

MANLY FRESHWATER PARISH

Mary Immaculate, Manly and St John the Baptist, Freshwater

First Sunday of Lent – 10th March 2019

Diocese of Broken Bay

Administration Office:

Monday – Thursday: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Friday: 9am – 4pm

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50 Whistler St, Manly NSW 2095

Mary Immaculate Church

6 Raglan St, Manly NSW 2095

St John the Baptist Church

cnr Johnson & Oliver St,
Freshwater NSW 2096

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**

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



In the Bible, God speaks to people in the desert. In the silence of the desert, we come face to face with both the good and the bad inside each one of us. In the desert, we can decide who will be first in our lives: God or myself. Lent is like the desert. The Church gives us this time to listen more closely to God, and to grow in our relationship with him – and that means putting God first.

Luke's Gospel account of the testing in the wilderness sees Jesus being tempted to use his divinity for his own needs, and of the glamour of seizing earthly power. Jesus shows that true power comes from centering your life on God.

The story of Jesus' temptation reveals to us the deepest thing about him: he had total trust in his heavenly Father. This is why the incident is placed at the very beginning of his public life. The evangelists are telling us that he chose this path and he would remain faithful to it through all the ups and downs of his ministry.

Jesus' attitude is highlighted since it is set in contrast with other possible attitudes; and we are reminded that for Jesus trust was a free and deliberate choice, as it is for every human being: he chose to trust.

The gospel for the first Sunday of Lent is always the story of the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness. It is intended to make us think not only about Jesus and his struggle but to help us realise that the history of God's love for his people from Adam and Eve to the present day involves a similar story. The essence of the temptation of Jesus was the idea that he could go it alone, that he could be entirely self-sufficient. Jesus resisted this because he recognised his complete dependence on the Father.

He knew that he needed to be nourished by God's word and that his true destiny lay in his seeking to do his Father's will. When Evil succeeds in convincing us that we have it in our power to save ourselves then we are on the path to self destruction. Lent is a time for us to humbly take God's hand and to walk the path of faith and love that leads to Easter.

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**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March: EVANGELISATION –
RECOGNITION OF THE RIGHT OF CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES**

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

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 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.

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

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

March

Mon 11/3 – 1st week of Lent

Tue 12/3 – 1st week of Lent

Wed 13/3 – 1st week of Lent

Thurs 14/3 – 1st week of Lent

Fri 15/3 – 1st week of Lent

Sat 16/3 – 1st week of Lent

Sun 17/3 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

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Lev 19:1-2,11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Esther 14:1,3-5,12-14; Mt 7:7-12

Ezek 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Gen 15:5-12,17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9:28-36

LET US PRAY FOR

10th March 2019

Recently Deceased: Mary Jones; Pauline Kinnear

Anniversary: Ernest Rowley

Prayers for the sick in our parish: Sofia Musso (child); Kay Flenady; Leon Cochrane, Jonathan Keil, Robina Dwyer, Betty Borg; Ann Irvin; Prionsias Kearney; Brian Davies; Majella McLoughlin; Anita Lo Casio; Stephen Taylor; Debbie Vernon; Desmond Connors; Norman Cummins; Lauren Hannahan

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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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



WELCOME!

Please say hello and introduce yourself to the person sitting next to you.

You never know, you might have something in common!

DATES TO REMEMBER...

- **LENTEN PROGRAMS – SEE BULLETIN NOTICE**
- **SJB Kindy Class Mass** Tues 12th Mar @ 9:15am
- **RCIA** Tue 12th March @ 7pm
- **SMM Yr 3 Class Mass** Thurs 14th Mar @ 9:15am

SUNDAY MORNING TEAS

FRESHWATER: following the Sunday 9am Mass each weekend

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.



There is **NO** parking in the fenced in area next to the Church from 10:30am – 3:30pm weekdays. The Churchyard parking along Raglan St is only for visitors to the Parish Centre or the Church.

Please be aware that the Churchyard is also used by the School and the safety of the students is our priority.

PLEASE NOTE PARKING IS ONLY PERMITTED IN THE MARKED BAYS – NO STACK PARKING!!!!



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.



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

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



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.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.



During Lent...

Tuesday evenings at Manly commencing 12th March at 7.15 for 7.30pm – “Rejoice and Be Glad” – small group discussion program looking at Pope Francis Apostolic Exhortation Gaudete et Exsultate.

Discerning the Way of Jesus – Lectio Divina Program prepared by the Diocese of Broken Bay will be held on...

- **Wednesday mornings** at Manly at 10am commencing 13th March.
- **Thursday evenings** at Manly at 7pm commencing 14th March led by Fr David
- **Thursday Mornings** at Freshwater at 10am commencing 14th March

Booklets will be available for those who wish to run a group or for personal use at home.

