



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16th August 2020

Dear Friends,

Greetings and best wishes to you all.

As the weather changes from gray days to sunny days, I think this helps all of us to make some sense of the strange times in which we now live. I am optimistic that life will eventually return to normal.

Today's gospel sees Jesus changing his focus in his ministry. We are also challenged to be open and flexible to the changes in our lives. *Fr David*



REFLECTION

The story of the Canaanite woman was a marker for the Christians of the predominately Gentile Christian communities. Jesus' healing of the daughter of the persistent Canaanite mother became a prophetic model for the relationship between Jewish and Gentile Christians. The woman is not only a Gentile but also a descendent of the Canaanites, one of Israel's oldest and most despised enemies. Despite Jesus' rebuff of her (equating Gentiles with "dogs," as Jews referred to anyone who was not a Jew), the woman has the presence of mind to point out that "even dogs are given crumbs and scraps from their masters' tables." She displays both great faith in Jesus (addressing him by the Messianic title of "Son of David") and great love for her daughter (subjecting herself to possible ridicule and recrimination for approaching Jesus) that should inspire both Jew and Gentile -- and Christian.

Jesus does not see in the Canaanite woman an old enemy; he sees, in her great compassion and love for her sick daughter, a loving mother; he sees, in her courage to come forward in the face of imminent rejection and denunciation, a woman of great faith.

The Canaanite woman in today's Gospel seeks what we all seek: to be acknowledged as good, to be respected as a child of God, to be welcomed as a sister and brother to all.

In honoring the goodness and love of the Canaanite mother (who, as a Canaanite, is despised by Jesus' hearers), Jesus opens up our perspectives and illuminates our vision, enabling us to see one another as God sees us.

Most of us would consider ourselves fair-minded and unbiased, neither bigots nor racists; but if we're honest, we would probably recognize times we have treated people as if they were "a little less human" because they did not possess some quality or ingredient we consider imperative. We underestimate people because they are somehow different; we treat them as inferiors because they don't quite measure up to what we think they should or should not be. God does not measure his people by our standards but welcomes all who seek him in faith.

Pope Francis often speaks of reaching out to those on the boundaries or "peripheries," to those who are driven to the margins and edges of society by poverty, violence and illness. In Jesus' encounter with the Canaanite woman, we begin to recognize those divisions and chasms between us and others and to go the peripheries and cross those boundaries that are obstacles to realizing God's kingdom of justice and peace in this time and place of ours. *Connectionmeadiworks.com*



We're COVID SAFE



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August

The Maritime World We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

Facebook – manlyfreshwaterparish

Sunday 8:30am Mass

REFLECTION

God's plan of salvation is for all people. The loving Spirit of God is poured into the whole of creation and rests within everyone. This truth is revealed throughout Scripture and is a message of hope for all times.

The prophet Isaiah (**First Reading**) calls us to act with integrity and justice, recognising that a time will come when true faith in the Lord of love and compassion will find expression in people of all faith and none.

This universal vision is echoed in both the response and the verses of the **Psalms**. The light of God's love shines upon all people of every tribe and nation.

This is a text that speaks to our times, reminding us of our common humanity, bound together by the love and blessings of God. In the letter to the Romans (**Second Reading**), Paul teaches that God is faithful to his promises and will never take back the gifts he has so lovingly and freely given to all people. God's mercy is for all of humanity.

In the **Gospel**, what at first seems an uncharacteristically harsh response from Jesus to a desperately worried mother. In this exchange, a foreign pagan woman with a daughter troubled by an evil spirit approaches him directly for help. She has so much faith in Jesus that she even reveals a truth about him that his own disciples have yet to recognise. Jesus's initial rebuff to her cry for help, and her unwavering faith in him, offers an opportunity for him to teach his disciples that God's healing love is available for all people, no matter what their race or religion may be.

May we be able to recognise the spirit of God in all people, and may we unite in living out God's covenant of love and justice in all that we do. *Pathways to God. 2020*



Home Delivery – If you know someone who would like a bulletin delivered please call the Parish Office on 9977 5822.

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

Parish facebook:

facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish

YouTube: *Manlyfreshwaterparish*

Or bit.ly/2EIGEu7 or frpaulkim

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Parish website:

bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater

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

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 Vincent de Paul Notice during COVID-19



For assistance with food, clothing or other emergencies please call St Vincent de Paul Northern Beaches Regional Office 9905 0424.

