

Diocese of Broken Bay

# MANLY FRESHWATER PARISH

## Mary Immaculate, Manly and St John the Baptist, Freshwater

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 18/11/2018**



### **Administration Office:**

Monday – Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

6 Raglan St, Manly NSW 2095

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*Parish Priest:* Fr David Taylor

*Assistant Priest:* Fr Paul Kim

*Presbytery:* 9977 2100

50 Whistler St, Manly NSW 2095

*Mary Immaculate Church*

6 Raglan St, Manly NSW 2095

*St John the Baptist Church*

cnr Johnson & Oliver St,

Freshwater NSW 2096

### **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

### **Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion**

*Manly:* Monday 9:15am

*Freshwater:* Monday 9:15am

### **Baptisms:** *by appointment only*

*Manly* 4th Sunday of the month

*Freshwater* 2nd Sunday of month

### **Reconciliation:**

*Manly* Sat 10am – 11am

*Freshwater* Sat 4:30pm

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in God's never-ending love for us.

The Gospel today is a recount from Mark of the experiences of the first Christians. Aware of their Jewish roots, and the Jewish Temple being destroyed in 70AD, he made use of apocalyptic writing to present the victory of Jesus over sin and death. Their belief was that the resurrection had ushered in the last days and that Jesus would return soon.

*Two Thousand years later...* we journey onward with the confidence that the Lord who is the judge of the living and the dead is also the one who is the healer, who reconciles and forgives, the prince of peace. It is in his presence that we have gathered, rejoicing that this meal is the anticipation of the heavenly banquet.

To profess to be a follower of Jesus is to assert that he is the Alpha – there at the beginning – and the Omega – there at the End – and with us now. It means that we have to think of ourselves, all living creatures, and all creation as in a situation between God's love at the Alpha, the beginning, and God's love at the Omega, the end.

Between these times we have been entrusted with the creation: we hold all creation, all life, on trust from God. We are all on a journey from the Alpha towards the Omega. How we make the journey — how we behave along that road how we act as pilgrims is all important. We are called to be good stewards until he comes again. *Fr Thomas O'Loughlin Catholicireland.net 2018*

### ***Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November:***

***"In the service of peace"*** *That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.*

### **WEEKEND MASS COLLECTIONS**

***Thank You*** for your financial support of our Priests and Parish Community.

***The 1st Collection*** is for the financial support of our priests.

***The 2nd Collection*** is for the maintenance & running costs of our Parish Community.

**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.

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**St Mary's Primary School** 9977 2225  
*Principal:* Paul McGuire

**St John the Baptist Primary School** 9939 6699  
*Principal:* Judy Slattery

**St Paul's Catholic College** 9977 5111  
*Principal:* Chris Browne

**Stella Maris College** 9977 5144  
*Principal:* Elizabeth Carnegie

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Vuna Tuifua (Chair);  
Laurie de Ambrosis; Joanne Druery; Michael Larkin;  
Robert Marshall; Ian Press; Sokee Wescott; Silvia Zambrano;  
Freya Zemek

**November 2018 YEAR B**

Mon 19/11 – 33rd Week in Ordinary Time Apoc 1:1-4,2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43  
Tue 20/11 – 33rd Week in Ordinary Time Apoc 3:1-6,14-22; Lk 19:1-10  
Wed 21/11 – Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary  
Apoc 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28  
Thurs 22/11 – St Cecilia Apoc 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44  
Fri 23/11 – 33rd Week in Ordinary Time Apoc 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48  
Sat 24/11 – Sts Andrew Dung-Lac & companions  
Apoc 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40  
Sun 25/11 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
Dan 7:13-14; Apoc 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37

**LET US PRAY FOR 18th November 2018**

**Recently Deceased:** Alfred O'Brien

**Prayers for the sick in our parish:** Robina Dwyer, Betty Borg; Ann Irvin; Prionsias Kearney; Clare Hunt; Brian Davies; Kay Flenady; Paul Miller; Majella McLoughlin Anita Lo Casio; Stephen Taylor; Debbie Vernon; Desmond Connors; Callie Shea (baby)

**During November only the names of recently deceased will be published in the bulletin.**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is held at Manly Church on Wednesdays from 2pm with Divine Mercy Hour held from 7:00pm – 8:30pm. 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.

