



# MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

## Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10th October 2021

Dear friends,

Good News at last! St Mary's Church, Manly will be open daily from this Monday 11th October for private prayer from 10am – 5pm. When entering the Church you must wear a mask, cleanse your hands, sign in by using the Services NSW QR code or sign on sheet and keep 4sqm apart for social distancing.



St John the Baptist Church, Freshwater is being painted inside and outside and the Church will remain closed until at least the end of next week. This is in preparation for the Church's Centenary celebrations on 20th November 2021. There will be more information to follow.

The Bishop's Roadmap to opening the Churches is included in this bulletin. It is anticipated that our Churches will be open for Mass and Sacraments on the first Monday after NSW achieves 80% double vaccination.

The Parish Office will remain closed to visitors but you can contact the office by phone or email. In the meantime please keep well and active and Fr John, Martino and I look forward to seeing you in the very near future. *God Bless Fr David Taylor*

**Gospel Reflection** The young rich man in today's Gospel is one of the most sympathetic characters in the Jesus story. Clearly, Jesus' teachings and healings have touched something in him, but his enthusiasm outdistances his commitment. Assuring Jesus that he has kept the "you shall NOTS" of the Law, Jesus confronts the rich young man with the "you SHALLS" of the reign of God: "Go and sell what you have and give it to the poor."

And, as Mark describes it, the man's face fell and "he went away sad." He can't bring himself to do it. His faith is not strong enough to give up the treasure he possesses for the "treasure in heaven." The young man walks away, sad certainly, and perhaps feeling even somewhat disillusioned that his hero Jesus is not what he thought and hoped he would be.



Then Jesus, speaking to his disciples, turns another Jewish belief upside down. Popular Jewish morality was simple: prosperity was a sign that one had found favor with God. There was a definite "respectability" to being perceived as wealthy and rich (how little things have changed). Great wealth, Jesus points out, is actually a hindrance to heaven: Rich people tend to look at things in terms of price, of value, of the "bottom line." Jesus preaches **detachment** from things in order to become completely **attached** to the life and love of God.

Throughout the Gospel, Jesus points to the inadequacy of viewing religion as a series of codes and laws. The young man was no different than his contemporaries in seeing one's relationship with God as based on a series of negatives ("you shall not"). Discipleship is not based on NOT doing and avoiding but on DOING and acting in the love of God. Jesus calls us not to follow a code of conduct but, rather, to embrace the Spirit that gives meaning and purpose to the great commandment. *Connectionsmediaworks.com*

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

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

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October - Missionary Disciples** We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

*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:** Rebecca Castillo Labang;  
James Tuffy

**Anniversary:** Gladys Burridge; Greta Grogan;  
Kathleen Donnelly

**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 Burridge; 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; Zacchaeus Ratnam

October	Year B
Mon 11/10 – 28th week in Ord Time	Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tue 12/10 – 28th week in Ord Time	Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41
Wed 13/10 – 28th week in Ord Time	Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46
Thurs 14/10 – 28th week in Ord Time	Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54
Fri 15/10 – St Teresa of Jesus	Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7
Sat 16/10 – 28th week in Ord Time	Rom 4:13,16-18; Lk 12:8-12
Sun 17/10 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45

## PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

**Parish facebook:** facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish

**Parish website:** bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater

**PRAYING With CHILDREN** Praying with SUNDAY LITURGY Children which is designed for families with young children to use at home.

Each Sunday's liturgy includes music for gathering, the readings, reflections on the gospel, video, group activity, prayer for the week and a home activity sheet.

This pdf will be sent by email with the newsletter



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

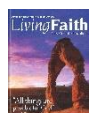


This coming 9 October, the new synodal way will begin. Let us #PrayTogether so that the reflections and exchanges of this Assembly might help us rediscover the joy of being the People of God who journeys together, listening to everyone. #Synod #ListeningChurch



**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](mailto:info@catholiccaredbb.org.au).



**Living Faith Books now available** please contact the Parish Office if you to purchase a copy – 9977 5822

## Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.  
I love you above all things,  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there  
and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you.  
Amen.