If you would like to donate nonperishable food, it can be dropped off at 684 Pittwater Road, Brookvale– rear entrance (off the carpark)

If you wish to donate clothing it will be accepted at the SVDP Shop Brookvale, Rogers Street, between 9am – 3pm.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is held at Manly Church on Wednesdays from 6pm with Divine Mercy Hour held from 7:00pm – 800pm. 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.

LET US PRAY FOR

16th August 2020

Recently Deceased: Patricia Zemek; Barbara Turner; Mary Catherine Buckley; Paul Rinaldo

Anniversary: Desmond Connors; Maria Strinic; Bridie Culloty; Ann Rich; Deanna Parsons; Peter Dent

Prayers for the sick in our parish: Eugenia Cavazzoni, Gavin Greenwood, Zacchaeus Emmanuel Joseph Ratnam; Mark Taylor; Kay Flenady; Leon Cochrane; Robina Dwyer; Prionsias Kearney; Brian Davies; Majella McLoughlin; Debbie Vernon; Lauren Hannahan; Rosalba Galuis; Vanessa Squirrell; Judith McKenzie; Jonathan Keil; Les Reilly; Wayne Smedley; John Beninati; Margaret Burridge; Jill Carmichael; Stephen Robertson; Richard & Cynthia Connolly; Maureen Williams; Gerry Wybrandt; Kathleen Hudson; Amy Farrow; Patricia Duffy; Florencia Lira

August 2020

Year A

Mon 17/8 – 20th week in Ord Time	Ezek 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22
Tue 18/8 – 20th week in Ord Time	Ezek 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
Wed 19/8 – 20th week in Ord Time	Ezek 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16
Thurs 20/8 – St Bernard	Ezek 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14
Fri 21/8 – St Piux X	Ezek 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40
Sat 22/8 – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary I-II	Ezek 43:1-7; Mt 23:1-12
Sun 23/8 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

If you are feeling unwell please do not come into the Church.



SCAN ME

To assist us with maintaining our attendance registers you now have the option of scanning the QR code with your Phone to register your details to enter the Church at Manly.

At the Church please hold your phone over the code with your camera and internet on and follow the link to complete your details.

Sign in sheets will still be available at both Churches.



Changes to the Government Covid-19 Requirements

Over the past few weeks we have introduced an ongoing Mass list which has been working very well and it has been wonderful to welcome you back with numbers attending increasing each week. This list means that you **DO NOT need to register** to attend Mass each week. **The new limit is 100 people attending Mass at Manly and 74 people attending Mass at Freshwater.**

If you are able to attend the Saturday 6pm Vigil at Manly or one of the Masses at Freshwater where the numbers are not so high, it would be appreciated.

A Welcomer at the Mass will mark off your name. If you are not on the list the Welcomer will take your name and contact details.

Please observe the following Guidelines

PLEASE KEEP 4sqm APART FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING



PLEASE SANITISE YOUR HANDS ON ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE



PLEASE SIGN THE CHURCH VISITATION SHEET



PLEASE SIT ONLY ON THE GREEN DOT (FAMILIES MAY SIT TOGETHER)



USE OF FACE MASKS IS NOW RECOMMENDED BY THE NSW GOVERNMENT AT RELIGIOUS SERVICES



PRIVATE PRAYER Churches will be open for private prayer. Parishioners and visitors are asked to 'sign in' each time they visit on the sheet provided or advise the Parish Office. Please follow social distancing rules, and use hands sanitiser on arrival and departure.



Feast of the Assumption this Saturday 15th August. There will be a Morning Mass at 9.15am at both Manly & Freshwater.



Parish Collections and Donations

A VERY BIG THANK YOU to all of you who have continued to support the Parish financially.

One of the health restrictions on our re-opened Churches is that we **no longer use collection plates during Mass.**

To help you to make your offering you can use one of the following options:

1. Use the **tap and go machines** at the Church entrance
2. Place envelopes and cash in the **collection plates** (1st collection and 2nd collection) at the Church entrances.
3. Continue to use direct debit with your **credit cards**
4. Making **deposits directly into the Parish 1st and 2nd collection accounts** (details in the bulletin).



