



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 5th September 2021

Dear Friends, Greetings and I hope you are all well. All of us are struggling in one way or another with this pandemic and lockdown and the uncertainty of how long it will go for. Today's gospel and the reflection below offer us some hope that through our trust and relationship with Christ our minds and hearts will be "opened" and we will be "released" from some of the anxieties that we all share. *Fr David Taylor*



Gospel Reflection: Ephphatha—"Be opened!" Isaiah's vision of a Messiah who would come with hope and healing (today's first reading) is realized in this episode from Mark's Gospel: the deaf hear, the silent are given voice, the lame "leap like a stag." The exhortation **Ephphatha!** is not only addressed to the man born deaf but to his disciples both then and now who fail to hear and see and speak the presence of God in their very midst.

The Aramaic phrase **ephphatha** literally means "be released" – Jesus "releases" the man not only from his disability but from his sins, his isolation from the community, his alienation from God.

Jesus' curing of the deaf man with spittle (which, in Jesus' time, was considered curative) is an act of re-creation. God's reign is present in human history in the extraordinary ministry of Jesus. Throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus insists that his healings be kept quiet in order that his full identity be revealed and understood only in the light of his cross and resurrection.

Jesus restores the deaf man's hearing with the word **Ephphatha** – "Be opened!" We, too, can bring healing and life to those who need the support, the affirmation, the sense of loving and being loved that the simple act of listening can give.

In times of grief, despair and failure, we can be "deaf" to the presence of God in the love and compassion of others; or we can become so preoccupied with the noise and clamor of the marketplace that we are unable to hear the voices of those we love and who love us.

Jesus not just cures the man with a fleeting word but, by his touch, he enters into the grit and grime, the struggle and pain of the man's life and, in doing so, brings hope and healing to the man. *connectionsmediaworks.com*



NEXT SUNDAY

12TH SEPTEMBER @ 6PM

We will be live streaming our first Youth Mass with music by Simon and young people doing the readings.

We will be using Zoom and facebook.

Zoom Meeting ID 872 561 5999 Code: 2512



WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION?

Please scan the QR code for Credit Cards donations



Charitable Works Fund (CWF) is rebranding to **Pastoral Works Broken Bay** from July 2021. The purpose of the new name is to better reflect the authentic, life-giving pastoral work you are helping to support, and provide a name that uniquely connects it to our Diocese of Broken Bay.

At this time, we appreciate support that can be given, no matter how big or small. Our ministries continue to operate and provide vital services. **We encourage donations at our parish website or www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks.** All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Thank you for helping to renew and rebuild lives



On Facebook – [manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos) -Sunday 8:30am Mass

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September *An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle.*

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable

Manly Freshwater Parish promotes SAFEGUARDING which involves the implementation of proactive, common sense and practical ideas that ensure the safety of children and vulnerable adults in our community

Recently Deceased: Brother Gordon Rochford (Rocky); Anthony Wallace; Matilde Legermann

Anniversary:

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

September	Year B
Mon 6/9 – 23rd week in Ord Time	Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11
Tue 7/9 – 23rd week in Ord Time	Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19
Wed 8/9 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Micah 5:1-4; Mt 1:1-16,18-23
Thurs 9/9 – 23rd week in Ord Time	Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38
Fri 10/9 – 23rd week in Ord Time	1 Tim 1:1-2,12-14; Lk 6:39-42
Sat 11/9 – 23rd week in Ord Time	1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49
Sun 12/9 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Is 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

Parish facebook: facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish

Parish website: bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater



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



2nd collection Parish Bank Account
Funds the running of the Parish

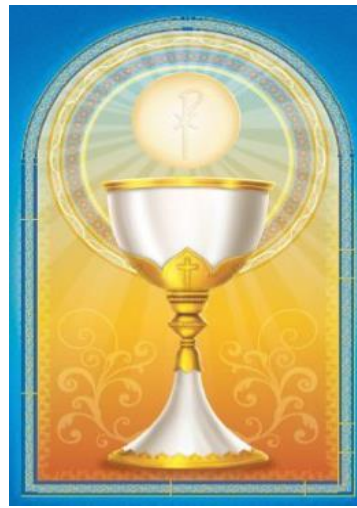
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1st collection Parish Bank Account
Supports our Priests

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

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Parish.

