genuine prayer, we may come to acknowledge that all things are in God's hands, and that we can rest content to leave them there, trusting in Our Father's great love. Prayer often can change the one who prays and also the one for whom the prayer is offered if only human need is recognised and divine care is acknowledged.

This week, let us be confident that the One who brings us to life will continue to love us with an infinite love and will give us all the good things we need. Liturgyhelp | Dianna Bergant 2019 |Pathways to God.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July: Justice That those who administer justice may work with integrity and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

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.

Parish Pastoral Council: Vuna Tuifua (Chair); Laurie de Ambrosis; Joanne Druery; Richard Heasman; Michael Larkin; Robert Marshall; Ian Press; Freya Zemek

St Mary's Primary School 9977 2225 Principal: Paul McGuire

St John the Baptist Primary School 9939 6699 Principal: Judy Slattery

St Paul's Catholic College 9977 5111 Principal: Chris Browne

Stella Maris College 9977 5144 Principal: Elizabeth Carnegie

August	Yr C 2019			
Mon 29/7 – St Martha	1 Jn 4:7-16; Jn 11:19-27			
Tue 30/7 – 17th week in Ordinary Tir	me			
	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5-9,28: Mt 13:36-43			
Wed 31/7 – St Ignatius of Loyola	Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46			
Thurs 1/8 – St Alphonsus Liguori	Ex 40:16-21,34-38; Mt 13:47-53			
Fri 2/8 – 17th week in Ordinary Time)			
Lev 23	3:1,4-11,15-16,27,34-37; Mt 13:54-58			
Sat 3/8 – St Dominic	Lev 25:1,8-17; Mt 14:1-12			
Sun 4/8 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time				
Eccl 1:2	,2:21-23; Col 3:1-5,9-11; Lk 12:13-21			

LET US PRAY FOR

28th July 2019

Recently Deceased: Noreen Murphy; Grace Guiney

Anniversary: Gill Taylor; Tony Randazzo; George Reynolds; Vincenzo Margiotta; Finn Marker

Prayers for the sick in our parish: Wayne Smedley; Mark Taylor; Sofia Musso (child); Kay Flenady; Leon Cochrane, Jonathan Keil, Robina Dwyer, Betty Borg; Ann Irvin; Prionsias Kearney; Brian Davies; Majella McLoughlin; Debbie Vernon; Desmond Connors; Lauren Hannahan; Rosalba Galuis; Terry Pfafflin; Joan Herringe

Mass Intention Publications: All Mass Intentions may be left at the Parish Office or on the collection plates on the weekend. Names for Mass Intentions for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries and for those who are sick (permission of the person is required) will be included in the weekly bulletin. All other Mass Intentions (including yearly offerings) will be given directly to the Priests who will offer the Masses.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION is held at Manly Church on Wednesdays from 2pm with Divine Mercy Hour held from 7:00pm -8:30pm. To assist us on Wednesdays and present before the Blessed Sacrament, a

Guard of Honour Roster has been placed on the notice board. We invite you to place your name in a time slot which suits you.

Visiting sick at home - If you, or if you know of anyone who is unable to attend Mass because they are unwell and would like a home visit please contact the parish office 9977 5822 to organise for Communion or Anointing

Please TURN OFF your mobile phones during all Church services; that includes sending/receiving text messages



St Mary's Church at Manly is fitted with an audio loop for hearing impaired.

The St Vincent de Paul Clothing bags available for you in the Piety Store and you can return your clean clothing donations either to the Piety Store or the Church Foyer. There will also be SVDP Clothing Appeals from time to time.

DATES TO REMEMBER ...

 Liturgy of the Word with Communion SMM & SJB See bulletin notice

SUNDAY MORNING TEAS

FRESHWATER: following the Sunday 9am Mass.

MANLY: following the Sunday 8:30am Mass each weekend, with the Filipino Family



Group hosting a morning tea on the 2nd Sunday following the 10:30am Mass and the Tongan Community hosting a morning tea on the 3rd Sunday following the 10:30am Mass.



