



# MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

## Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches First Sunday of Advent – 28th November 2021

Dear Friends,

This weekend we welcome Fr Eliseus Shin to our parish community as our second Assistant Priest. Fr Eliseus comes from the Diocese of Incheon Korea where Fr Paul Kim comes from. Fr Paul sends his best wishes to everyone. Fr Eliseus comes to us from his previous appointment at the Lakes Parish (Narrabeen/Collaroy). Please make him feel welcome and at home.



Congratulations to everyone at St John's Freshwater for a wonderful celebration of the Centenary of the Church. Bishop Anthony led us in a beautiful Mass which was followed by a fantastic morning tea. *God Bless Fr David*

**Reflection:** Purple vestments, a wreath with candles, seasonal songs and no Gloria – these are the cues that signal the start of Advent and a new liturgical year today. The spirit of hope that gives Advent its appeal is swiftly established by the prophet Jememiah, the psalmist and the apostle Paul.  
*Break Open the Word Liturgy Brisbane 2022*



Come along to the 10:30am Mass next Sunday 5th December to celebrate the Parish Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception and Fr David's 30th Anniversary of the Priesthood. There will be a morning tea and cake after the Mass under the Big Tree in the School grounds. A card will be at the entrance to the Church this weekend for you to sign.



Lord God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Saviour, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin. Pour forth your blessings upon us as we light the candles of this wreath; may their light reflect the splendour of Christ, who is Lord, for ever and ever

**Reflection 1: Hope** The Lord's coming is the root of our hope: the assurance that the consolation of God reaches us among the tribulations of the world, a consolation that is not made of words, but His presence that comes among us. May this Advent season be a beginning that bring us a new birth of hope in the ancient promise of our God.

### **Light Candle No 1/Hymn Refrain**

**Priest:** The kingdom of God has already begun among us. We ask God's pardon for the times our actions have not reflected that.

Lord Jesus, you come to set us free: Lord, have mercy.

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

Christ Jesus, you show us the way to the Father: Christ, have mercy.

**All:** Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you call us to be ready for your coming: Lord, have mercy.

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

**Opening Prayer/Collect** Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

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

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November - People who suffer from Depression** We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

*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*

**Recently Deceased:** John & Anna Leatham;  
Patricia (Patty) Buchanan; Orla Byrne;  
Bishop Bill Wright (Maitland Newcastle)

**Prayers for the sick in our parish: "Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage"** Meg and Wayne Storey, Gavin Greenwood, Mark Taylor; Kay Flenady; Leon Cochrane; Prionsias Kearney; Brian Davies; Debbie Vernon; Lauren Hannahan; Rosalba Galuis; Judith McKenzie; Jonathan Keil; Wayne Smedley; Margaret BurrIDGE; Jill Carmichael; Stephen Robertson; Richard & Cynthia Connolly; Maureen Williams; Gerry Wybrandt; Amy Farrow; Patricia Duffy; Florencia Lira; Ken Waller; Mary Helen Fogarty; Sheila Lee; Chrissy Brunson; Belinda Nicholls; Jacqui Dawson; Marty O'Donnell; Pat Smith; Gerry Ring; Zacchaeus Ratnam; Joseph Francis; Mary Levitt

**During November, only the names of recently deceased will be published in the bulletin.**

November/December	Year C
Mon 29/11 – 1st week of Advent	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2,4-5,6-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tue 30/11 – St Andrew	Rom 10:9-18; Ps 18:2-5; Mt 4:18-22
Wed 1/12 – 1st week of Advent	Is 25:6-10; Ps 22; Mt 15:29-37
Thurs 2/12 – 1st week of Advent	Is 26:1-6; Ps 117:1,8-9,19-21,25-27
Fri 3/12 – St Francis Xavier	Is 29:17-24; Ps 26:1,4,13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Sat 4/12 – 1st week of Advent	Is 30:19-21,23-26; Ps 146:1-6; Mt 9:35-10:1,6-8
Sun 5/12 – Second Sunday of Advent	Baruch 5:1-9; Ps 125; Phil 1:4-6,8-11; Lk 3:1-6

## PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

**Parish facebook:** facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish

**Parish website:** bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater

**PRAYING With CHILDREN** Praying with Children which is designed for families with young children to use at home.

Each Sunday's liturgy includes music for gathering, the readings, reflections on the gospel, video, group activity, prayer for the week and a home activity sheet.