DUE TO THE LOCKDOWN NO GROUPS ARE MEETING ONSITE



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.

ZOOM ZOOM ZOOM

The following meetings have been scheduled for the week ahead:



- **Craft Group – Tuesday at 10am**
- **Lectio – Tuesday at 7:30pm**
- **Lectio - Wednesday at 10am**
- **St Clare’s Prayer Group -Wednesday 7:30pm**
- **Rosary with Fr John – Thursday at 7pm**
Meeting ID 872 561 5999 Code: 2512
- **Youth Mass – Sunday 12th September at 6pm**
Meeting ID 872 561 5999 Code: 2512

If you would like to join one of these meetings, please contact the Parish Office for the meeting ID and Password



New Group- Rosary with Fr John will meet on 1st Friday of each month and on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursday evenings at 7pm.



ST CLARE’S PARISH PRAYER GROUP ONLINE:

St Clare is the patron for an online prayer group, meeting Wednesday at 7:30pm. **If you have an intention** you would like us to pray for please email faithwomen2020@gmail.com and we will include your intention in our evening of prayers. If you would like to join us in the prayer group, please email faithwomen2020@gmail.com for the ID and password. We very much look forward to seeing you (on our screens) and praying with you.



Pope Francis – Saint Augustine said: “I fear that Jesus will pass by me unnoticed”. It is important to remain watchful, because one great mistake in life is to get absorbed in a thousand things and not to notice God.



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

Our Parish Craft Group

has been keeping spirits up during lockdown by supporting each other and working on a wonderful array of creative projects. On any given week, there has been the sharing of patterns and new skills, deliveries of craft supplies and cheer,

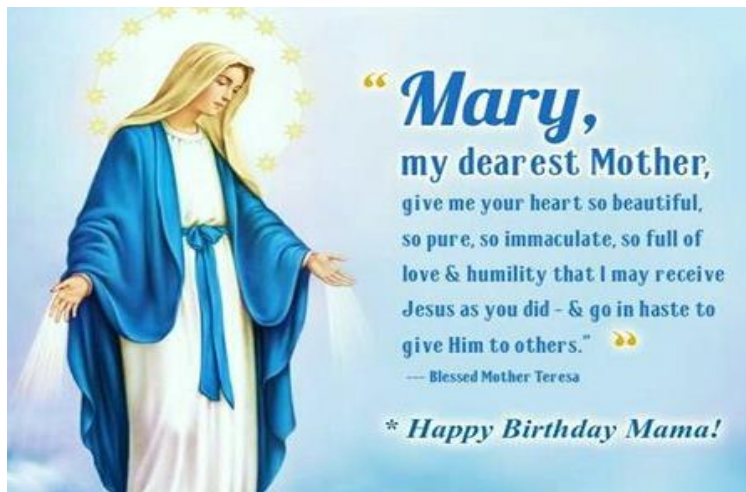


tech support in navigating the wonderful world of Zoom and the sharing of anything from art and craft works, to recipes, and to little moments of daily life via Whatsapp and phone calls. Community is even more precious during this time and we are so grateful for the gift of each other. We are currently working towards a special Christmas market, and at this stage not knowing how that might look but continuing to keep the joyful spirit of Christmas as our motivation.



Our group currently meets every Tuesday morning from 10:00 - 11:30 via Zoom, if you would like to join us please contact the parish office for the Zoom link.

The Piety Store has a good selection of statues, books and cards of St Joseph. **Please call the Parish Office** if you wish to purchase any goods from the Piety Store.



