



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 7th August 2022

Gospel Reflection Three short parables about the treasures of the reign of God are the central images of today's Gospel:

Death comes to us like a "thief" in the night, Jesus tells his listeners; therefore, we must always be ready to meet the Lord and enter his "kingdom" with "belts tightened" and through works of charity. The first generations of Christians read this parable as an indication that Christ would return in their lifetimes, in the middle of the great Paschal night.

Jesus frequently speaks of the coming reign of his Father as a wedding feast to which all of the faithful are invited. Luke includes the image in his Gospel, as well, with an interesting twist: Those who have embraced the spirit of servanthood taught by Jesus the Master will be served by the Master himself at his table in heaven. Jesus targets the parable to the leaders of the Jewish establishment who have used their positions to advance their own prestige and wealth at the expense of the people they were appointed to serve. While God casts out the exploiters from his kingdom, the faithful leader-servants will be served by the Messiah himself at God's great banquet.

The third parable is Luke's version of Jesus' story of the watchful steward who faithfully conducts the responsibilities entrusted to him by his master. This life on earth is a time that has been entrusted to us by God be about the business of preparing for the life of the world to come.

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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.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS

Quiet Prayer & Adoration 6pm – 7pm
Scripture Reflection & Benediction

7pm – 7:30pm. **Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be said starting at 6pm



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August: **Small Businesses**

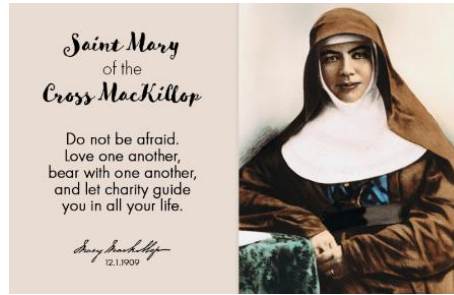
We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.



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

COVID REQUIREMENTS

- Please remember it is strongly recommended that you
- Wear a mask for Mass
 - Cleanse your hands
 - Observe social distancing



Monday 8th August
Feast Day of Mary MacKillop
9.15am Mass will be celebrated at Manly & Freshwater.



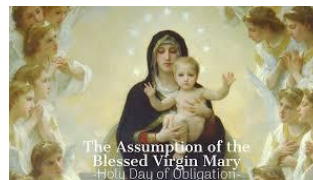
Marking Homelessness Week 1 August & Mary MacKillop Feast Day 8 August

CATHOLIC CARE APPEAL

Catholic Care is the social care and support agency of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Broken

Bay. Envelopes can be found on the Pews.

Donations are 100% tax deductible



Monday 15th August
The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of obligation.

Manly Masses at 9.15am, 12 noon & 6pm
Freshwater Mass at 9.15am.

National Vocations Awareness Week

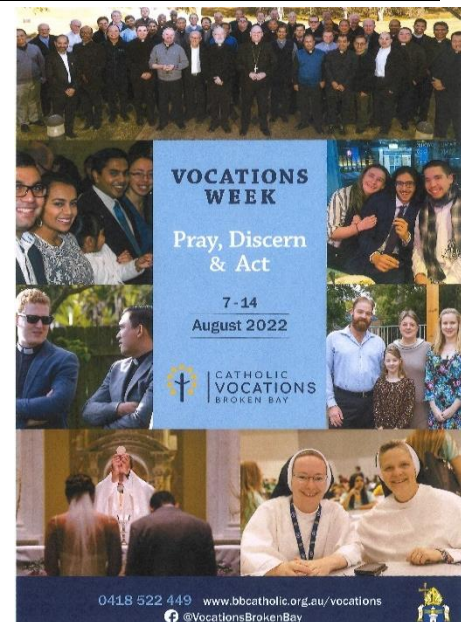
August 7 – 14

This week we are called to pray for those who are searching for their vocation in life.

Let us ask the Lord to enlighten them and give them the grace and courage to respond to His call.

We are all called to a particular vocation

(marriage, consecrated life, priesthood or a single life of service). May we have the strength to follow His will.



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PASTORAL WORKS (CWF) RECEIPTS

Please contact the Parish Office if you require a copy of your receipt – these donations are 100% tax deductible.



