



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 30th August 2020

REFLECTION Peter's confession of faith (last Sunday's Gospel) begins a new phase of Matthew's Gospel. As he makes his way to Jerusalem, Jesus' teachings will now be addressed primarily to his disciples on the events and work that awaits them in Jerusalem – and beyond.

The hostility between Jesus and the leaders of Judaism is about to reach the crisis stage. In today's Gospel, Jesus proclaims unambiguously that his mission as the Messiah includes suffering and death. Peter is sharply rebuked by Jesus for his seemingly innocent remark that Jesus should be spared such a fate, but Jesus sees Peter's refusal to accept such a possibility as a "satanic" attempt to deflect the Messiah from his mission of redemption. To avoid suffering and hardship in order to opt for the easy and safe course is purely human thinking, an obstacle to experiencing the life of the Spirit. Authentic discipleship involves taking on the cross and "denying oneself" – disowning ourselves as the center of our existence and realizing that God is the object and purpose of our lives.



Jesus asks his disciples to detach from the ephemeral and shallow in order to attach to the lasting, fulfilling things of God: compassion, reconciliation, justice.

The cross that Jesus asks his followers to take up is not a cross that cedes to crucifixion but a cross that is the means to resurrection. In embracing Jesus' spirit of humble servanthood and compassion, we take up his cross, not out of a sense of self-loathing or pessimism, but out of a sense of conviction and hope that the demands of the cross will result in the life and love of the Easter promise.

It's a natural and understandable reaction to avoid whatever is unpleasant, uncomfortable, stressful, hurtful. In today's Gospel, Peter simply wants to protect Jesus from the suffering that awaits — but Jesus sharply rebukes Peter for trying to diminish or skirt the cross because it is difficult. To take up one's cross is not a "battle" of good over evil but a means for bringing God's promise of resurrection into our lives and the loves of those we love.

Christ urges us to "lose" that part of our life that is centered in ephemeral, perishable things so that we may "gain" lives grounded in the love of God: to lose our anger, our disappointment, our need for control in order to find meaning and purpose in doing for others and contributing to the common good. In "dying" to ourselves we become something greater; in letting go of the temporary and the fleeting we become richer; in the suffering we endure we become stronger, in the failures we experience we become wiser.

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Prayer
Lord Jesus Christ,
You have anointed us to bring your Good News to our Broken Bay community.
Pour out abundant blessing on all in our Diocese who will benefit from the the Charitable Works Fund, including the communities of
the sick ministered to by our Hospital Chaplains and pastoral care workers;
our volunteer Catechists and students;
St Lucy's School;
St Edmund's College;
and the Ephipheta Centre
Through Christ our Lord.



NEXT WEEK we will be holding the first of our CWF Appeals for this Financial Year. Envelopes are included in this week's bulletin or can be collected from the Parish Church and Office or you can use one of the following options.

Click on this link to go to CWF www.givenow.com.au/cwf or deposit into our account

Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish

Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank

Account # 13958001

BSB: 062 784

Please include your name and CWF as the reference

Donations \$2 and over are tax-deductible

We thank you for your ongoing generosity and support.



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 and YouTube – [manlyfreshwaterparish](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish)
Sunday 8:30am Mass

LET US PRAY FOR

30th August 2020

Recently Deceased: Bernard Cochran

Anniversary: Bill Dent; Frank Ellis

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

September 2020

Year A

Mon 31/8 – 22nd week in Ord Time	1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
Tue 1/9 – 22nd week in Ord Time	1 Cor 2:10-16; Lk 4:31-37
Wed 2/9 – 22nd week in Ord Time	1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
Thurs 3/9 – St Gregory the Great	1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
Fri 4/9 – 22nd week in Ord Time	1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
Sat 5/9 – 22nd week in Ord Time	1 Cor 4:6-15; Lk 6:1-5
Sun 6/9 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ezek 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20



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](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish)

YouTube: [Manlyfreshwaterparish](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

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

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



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 SVPD Shop Brookvale, Roger Street, between 10am – 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.

REFLECTION...After Peter's resounding proclamation of Jesus as the Christ last week, the readings now consider the suffering and sacrifice Jesus will face. This will also be the path his followers will choose. Jeremiah cannot resist God's call: he is overwhelmed by it, but his faithfulness brings insult and derision. (**First Reading**)

The **Psalm** echoes Jeremiah in speaking of our passionate desire and thirst for God. It is in clinging to God that we can face the crosses that will come our way. In this passage from his letter to the Romans, St Paul encourages the people to offer themselves as a living sacrifice, 'truly pleasing to God.' (**Second Reading**)

In the **Gospel** we have the foreshadowing of Jesus's passion and death. Peter cannot countenance this, but Jesus points out that, for his disciples, the way of the cross is inevitable.