**Visiting sick at home** - If you, or if you know of anyone who is unable to attend Mass because they are unwell and would like a home visit please contact the parish office 9977 5822 to organise for Communion or Anointing.

**DATES TO REMEMBER...**

- **Parish Office Closed Friday 23/11, 30/11 & 7/12**
- **SJB Yr 6 Class Mass** Tues 20th Nov @ 9:15am
- **RCIA** Tues 20th Nov @ 7pm
- **Meditation Group** Mondays @ 6pm
- **Book Club Group** Tuesdays @ 10am
- **Craft Group** Tuesdays @ 10am
- **Lectio Divina** Wednesdays @ 10am

**SUNDAY MORNING TEAS**

**FRESHWATER:** following the Sunday 9am Mass each weekend.



**MANLY:** following the Sunday 8:30am Mass each weekend, with the Filipino Family Group hosting a morning tea on the 2nd Sunday following the 10:30am Mass and the Tongan Community hosting a morning tea on the 3rd Sunday following the 10:30am Mass.



There is NO parking in the fenced in area next to the Church from 10:30am – 3:30pm weekdays. The Churchyard parking along Raglan St is only for visitors to the Parish Centre or the Church. Please be aware that the Churchyard is also used by the School and the safety of the students is our priority.

**PLEASE NOTE PARKING IS ONLY PERMITTED IN THE MARKED BAYS – NO STACK PARKING!!!!**



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.

**Tap to Donate with your Credit/Debit Card now available at Freshwater**

For your convenience Tap to Donate Units are available at both Churches. At Manly there is a unit in the front foyer of the Church and at the side exit into the Carpark. At Freshwater there is a unit at the front entrance. The donation is set at \$10.00. Thank you for your donation and trying our new system.

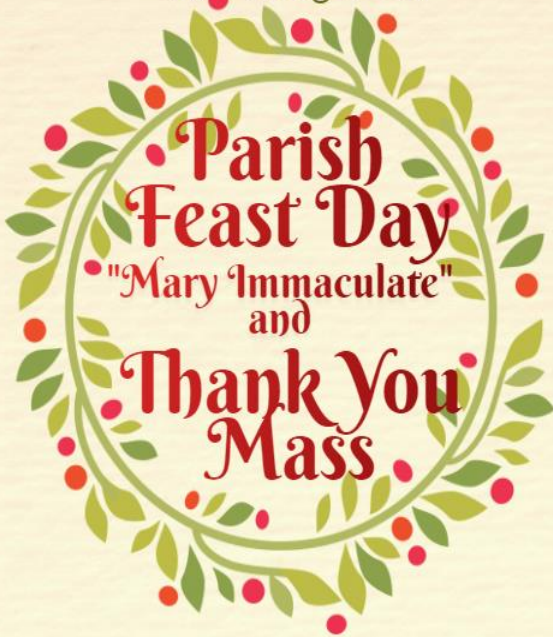


**PARISH PLAYGROUP** Manly: Mondays 9am -10.30am in the School Undercroft area adjacent to the Church. Come along and be part of a happy, friendly and Christian group of Mums, Dads and Carers and their children aged from 2 weeks to Pre-schoolers. All Welcome



**website:** [manlyfreshwater.dbb.org.au](http://manlyfreshwater.dbb.org.au)  
**facebook:** [facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish)

We invite you and your family to  
come along to our



**Saturday, 8th December**

**St Mary's Church, Manly**

6pm Mass followed by our Christmas Dinner  
under the Big Tree in the School Yard

RSVP by 5/12 to 9977 5822

[Manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au)



**An invitation to discover more  
about our Catholic faith.**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for  
Adults (RCIA)

**Tues 20th Nov 7pm Parish Centre**

Perhaps you have been thinking about becoming a Catholic Christian for some time but never got around to doing anything about it. Perhaps you are married to a Catholic but have not yet made a religious commitment of your own. Perhaps you have been involved in a faith community but never took the step to investigate becoming a full member of the Church. Perhaps you have been baptised, but have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation...Please let us know if your able to join us 9977 5822 or [manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au).

#### MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

If you are interested in becoming a Minister of Holy Communion please come along to the short training course with Fr David Taylor on **Sunday 18th November at 4:30pm** in St Mary's Church Manly. Please contact the parish office 9977 5822 if you are interested.