Please register at the Parish Office on 9977 5822 manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au

Stations of the Cross – Fridays at 7pm at Manly commencing Friday 8th March

The Light is On for You – Reconciliation will be held on Friday evenings from 7pm to 8pm at Manly commencing Friday 8th March



Invitation – This Sunday 10th March 6pm Mass, Manly

Come along and join in the Celebration of the Mass together with the young people from our Diocese who attended WYD in Panama.



We are currently seeking more Catechists and Helpers for our CCD Classes in 2019

If you would like to know more about what is involved, please contact

Laurie: 9949 7750 (Manly) or
Toni: 9905 2894 (Freshwater)

Fitness Sessions Manly Saturday Mornings at 9am & Wednesday Mornings at 8am Strength, Tone and Balance Training for over 50's both female and male. The trainer is Paul Pervan who is a fully qualified Cert 4 Fitness Professional. Specialist in training Older Adults, fully insured with First Aid Certificate. Come along and Try!



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. Enq: Hazel Cottee 0402 052 088 “Be still and know that I am God” (Psalm 46: vs 10)



Pope Francis Let us hear the cry of the earth, wounded in a thousand ways by human greed. Let us allow her to remain a welcoming home, in which no one feels excluded. [#WorldWildlifeDay](https://twitter.com/WorldWildlifeDay)

PROJECT COMPASSION Sunday 10/3/19



This year's Project Compassion showcases the many ways we work around the world with our local partners to offer hope to people most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

**As Pope Francis said,
“The future does have a name...
and its name is hope.”**

Through your generosity during Project Compassion this year, you are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed “Give Lent 100%”.



Thandolwayo, a 12-year-old girl in Zimbabwe, would walk seven kilometres each day to collect contaminated water for her family. She then went to school exhausted from hours fetching and carrying

water. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported project created access to clean water helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 to provide clean water and a future full of hope for vulnerable communities in Zimbabwe.



Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes or by visiting

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



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. All Welcome



Welcome to Children's Liturgy



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 on Monday morning in the Parish Hall at Manly from 8.30am to 10.30am.

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



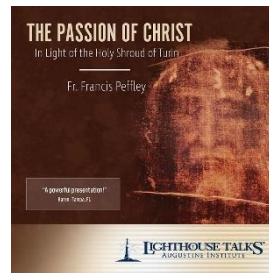
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
classes commence this weekend. Please keep these children in your prayers as they prepare for their Sacrament.

Parish 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held at St Mary's Church, Manly on Tuesday 9th April at 7pm.

PIETY STORE



Movie of the Month Mel Gibson's "The Passion of Jesus Christ" This movie is considered to be a masterpiece. Mel Gibson shot this film with lighting similar to Caravaggio paintings for added intensity, at night time. The film has 3 languages throughout; Latin, Hebrew and Aramaic. St John Paul 2nd comments after viewing were "it is as it was". Pope Francis has described meditating on the 5 Holy wounds of Jesus as a way of getting closer to His heart. "There in the encounter of our wounds with the wounds of the Lord, which was the price of our salvation, there is the tenderness of God". A must see "Good Friday" film which does not date, warning to viewers "graphic violence". Limited stock!! for only \$10.



CD of the Month "In the light of the Holy Shroud of Turin" – Fr Francis Peffley. In the 1980's some scientists took inaccurate samples of the shroud and so spread the misinformation "the shroud is a fake from the 12th century". Today the science is compelling, it is the most studied scientific object in the world. Over 2000 scientists have studied the shroud and 95% of non-believers became Christian. The shroud is recorded in the tomb in all 4 Gospels. Under Jewish Law 38 lashes is the maximum allowed for a scourging, the shroud indicates there were up to 120 lashes. With today's technology, they still cannot recreate the image, similar images have been seen in Japan on walls after a nuclear flash. Learn more about the greatest relic in Christendom for only \$5 – piety store.

Diocesan Pastoral Care Course

Volunteer Catholic Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit hospitals throughout the Diocese of Broken Bay providing comfort and care to Catholic patients. Our Diocese and *Healthscope*, the owner of the new Northern Beaches Hospital (NBH) at Frenchs Forest, require that 40 hours of training is completed to perform this important role. The *Diocesan Pastoral Care Course* is open to those who already volunteer in a hospital context, or in local health and aged care facilities, and also to those who might be deciding if they are suited to this ministry.

This **FREE** course, created particularly for a Catholic pastoral community, will provide you with the minimum training required to minister to the sick in NBH. This ministry will be coordinated by the Parish of French's Forest.

The course will be offered on five consecutive Thursdays: March 14th, 21st, 28th, and April 4th, 11th between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. It will be held at St. Anthony in the Fields Church, Terrey Hills (46 Myoora Rd, Terrey Hills).

Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Please speak to your Parish Priest for more information about the course and how to apply, or contact Peter Brown, Coordinator Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care, CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay on 0418 616 602.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2019

**“For the creation waits with eager longing
for the revealing of the children of God” (Rm 8: 19)**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Each year, through Mother Church, God “gives us this joyful season when we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed... as we recall the great events that gave us new life in Christ” (*Preface of Lent I*). We can thus journey from Easter to Easter towards the fulfilment of the salvation we have already received as a result of Christ’s paschal mystery – “for in hope we were saved” (*Rom 8:24*). This mystery of salvation, already at work in us during our earthly lives, is a dynamic process that also embraces history and all of creation. As Saint Paul says, “the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God” (*Rom 8:19*). In this perspective, I would like to offer a few reflections to accompany our journey of conversion this coming Lent.

1. *The redemption of creation*

The celebration of the Paschal Triduum of Christ’s passion, death and resurrection, the culmination of the liturgical year, calls us yearly to undertake a journey of preparation, in the knowledge that our being conformed to Christ (cf. *Rom 8:29*) is a priceless gift of God’s mercy.

When we live as children of God, redeemed, led by the Holy Spirit (cf. *Rom 8:14*) and capable of acknowledging and obeying God’s law, beginning with the law written on our hearts and in nature, *we also benefit creation* by cooperating in its redemption. That is why Saint Paul says that creation eagerly longs for the revelation of the children of God; in other words, that all those who enjoy the grace of Jesus’ paschal mystery may experience its fulfilment in the redemption of the human body itself. When the love of Christ transfigures the lives of the saints in spirit, body and soul, they give praise to God. Through prayer, contemplation and art, they also include other creatures in that praise, as we see admirably expressed in the “Canticle of the Creatures” by Saint Francis of Assisi (cf. *Laudato Si’*, 87). Yet in this world, the harmony generated by redemption is constantly threatened by the negative power of sin and death.

2. *The destructive power of sin*

Indeed, when we fail to live as children of God, we often behave in a destructive way towards our neighbours and other creatures – and ourselves as well – since we begin to think more or less consciously that we can use them as we will. Intemperance then takes the upper hand: we start to live a life that exceeds those limits imposed by our human condition and nature itself. We yield to those untrammelled desires that the Book of Wisdom sees as typical of the ungodly, those who act without thought for God or hope for the future (cf. 2:1-11). Unless we tend constantly towards Easter, towards the horizon of the Resurrection, the mentality expressed in the slogans “*I want it all and I want it now!*” and “*Too much is never enough*”, gains the upper hand.

The root of all evil, as we know, is sin, which from its first appearance has disrupted our communion with God, with others and with creation itself, to which we are linked in a particular way by our body. This rupture of communion with God likewise undermines our harmonious relationship with the environment in which we are called to live, so that the garden has become a wilderness (cf. *Gen 3:17-18*). Sin

leads man to consider himself the god of creation, to see himself as its absolute master and to use it, not for the purpose willed by the Creator but for his own interests, to the detriment of other creatures.

Once God’s law, the law of love, is forsaken, then the law of the strong over the weak takes over. The sin that lurks in the human heart (cf. *Mk 7:20-23*) takes the shape of greed and unbridled pursuit of comfort, lack of concern for the good of others and even of oneself. It leads to the exploitation of creation, both persons and the environment, due to that insatiable covetousness which sees every desire as a right and sooner or later destroys all those in its grip.

3. *The healing power of repentance and forgiveness*

Creation urgently needs the revelation of the children of God, who have been made “a new creation”. For “if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away; behold, the new has come” (*2 Cor 5:17*). Indeed, by virtue of their being revealed, *creation itself can celebrate a Pasch*, opening itself to a new heaven and a new earth (cf. *Rev 21:1*). The path to Easter demands that we renew our faces and hearts as Christians through repentance, conversion and forgiveness, so as to live fully the abundant grace of the paschal mystery.

This “eager longing”, this expectation of all creation, will be fulfilled in the revelation of the children of God, that is, when Christians and all people enter decisively into the “travail” that conversion entails. All creation is called, with us, to go forth “from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God” (*Rom 8:21*). Lent is a sacramental sign of this conversion. It invites Christians to embody the paschal mystery more deeply and concretely in their personal, family and social lives, above all by fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Fasting, that is, learning to change our attitude towards others and all of creation, turning away from the temptation to “devour” everything to satisfy our voracity and being ready to suffer for love, which can fill the emptiness of our hearts. *Prayer*, which teaches us to abandon idolatry and the self-sufficiency of our ego, and to acknowledge our need of the Lord and his mercy. *Almsgiving*, whereby we escape from the insanity of hoarding everything for ourselves in the illusory belief that we can secure a future that does not belong to us. And thus to rediscover the joy of God’s plan for creation and for each of us, which is to love him, our brothers and sisters, and the entire world, and to find in this love our true happiness.

