



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 27th September 2020

REFLECTION

Today's parable of the two sons is a devastating condemnation of the Jewish religious leaders whose faith is confined to words and rituals. Jesus states unequivocally that those the self-righteous consider to be the very antithesis of religious will be welcomed by God into his presence before the "professional" religious.



Prostitutes and tax collectors were the most despised outcasts in Judaism. In light of the First Testament tradition of God's relationship with Israel as a "marriage" and Israel's disloyalty as "harlotry," prostitution was considered an especially heinous sin. Tax collectors were, in the eyes of Palestinian Jews, the very personification of corruption and theft. According to the Roman system of tax collection, tax collectors (also called publicans) would pay the state a fixed sum based on the theoretical amount of taxes due from a given region. The publican, in return, had the right to collect the taxes in that region – and they were not above using terrorism and extortion to collect. Tax collectors, as agents of the state, were also shunned as collaborators with Israel's Roman captors.

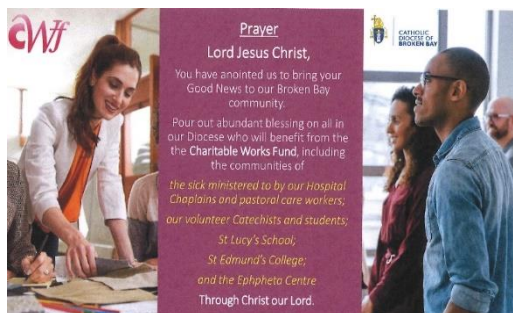
Jesus' declaration that those guilty of the most abhorrent of sins would enter God's kingdom before them deepened the Jewish establishment's animosity toward Jesus.

Jesus' simple story of the two sons takes the Gospel out of the realm of the "theoretical" and places the mercy of God into the midst of our messy, complicated everyday lives. Compassion, forgiveness and mercy are only words until our actions give full expression to those values in our relationships with others; our calling ourselves Christians and disciples of Jesus means nothing until our lives express that identity in the values will uphold and the beliefs we live.

The words of the Gospel must be lived; Jesus' teachings on justice, reconciliation and love must be the light that guides us, the path we walk, the prayer we work to make a reality. Discipleship begins within our hearts, where we realize Christ's presence in our lives and in the lives of others and then honoring that presence in meaningful acts of compassion and charity.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus shatters labels and stereotypes in order to uphold the sacred dignity of all men and women in the eyes of God. Christ calls us to move beyond our own contemporary version of the designations of "tax collector" and "prostitute" to recognize, instead, the holiness that resides within the soul of every person, who is, like us, a child of God.

connectionsmediaworks.com/sundaygospel



Prayer
Lord Jesus Christ,
You have appointed 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 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 Ephpheta Centre
Through Christ our Lord.

We are holding the first of our CWF Appeals for this Financial Year. **Our quota for 2020/2021 is \$47,388 (\$15,796 per three Appeals).** Envelopes 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 100% tax-deductible We thank you for your ongoing generosity and support.



We're COVID SAFE



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for September - Respect for the Planet's Resources We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

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

Recently Deceased:**Anniversary:** Geoff Martin; Carmel Keys

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; Debbie Vernon; Lauren Hannahan; Rosalba Galuis; Vanessa Squirell; 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; Jacqui Dawson; Jim Murphy

September 2020**Year A**

Mon 28/9 – 26th week in Ord Time	Job 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50
Tue 29/9 – Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael	Dan 7:9-10,13-14; Jn 1:47-51
Wed 30/9 – St Jerome	Job 9:1-13,14-16; Lk 9:57-62
Thurs 1/10 – St Therese of the Child Jesus	Job 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12
Fri 2/10 – The Holy Guardian Angels	Ex 23:20-23; Mt 18:1-5,10
Sat 3/10 – 26th week in Ord Time	Job 42:1-3,5-6,12-17; Lk 10:17-24
Sun 4/10 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43



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:**

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YouTube: Manlyfreshwaterparish**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

**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, Roger Street, between 10am – 3pm.

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

**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.



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.

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.

REFLECTION

In this week's readings, we are invited to reflect on our need for a change of heart. We are called to follow the Lord's way, as we try to model our actions and words on his.