**Readers Commissioning** and  
presentation of the Break Open the Word  
Books



**Prayer of Blessing for Readers**

Everlasting God,

When your Son Jesus read in the synagogue in Nazareth, He proclaimed the good news of salvation for which he would give up his life.

Bless these readers, as they proclaim your words of life, Strengthen their faith that they may read with conviction and boldness and put into practice what they read.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE  
CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING  
FRIDAYS**

**23rd & 30th Nov and 7th Dec**

becoming a  
**catechist**

**Volunteers Needed to  
Spread the Good  
News!**

***If you would like to know more about what is  
involved please contact***

Laurie: 9949 7750 (Manly) or  
Toni: 9905 2894 (Freshwater)

**Christmas, December &  
January rosters**

**Servers snr & jnr,  
Readers, Eucharist Ministers**



If you are available to assist over the Christmas/December/January period please contact the Parish Office 9977 5822. If you are away and are normally on the monthly roster please also advise the office.



**Please note the Parish email  
addresses have changed.  
The changes are noted on  
Page 2 of the bulletin.  
The Parish Office is now**

**[manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au)**



Plenary Council 2020  
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

Following the 11.30am Morning Tea at Manly this weekend there will be a short Plenary Council Session and you are most welcome to join us. We will reflect on the following question.

**“What do you think God is asking of us in  
Australia at this time?”**



Preparation for the **Plenary Council 2020** begins with open Listening and Dialogue. It is the first step to preparing the agenda for the Plenary Council. Your experience of faith and the Church is important. Read about how you can share your story at [plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

## Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

## The Plenary Council 2020

is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. Your voice is important. All people are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda by sharing your experience of faith and of the church. See [plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au) for more information



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 by either leaving the names on the weekend collection plate or by email to [manlyfreshwaterparishparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparishparish@bbcatholic.org.au) or calling into the Parish Office. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**



**Our Prayer Intentions** In the foyer of the Church at Manly. we invite you to collect a prayer card from the basket. Write your name or the name of the person you are offering your intention for and journey to the Cross at the front of the Church where you can place your prayer intentions. These intentions will be offered at the Masses this weekend.

**The Piety Store** has a good selection piety goods. For your convenience and ease in purchasing gifts from Manly Piety Store we now offer a pay wave facility. Come and take a look.. Christmas items now available. **Living Faith Books now available 6.25ea**



## 5 weeks till Christmas

Each year the Parish hosts a Luncheon on Christmas Day for those in our community who will be spending Christmas alone. We thank those in our Parish who volunteer on the day and those who donate to the luncheon which ensures that our guest enjoy a festive Celebration. Last year around 160 people attended.

This year again we are asking for your assistance. If you are able to assist with any of the following please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822 or

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- Easy carve Ham
- Plum Puddings and Christmas cakes
- Fresh Fruit
- Bon Bons
- Chocolates and sweets



## Christmas Day Lunch Gifts

Each year at our Christmas Luncheon we give each of our guests a Christmas parcel made of an assortment of gifts. If you would like to make a cash donation it would be greatly appreciated.

**We are seeking some helpers to act as an assistance co-ordinator for** the setup, the early morning and clean up. If you would like to know what's involved please call the Parish Office on 9977 5822.



A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who so generously supported our Bloom Where You Are Planted craft and cake stall. We raised \$1,165.75 which will be used to purchase much needed resources

to support the Catechists of our Parish and the children they teach.

**Craft Group** meets each week on Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12noon in the Parish Center, Manly. 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.



**Freshwater Carols on the Beach** Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December from 5:30pm. Manly Freshwater Parish are in charge of the BBQ so we are seeking volunteers to help Francis Raymond between 5.30pm and 7.00pm serving sausage sandwiches.

You are welcome to volunteer for the **Freshwater Carols Choir** which will perform on the night. The choir will lead the first half of the program and is a combined churches choir. To join the Freshwater Carols Choir, you need to commit to attending at least one rehearsal. The rehearsals will all be held at St Marks: Wed 28/11 7.30-8.30pm, Sat 1/12 10-11am, Mon 3/12 7.30-8.30pm. Please let Kaye Lewis you will be coming: [kayelewis59@gmail.com](mailto:kayelewis59@gmail.com)

Everyone is welcome to bring a picnic rug and come along for a great night! ALL WELCOME especially our Manly friends! ☺

