



# MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022



## Gospel Reflection

When Luke wrote these few lines of his Gospel, Christians were living through difficult times and circumstances. In many places they were treated with

ridicule, disdain and intolerance. Jesus' words are addressed to them and to all Christians who have paid dearly for living their faith in their time and place.

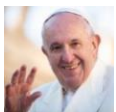
Fire is a Scriptural symbol of judgment. The Lord will judge the hearts of all men and women in the light of the Gospel's "blaze."

The word used in the original text that reads here as **baptism** actually means a "plunging," a total submersion. Jesus continues on to Jerusalem where he will be "plunged" into the Passover of the new covenant into which, through baptism, we will all be "plunged," as well.

The Gospel is not a soft, easy message to embrace. Jesus does not sugar-coat his message: Families and households will be divided over the hard demands of the Gospel of reconciliation, justice and servanthood. [Connectionsmediaworks.com](http://Connectionsmediaworks.com)



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.



**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

*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.*

## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August**

You are reminded that the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation.



## Manly Masses

9.15am, 12noon & 6pm

**Freshwater Mass** 9.15am.

Students from our local schools will be joining us at the 9.15am Masses.

Please note that the 6pm Mass on 14 August will be the Mass of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday.



## YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

this Weekend for a cuppa and a chat

**Manly** - In the Parish room after the 8.30am and 10.30am Masses

**Freshwater** - Morning Tea is held each week after the 9am Mass.



## CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCN PLANNING MEETING

**TUESDAY 23 AUGUST**

**6PM** in the Parish Centre

Manly- please come along

if you would like join the planning team!!!



This Sunday at Freshwater we welcome the following children into our Parish Community through Baptism.

Kayleigh Norman, Zade Rockcliff, James Milson  
Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

## PIETY STORE MANLY

**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.

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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

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

**Livestreaming on Facebook** Sunday  
8:30am Mass

[manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos)



## 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

**Recently Deceased:** Eva Moloney

**Anniversary:** Paul Rinaldo

**Prayers for the sick in our parish:** *“Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage”* Wayne Smedley; Margaret Burridge; 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...**

- **Feast of the Assumption Mass** Mon 15 Aug 9:15am
- **SJB Yr 3 & 4 Class Mass** Tue 16 Aug 9:15am
- **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.

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

**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.



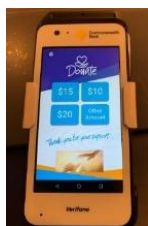
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**1st collection Parish Bank Account**

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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.

**Thank you for your generosity**



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

Closing date:



**SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING**

Bishop Emeritus David Walker to speak about the outcomes of the Plenary Council. Bishop Emeritus David Walker will be celebrating Mass at 6:30pm for Serra at Sacred Heart Church Pymble on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2022 followed by a light meal and a short meeting. Kindly note the change of time. Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on 0438 887 295 or email [terry\\_scanlan@bigpond.com](mailto:terry_scanlan@bigpond.com) if you would like to attend.

**CATHOLIC CARE APPEAL**



Envelopes can be found on the pews. Donations are 100% tax deductible.

**ST JOSEPH'S MEN'S GROUP**

met last week with guest speaker Deacon Peter addressing them.

From this weekend the Men's Group will host a monthly Morning Tea after the 10.30am Mass at Manly. Please come along and join them.



## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

### First Reading *Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

*You bore me to be a man of strife for the whole world.*

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

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

### Responsorial Psalm *Ps 39:2-4, 18 (JB)*

#### **R Lord, come to my aid!**

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. R.

He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm. R.

He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord. R.

As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me. You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay! R.



### Second Reading *Hebrews 12:1-4 (JB)*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us.*

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

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

### Gospel Acclamation *John 10:27 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

### Gospel *Luke 12:49-53 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke


*I have come not to give peace, but discord.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'


The Gospel of the Lord.

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



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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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