DIRECT DEPOSIT

Parish Bank Account – 2nd collection funds the running of the Parish

Acc Name: Manly Freshwater Parish
Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank
Acc# 13958001
BSB: 062 784

Please include your name or envelope number as reference

Parish Bank Account – 1st collection Support of our Priests

Acc Name: Manly Freshwater Parish Pastoral
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BPoint Payment



To make a **credit card donation** via the internet please right click below to open hyperlink

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Update Your Email Address

HELP US KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOU

Each week the bulletin is emailed out to parishioners with any updates regarding changes to Covid Restrictions. If you are not receiving the bulletin it may be that we don't have your email address or that it has changed. So we can update our data system please email your details to manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au



CWF Tax Receipt for 2019-2020

If you would like a Tax Receipt for CWF donations, please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822.



WELCOMERS AT MANLY AND FRESHWATER

To ensure that we cover the Governments requirements regarding collection of information of

those attending Mass we need a team of "Welcomers" to be rostered at each Mass to greet and mark off registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822 for more information.

READERS needed at Freshwater at 5pm Vigil Mass.

Please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822 if you are able to assist in any of the above ministries.



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.



Lectio Divina Read his story in the Gospels. Spend time with him. Lectio Divina groups meets Tuesday 7.30pm in the Parish Room and Wednesday mornings at 10am in the Parish Centre.



Playgroup at Manly is held each Monday at 9am in the Parish Hall. All Welcome

Leap into Learning play-based sessions will be held at our Playgroup over the next 5 weeks. We invite you to come along with your child to our session designed to help your child with their own learning as they work alongside teachers and yourself within an engaging and creative space.

Session 3	Musical Shakers and Rain Makers – Science: Sounds, Smells and Senses
Mon 17 Aug	<i>Wondering if you can see sound or how a rainbow is made? Join us for some great ways to experiment and solve problems.</i>
9:00am to 10:00am	

PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am in the Parish Centre
- Divine Will Prayer Group: Mon 11:00am in the Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Manly Adoration on Wed 6pm with Divine Mercy Hour from 7pm – 8pm
- Lectio Divina: Tues 7.30pm in the Parish Room and Weds 10am in the Parish Centre
- Parish Playgroup: Manly on Mon 9am – 10:30am
- Piety Store: call Parish Office
- Reconciliation: Manly: Sat 10am – 11am
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822

PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS

- Baptisms: By appointment enquires to Parish Office
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Vincent de Paul: Manly & Freshwater Conferences 2nd Mon each month at 5:30pm



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

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

MINISTRY ROSTER

MANLY

	Ministry	22nd – 23rd August
		21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
6pm Vigil Mass	Server	Freya Zemek
	Readers	Bill Tango
	Music	Josh Willard
	AV Screens	Assistance Req
	Welcomers	John & Merle Zemek Lynne Parks
	Flowers	Liz de Ambrosio
8:30am Mass	Server	Louise Wareham
	Readers	Patty Thomas
	Music	Robert & Gina Marshall Organist
	AV Screens	Robert Marshall
	Welcomers	Veronica Renaud Clare Carmody
10:30am Mass	Server	Ron Gravolin
	Readers	Rita Bruzzese Carmel Lawler
	Music	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz
	AV Screens	Robert Marshall
	Welcomers	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan
6pm Mass	Server	Ivica Covic
	Readers	Dean Gale Sandie Cornish
	Music	Simon & Youth
	AV Screens	
	Welcomers	Marianna Gale Gerard McMahon

FRESHWATER

	Ministry	22nd – 23rd August
5pm Vigil	Server	Mick O'Farrell
	Readers	Amanda Whitfield
	Welcomers	Amanda Whitfield
9am Mass	Server	Amorina Wright
	Readers	Josh & Jasmine Wright
	Music	Pat Brown
	AV Screens	Margie Gruca
	Altar Society	Lyn Hillard
	Welcomers	Assistance Required

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo
Bishop of Broken Bay

Message for 11 August 2020

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Have you ever noticed that some people are incredibly passionate about issues in life? Issues such as the family, work, religion, politics, the environment, beginning and end of life, racism, justice and peace – the list is endless. The Oxford Dictionary defines the word passionate as “having or showing strong feelings of enthusiasm for something or belief in something”. Yet, the word itself means so much more than having strong feelings. It is derived from the Latin word *passio*, which is a term found in Christian theology from the Latin word *pati*, meaning suffer. It is linked to the word compassion, which means to suffer with.