“Mary,
my dearest Mother,
give me your heart so beautiful,
so pure, so immaculate, so full of
love & humility that I may receive
Jesus as you did - & go in haste to
give Him to others.”
— Blessed Mother Teresa
*** Happy Birthday Mama!**

This Wednesday, September 8, Catholics celebrate the solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary's Nativity also known as Our Lady's birthday.



SCRIPTURE CLASSES FROM HOME With our schools closed, we would like to reach out to the Children who would normally attend our Scripture classes each week. We are now able to offer Learning from Home SRE Lessons - please go use the following link

<https://www.cress.org.au/>

Prayer in time of pandemic

*Almighty and eternal God,
our refuge in every danger,
to whom we turn in our distress; in faith we pray.
Look with compassion on the afflicted,
grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners,
healing to the sick, peace to the dying,
strength to healthcare workers,
wisdom to our leaders
and the courage to reach out to all in love,
so that together we may give glory
to your holy name.*

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

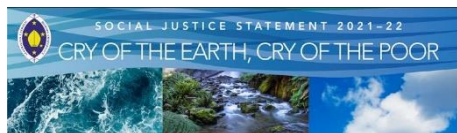


Are you struggling to pay the bills? CatholicCare can help with Coles or Woolworths vouchers.

Times are tough. You might have lost work due to the lockdown, or you might be finding it hard to put food on

the table. Please call CatholicCare on (02) 9481 2600 or email them at info@catholiccaredbb.org.au. They are here to help our parish families.

Please note this support is able to be offered due to Government funding so they will require ID and some documentation to access assistance, but they can walk you through the requirements.



Social Justice Sunday

As we celebrated Social Justice Sunday on 29 August, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conferences' Social Justice Statement 2021-22: *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, affirms that "we human beings need a change of heart, mind, and behaviour".

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2021/06/24/social-justice-statement-2021-22/>

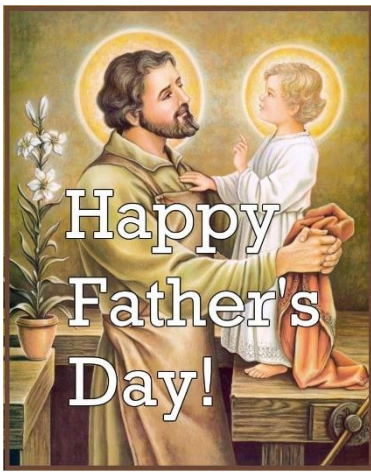
If you are unable to access of the statement and would like a copy please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822.



Major earthquake hits Haiti

Over 1,400 people have died, and thousands more left injured. Homes, churches and schools have been damaged in the quake, and reports indicate that more than 30,000 families have been left homeless. There is immediate and urgent need for food, water, shelter, hygiene kits and first aid on the ground.

To provide support, you can donate to Caritas Australia's Emergency Response Appeal. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413 toll free.



St. Joseph and Fathers' Day

This Sunday, Fathers' Day, we remember and honor dads, grandfathers, uncles, and all the men, living and deceased, who tirelessly and

selflessly gave of themselves for their families with unconditional love. It is a good time to also recall the exemplary role-model and patron saint of fathers – Saint Joseph – foster father of Jesus, husband of Our Lady and patron of the Universal Church.

Saint Joseph experienced the same difficulties in life we all do, yet he lived an exemplary life and established an ideal that is well-worth emulating for all fathers who have come after him. Saint Joseph was a man of compassion and caring. He was a man possessed of unwavering faith in God. He was a man who loved and protected his family. As Saint Matthew describes him in his Gospel, Joseph was a "righteous man" (Matthew 1:19).