As we go on our way this week, let us try to be of one mind with Christ and to accept each day as it comes, remembering the psalmist's words, 'For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.'

Pathways to God



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.



Changes to the Government Covid-19 Requirements

The NSW Government and the Diocese of Broken Bay **STRONGLY RECOMMEND** the wearing of Masks at Church Services. Please remember to bring your mask with you.



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.

YOU DO NOT need to register to attend Mass each week. **The limit is 100 people attending Mass at Manly and 74 people attending Mass at Freshwater.**

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.

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.

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



We welcome Fr's Jepser & Percival OSA who

will be assisting with Masses at both Churches while Fr David is on annual leave.

Weekday Mass at Freshwater will be held on Tuesdays at 9.15am. Masses at Manly will remain the same Tuesday to Friday 9.15am. Plenty of parking available.

Singing at Mass



We will continue to have music with a cantor/s at Masses at the weekend but due to the latest recommendations from the NSW Government we ask that the Congregation refrain from singing.



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 below).



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

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Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank
Account # 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
Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank
Account # 13958002 BSB: 062 784



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

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/manlyfreshwater>

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.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

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



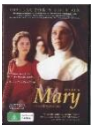
Craft Group meets each week on Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12noon in the Parish Center. We invite you to come along for a cuppa and a chat in a friendly relaxed environment. Bring along your knitting or other craft if you wish.



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 suspended at this time due to new Covid Restrictions



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

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 2nd Mon each month at 4:30pm & Freshwater Conferences 2nd Mon each month at 5:30pm



Season of Creation Catholic Earthcare NSW Invites you to celebrate Season of Creation 2020 1 Sept – 4 Oct

- Season of Creation is an annual celebration of prayer and action for our common home. During this season, all are called to enter a time of restoration and hope, a jubilee for our Earth, that requires radically new ways of living with creation.
- Season of Creation starts with the World Day of Prayer for Creation on 1 September and ends with the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October.

Visit <https://seasonofcreation.org/> or [click here for a practical guide](#) on how to engage with the Season of Creation

The Spiritual Rosary Pilgrimage



This virtual pilgrimage begins on 8 September, the birthday of Mary, and concludes on 7 October, the Feast of the Holy Rosary.

The Spiritual Rosary Pilgrimage: A Biblical Journey through the Life of Christ with His Mother, will include over 20 Australian and international speakers offering video presentations over 4 weeks, including Tomasz Juszczak, Scott Hahn, Jason Evert, and Dr Edward Sri.

Register at: <https://www.parousiamedia.com/the-spiritual-rosary-pilgrimage/>

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo Bishop of Broken Bay

Message 25 August 2020

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, In the past, the topic of mental health and wellbeing tended to have a negative label attached to it. That is an unfortunate situation and hopefully one that is consigned to the history books.

This year, the Australian Catholic Bishops have chosen mental health as our theme for the 2020-2021 Social Justice Statement. The theme was chosen long before COVID-19 took hold of the world and few could have predicted that along with threats to our physical well-being, the pandemic would profoundly impact the mental health of many people. There have been many instances where people experience anxiety and even despair. Anxiety has certainly become a widespread consequence of the manifold changes our Church and society has undergone in just a few months, particularly bearing heavily on the most vulnerable.

I believe that the Holy Spirit was at work, guiding the bishops to encourage our communities to understand mental health better, overcome some of the barriers and stigma from the past that may still be attached to mental ill-health and be more aware of those who most need our support.

Our challenge and our mission is to recognise Jesus Christ in the most vulnerable people in our community of the Church and in society. Often, they are the people who are ill in body, mind, or spirit. This time provides us with the opportunity to ensure that they do not slip between the gaps in our works of mercy and in our systems of care.

Jesus sought out the ones who were lost and forgotten and healed them of their ailments, but he did not stop there. He welcomed them back into the community of the Church to live a life of fulfilment and hope ([John 10:10](#)). Let us imitate Jesus in our passionate and relentless seeking of those who need our attention and welcome them into our parishes and communities with tender care ([Romans 15:7](#)).

I highly recommend the 2020-2021 Social Justice Statement: *To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today*. I believe that the Statement will be of great use for ongoing education and formation in our community of the Church as we engage with others in mercy and love. I offer you this brief summary by way of introducing the Statement to you and hope that it will be of benefit to us all, as together we seek the Kingdom of God, in this world and the next.

+Anthony

Summary of the Statement – To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today

What does your mental health mean to you?

- Mental well-being is not simply the absence of illness, but having the capacity to thrive, to participate in the fullness of life to which Jesus invites us.
- We need the bonds of family, friends and the broader community; we need the economic means to live well and plan for the future; we need culture to make sense of the world; we need connection and relationship with God to flourish.