The Jews in exile complained that the Lord was unjust, but the prophet Ezekiel tells them they should look at their own behaviour rather than blame others. God will save those who are law-abiding and honest – those who follow his way.

(First Reading)

The Lord is merciful and forgiving; he is always ready to show us the way and guide us to walk in his paths. **(Psalm)**

St Paul encourages the Philippians to be united in love, purpose and mind, which they should model on the mind of Christ himself. Although divine and equal with God, Christ was humble enough to become as we are, and even to die on a cross.

(Second Reading)

No matter which group in society we belong to, only a true change of heart, where we welcome the Good News, will open the way to the Kingdom of God. **(Gospel)**

This week, we may focus on trying to live according to Jesus's values. Asking the Lord to help shape our mind to be like his, so that people around us will see that love is shown in deeds more than in words.

Pathways to God 2020

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



happy holidays!

Welcome back to Fr David and hope you had a great holiday.



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.**

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.



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.

Fr Paul will be commencing his holidays next and we wish him a happy and relaxing break.

Hope the teachers and students enjoy their school holidays and look forward to them returning Monday 12th October!!!

Candela Mission Peru



Mary Rajca will visit Manly Freshwater Parish on the weekend of **October 3rd/4th** to speak about the work of the Sisters of Mercy in the shanty town of Candela in Lima Peru.

The mission supports women through a programme that teaches them to make beautiful handicrafts. The proceeds from the sale of these crafts

give the women an income so they can provide for their families.

All money raised go back to the women who have made the goods. This money is used by the mothers to buy basic necessities for their families.

The Pandemic has struck the shanty towns in Peru very badly. All shops and factories are shut – most people are out of work and there is no support from the government. The women in Candela are living of their meagre savings or from the generous support of donors in Sydney.

Your support of the mission is greatly appreciated

Migrant and Refugee Sunday 2020

theme is "Forced Like Jesus Christ to Flee".

"During the flight into Egypt, the child Jesus experienced with his parents the tragic fate of the displaced and refugees.....Unfortunately, in our own times, millions of families can identify with this sad reality."

Pope Francis, 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2020 message. Read the full message [here](https://migrants-refugees.va/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/EN.pdf) <https://migrants-refugees.va/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/EN.pdf>



Social Justice Around the Bay Webinar, 27 Sept

SJ Around the Bay and Jesuit Refugee Service Australia will be holding an afternoon webinar to explore what it looks like in Australia today to support those who have been forced like Jesus to flee.

Join Social Justice Around the Bay and Jesuit Refugee Service Australia in their afternoon webinar as they explore what it looks like in Australia today to support those who have been forced like Jesus to flee.

Date: Sunday, 27 September Time: 2 -3pm

Register: <https://bit.ly/3mr6uYn>

Zoom details will be provided after registration

For more information, contact Zoe at zoe.grant@jrs.org.au

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PIETY STORE

Movie of the month – “Unplanned” One woman’s inspiring true story of transformation, from abortion clinic director to ardent “pro-life” advocate. A story of love, hope and redemption. Rated M. For \$20 at the piety store.

CD of the month – Understanding “The Lord of the Rings” – Joseph Pearce. Described by J.R.R. Tolkien as a fundamentally religious and fundamentally Catholic work. This talk explores the characters, linguistics and symbols of this English literature masterpiece. Only \$5



**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.

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

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. To enable us to update our data system please email your details to manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au



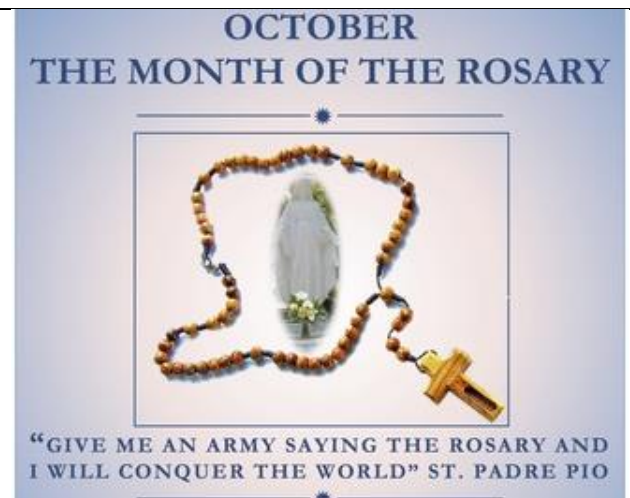
During the week Fr Paul visited Marty O’Donnell. Marty sends his love to all and we ask that you keep him in your prayers.