For Joseph, doing God's will was paramount; God always came first. Each time God told him to do something, Joseph's response was immediate and he would carry out the task at hand the way God wanted it done – after the angel's message came to him in a dream, he took Mary into his home as his wife; upon receiving the angel's warning, Joseph immediately got up and took his little family and fled to Egypt in the middle of the night to escape Herod's jealous wrath, then, later, returned them home to Nazareth. Joseph kept the Sabbath and went to the Temple in Jerusalem for the Passover. He faithfully and tenderly loved, protected and provided for the Child Jesus and the Virgin Mary. Saint Joseph certainly set the bar high for modern-day fathers, yet, by his very example, Joseph solidly demonstrates that it is quite possible to follow his example to be a righteous man by listening to, trusting in and obeying God's word.

Just how important are fathers? A father is a source of strength and support. He strives to provide for and raise his children to know right from wrong, to develop sound moral values. A dad puts the needs of his family before his own. A dad teaches his children the value of hard work, courage, honesty and good judgment. A dad creates memories with his children that will

last them a lifetime...by teaching them to ride a two-wheel bicycle or how to throw a ball or simply just by quiet-time together, allowing his children to revel in the security of a protective, paternal love. A dad encourages his children to live lives of holiness and quiet fortitude. Most of all, through his own life of faith, a father teaches his children by example to cultivate a personal relationship with our Heavenly Father through prayer, to live their lives according to God's word and guide them firmly along the path to their eternal, Heavenly destination. Whether he realizes it or not, it is through such dedication and commitment to his family, that a dad emulates Saint Joseph. What greater lessons could a man's life teach? So, yes, fathers are very important!

On Sunday as we honor and thank our dads for all they have done for us and for how much they mean to us, let us remember to ask Saint Joseph for his intercession on behalf of all dads and that his holy example continue to be an inspiration to all fathers.

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St John the Baptist News...

This week I am proud to announce the SJB Stage finalists for the 2021 Bishop's Art Prize that will go on to represent our school at a diocesan level. This year, the annual art competition provided our students with the opportunity to reflect and respond to the world of Jesus by depicting a scene from one of the four Gospels. Entrants had the option of portraying their scene with the mediums of film or visual art. Our finalists are (in order of appearance):

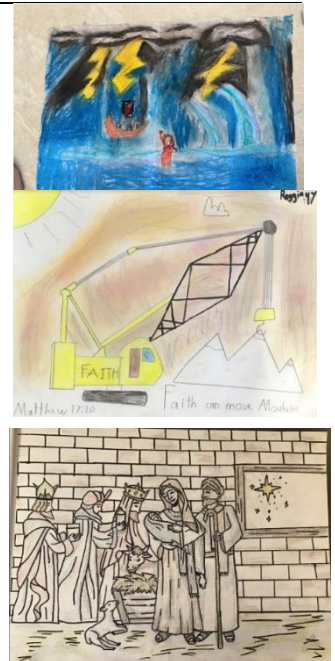
- Stage 1:** Jax Turner
- Stage 2:** Reggie Joseph
- Stage 3:** Michelle Hazeldine

We wish all our students the best of luck! *Warm regards Sharna Taranto (Acting REC)*

St Mary's School News...

This week the students at St Mary's have busily been preparing for Father's Day! We have some wonderful 'events' planned to celebrate our wonderful dads, granddads and special men in our lives, including a heartwarming liturgy, a cooking class with Jacinta our canteen manager and a boogie to Daddy Cool with DJ KitKat. We had an awesome father/ child trivia night with Ben and Deb on Friday, so much fun! We wish all the special men in our lives a wonderful fathers!

Kind regards Alexis Conn (REC)



Most Rev Anthony Randazzo Bishop of Broken Bay

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Over the past few weeks, I have heard and seen some of the struggles and worries that are being shouldered in our community of the Church. I have been asked why I don't speak out more and defend the Church, especially with reference to the closure of our church buildings.