The Mental Health of our People and Communities

- Just under a quarter of the population are at risk of experiencing a mental illness.
- Though much more visible in our health care system, there is still a stigma attached to those who are living with mental ill-health.
- Young people: Mental illness typically emerges in adolescence and early adulthood; three quarters of people develop ill-health first experience its symptoms before the age of 25. Of the 3,000 people sadly lost to suicide each year, young people aged 15-24 years of age are most vulnerable.
- Older people: Older Australians have the best mental health across the lifespan; despite this, the experience of social isolation can cause depression; grief for deceased spouses, loss of independence and change can increase distress; people aged over 75 receive some of the lowest levels of mental health care.
- Family life: Many social stresses can have an impact on family life. These include increasing demands of work, economic hardship, relationship difficulty, mental and emotional impact of separation and divorce, and domestic violence.
- Communities and crises: In the space of one-year, Australians have faced tumultuous upheavals, unprecedented in our times. These include prolonged drought (suicide rates in remote communities are 66% higher than major cities), devastating bushfires, and the COVID-19 pandemic which has caused workplaces and churches to close, people to be isolated from others, and a prolonged period of anxiety and fear with no promise of an end. The number of people at risk of mental ill-health has increased during this period.
- The real cost of mental ill-health: While the economic impact is significant, the real cost of mental illness is felt in the stigma and discrimination experienced by the most vulnerable, which denies a person's human dignity and their membership in the Body of Christ.
- Members of the Body of Christ: Our parishes, organisations and communities should be places of acceptance, care, and healing, not places of rejection or judgement. Jesus Christ actively draws near to those who are sick, poor, have disabilities, are marginalised or despised. Like Jesus, we need to attend carefully to human frailty, recognise Christ in all people, and welcome and value those who are suffering.

The Great Project of Community Integration *The program of 'deinstitutionalisation'*

- In the late twentieth century, Australia began closing its mental health hospitals and institutions and reintegrating people into the community.

- The aim was to foster a supportive community, where mental health was de-stigmatised and social integration and opportunity for advancement were guaranteed.
- This however relied upon a major redirection of funding from institutions to the development of community services which has never been fully achieved.
- There is still a severe lack of specialist community mental health services and around the clock care which means many people are falling through the gaps.
- Catholic organisations have gone a long way to bridging this gap over the years, but still more is needed.
- The gap has also been filled by informal carers – often family and mostly women who have given much devotion, relationship and care but have often themselves as a result, been subject to high levels of psychological distress. Carers experience clinical levels of depression at a rate over 75% higher than the general population.
- Two groups most vulnerable to mental ill-health are the homeless and those in prison. These are the ones most likely to fall through the system.

Caring for the whole person-in-community

- Suffering from mental ill-health is not a sign of lack of faith or weak will. Jesus himself suffered psychological distress ([Luke 22:44](#); [Matthew 26:37](#); [Mark 14:33](#); [John 12:27](#)). In the Old Testament some great figures also suffered in this way such as Elijah, Naomi, and Ruth.
- A holistic approach is often needed because human beings are a unity of body, mind, and spirit, we are persons-in-community. People experiencing mental ill-health need to be accompanied in their experience. In so doing we will notice the action of God in their lives and learn what they have to teach us. The well, the sick and the suffering are all called to be witnesses in their own way.

We are all in this together

- As the COVID-19 pandemic has made painfully clear, we are one human family.
 - The test of our society's commitment to the common good is the care we show for the people who are most vulnerable or disadvantaged.
 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities continue to be over-represented in disadvantage including lower life expectancy, poverty, imprisonment, and ill-health, both physical and mental.
 - Refugees and asylum seekers are especially at risk of mental ill-health and demand a more humane and compassionate response from the Australian community.
- Moving forward as Church and as a Society*
- Poverty, discrimination, trauma, and violence frequently result in or contribute to mental ill-health.
 - The leaders of the Church say sorry for the failings to protect and care for children and vulnerable adults through the trauma of sexual abuse, and the treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and commit to share in the responsibility to address these situations.
 - Together as a Church we commit to building up structures that might better mediate God's grace as part of our mission to transform the world.

Called to Live Life to the Full

- It is through connection with God, and the quality of relationship into which this calls us, that we will experience the fullness of life in body, mind, and spirit, both personally and communally.

- We are called to restore the Body of Christ by making mental health a key priority, acknowledging and including people living with mental ill-health within our communion and the heart of Australian society.

“Whoever suffers from mental illness always bears God’s image and likeness in themselves, as does every human being. In addition, they always have the inalienable right not only to be considered as an image of God and therefore as a person, but also to be treated as such.”