Dear brothers and sisters, the “lenten” period of forty days spent by the Son of God in the *desert* of creation had the goal of making it once more that *garden* of communion with God that it was before original sin (cf. *Mk 1:12-13; Is 51:3*). May our Lent this year be a journey along that same path, bringing the hope of Christ also to creation, so that it may be “set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God” (*Rom 8:21*). Let us not allow this season of grace to pass in vain! Let us ask God to help us set out on a path of true conversion. Let us leave behind our selfishness and self-absorption, and turn to Jesus’ Pasch. Let us stand beside our brothers and sisters in need, sharing our spiritual and material goods with them. In this way, by concretely welcoming Christ’s victory over sin and death into our lives, we will also radiate its transforming power to all of creation.

*From the Vatican, 4 October 2018
Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi*

Manly and Freshwater Roster 16th - 17th March 2019

Ministry	Manly 6pm Vigil	Manly 8.30am	Manly 10.30am	Manly 6pm	Freshwater 5pm Vigil	Freshwater 9am
Acolytes	Louise Wareham	Ken Thompson	Ron Gravalin	Ivica Covic	Joanne Druery	Lou Maruca
Servers			Iona & Teresa Hearn	Ivana Covic		
Readers	Rita Bruzzese	Patty Thomas Paul Walsh	Vuna Tuifua Katalina Taefotu	Fiora Spiteri Dean Gale	Amanda Whitfield	Luke Campbell Pam Brown
Ministers of Communion	John & Merle Zemek John Bigeni	Judy O'Malley Laurie de Ambrosis	Jan Dorsen	Richard Heasman Pam Rawson	Angela Vumbaca	Toni Walsh
Music	Bianca Zatz	Parish Choir	Tongan Choir	Josh Willard	CD's	Pat Brown
AV Screens	Peter Simpson	Parish Choir	Tongan Choir	Bill Tango	Bill Kelly	Margie Gruca
Warden	John Zemek	Dom Ferragina	David Hala	Mark Bateman		
Piety Shop	John & Merle Zemek	Jan Dorsen	Anne Gaughan	Lynette & Sophie Duffy		
Flowers/ Altar Society	Merle Zemek				Mary Ann Marles	
Morning Tea		Lynn Parkes	Tongan Group			Raymond Family
Children's Lit		Fiona S				Assistance Req

Discernment Retreat for Men

OUTSIDE OF PARISH

2019 Bishop Manning Lecture

The Catholic Community in the 21st Century

Where have we been? Where are we now? Where are we going? Who's going with us?

Don't miss priest, academic, author and Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Canberra Goulburn, Father Anthony Percy speak on these topics which are key to the future of our church.

Everyone's invited to this free event!

Date: Thursday 21 March 2019

Time: 6-8:30pm

Where: Kirribilli Club (Grand Ballroom),
11 Harbourview Crescent Lavender Bay.

Cost: Free

Registrations essential:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/bishop-manning-lecture-with-fr-anthony-percy-tickets-55952117289>

A retreat for men at all stages of their discernment who are considering a vocation to the Priesthood. The weekend includes talks, time for personal prayer, sacraments, spiritual guidance, Q&A with seminarians and discussions.

When: 5pm 22nd March – 2pm 24th March 2019

Where: Seminary of the Good Shepherd, Homebush

Cost: \$99

Enq: 9307 8424 or vocations@sydney catholic.org



Palms Australia
Global Volunteering

Palms Australia – You are called to Mission

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. **Overseas Catholic communities** are inviting you to **immerse yourself** for 1 to 2 years. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, you can give opportunity by **sharing them with our global family!**

Come to the Palms Info Session: Thursday 21 March @ 5:30pm, Aquinas Academy 141 Harrington Street THE ROCKS, SYDNEY

AFA Fundraising

FUN WALK & TALK 

8am on Sunday, 24 March
2km OR 5km Walk along Manly beach front

Come and Join Us for a
WALK with our Seminarians

Bring a FRIEND or the whole FAMILY or just
KEEP FIT for a good cause

 **SPONSOR** a Seminarian 

AND/OR raise your own sponsorship

 **AFA** Supports the training/formation of
Augustinian Priests in the Australian
Province through prayer, community and
fundraising for all their expenses!

REGISTRATION \$10 per person and \$20 for a family
- See details on Posters or Call the Parish Office



First Sunday of Lent – YEAR C

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

First Reading

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

The confession of faith of the elect.

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 90:1-2, 10-15

R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' R.

Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. R.

They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. R.

His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. R.

Second Reading

Romans 10:8-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The confession of faith of the believers in Christ.

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich

enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.'

But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him, 'throw yourself down from here, for Scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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