I understand the burden and would simply ask that at all times when we engage in this conversation, that we maintain a sense of respect and charity towards each other. There is never any need to vent publicly on social media, nor is there justification to mail anonymous and abusive letters. This is the behaviour of uneducated, uncharitable, and pusillanimous people. It is directly opposed to the teaching of Jesus who said, "love one another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). Sledging and sniping is certainly undignified behaviour from someone who professes to be a disciple of Jesus and a member of His Church.

It is rather naïve to think that angry public demonstrations and rude letter writing campaigns are the best way to have a voice in our society today. By all means, as citizens, each one of us has the right and the duty to make known our concerns about our community and society, but always in charity and with respect. Our civic leaders are dealing with a once in a century pandemic. No one has the perfect road map to navigate our way through this time. Mistakes will be made, but much good will also be achieved. Certainly, communication between Church and State can be improved, but to presume that no conversation is happening is simply false and misleading.

I am very mindful that the negative impact of this situation is not only physical and emotional, but also spiritual. As your bishop my greatest concern is your spiritual wellbeing. A small number of people have demanded that I reopen our church buildings. To do so at this time would place vulnerable people at risk. I am not prepared to do that. Mass is being celebrated throughout the Diocese on a daily basis by myself and the priests. They are not private Masses, as Mass is never a private affair. When the Mass is celebrated, the whole Church celebrates, and every member of the Body of Christ is present at the altar of sacrifice through the communion of saints. To argue otherwise is to misunderstand the very nature of the Church and the mystery of the Mass. In the ritual offering of the bread and wine, the priest gathers up and offers the prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of every member of the community of the Church.

My brothers and sisters, I urge you to remain strong in these challenging times. As soon as is reasonably possible, I will reopen the churches throughout the Diocese, however, in the meantime, I would entreat you to ensure that you have done everything reasonably possible to ensure that you are fortified against the COVID virus. Each member of the community must take responsibility for his or her own actions in caring for the whole community of the Church and of society.

As the community of the Church, it is important that we focus on our spiritual life by creating meaningful engagement with God and with each other, despite the lockdown limitations. I encourage you to continue to pray, to make spiritual communion, to read the Scriptures, and to sanctify each day through the power of the Holy Spirit.

My words this week may seem rather direct. I mean no offence. My prayer is for your wellbeing and that of your families and loved ones. Together we must endure the sufferings of this time and unite them with the sufferings of Christ on the Cross. In the communion of the Holy Spirit, we are one in the Body of Christ. +Anthony

Outside the Parish

Bay Connect Evangelisation Broken Bay has launched a new program of online events called Bay Connect. The program provides an online program of regular activities commencing on 30 August, to converse, reflect and connect spiritually online during this challenging time.

• THE CHOSEN MONDAY

Mondays @ 7:30-8:45pm via Zoom - Join us as we go through the first season of *The Chosen*, viewing one episode every Monday, breaking open some themes and coming to know Jesus in a fresh new way.

• TUESDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Tuesdays @ 7:00-7:30pm via Instagram Live (@cybbaus) - A place for the community to come together for prayer and to praise God from the setting of your home. All youth, young adults, singles and families, parishioners and clergy are invited.

• HUMPDAY HANGOUT W/ BR BERNARD

Wednesdays @ 7:00-7:30pm via Zoom - Our jolly friar Br. Bernard Mary will host the session with time for prayer, 'Banger' of the week, casual chat and an entertaining selection of activities.

• FORMATION FRIDAYS

Fridays @ 7:00-8:00pm via Zoom - An opportunity to get some simple Catholic formation on various aspects of the faith, from the basics to the hot topics, featuring a different guest speaker each week, followed by some time for questions/discussion.