This pdf will be sent by email with the newsletter



**Mass For You At Home** on Channel 10 at 6.00 am each Sunday



If we put the Gospel at the centre and bear witness to it with fraternal love, we will be able to look to the future with hope, whatever the tempests, great or small, we may experience today.



**Are you struggling to pay the bills? CatholicCare can help with Coles or Woolworths vouchers.**

Times are tough. You might have lost work due to the lockdown, or you might be finding it hard to put food on the table. Please call CatholicCare on (02) 9481 2600 or email them at [info@catholiccaredbb.org.au](mailto:info@catholiccaredbb.org.au).



**PIETY STORE IS NOW OPEN**  
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## Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.  
I love you above all things,  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there  
and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you.  
Amen.

-- St. Alphonsus Liguori

## NO GROUPS ARE MEETING ONSITE

### ZOOM ZOOM ZOOM

The following meetings have been scheduled for the week ahead:

- Rosary with Fr John – Thurs at 7pm**



**Rosary with Fr John** will meet on 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 6pm and on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursday evenings at 7pm.

**Meeting ID 872 561 5999 Code: 2512**



### BIBLE STUDY

#### Gospel of St Mark

Fr John will continue a Bible Study via Zoom on the Tuesday 7 December 2021. You are most welcome to join.

In December the Bible Study will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm

**Meeting ID 872 561 5999 Code: 2512**



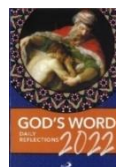
### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Manly each Wednesday at 6pm with Divine Mercy Hour from 7pm to 8pm

**COVID REQUIREMENTS** - Please remember will also need to

- QR code before entering the Church
- Wear a mask for Mass
- Cleanse your hands
- Observe social distancing of 2sqm
- Refrain from congregational singing.
- The Parish Office will remain closed until 15th December but you can contact our parish staff on 9977 5822 or by email

[manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au).



### WORD OF GOD 2022

Daily Reading and Reflection.

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## BOOK YOUR CHRISTMAS MASS using Trybook – search

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LINKS** right click on the link  
below to open hyperlink



### FRESHWATER

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVMER>

### MANLY

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVLYF>

### Manly Mass Times

Christmas Eve Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
4pm and 6pm (*Family Masses*) 8pm and 10pm

Christmas Day – 7am, 8:30am and 10:30am

### Freshwater Mass Times

Christmas Eve Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
4pm (*Family Mass in Church*) and  
5:30pm (*Family Mass Outside*) and 7pm

Christmas Day – 9am



### CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH FOR THOSE SPENDING CHRISTMAS ALONE

This year we will be serving  
a take away picnic lunch

and will be preparing 150 Packs.

If you would like to volunteer to help out on the  
day or for the Setup and decorating on  
December 23 please volunteer using the  
following link

<https://volunteersignup.org/H8R89> or by calling  
the Parish office on 9977 5822

If you would like to donate goods for the Picnic  
Packs we will be including some of the  
following:

- Cans of soft drink – coke, lemonade, fanta
- Box of chocolates
- Fresh Fruit- dropped off just before Christmas.
- Cash donations will be used to purchase the Hams, Turkey, Salads, Bread Rolls, Desserts and anything we are short of.

Please drop the Chocolates and Cans into the  
Parish Office or in the basket at the Church  
entrances.



## CHRISTMAS ROSTER

To help us plan for the extra Masses  
this year we ask that you let us know  
if you are available to assist in one of  
the ministries listed below

Servers

Readers

Welcomers

Piety Store Assistant

Please advise the Parish Office on 9977 5822 or  
email [manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au)



### St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

This weekend we  
will start our  
Christmas appeal.

There will be a  
GIVING TREE for you to adopt a family and  
make up a hamper for them.

It means a lot to the families we all help to  
know that someone cares and wants to help  
them have a better Christmas.

Our giving envelopes are on the pews if you  
would like to help with a donation.

Bruce and I would like to give you all a very big  
thank you for all your support over the years.

We understand it has been a very challenging  
year for all of us so whatever assistance you  
can give St Vincent de Paul is very much  
appreciated.

We would also like to wish you all a Holy and  
Peaceful Christmas with your families and love  
ones.

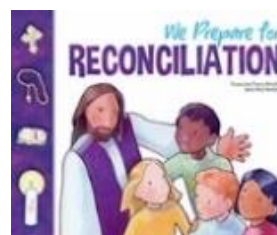
*Mick O'Farrell Freshwater Conference*

*Bruce Whittet Manly Conference*



### Christmas Blessing Letterbox Drop

This Christmas we are calling for  
volunteers to deliver a Christmas Blessing Card  
to every home in the parish, wishing all a Joyful  
Christmas and letting them know about our  
Christmas services. By reaching out to our  
community in this way, we hope to welcome  
and invite others to join us at our Christmas  
Celebrations. If you can assist, please contact  
the Parish office on 9977 5822 for further  
information.



