



# MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

## Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

### Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022



#### Gospel Reflection

The three "parables of the lost" in chapter 15 are unique to Luke's Gospel. Luke wrote his Gospel at a time

when the Christian community was embroiled in a great controversy: many Jewish Christians were indignant that Gentiles should be welcomed into the Church without first embracing the traditions and laws of Judaism.

In these three parables, we enter God's world: God communicates the depth of his love in his unconditional and complete forgiveness; his mercy breaks through and demolishes all human restrictions. The Pharisees could not imagine a God who actually sought out men and women, a God who is more merciful in his judgments than we are, a God who never gives up hope for a sinner.

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#### Pope Francis Prayer Intention for September: For the abolition of the death penalty.

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



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.



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 We 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.*

**PASTORAL WORKS (CWF) RECEIPTS** Please contact the Parish Office if you require a copy of your receipt, these donations are 100% tax deductible

#### LET US PRAY FOR

11th September 2022

**Recently Deceased:** Betty Flowers; Anne Walmsley; Wendy Davidson; Anna Giuffrida; William Geoghegan

**Anniversary:** Ramon Sy; Arnold Sia; Sarah Lao; Rosario Magbuhos;

**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; Belinda Nicholls; Jacqui Dawson; Gerry Ring; Zacchaeus Ratnam; Pat Smith; John Connors; Don Hews; Joan Jacobs; Sheila Lee; Donnacha Donnelly; Paul Donnelly; George Fell; Marie Downs; Barbara Vickers;

#### Dates to remember...

- **Changes to weekday Masses** see notice below
- **Bible Study** (zoom) Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Sept @ 7pm (Meeting ID 872 561 5999/Code: 2512)
- **Lectio Divina** Tues 7:30pm and Wed 10am
- **Eucharistic Adoration in Manly** Wednesday 6pm – 7:30pm
- **Rosary** (zoom) Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Sept @ 7pm (Meeting ID 872 561 5999/Code: 2512)

#### CHANGES TO WEEKDAY MASSES NEXT WEEK

Due to the Clergy Retreat Fr John & Fr Eliseus will be away. Fr David will say Mass as per below...

- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> – 9:15am Mass at Freshwater only
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – 9:15am Mass at Manly only
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> – 9:15am Mass at Manly only
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – 9:15am Mass at Manly and Freshwater



#### FUNERALS IN OUR PARISH

Please keep the deceased and their families in your prayers

Anna Giuffrida – Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 10:30am Manly

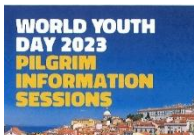
Anne Walmsley – Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Sept 12:30pm Manly

William Geoghegan – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 10:30am Manly



#### YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

**Freshwater:** after the 9am Mass.



**Bishop Anthony** invites the youth of the Diocese to join him in Lisbon for WYD 2023. Register: [bbwyd.org.au](http://bbwyd.org.au)



#### 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



**Livestreaming on Facebook**  
Sunday 8:30am Mass  
[manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish/videos)

**SUPPORT OUR PARISH & PRIESTS FINANCIALLY  
by using one of the following...**

1. **Planned Giving:** many parishioners support the parish through a monthly direct debit or credit card. Please contact the parish office for more information 9977 5822.
2. **Scan to Donate** using the QR code to access our BPoint Donation page. This secure system provided by the Commonwealth Bank will give you the option of having your receipt emailed to you.



3. **Directly into Parish Bank Accounts**

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Funds the running costs of our Parish  
Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish  
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**Pastoral Bank Account**

Supports our Priests  
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4. **Tap and Go machines** using your credit/debit card.  
**EFTPOS Terminals** which have pre-set donation amounts or select "Other Amount" and enter your desired amount to give and then tap your card.

**Thank you for your generosity**

**PIETY STORE MANLY**

**Movie of the month** "Padre Pio – between heaven and earth". The amazing true story of the famous stigmatic monk. Pray, hope and don't worry. Only \$10 @ the piety store.

**CD of the month** – Shakespeare the Catholic – Joseph Pearce. To be a Catholic in Elizabethan times was illegal and very dangerous. The evidence that Shakespeare was a practicing catholic. Only \$5 @ the piety store.

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C**

**First Reading** *Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 (JB)*

A reading from the book of Exodus

*The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.*

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" The Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation. 'But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this

**SAFEGUARDING MONTH - FAMILIES**

*'Building meaningful connections in every family'  
September 2022*

The Diocese of Broken Bay promotes awareness of Safeguarding each September. We invite all families to share with us your experiences of how you connect as a family in the form of a story, a video or a photo during Safeguarding Month of September. Some suggestions might include exercising together, bushwalking, baking or play a game. [bbccatholic.org.au/safeguarding/engaging-with-your-family](http://bbccatholic.org.au/safeguarding/engaging-with-your-family)



**PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS**

- Bible Study via Zoom: 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7pm
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am in the Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Manly Church  
Weds 6:00pm – 7:30pm
- Lectio Divina: Tues 7.30pm & Weds 10am in the Parish Centre
- Piety Store: open on weekends or call the Parish Office
- Reconciliation: Manly: Sat 10am – 11am
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822
- Rosary via Zoom: 1st Thurs 6pm, every other Thurs 7pm
- Rosary – Freshwater Tues – Fri 8.45am in Church.

**PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS**

- Anointing Mass: Manly & Freshwater on  
1st Friday each month at 9:15am Mass
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Joseph's Men's Group: 1st Thurs of the month 7pm
- St Vincent de Paul: Manly & Freshwater Conferences  
2nd Mon each month 5:30pm

promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

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

**Responsorial Psalm** *Ps 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19*

**R. I will rise and go to my father.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. R.

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. R.

O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise. My sacrifice, a contrite spirit; a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. R.

**Second Reading**      *1 Timothy 1:12-17 (JB)*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy  
*Christ came to save sinners.*

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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

**Gospel Acclamation**      *2 Corinthians 5:19 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

**Gospel**      *Luke 15:1-32 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke  
*There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.*

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

He also said, 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant, "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening."


'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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**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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