Marty and Carole’s daughter Majella passed away recently from a rare neurodegenerative disorder. Below is a copy of an article she wrote which was published in the Sydney Morning Herald in May 2019. Marty and Carole would like to share this article with us.

“I’ve been watching the debate on assisted dying closely. I have been diagnosed with a rare fatal neurodegenerative disorder that is likely to rob me of the ability to communicate easily or do much independently. The thing that bothers me is the idea that if assisted dying becomes normal then people like me will choose that option so as to minimize the trouble to those around them.

If I’m going to die within the next decade anyway, should I have chosen this option before my family had to move house to a place without steps 15 months ago, or my husband and I sold our business that we’ve had for 28 years so he could care for me? Who decides what value we place on the experiences of our lives? I question the values of our humanity when we think we’re entitled to a life without any hardship. A difficult end is something we’d all like to avoid but if we sanitise our lives so much that we protect ourselves from experiencing anything “hard” we lose the value in those experiences and the character building to all affected by them to our humanity.

Majella McLoughlin, Mona Vale”



How to Pray the Rosary pamphlets are available at the back of the Church and a large selection of Rosary Beads are available in the Piety Store. Please call the Parish Office 9977 5822 to access the Store.

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo

Bishop of Broken Bay

Message 22 September 2020

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In the first encyclical written in Pope Francis' pontificate, [Lumen Fidei](#), the Holy Father looked at the biblical account of faith in the Old Testament. In particular, he looked at the kind of faith that Abraham exercised.

The faith of Abraham, says Pope Francis, was a faith where journeying in the expectation of the fulfilment of a promise by God took centre stage. The encyclical had this beautiful line to sum up the kind of faith I want to talk about this week in our Broken Bay Neighbourhoods: "faith sees insofar as it journeys" (Lumen Fidei, 9).

One of the fruits of the incarnation is that our faith cannot be an exit from this world. This is because heaven does not run from this world, it runs through it. The kind of faith our forebears believed and embraced was faith in action, embodied in the concrete circumstances of our lives.

The Psalms keep reminding us not only to think of the Lord, but "taste and see that the Lord is good" (Ps 34:8). This verse in [Psalm 34](#) is a beautiful reminder of two important things.

First, it is a reminder of the incarnational aspect of our faith. Our faith in God is one that our bodies can and should experience and put into action in a concrete way. If you read this line of Psalm 34 carefully, you might notice that it is also a call to each and every one of us. It is calling us to be attentive to our circumstances and not try to use our faith to escape from them.

Our lived experiences are not a distraction from our faith in Christ. They are the very tools God uses for us to engage our faith. Indirectly, Psalm 34 is calling us to be attentive to the care of our sisters and brothers in Christ. Remember that when we walk with Christ, we also walk in communion with our brothers and sisters, and so they form an integral part of our lived experience of faith.

The other thing that the Psalm reminds us, is that our walk *in* and *with* Christ is ultimately a *work* of Christ.

When I say that faith is a faith in action, I do not mean that faith is a self-help programme. There is a line that says that "God helps those who help themselves", and this is terrible theology.

Faith does not mean pulling ourselves up by our bootstraps and proving to God that we are worthy of Divine assistance. Faith is not a force within us, it is a free gift of God, and the greatest gift of all is the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ.

This is where the incarnation once again becomes so important. The incarnation reminds us that God is not out there, distant, and uninterested in the lives of His Creatures. God poured himself out to live in solidarity with His creatures. In the person of Jesus, God lives as we would live and experiences the world as we would experience it. By doing so, God redeemed the world, and is still redeeming the world, out of love for you and me.