— St. Alphonsus Liguori

## DUE TO THE LOCKDOWN NO GROUPS ARE MEETING ONSITE

### ZOOM ZOOM ZOOM

The following meetings have been scheduled for the week ahead:

- **Craft Group – Tues at 10am**
- **Lectio – Tues at 7:30pm**
- **Bible Study Group – Tuesday 7pm**
- **Lectio - Wed at 10am**
- **St Clare's Prayer Group -Wed 7:30pm**
- **Rosary with Fr John – Thurs at 7pm**

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



**Rosary with Fr John** will meet on 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 6pm and on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursday evenings at 7pm.

**Meeting ID 872 561 5999 Code: 2512**



**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 a prayer intention you would like us to pray for or if you would like to join the prayer** please email [faithwomen2020@gmail.com](mailto:faithwomen2020@gmail.com) for the ID and password. We very much look forward to seeing you (on our screens) and praying with you.

## BIBLE STUDY

**Will be held on 19th October**

Fr John will continue a Bible Study via Zoom on the 19th October 2021.

You are most welcome to join.

**Week 2 (19th October) - Introduction to the Bible continues**

This Bible Study will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm  
**Meeting ID 872 561 5999 Code: 2512**

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### New digital APP to support Parish communities

- Parish Giving Broken Bay is a newly launched digital App. It is straightforward, modern and easy to use, it offers the ability to
  - give weekly offerings to our Parish
  - see readings of the day,
  - find Mass times and Live stream information
  - discover Catholic news highlights
- Developed for parish communities in Broken Bay, the donation options for 1st and 2nd Collections are especially helpful.
- Weekly collections are the major source of funds for parish mission. We invite everyone to prayerfully consider their support.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> collection supports our Clergy
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection supports our parish upkeep
- Visit [www.bbcatholic.org.au/parishgiving](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/parishgiving) Or on your mobile App store. Search for "Parish Giving Broken Bay".



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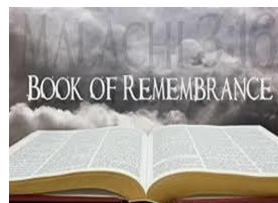
**2nd collection Parish Bank Account**  
Funds the running of the Parish

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Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank  
Account # 100002025 BSB: 062 784

**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**



During the month of November we remember our loved ones who have died in our **Book of Remembrance** which will be on display in the Churches during November.

We invite you to take a moment to add the names of your loved ones to our Parish Book of Remembrance. Call the Parish Office on 9977 5822 or emailing to [manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au)



### HELPING HANDS FROM THE CRAFT GROUP

If there is anyone out there that has some uncompleted knitting they would like finished, we have ladies in the Craft Group very happy to complete them for you. These could be left in the alcove near the Parish Office with your phone number and we would be happy to see what we could do for you.

### October IS World Mission Month

In two weeks, Catholic Mission will share with us the powerful story of Churai\*, a mother who found her way to the Mother and Babies Home, run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, during a desperate time in her life.



**The Good Shepherd Sisters' mission is to promote the dignity and human rights of all, especially women and children; but they can only do that with support from people like you.**  
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For we **CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING** about what we have **SEEN & HEARD**  
ACTS 4:20



### Prayer for the Year of St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you

God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage and defend us from every evil. Amen. *Pope Francis.*



## A message from Bishop Anthony

30 September 2021

As you are aware the NSW Government has now published its “Roadmap” from the current COVID restrictions. Broadly, this is envisaged in three segments:

1. **From the Monday after 70% vaccination rate** has been achieved (forecast to be Monday 11 October) various enterprises may open, including places of public worship, and be available for those who are vaccinated.
2. **From the Monday after 80% vaccination rate** has been achieved, further venues can reopen for those who are vaccinated. Places of public worship are exempt from this particular restriction.
3. **1 December 2021** when COVID vigilance applies to all, irrespective of vaccination status.

The full details of the “80 per cent roadmap” can be found in this [fact sheet](#).