Livestreaming on Facebook Sunday 8:30am Mass
[manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos)

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Lim Ai Chu; Rodolfo Lusung;
Geoffrey Formica; Margaret Santos

Prayers for the sick in our parish: "Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage" Wayne Smedley; Margaret Burrige; Stephen Robertson; Maureen Williams; Gerry Wybrandt; Amy Farrow; Patricia Duffy; Florencia Lira; Ken Waller; Mary Helen Fogarty; Sheila Lee; Belinda Nicholls; Jacqui Dawson; Gerry Ring; Zacchaeus Ratnam; Pat Smith; John Connors; Don Hews; Joan Jacobs; Sheila Lee; Donnacha Donnelly; Paul Donnelly

Dates to remember...

- **Mary MacKillop Feast Day Mass** Mon 8 Aug 9:15am
- **SMM Yr 3 & 4 Class Mass** Thurs 11 Aug 9:15am
- **Bible Study** (zoom) Tues 9th Aug @ 7pm
- **Craft Group** Tues 10am – 12noon
- **Lectio Divina** Tues @ 7:30pm and Wed @ 10am
- **Eucharistic Adoration in Manly**
Wed 6pm – 7:30pm
- **Rosary** (zoom) Thurs @ 7pm
(Meeting ID 872 561 5999/Code: 2512)



You may notice that currently we are not taking up collections during the Mass and as we are slowly becoming a cashless society, we would like to remind you that we have a Tap N Go facility available.

We ask that you consider creating an automatic monthly debit to support our parish. Please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822 to for more information.

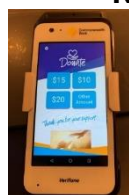
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**New EFTPOS Donation Terminals**

We have just installed new EFTPOS Terminals from the Commonwealth Bank at both Churches. Each terminal has pre-set donation amounts, or you can select "Other Amount" where you can enter your desired amount to give. Simply, select the amount you would like to donate and tap your card on the terminal.

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Position Vacant
**Part Time Parish
Coordinator/Admin
Assistant/Bookkeeper**
3 days per week

Over the next few months two members of our Parish team are looking at retirement. Michelle and Paula are both looking forward to spending more time with their families.

Manly Freshwater Parish is seeking to recruit a part time Parish Coordinator/Administration Assistant. This role plays an important part in the Parish Team, providing support for Parish groups, parish functions and administration financial processes.

We are seeking a candidate with excellent people skills, a comprehensive knowledge of office administration processes and procedures and bookkeeping experience. A sound understanding of Microsoft Office and MYOB is necessary.

An ability to work independently while remaining a team player, with a commitment to be accountable for performance, and an ability to work collaboratively across a wide range of groups, supported by a good understanding of, and commitment to, Catholic values and teachings will be crucial to your success.

If this role interests you and you would like to join the Parish team please email a brief cover letter and CV to Jenny in the Parish Office – manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au

PIETY STORE

Movie of the month: "Romero" A compelling and deeply moving film. Because one man's courage can be the most powerful weapon of all. Only \$10 @ the piety store.

CD of the month: Discerning God's will by Fr Larry Richards. How does one hear God? Real, usable and practical advice. Only \$5 @ the piety store.

**Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood**

Diocese of Broken Bay

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, O Lord, that we may be holy. In your mercy, guard and strengthen us, to be disciples who witness to the Good News of Jesus.

Call forth from our community of the Church generous and loving shepherds after your own heart. May they be zealous preachers of the Word; faithful teachers of the Truth; and devoted servants at the Altar.

Fill their hearts with love for you and your creation; open their minds to a lifetime of learning; and make them humble servants or your holy people.

For you, O God, are kind and merciful, and to you we offer glory, in your holy Church, now and forever.

Amen.

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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

First Reading

Wisdom 18:6-9 (JB)

A reading from the book of Wisdom

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22 (JB)

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. R.
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. R.
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. R.

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 (JB)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God. It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore. All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be

called their God, since he has founded the city for them. It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead, and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 24:42, 44 (JB)

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel


Luke 12:32-48 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom. 'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.' Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful. 'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him'.


The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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Parish Pastoral Council: Paul Pervan (Chair), Ian Press (Deputy Chair), Margaret Dent (Secretary),

Val Buono; Ivica Covic; Joanne Druery; Robert Marshall; Michael McGrath; Peter Nacard

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

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