If you are a new parishioner to Manly Freshwater Parish, we invite you to complete a Parish census form. This will

assist us in updating our records to include you and your family in our parish community activities. The census form can be found on the back wall of the Church or at the side door entrance and may be left in the collection plate.



Craft Group meets each week on Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12noon in the Parish Center. We invite you to come along for a cuppa and a chat in a friendly relaxed environment. Bring along your knitting or other craft if you wish. Visitors to the area are more than welcome.



Lectio Divina Read his story in the Gospels. Spend time with him. Listen to what he says. Lectio Divina group meets in the Parish Centre on Wednesday mornings at 10am

AND Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm in the Parish End Room.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION Anyone interested in this form of silent prayer is most welcome to attend. We meet each Monday at 6pm in the Parish Centre. Eng: Hazel Cottee 0402 052 088 "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46: vs 10)



Children's Liturgy is held each weekend at Manly during the 8.30am Mass and at Freshwater during the 9am Mass



The Parish Playgroup is held during school terms on Monday morning in the Parish Hall at Manly from 8.30am to 10.30am.

CONFIRMATION 2019



Confirmation is the second Sacrament of Initiation & is received by children about years old (normally school year 2).

Registrations are now being accepted please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822.



OLDER CHILDREN'S BAPTISM

The Parish will be holding a preparation Program for Children aged 5 and over who wish to be Baptised into the Catholic Faith. Please contact the Parish on 9977 5822 for further information.

Pope Francis @Pontifex.



Witness is born from the encounter with the living Jesus. #SaintMaryMagdalene, Apostle of Hope, pray for us!



FR PAUL'S YOU TUBE

Please take a minute to watch Fr Paul Kim's presentation on today's Gospel reading.

You can view it through YouTube – search frpaulkim (one word with no space).



Bible Sunday 28th July

Each year the Church designates one Sunday as Bible Sunday, which aims to draw our attention to the Bible more intentionally. Next Sunday, 28 July is

Bible Sunday and everyone is encouraged to take some time each day to sit and read the Bible, allowing time to grow in relationship with God; through Scripture God speaks to his children.

Bibles can be purchased from the Piety Store or the Diocese of Broken Bay has various Bibles for sale, including Study Bibles and Children's Bibles that are offered at a subsidised cost through the Fr Harry David Estate. For more information visit <u>bbcatholic.org.au/bibleoffer</u>

Join us this October as we continue to celebrate the Bible, at the annual Broken Bay Bible Conference. This year we will be exploring *The Holy Spirit through the Pages of Scripture*. Journey with us as we discover who the Holy Spirit is and how the Spirit guides, enlivens and encourages our lives and the Church today, presented by Dr Debra Snoddy and Rev Assoc Prof Ormond Rush. For more information visit www.bbcatholic.org.au/bible

For more information on any of the above please contact Tania Rimac <u>faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au</u> or 8379 1629.



L'Arche NSW invites you to an exclusive Film Night event - Jean Vanier the founder of L'Arche passed away on the 7th May this year. L'Arche NSW warmly invites you to a "one off" screening of the most recent beautiful film on the L'Arche story, "Summer in the Forest". The movie, will be screened at

Hoyts Cinema's Warringah Mall Wednesday 7pm 21 August 2019. This is a fundraiser event and tickets are only available at fanforce.com/screenings.

"Summer in the Forest" has been described as a moving documentary which takes an insightful look at the blessing that L'Arche has been in the lives of many. Through the stories of five members with a disability and with some of the most recent footage of Jean Vanier, the film makes an important spiritual point about the true nature of happiness. Real fulfillment, it suggests, is not to be found in money or power, but in relationships built on love, respect, humor and human dignity. Jean Vanier is quick to point out, that shared living is not always easy, "it's no utopia", he says "it's hope".