God continues to love us by joining us in our life, our joys, our hopes, and our sufferings, assuring us that we are not alone. This, my brothers and sisters, is what we call "grace". It is the pure and undeserved love of God. Our walk with Jesus Christ is the living out of that ridiculously abundant love of God for His world, in this world.

Blessings of love, joy, and peace,

+Anthony

St Mary's School News...



The students in Year One at St Mary's enjoyed a special visit from Father Paul this week. The children asked him all the big questions- why did he want to become a priest, what the best thing about being a priest

is and how we can be more like Jesus every day. The children were so engaged and loved every minute of our special visit. Thank you Father Paul!

Kind regards Alexis Conn (REC)

St John's School News...

At St John the Baptist we follow the Challenge Based Learning Framework where students are encouraged and "challenged" to put their learning into action. This term our Year 5 students have been focusing on the **Big Idea of Diversity** as part of their Religious Education Unit. The students decided to '**take action**' on this term's learning by hosting a Diversity Awareness afternoon. The students worked with their teachers to organise a whole school Diversity awareness afternoon which was hosted last Friday. Each stage watched a film that exemplified Diversity, followed by a class discussion. The movies that were viewed were: Finding Nemo, Wonder and The Rabbit Proof Fence.

This week is **Crazy Hat Week**, in support of September being International Childhood Cancer Awareness month. The staff and students of SJB are wearing crazy hats to raise awareness and show their support of this cause that is very close to our hearts. If you would like to contribute, please consider supporting our local charity for cancer research www.fightonthebeaches.com.

Kind regards Sharna Taranto (Acting REC)



MINISTRY ROSTER – OCTOBER 2020 – MANLY

	Ministry	Week 1 3 – 4 October	Week 2 10 – 11 October	Week 3 17 – 18 October	Week 4 24 – 25 October
		27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
6pm Vigil Mass	Server	Freya Zemek	Louise Wareham	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 Gravalin	Ron Gravalin	Ron Gravalin
	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	Paul & Nicola Pervan	Anne Gaughan Assistance required	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 Assistance Require	Marianna Gale Assistance Require	Hanaut Family Gerard McMahon	Marianna Gale Assistance Require

MINISTRY ROSTER – OCTOBER 2020 – FRESHWATER

	Ministry	Week 1 3 – 4 October	Week 2 10 – 11 October	Week 3 17 – 18 October	Week 4 24 – 25 October
		27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5pm Vigil	Server	Mick O'Farrell	Mick O'Farrell	Ian Press	Lou Maruca
	Readers	Amanda Whitfield	Amanda Whitfield	Assistance required	Assistance required
	Welcomers	Amanda Whitfield	Assistance Required	Assistance required	Assistance required
9am Mass	Server	Lou Maruca	Joanne Druery	Francis Raymond	Amorina Wright
	Readers	Luke Campbell Patricia Brown	Toni Walsh Patricia Brown	Pam Brown	Josh & Jasmine Wright
	Music	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown
	Altar Society	Lyn Hillard	Jacqui Good Mary Arcus	Pat & Solo Brown	Mary Ann Marles
	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

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First Reading *Ezekiel 18:25-28 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

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

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 24:4-9 (JB)*

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. R.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. R.

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. R.

Second Reading *Philippians 2:1-11 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

In your minds be the same as Christ Jesus.

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus: His state was

divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

Gospel Acclamation *John 10:27 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel *Matthew 21:28-32 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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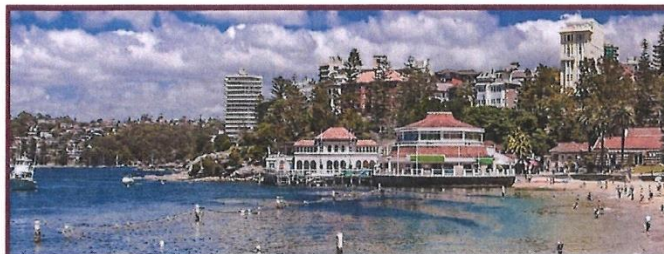
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St John the Baptist Church

cnr Johnson & Oliver St, Freshwater NSW 2096

Administration Office: 9977 5822 (Parish Office)

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Presbytery: 9977 2100

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