Saint John Paul II *Address to mental health workers, 1996.*

Social Justice Statement 2020-21

Download the Statement at
http://bit.ly/SocialJustice_2020

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

MINISTRY ROSTER – SEPTEMBER 2020 – MANLY

	Ministry	Week 1 5 – 6 September	Week 2 12 – 13 September	Week 3 19 – 20 September	Week 4 26 – 27 September
		23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
6pm Vigil Mass	Server	Freya Zemek	TBC	Louise Wareham	Freya Zemek
	Readers	Rita Bruzzese	Jean Halcrow	Rita Bruzzese Jean Halcrow	Bill Tango
	Music	Josh Willard	Josh Willard	Josh Willard	Josh Willard
	Welcomers	John & Merle Zemek Lynne Parks	John & Merle Zemek Lynne Parks	John & Merle Zemek Lynne Parks	John & Merle Zemek Lynne Parks
	Flowers	Louise Wareham	Hazel Cottee Carole O'Donnell	Merle Zemek	Liz de Ambrosis
8:30am Mass	Server	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham
	Readers	Patty Thomas	Rita Bruzzese	Patty Thomas	Patty Thomas
	Music	Robert & Gina Marshall Organist	Robert & Gina Marshall Organist	Robert & Gina Marshall Organist	Robert & Gina Marshall Organist
	Welcomers	Veronica Renaud Clare Carmody Laurie & Liz deAmbrosis	Veronica Renaud Clare Carmody Laurie & Liz deAmbrosis	Veronica Renaud Clare Carmody Laurie & Liz deAmbrosis	Veronica Renaud Clare Carmody Laurie & Liz deAmbrosis
10:30am Mass	Server	Louise Wareham Lynne Parks	Ron Gravolin	Ron Gravolin	Ron Gravolin
	Readers	Jean Halcrow	Janie Fonua	Janie Fonua Carmel Lawler	Rita Bruzzese Carmel Lawler
	Music	Bianca Zatz	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz	Bianca Zatz	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz
	Welcomers	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan	Michael & Kim McGrath Paul & Nicola Pervan	Anne Gaughan Michael & Kim McGrath	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan
6pm Mass	Server	Ivana Covic	Kieran & Michael Wan	Ivana Covic	Kieran & Michael Wan
	Readers	Ed Copeman Paul Novak	Sandie Cornish Dean Gale	Ed Copeman Paul Novak	Dean Gale Sandie Cornish
	Music	Simon & Youth	Josh Willard	Simon & Youth	Simon & Youth
	Welcomers	Gerard McMahon Hanaut Family	Marianna Gale Assistance Require	Hanaut Family Gerard McMahon	Marianna Gale Assistance Require

MINISTRY ROSTER – SEPTEMBER 2020 – FRESHWATER

	Ministry	Week 1 5 – 6 September	Week 2 12 – 13 September	Week 3 19 – 20 September	Week 4 26 – 27 September
		23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5pm Vigil	Server	Mick O'Farrell	Ian Press	Lou Maruca	Ian Press
	Readers	Amanda Whitfield	Amanda Whitfield	Assistance required	Assistance required
	Welcomers	Amanda Whitfield	Assistance Required	Assistance required	Assistance required
	Server	Lou Maruca	Joanne Druery	Francis Raymond	Amorina Wright
	Readers	Luke Campbell Patricia Brown	Toni Walsh Patricia Brown	Pam Brown	Josh & Jasmine Wright
9am Mass	Music	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown
	Altar Society	Patricia & Solo Brown	Mary Ann Marles	Isabella & Phillip d'Souza	Maria Harkness
	Welcomers	Assistance Required	Assistance Required	Assistance Required	Assistance Required

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

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 30th August 2020

First Reading *Jeremiah 20:7-9 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.' Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 62:2-6, 8-9 (JB)*

**R. My soul is thirsting for you,
O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. R.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. R.

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. R.

For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. R.

Second Reading *Romans 12:1-2 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what

is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *cf Ephesians 1:17, 18*

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Matthew 16:21-27 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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

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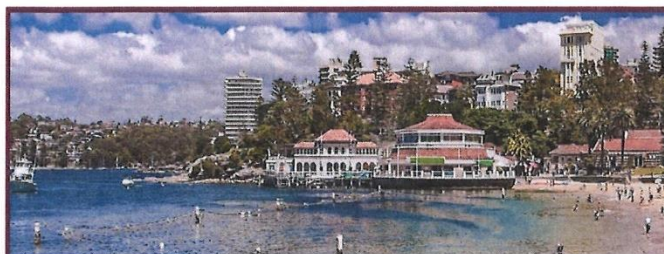
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