Looking around our Church and society, we do not have to go far to see or experience human suffering. Many people are doing it tough at the moment, and so it is good that as a community, we have strong feelings of enthusiasm towards life issues. It is even better that as a community of the Church we can stand alongside others and, in Christian solidarity, suffer with them.

Saint Paul spoke about suffering on many occasions. One of his most beautiful instructions can be found in his Second Letter to the Corinthians. Reminding the Christian community that we are never to lose heart but always to be filled with hope, he said, “We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies”. ([2 Corinthians 4:8-10](#))

For Paul, and indeed for all Christians, the paradigm of suffering is Jesus Christ, who underwent the agony of the cross and died for our salvation and the life of the world. The Apostle reminds us to put things into perspective by always placing Jesus and his cross at the centre of our lives. By doing so, we do not succumb to some sort of vague spiritual escapism, as the non-believer might have us think. We do find ourselves in communion with Christ – through his life, death, and resurrection.

Each day brings a deepening of that communion if we open our minds and hearts to the Spirit of Jesus. In the community of the Church, no one need ever be alone because we are one in Christ. This week can I encourage you to keep an eye out for those who might be alone and suffering? Through our faith in Jesus, we will be able to reach out to others. With the compassion of Christ, we will be able to suffer with them. In our love for Jesus, we will be passionate about issues of life over death, good over evil, and hope over despair. Blessings on your week ahead.

+Anthony

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)
Meeting update – 29th July 2020

Full attendance for the July PPC Monthly Meeting as everyone is keen to support the Parish through these COVID times.

Parish Office has in place "COVID Safety Plans" that everyone can see in attending the Church for Masses and meeting rooms for various gatherings.

Social 1.5m distancing is being absolutely observed and sanitizing of hands entering and exiting buildings is fully encouraged.

Wearing of FACE MASKS while attending Mass is also being encouraged, though not compulsory at this stage.

MUSIC is happening at all Masses on weekends.

Fiona Dignan (acting Principal St. John's, Freshwater) attended her first PPC Meeting, replacing Judy Slattery (who is taking her long service leave). Fiona is working on assisting students and families at the school, particularly through these COVID times.

Paul McGuire (Principal of St. Mary's Manly) mentioned that the students will be helping Vinnies and Catholic Mission with their appeals as part of their "Community assistance" program for 2020.

Chris Browne (Principal St. Paul's College Manly) advised that special attention was being given to this years "YEAR 12 GROUP" due to the dealing with the COVID difficult times. They are now planning the "End of Year" Graduation ceremonies for students and families.

Laurie de Ambrosis reported on the progress taking place in repairs to the Church roof in Manly.

Ivica Covic is now planning a small gathering of our YOUTH (up to 20 persons allowed) after a Sunday Mass for a light supper.

Looking ahead with Christmas Day Luncheon planning, Michelle advised that the annual format would not be happening this year and instead those who would normally attend would be given an Christmas Basket of dinner items, so they would not miss out.

Next PPC Meeting will be held Sept 30th.

If at any time you feel that you would like to know more on what is happening around the Parish, please feel free to contact myself or any of the PPC Members as listed in this bulletin.

Paul Pervan OBE - Chair PPC

Vinnies Winter Drive

I would like to thank the children, teachers and parents from St John the Baptist school for their fantastic donations of food for the homeless and needy families in our community. It was great to meet the year 6 students with Jan and Mary Anne to receive the goodies. I would like to thank the mission team from year 6 for all the wonderful work they did in helping to organise the donations. It was very exciting.

Mick O'Farrell Freshwater SVDP President



St Mary's School News...Next week is National



Science Week! All of our students are excited about the activities that will take place next week focused on the theme Deep Blue. Our students were lucky enough to have a pre-Science week presentation from Dr Alana Wylie on Monday. Dr Wylie's presentation focused on the theme Deep Blue and spoke about many interesting facts about the ocean and the importance of sustaining this precious resource. All classes K-6 will be undertaking a range of science activities next week and as a school, we are delighted to be celebrating such an important curriculum area that has far-reaching implications in life.