# Manly and Freshwater Roster 24th - 25th November 2018

Ministry	Manly 6pm Vigil	Manly 8.30am	Manly 10.30am	Manly 6pm	Freshwater 5pm Vigil	Freshwater 9am
<b>Acolytes</b>	Freya Zemek	Louise Wareham	Ron Gravolin	Ivica Covic	Lou Maruca	Joanne Druery
<b>Servers</b>			Bernie Lawler	Ivana Covic		
<b>Readers</b>	John Stapleton Bill Tango	Marlene Bowring Jan Van Den Broek	Carmel Lawler Rita Bruzzese	Family Mass	Amanda Whitfield	Toni Walsh Josh Wright
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	John & Merle Zemek John Bigeni	Trish McGregor Robina Dwyer Tiere Morgan	Anne Keating Kim McGrath	Val Buono Ali Hassanein	Amanda Whitfield	Toni Walsh
<b>Music</b>	Bianca Zatz	Parish Choir	Kath Papallo Gina Marshall	Family Mass	CD's	Pat Brown
<b>AV Screens</b>	Avis Fontaine	Rory Lynsky	Robert Marshall	Family Mass	Bill Kelly	Margie Gruca
<b>Warden</b>	John Zemek	Dom Ferragina	Peter Bartolotta	Family Mass		
<b>Piety Shop</b>	Louise Wareham	Jan Dorsen	Anne Gaughan	Eliza & Lynette Duffy		
<b>Flowers/ Altar Society</b>	Liz de Ambrosis				Maria Harkness	
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Lynn Parkes				Markwart family
<b>Children's Lit</b>		Gabriella				Leanne Ippolito

## St Mary's School News...

**Walking the Way** View the faith-tips for the journey you are on whilst you walk with your child/ren in faith, hope and love.

<http://walkingtheway.dbbco.org/book-video.html>

**Class Mass** Year 2 celebrated the Eucharist with their class Mass on Thursday.

**Reconciliation** Year 4 gathered with Fr David on Thursday.

**Family Mass** Our final Mass for the year is Sunday 25th November. This Mass is a special one we do each year to welcome the incoming Kindergarten children for next year. It will be led by Year 4 and 5 children as they will be the buddies for 2018. It is always a big celebration and we encourage all families to attend as it is our last Sunday family Mass for the year. We will have some of our Year 4 and 5 students doing a liturgical movement at thanksgiving time.

*Blessings, Sharon Kelly (REC)*

**Christian Meditation** The form of meditation which we use is a silent, imageless one and we interiorly repeat a prayer word, bringing us to stillness and the presence of God who dwells within us. It does not replace other forms of prayer. Anyone interested in this form of silent prayer is most welcome to attend. We meet each Monday at 6pm in the Parish Centre. Enquiries: Hazel Cottee 0402 052 088  
*"Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46: vs 10)*

**Lectio Divina**- Read his story in the Gospels. Spend time with him. Listen to what he says. Lectio Divina is a traditional way of praying the Scriptures so that the Word of God may penetrate our hearts. Lectio Divina group meets in the Parish Centre on Wednesday mornings at 10am.

### PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Christian Meditation: Mon 6pm – 6:45pm in the Parish Centre
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am in the Parish Centre
- Divine Will Prayer Group: Mon 11:00am in the Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Manly  
Monday to Friday from 9:45am -11:00am  
Adoration on Wed continues from 2pm with  
Divine Mercy Hour from 7:00pm – 8:30pm
- Holy Hour: Freshwater Tues after morning Mass
- Lectio Divina: Wed 10am in the Parish Centre
- Parish Playgroup: Manly on Mon 9am – 10:30am
- Piety Store: Open 15mins before & after Mass
- Reconciliation:  
Manly: Sat 10am – 11am  
Freshwater: Sat 4:30pm
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822
- Rosary: Manly: Mon – Fri at 9.45am  
Freshwater: Tues – Fri before 9.15am Mass

### PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS

- Anointing Mass at Manly and Freshwater  
1st Friday of each month at 9:15am Mass
- Baptisms: By appointment enquires to Parish Office
- Crazy Whist Morning: last Tues of each month at 10:00am
- Eco-operate: 3rd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Vincent de Paul: Manly & Freshwater Conferences  
2nd Mon each month at 5:30pm

## TAP TO DONATE TO HELP WITH REPAIRS OF OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH

### What Needs to be Done and how much will it Cost?

#### Manly

##### Stain Glass Windows

- Supply and Installation of new brass screens  
**\$18,350.00**
- Works to window frames, hardware and glazing repairs **\$16,455.00**

**Stonework Repair** to the Church beginning at the eastern end of the Church where corrosion is worst  
**\$212,860.00**

**Grand Total = \$247,665.00**

#### Freshwater

- External and internal painting of the Church
- Repainting of the Church roof.
- Quotes are being obtained

If you would like to make a donation to assist with our ongoing **Church Repairs** you can do so by a direct deposit into the Parish Account using the following ...