Considering this roadmap and all its implications for the Faithful of Broken Bay, I have determined the following to apply to our own diocese:

1. **From Monday 11 October** our churches are to be **reopened for private prayer and devotion only**. It is for our people to be mindful of government requirements for this stage of the Roadmap and to engage this opportunity with a sense of responsibility and COVID safety. During this stage:
  - a. The hours of opening of our churches should be available to our parishioners.
  - b. Public Masses remain suspended and “private” Masses with a congregation should not take place. The exception will be the Mass of Ordination at Our Lady of Rosary Cathedral on 18 October and the subsequent three Masses of Thanksgiving for our newly ordained priests.
  - c. Confessions should not be publicly scheduled but most certainly should be available by personal arrangement with the clergy of the parish.
  - d. Baptisms, unless in the event of impending death, should be delayed until the next stage.
  - e. Weddings and funerals: up to 50 people may attend. These need to be vaccinated.
  - f. Those who are unvaccinated may only attend weddings with a maximum number of 5 people.
  - g. Those who are unvaccinated may only attend funeral with a maximum number of 10 people.

h. It is essential that anyone visiting our churches use the QR code to register their visit, sanitise, and always wear a mask.

2. **From the Monday after 80% vaccination rate** has been achieved, public Masses are to resume in all our churches according to their usual schedule. In accord with the government regulation, the vaccination status of our people who attend our churches, or who undertake a ministry in them, will not need to be verified. Thankfully, this will enable us to go forward together as one community of the Church. As they engage this opportunity, it will be important for our people to make informed decisions about their COVID safety. During this stage:
  - a. Other rituals such as Baptisms and other services of prayer and devotion may be resumed.
  - b. Confessions should be publicly scheduled again.
  - c. The number of people who can attend Mass and other liturgies and services of prayer is based on the 4 sqm principle (uncapped), including for funerals and weddings.
  - d. Congregational singing will not be possible, but a musician and cantor are possible and should be engaged for the beauty of the liturgy.
  - e. COVID safe practices related to the celebration of our liturgies should be reintroduced including:
    - i. Avoiding the handling of objects by multiple persons;
    - ii. The Chalice is not to be shared; Holy Communion for the Faithful is to be under one species only;
    - iii. The Sign of Peace should only be given by a simple bow or nod of the head.
    - iv. Those who wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue should be asked to wait until the end of the Communion Procession and the priest should sanitise his hands after each of these communicants.
  - f. It is essential that anyone visiting our churches use the QR code to register their visit, sanitize, and always wear a mask.

Given that our parish facilities other than our church buildings will be subject to the status of people’s vaccination it may be that parishes continue to suspend face-to-face parish meetings, social gatherings, and use of facilities such meeting rooms and halls until after 1 December, and that parishes continue to encourage online gatherings. Should parish facilities be opened during this stage, they will be subject to the vaccination status of those who use them, and the 4 sqm principle.

### 3. From 1 December 2021

- a. Density for gatherings in our churches will shift to one person per 2 sqm for both indoor and outdoor gatherings.
- b. Congregational singing will be possible at our liturgies.
- c. There is no restriction on the use of other parish facilities such as meeting rooms and halls.

I now welcome the NSW Government's roadmap, and particularly the understanding it has demonstrated for places of public worship. I am confident that the staged return I have outlined, in accord with both the spiritual needs of our people and the Roadmap, will ensure our safety and our unity as we journey forward together into the new environment ahead of us.



### **Vox Populi - The Voice of the People**

This week's *Vox Populi* comes from Ivica Covic. Ivica is the youth and young adults leader (and regular parishioner) of Manly Freshwater Parish. BB Neighbourhood

#### **Pray, hope and don't worry" By Ivica Covic**

On 23 September, we celebrated the feast day of one of the most loved saints of modern time – Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, commonly known as Padre Pio.

St Padre Pio, famous for receiving the Stigmata, performing miracles, being an extraordinary Confessor and even having the ability to levitate and be at two places at once (how awesome is that!) famously said:

*"Pray, hope, don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayers."*

But in a time where we are unable to physically receive the sacraments, the LGAs within our Diocese are in extended lockdown, Covid cases still present in our state, and when many are struggling with the impacts of lockdown whether it be psychological, economic or social, how are we supposed to not worry?! It seems way too simple to just pray, hope and not worry. I am sure that at least at some point in this pandemic, we have indeed prayed to our merciful God to hear our intentions, but have we felt listened to?

Padre Pio lived during the time of the Spanish Flu. Not only that, but he also contracted it and survived it. He also suffered from other significant illnesses such as cancer and severe arthritis. So, let us allow ourselves to be consoled by the words of a saint who is relevant to our pandemic situation. Padre Pio knew what it was like to bear pain and suffering and yet still experience a profound joy for Christ, His Church and want to share it with others.