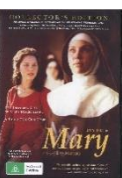
St John's School News...Since the returning to



school from HBL, our Year 4 classes have been busily researching for their Challenge Based Learning (CBL) Geography Project. The aim of CBL is to challenge students to 'take action' on their learning to make a difference to the world around them. This term's specific challenge was:

To build an understanding of DIVERSITY, by teaching Stage 2 and 3 students about another culture.

Last Friday Year Four held a socially distanced open morning to showcase their Geography research. The children dressed up and presented their knowledge at various stations with; posters, models, books, Kahoots (Online quizzes) and Q & A's to engage their audience. It was wonderful to see the student's enthusiasm and zest for learning in sharing their ideas, creativity and newfound knowledge with their peers.



DVD for the Month - MARY - The Inspiring life of St Mary MacKillop – a carefully crafted docu-drama, stunning dramatic recreations which capture the life of Mary. A battler, heroine and Australia's first and only Saint. For \$20 at the parish office & piety store

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM



First Holy Communion has been postponed until Term 4 2020.

Confirmation Due to Covid-19 we have been advised by Bishop Anthony that Confirmation will not be held in 2020. We are awaiting on advice from Bishop Anthony as to the date that Confirmation will take place in our Parish in 2021.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Date Saver – Liturgy of Lament – Listening to the Past: Caring for the future

Tuesday 1 September 2020, 7.00pm @ Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

The liturgy will also be lived streamed. To view connect at www.bbcatholic.org.au

All are invited to gather to pray together in acknowledging the suffering caused to our most vulnerable and to give public expressions to our sorrow.

Please share the attached flyer with members of your Parish and wider community, family and friends.

Shout a Mate a \$6 Plate To mark Homeless Persons Week last year, CatholicCare Broken Bay launched their Shout a Mate a \$6 Plate campaign in support of Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy which is open to anyone who is homeless, needing a helping hand or is lonely.

They are currently sitting at just over \$15,000 of a \$30,000 target! Mary Mac's costs over \$150,000 a year to run. Over 20,000 meals a year are provided a year to those in need and they rely 100% on community support.

Every \$6 donation goes straight to providing much needed meals and resources to the most vulnerable in our local communities – and every donation is 100% tax-deductible. Please help us mark Homeless Persons Week (2 – 8 August) and provide a hot meal to those in need. www.shoutamateaplate.org.au



Stella Maris College ENROLLING NOW for YEAR 7 2023

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If you wish to enrol your younger daughter for Year 7 2023 at the College, the Registration form needs to be received by the Registrar no later than Friday 18 September 2020.

To download a Registration form, please visit our website www.stellamaris.nsw.edu.au (or have your older Stella daughter collect one from Main Reception)

Interviews for Year 7 2023 will be conducted early in Term 1 2021.

Limited places still available for Year 7 2022

Social Justice Statement 2020-21

The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the mental health of many members of our parishes, schools and communities. Understanding mental health will help us to be aware of those who need our support. In the Social Justice Statement 2020-21, *To Live Life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today*, the Bishops invite us all to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health, and to call for policies and service provision that meets the needs of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community. Download the Statement at http://bit.ly/SocialJustice_2020

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16th August 2020

First Reading *Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants - all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8 (JB)*

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. R.

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. R.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. R.

Second Reading *Romans 11:13-15, 29-32*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now - and only because of the mercy shown to you - will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Matthew 4:23 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Matthew 15:21-28 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Woman, you have great faith.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**If you are feeling unwell,
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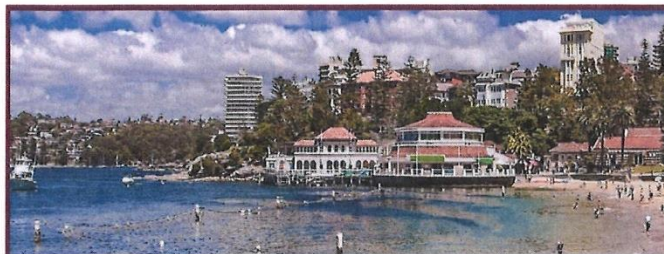
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After Hours Urgent Sick Calls: 0499 910 010

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

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

St Mary's Primary School 9977 2225

Principal: Paul McGuire

St John the Baptist Primary School 9939 6699

Acting Principal: Fiona Dignan

St Paul's Catholic College 9977 5111

Principal: Chris Browne

Stella Maris College 9977 5144

Principal: Elizabeth Carnegie