### . Children's First Reconciliation

This week around 100  
children from the Parish  
will make their First  
Reconciliation. Please

remember the Children in your prayers.



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION?**

Please scan the QR code for Credit Card donations or direct deposit details are below

**New: Scan to Donate** using the QR code to access our BPoint Donation page. You will then be able to click the BPoint logo on the webpage to take you to the payment page. This secure system provided by the Commonwealth Bank Australia will give you the option of having your receipt emailed to you.



**2nd collection Parish Bank Account**

Funds the running of the Parish  
Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish  
Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank  
Account # 100002025 BSB: 062 784

**1st collection Parish Bank Account** Supports our Priests

Account: Manly Freshwater Parish Pastoral  
Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank  
Account# 13958002 BSB: 062 784

**Thank you for your ongoing support**

**St Mary's School News...**

It was big tug on the heartstrings this week at St Mary's, as we celebrated both ends of the school journey. We welcomed our future Kindy students all week to Orientation, while we prepare our older students to be leaders of the school. Last Friday, we welcomed School Captains James and Riley, plus Wellbeing Leader Ross, from St Paul's Catholic College, Manly, who talked to Years 4 and 5 about leadership and the importance of role modelling, and to Year 6 about starting high school. The students had lots of questions and the boys were an enormous support. Thank you Ross, Riley and James!



Last Friday, our students wore crazy socks to support the very important work Catholic Mission does in providing basic needs to those most in need around the world. There were some very impressive socks on show! To help support the projects of Catholic Mission, you may like to make a donation at: <https://www.socktober.org.au/fundraisers/stmarysmanly>

*Kind regards Alexis Conn (REC)*



Our Catechists from Manly and Freshwater came together for lunch during the week to celebrate the end of 2021. We thank them for their continual support of the children in our State Schools.

**St John the Baptist Feast Day Celebration last Sunday**





# CHRISTMAS STALL

NEXT SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER AT MANLY  
before and after the 8.30am and 10.30am Masses

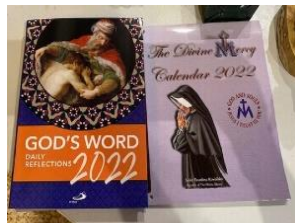
Check your list twice!



During the year our Craft Group have been very busy and now have a wonderful selection of Christmas Goods and other hand made goods available for sale.



**Piety Store Manly** will also have a stall with a good selection of Christmas Nativities, 2022 Calendars, Books and Statues



**St Paul's College News** -Liam Hillary, a student in year 8, entered the Bishop's Prize for Religious Art during Lockdown. Liam's drawing of the crucified Christ was selected by Bishop Anthony for a High Commendation, placing him second within his section of the competition. The prize recipients were announced by Bishop Anthony in a COVID-safe Zoom presentation and Liam is pictured receiving his certificate from the College Principal.



The Senior Leaders of the Class of 2022 have been announced to an enthusiastic reception from the College Community. After a period of consultation with the students themselves the leadership roles have been redefined to focus on the key areas of College Life. As well as a College Captain and Vice-Captain, prefects have been chosen to promote the Mission of the College, the Wellbeing of all of our students and participation in our Co-Curricular life. James Wood (St Rose Catholic Primary School) and Riley Picard (Collaroy Plateau PS) have been selected as Captain and Vice-Captain. They will be supported by Thomas Dignam (Mission Prefect - St Rose Catholic Primary School), Savelio Tamale (Co-Curricular Prefect - Collaroy Plateau PS) and St Mary's very own Ross Downey (Wellbeing Prefect).  
*Kind regards Michael Reid (Principal)*