CHANGES TO WEEK DAY MASSES

Fr David and Fr Paul will be attending the Clergy Conference next week from Monday to Thursday night. At Manly and Freshwater there will be a Liturgy of the Word with Communion on Tue 30/7, Wed 31/7 & Thurs 1/8 and Mass on Friday 2/8.



HELP A CHILD FEEL SAFE, HAPPY & SECURE

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me ... Matthew 25:35

There are children in our community who have been through experiences few of us could begin to fathom and who, without our help, will go through a childhood without the love and support of a family.

We believe all children deserve a safe home, and by providing one we can help them build their self-esteem and develop the skills they need to succeed in life.

CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay is looking for everyday families who might consider taking a child or young person into their home - to love and support them whether for one or two nights, a few weeks, months, or long term. This just might be you ...

If you have space in your home and room in your heart, please reach out now.

CatholicCare Foster Care

P: (02) 4320 7700 E: fostercare@catholiccaredbb.org.au W: catholiccaredbb.org.au/fostercare

PLENERY COUNCIL 2020

Snapshot Report How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is A JOYFUL, HOPE-FILLED AND SERVANT C O M M U N I T Y

THE NATIONAL THEMES FOR DISCERNMENT

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who

expressed a yearning for the Church to be a sign of God's kingdom for all people in Australia – to be able to see the Catholic Church in action, and to recognise Jesus.

There was an expression of faith-filled hope in the capacity of the Catholic community to celebrate together, to show what it is to be a follower of Christ and to be loved unconditionally by God. There was a call to contemplate the Gospel call to be a servant Church for the good of all people in Australia – particularly for refugees and asylum-seekers and other people who are vulnerable or at risk.

Many responses called for greater sharing of the story of the good works done by so many people and organisations of the Church.

Some responses expressed a hunger for strong witness of faith, especially by priests, young people and female leaders in parish and school ministries.

https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

St Mary's School Facebook

We are incredibly lucky at St Mary's to have so many opportunities to share the wonderful teaching and learning which takes place at St Mary's. One of these is our Facebook page. There are little reminders of events added regularly as well as lots of celebrating of our achievements. It's lovely being able to share our news with the whole parish. Give us a like and have fun exploring the page.

PETITION TO AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT FOR THE LEGISLATION FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDM Petition form on clipboard at Church entrance.

PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Christian Meditation: Mon 6pm 6:45pm in the Parish Centre
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am in the Parish Centre
- Divine Will Prayer Group: Mon 11:00am in the Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Manly Wed 2pm with Divine Mercy Hour from 7:00pm – 8:30pm
- Holy Hour: Freshwater Tues after morning Mass
- Lectio Divina: Wed 10am in the Parish Centre
- Parish Playgroup: Manly on Mon 9am 10:30am
- Piety Store: Open 15mins before & after Mass
- Reconciliation: Manly: Sat 10am 11am Freshwater: Sat 4:30pm
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822
- Rosary: Manly: Mon Fri at 9.45am
 Freshwater: Tues Fri before 9.15am Mass

PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS

- Anointing Mass at Manly and Freshwater 1st Friday of each month at 9:15am Mass
- Baptisms: By appointment enquires to Parish Office
- Crazy Whist Morning: last Tues of each month at 10:00am
- Eco-operate: 3rd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Vincent de Paul: Manly & Freshwater Conferences 2nd Mon each month at 5:30pm

TAP TO DONATE TO HELP WITH REPAIRS OF OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH



If you would like to make a donation to assist with our ongoing **Church Repairs**, you can do so by

a direct deposit into the Parish Account using the following

Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish

Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank

Account# 13958001 BSB # 062 784 (Please include the following reference – BM/your surname)

If you would like to use one of our tap units at **Manly** there is a unit in the front foyer of the Church and at the side exit into the Carpark.

We thank you for your generosity & commitment to our parish



St Mary's School News...not sure if you are aware but there is a beautiful botanic garden in the heart of Manly (Ivanhoe Park) near the Oval and it is used regularly by all the year groups at St Mary's School. It's a really popular spot for the students!