We often find ourselves worrying about many things. Let us recall the interactions of Saints Mary and Martha with Jesus in Chapter 10 of St Luke's Gospel. We recall that Martha was doing all the preparations and serving whilst Mary was at the feet of Jesus. Martha then got upset and approached Jesus, asking Him to demand that Mary help her. But Jesus then replies:

*"Martha, you are worried and upset about many things. But only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, and it will not be taken away from her" (Luke 10:41-42).*

One thing especially that stands out to me from this Gospel passage is that Martha seemed so immersed in her worries, where unlike Mary, she did not realise and see the glory of God before her. We each have our own questions that we ask God: "Why do I have to be doing this all on my own?" "Why is He not listening to me?" "How am I supposed to pay all these expenses?" "Why me?" "What do you want of me, God?" And I'm sure that when we ask 2 these questions, we expect a straightforward answer. And when we don't get a straightforward answer, or even we feel like we don't get an answer, then we keep asking and asking, and our worries become blinding and restrictive.

What Mary did is that she drew as close to Jesus as she could. She was not restrained by her worries, and she realised the glory before her and placed herself at the feet of Jesus – both literally and figuratively. Let us then, like Mary and also like Padre Pio, place ourselves and our worries at the feet of Jesus who is our hope and who gives us peace.

Being hopeful does not mean being naïve to the various problems we are facing individually and as a society. Being hopeful means putting our trust and faith in God – the conqueror all fear, doubt and death.

Saint Padre Pio, pray for us! Saints Martha and Mary, pray for us!

*Ivica Covic is the youth and young adults leader (and regular parishioner) of Manly Freshwater Parish. He attended his local Catholic primary and high schools, and has completed a Bachelor's Degree in Medical Science. He is currently working in a personal injury law firm and is a participant in our Diocese's youth and young adult leaders Ad Astra project.*

#### **Vinnies Metropolitan Schools and Youth Term 4 2021**

**Newsletter:** [bit.ly/VinniesSchoolYouthNewsTerm42021](https://bit.ly/VinniesSchoolYouthNewsTerm42021)

The 2021 edition of the **Mini Vinnies Formation Program** (MVFP) for students in Years 4 – 6 is available for those who wish to undertake Social Justice Formation in their own time. For more information please go to

<https://bit.ly/VinniesMVFP>

**One Million Children Praying the Rosary:** ACN invites you to join the prayer campaign 'One Million Children Praying the Rosary' for unity and peace in the world on the 18th of October. Be part of this prayer campaign and join many others! Register and learn more at [www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children](http://www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children)



*"The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers." - Pope Saint Pius X*

## Why we dedicate the Month of October to the Holy Rosary

It all started in 1571, when the Catholic League entered into battle against the Ottoman Empire to protect Italy from invasion. The Turks were on a warpath to overthrow all of Europe, killing millions of people and forcing Islamic conversion on survivors. They had conquered the Middle East and Mediterranean islands of Cyprus and Crete. Italy was next.

As the impending battle loomed, Pope Pius V called on various religious communities throughout Europe to join him in praying the rosary, including public recitations, to defeat the Islamic threat. Heading into battle, every man in the Catholic League's forces carried a rosary. Their fleet was no match for the competition, vastly outnumbered.

Miraculously, the Catholic League returned victorious after a daylong battle known as the Battle of Lepanto that took place on the coast of Greece. In thanksgiving for Mary's intercession and protection, Pope Pius V declared the day - October 7- as a feast day for Our Lady of the Rosary. To celebrate, a rosary procession was held in Saint Peter's Square.

The presence and protection of our Mother Mary has immense power - requested, channelled, and honoured through the rosary. Her immaculate intercession has won wars and conquered hearts. After the feast day was established, the entire month of October was dedicated to the rosary in 1884 by Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical *Supremum Anno*:

*"Last year, as each of you is aware, We decreed by an Encyclical Letter that, to win the help of Heaven for the Church in her trials, the great Mother of God should be honoured by the means of the most holy Rosary during the whole of the month of October. In this We followed both Our own impulse and the example of Our predecessors, who in times of difficulty were wont to have recourse with increased fervor to the Blessed Virgin, and to seek her aid with special prayers."*