"Through this, we hope that those in our community who are seeking opportunities to come closer to Christ can do so in a new and fresh way," said Tomasz. To find out more and register online, visit the Bay Connect page on the Diocese of Broken Bay website <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/news/covid-19-updates/prayer-resources/bay-connect>

THE FUTURE OF CATHOLICISM IN AUSTRALIA FORUM 2:

Outcomes and Actions for the Plenary Council

The Australasian Catholic Coalition for Church Reform invites Australian Catholics to the second in a series of convocations via Zoom - 3-10 October 2021 Free Registration - <http://www.acccr.com.au>

The Parenting Children Course As part of the Bay Connect series of on-line events, the Life, Marriage and Family team will be running The Parenting Children Course. The Parenting Children Course is for parents of young children seeking connection and support during lockdown while learning new skills. It's fun, hopeful and designed to inspire confidence in your abilities as a parent. Starts **21 September 2021 at 7.30pm via zoom**. Click [HERE](#) for more information and registration details

<https://form.jotform.com/212367244706051>



Safeguarding Month September 2021

Participation of Children and Young People in Catholic Communities

Dear Clergy and Parishioners of Broken Bay,
You are invited to join the following initiatives ...

WEEK 1: 1-4 September

- Like Diocesan social media posts that show how Children and Young People participate in our Catholic communities

WEEK 2: 5-11 September

- Celebrate National Children Protection Week (NAPCAN) by visiting their national webpage - www.napcan.org.au/ and learn about the theme: **Every child, in every community, needs a fair go.**
- Wednesday 8 September** – Online Launch of new resource for adults of Broken Bay – *Participation of Children and Young People in Catholic Communities: A guide to Supporting & Engaging, Listening and Communicating with Children and Young People.* Access the e-resource here - www.bbcatholic.org.au/safeguarding-month-2021 Printed copies are available from the **Office for Safeguarding (Chancery) P 8379 1605** or **E safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au**
- Thursday 9 September @ 12.30pm – 1.30pm** – Free webinar facilitated by NAPCAN - eSafety's guide to online sexual harassment and image-based abuse. The webinar is designed for parents and carers of young people aged 13 - 18. **To register click here: register.gotowebinar.com/rt/8331659724914836752**
- Thursday 9 September @ 7pm, Liturgy of Lament** – an opportunity to gather and pray to God in acknowledging the suffering caused to our most vulnerable and to give public expression to our sorrow. The liturgy will be broadcast. **Click here to view: www.bbcatholic.org.au/safeguarding-month-2021**

WEEK 3: 12-18 September

- Sunday 12 September, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday** - join Bishop Anthony Randazzo in celebrating Mass at **9.30am** via livestream from OLOR, Cathedral. **Click here to view: www.youtube.com/channel/UCNenwlf7i14XB9TsVBrLvQ**
- Prayers** – Remember in your prayers this week the wellbeing and safety of Children and Young People especially those who are particularly vulnerable due to covid-19. **Prayer resources are available from our webpage: www.bbcatholic.org.au/safeguarding-month-2021**

WEEK 4: 19-25 September

- Wednesday 22 September @11.00am to 12.30pm, via zoom** – *Ministering to a Church in Trauma* presentation by Rev Dr David Ranson, Vicar General. **To register and receive your zoom link click here: bbcatholic.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJltce2qpjovHtWs7Vymz9XkWWVhVTlq22Px**

WEEK 5: 26-30 September

- The Diocesan Office for Safeguarding places a special devotion to Mary Undoer of Knots. Her feast day is celebrated **Tuesday 28 September**. You are invited to pray the Mary Undoer of Knots Novena. **A wonderful prayer resource can be accessed here: www.praymorenovenas.com/mary-undoer-knots-novena**

Thank you for your participation

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading *Isaiah 35:4-7 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Then the ears of the deaf shall be opened and the tongues of the dumb speak.

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid.' Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy; for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake, the parched land springs of water.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 145:7-10 (JB)*

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. R.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. R.

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. R.

Second Reading *James 2:1-5 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St James

Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom?

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats;' then you

tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

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 *Mark 7:31-37 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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College Manly**

St Paul's is a Catholic high school
for boys in Years 7 to 12

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Mary Immaculate Church

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Parish Pastoral Council: Paul Pervan (Chair),
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Ivica Covic; 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

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