There is currently a volunteer group for the gardens that has submitted a proposal for funding to assist with children's education around the gardens HOWEVER the NSW Government makes decisions on its funding via POPULAR vote...

With this in mind, we need your help and as many of the parents at St Mary's and the other surrounding schools to help.

What do you need to do? Vote now to help fund the Friends of Ivanhoe Park Botanic Garden **Community Educational Resource – Manly Electorate Project** by going to <u>https://mycommunityproject.service.nsw.gov.au</u>

Select Manly projects, browse the projects then vote our project as Number 1.

Ivanhoe Park Botanical Garden grant application needs community support – vote at website link above

PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAM



The Resilient Child

How can we help children develop their resilience and cope better with the ups and downs of school life? What strategies develop "mental health fitness" in children and lifelong wellbeing skills?

Joins us for a workshop that will provide you with:

- · A better understanding of what is "wellbeing"
- Strategies for building resilience and coping skills
- Ideas to develop "mentally fit" children
- · Building a growth mindset at home.

Tuesday 30th July at 7:00-8:00pm

St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School Library

7 Johnson Street, Freshwater.

Parking available on local streets.

Bookings are essential, so please book your spot using the following link: <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> Enter code: JA2RU For questions please email the school: sjbf@dbb.catholic.edu.au

This is a FREE workshop

Brought to you by the

Parent Education Team,

Catholic Schools Office,

Diocese of Broken Bay.

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ROSTER – AUGUST 2019

If you would like to take part in one of these ministries, please contact the parish office 9977 5822

MANLY

Mass Times	Ministry	Week 1 3rd – 4th August	Week 2 10th – 11th August	Week 3 17th – 18th August	Week 4 24th – 25th August
		18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Acolyte/ Snr Server	Ron Gravolin Freya Zemek	Kazuko Fischer	Louise Wareham	Freya Zemek
SS	Junior Server		Bernie Lawler		
Mas	Readers	Rita Bruzzese John Stapleton	Carmel Lawler Jean Halcrow	Rita Bruzzese	John Stapleton Bill Tango
	Ministers of Communion	John & Merle Zemek	Carmel Lawler Maree Rowan	John & Merle Zemek John Bigeni	John & Merle Zemek John Bigeni
Vigil	Music	Simon Hyland	CD's	Bianca Zatz	Bianca Zatz
	AV Screens	Peter Simpson	Peter Simpson	Peter Simpson	Avis Fontaine
6pm	Warden	John Zemek	John Zemek	John Zemek	John Zemek
6p	Piety Shop	John & Merle Zemek	Louise Wareham	John & Merle Zemek	Louise Wareham
	Flowers	Louise Wareham	Hazel Cottee Carole O'Donnell	Merle Zemek	Liz de Ambrosis
	Acolyte/ Snr Server	Ken Thompson	Louise Wareham	Ken Thompson	Louise Wareham
	Junior Server				
SS	Readers	Patty Thomas Paul Walsh	Paul Walsh Rita Bruzzese	Patty Thomas	Jan Van Den Broek Paul Walsh
Mas	Ministers of Communion	Mary Prager Assistance Required	Trish McGregor Tiere Morgan	Judith O'Malley Laurie de Ambrosis	Madeleine Le Surf Tiere Morgan
	Music	Parish Choir	Bianca Zatz Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir
am	AV Screens	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir
30	Warden	Dom Ferragina	Dom Ferragina	Dom Ferragina	Dom Ferragina
8	Piety Shop	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen
	Morning Tea	Assistance Required	Sophie Ford Rose Redding	Lynn Parkes	Lynn Parkes
	Children's Liturgy	Gabriella	Claire Shefford	Fiona S	Fiona C