## MINISTRY ROSTER – DECEMBER 2021 – MANLY

	Ministry	Week 1 4 – 5 December	Week 2 11 – 12 December	Week 3 18 – 19 December	Week 4 25 – 26 December
		<b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>4th Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Christmas &amp; Holy Family</b>
<b>6pm Vigil Mass</b>	<b>Server</b>	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham	<b>NO VIGIL MASS</b>
	<b>Readers</b>	Freya Zemek	Jean Halcrow	Rita Bruzzese	
	<b>Music</b>	CD'S	CD'S	CD'S	
	<b>Welcomers</b>	John & Merle Zemek Mary Prager	John & Merle Zemek	John & Merle Zemek Mary Prager	
	<b>Piety Store</b>	Merle Zemek	Merle Zemek	Merle Zemek	
	<b>Flowers</b>	Louise Wareham	Hazel Cottee Carole O'Donnell	Merle Zemek	
<b>8:30am Mass</b>	<b>Server</b>	Ken Thompson	Martino Hoang	Ken Thompson	Martino Hoang
	<b>Readers</b>	Jan van den Brock	Patty Thomas Olivia Ellis	Patty Thomas	Jan van den Brock
	<b>Music</b>	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir
	<b>AV Screens</b>	Robert Marshall	Robert Marshall	Robert Marshall	Robert Marshall
	<b>Welcomers</b>	Clare Carmody Paul Cunningham	Clare Carmody Paul Cunningham	Clare Carmody	Clare Carmody
	<b>Piety Store</b>	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen
<b>10:30am Mass</b>	<b>Server</b>	Lynne Parks	Ivica Covic Iona & Teresa Hearn	Kieran Wan Bernie Lawler	Louise Wareham
	<b>Readers</b>	Jean Halcrow Ron Gravalin	Rita Bruzzese	Carmel Lawler	Rita Bruzzese
	<b>Music</b>	Bianca Zatz	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz	Bianca Zatz	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz
	<b>AV Screens</b>	TBC	Robert Marshall	TBC	Robert Marshall
	<b>Welcomers</b>	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan	Paul Pervan Anne Gaughan	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan
	<b>Piety Store</b>				
<b>6pm Mass</b>	<b>Server</b>	Ivica Covic	Kieran & Michael Wan	Ivica Covic Silvio Porcelli	<b>TBC</b>
	<b>Readers</b>	Dean Gale	Sandie Cornish	Youth	Ed Copeman
	<b>Music</b>	Simon Hyland	Josh Willard	Simon Hyland	CD's
	<b>Welcomers</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>
	<b>Piety Store</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>	<b>Assistance Required</b>

## MINISTRY ROSTER – DECEMBER 2021 – FRESHWATER

	Ministry	Week 1 4 – 5 December	Week 2 11 – 12 December	Week 3 18 – 19 December	Week 4 25 – 26 December
<b>5pm Vigil</b>		<b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>4th Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Christmas &amp; Holy Family</b>
	<b>Server</b>	Lou Maruca	Ian Press	Mick O'Farrell	<b>NO VIGIL MASS</b>
	<b>Readers</b>	Amanda Whitfield	Nela & Zara Hornikova	Amanda Whitfield	
	<b>Music</b>	CD's	CD's	CD's	
	<b>Welcomers</b>	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott	
	<b>Server</b>	Joanne Druery	Lou Maruca	Francis Raymond	
<b>Readers</b>	Luke Campbell	Vincent Bokanovic Luka Bokanovic	Toni Walsh	Josh Wright Jasmine Wright	
<b>9am Mass</b>	<b>Music</b>	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown
	<b>Welcomers</b>	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt
	<b>Altar Society</b>	Jacqui Good	Patricia & Solo Brown	Mary Anne Marles	Isabella & Phillip d'Souza

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



# First Sunday of Advent – Year C

## First Reading *Jeremiah 33:14-16 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

*I will cause a good seed to spring forth from David.*

See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah: 'In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence. And this is the name the city will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm *Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14*

**R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.**

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.

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.

His ways are faithfulness and love for those who keep his covenant and will. The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him; to them he reveals his covenant. R.

## Second Reading *1 Thessalonians 3:12 - 4:2*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

*When Christ comes may he strengthen your hearts in holiness.*

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints. Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation *Ps 84:8 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

## Gospel *Luke 21:25-28, 34-36 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*Your redemption is near at hand.*


Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.'

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'

The Gospel of the Lord.


**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**





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**Seminarian:** Martino Hoang

**Parish Secretaries:** Jenny Beninati & Paula Martin

**Pastoral Coordinator:** Michelle Ellis

**Mary Immaculate Church**  
6 Raglan St, Manly NSW 2095

**St John the Baptist Church**  
cnr Johnson & Oliver St, Freshwater NSW 2096

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**Presbytery:** 9977 2100

**After Hours Urgent Sick Calls:** 0499 910 010

**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

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Paul Pervan (Chair),  
Ian Press (Deputy Chair), Margaret Dent (Secretary),  
Ivica Covic; Joanne Druery; Robert Marshall;  
Michael McGrath

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