Although the commitment to the rosary was formalised in 1571, it was an established prayer long before then. The rosary was first given to Saint Dominic by the Virgin Mary during an apparition in 1214 in Prouilhe of southern France. She presented it as a source of strength and grace to persevere in his efforts to convert Albigensian heretics, saying:

*"Wonder not that you have obtained so little fruit by your labours, you have spent them on barren soil, not yet watered with the dew of Divine grace. When God willed*

*to renew the face of the earth, He began by sending down on it the fertilising rain of the Angelic Salutation. Therefore preach my Psalter composed of 150 Angelic Salutations and 15 Our Fathers, and you will obtain an abundant harvest."*

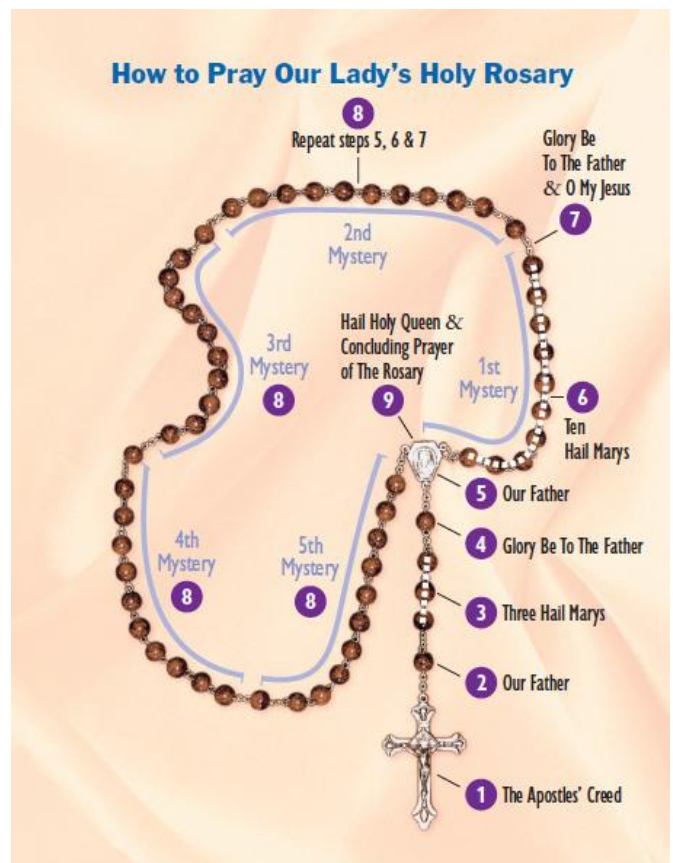
Saint Dominic went on to found the Order of Preachers, or the Dominicans. The image of Our Lady of the Rosary reenacts this apparition, with Mary holding the child Jesus in one hand and the other hand extending to give the rosary beads to Saint Dominic. Pope Benedict explained the meaning behind the image in a 2007 Angelus:

*"This important iconography shows that the Rosary is a means given by the Virgin to contemplate Jesus and, in meditating on his life, to love him and follow him ever more faithfully. It is this message that Our Lady has also bequeathed to us in her various apparitions."*

We know it to be one of the most recited and celebrated Catholic prayers - used to implore our Mother Mary for her intercession and blessings. St John Paul II expanded on the rosary's power in his 2002 apostolic letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, when he announced the Year of the Rosary and the addition of the Luminous Mysteries:

*"With the Rosary, the Christian people sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer."*

In the month of October, let us renew our devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary - re-ecting on its origins saving nations and individuals in times



# 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## First Reading

*Wisdom 7:7-11 (JB)*

A reading from the book of Wisdom

*In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.*

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

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

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 89:12-17 (JB)*

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. R.

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. R.

Show forth your works to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. R.

## Second Reading

*Hebrews 4:12-13 (JB)*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely; it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

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

## Gospel Acclamation

*Matthew 5:3 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;

the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

## Gospel

*Mark 10:17-30 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.*

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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**Weekend Masses:**

**Manly:** Saturday Vigil 6:00pm  
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**Freshwater:** Saturday Vigil 5:00pm & Sunday 9am

**Weekday Masses:**

**Manly:** Tuesday - Friday 9:15am

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**Baptisms:** please contact the parish office  
*Manly* 4th Sunday of the month  
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