Mass Times	Ministry	Week 1 3rd – 4th August	Week 2 10th – 11th August	Week 3 17th – 18th August	Week 4 24th – 25th August
m Mass	Acolyte/ Snr Server	Lynn Parkes Louise Wareham	Ron Gravolin	Ron Gravolin	Ron Gravolin
	Junior Server				Bernie Lawler Iona & Teresa Hearn
	Readers	Katalina Taefotu Vuna Tuifua	Jane Fonua	Katalina Taefotu Vuna Tuifua	Rita Bruzzese Carmel Lawler
	Ministers of Communion	Shaun & Liana Hearn Assistance Required	Shaun & Liana Hearn Kim McGrath	Jan Dorsen	Assistance Required
80a	Music	Tongan Choir	Kath Papallo Gina Marshall	Tongan Choir	Kath Papallo Gina Marshall
Ö	AV Screens	Tongan Choir	Robert Marshall	Tongan Choir	Robert Marshall
10	Warden	David Hala	Marika Jones	David Hala	Peter Bartolotta
	Piety Shop	Maria Condomitti	Maria Condomitti	Anne Gaughan	Anne Gaughan
	Morning Tea	Tina & Sokee	Filipino Group	Tongan Group	
	Acolyte/ Snr Server	Ivica Covic	Ivica Covic	Ivica Covic	Ivica Covic
SS	Server	Ivana Covic	Michael, Kieran & Gabriel Wan	Ivana Covic	Ivana Covic
Ma	Readers	Sandie Cornish	Mark Sing Flora Spiteri	Paul Novak Dean Gale	Family Mass
	Ministers of Communion	Pam Rawson	Paula Martin Richard Heasman	Pam Rawson Richard Heasman	Family Mass
6pm	Music	Simon Hyland	Josh Willard	Josh Willard	Simon Hyland
9	AV Screens	Bill Tango	Bill Tango	Bill Tango	Family Mass
	Warden	Mark Wall	Stephen Crowley	Mark Bateman	Family Mass
	Piety Shop	Lynette & Sophie Duffy	Lynette & Eliza Duffy	Lynette & Sophie Duffy	Lynette & Eliza Duffy

FRESHWATER

	Ministry	Week 1 3rd – 4th August	Week 2 10th – 11th August	Week 3 17th – 18th August	Week 4 24th – 25th August
9am Mass 5pm Vigi	Acolyte/Snr Server	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА
	Readers	Amanda Whitfield	Amanda Whitfield	Family Mass	Amanda Whitfield
	Ministers of Communion	Angela Vumbaca	Angela Vumbaca	Family Mass	Amanda Whitfield
	Music	CD's	CD's	CD's	CD's
	AV Screens	Bill Kelly	Bill Kelly	Bill Kelly	Bill Kelly
	Acolyte/Snr Server	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА
	Readers	Pam Brown John Peters	Richard Feledy Assistance Required	Luke Campbell Pam Brown	Toni Walsh Joshua Wright
	Ministers of Communion	John Dunn	Pam Brown	Toni Walsh	Toni Walsh
	Music	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown
	AV Screens	Margie Gruca	Margie Gruca	Margie Gruca	Margie Gruca
	Altar Society	Maria Harkness	Lyn Hillard	Jacqui Good Mary Arcus	Marg Norrie Meg Storey
	Morning Tea	Andy & Becky Thiss	Storey family	Raymond family	Brigid Lynn Andy Mandikian
	Children's Liturgy	Jackie Feledy	Rena Curll	Assistance Required	Leanne Ippolito

NOTE: Readings for the Manly Family Mass will be taken from the Children's Lectionary

First Reading

Genesis 18:20-32 (JB)

A reading from the book of Genesis

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will be only forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137:1-3, 6-8 (JB)

R. Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. R.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. R.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. R.

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me.Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. R.

Second Reading

Colossians 2:12-14 (JB)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Romans 8:15 (JB)

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 11:1-13 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Ask, and it will be given to you.

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy,

your kingdom come;

give us each day our daily bread,

and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.

And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it to him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. what father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