**Account Name:** Manly Freshwater Parish **Bank Name:** Commonwealth Bank

**Account#** 13958001

**BSB #** 062 784 (Please include the following reference – BM/your surname)

If you would like to use one of our tap units at **Manly** there is a unit in the front foyer of the Church and at the side exit into the Carpark.

At **Freshwater** there is a unit at the front entrance.  
The donation is set at \$10.00.

**We thank you for your generosity and commitment to our parish**



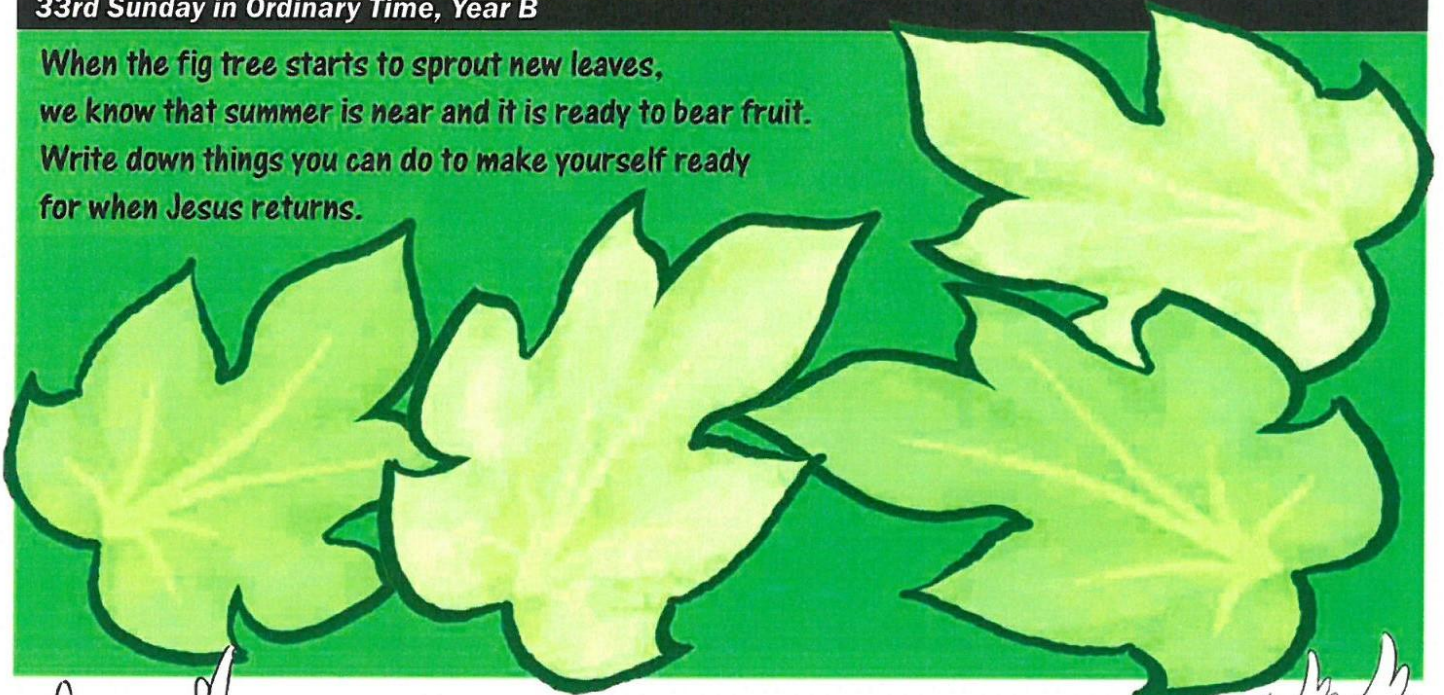


# We are God's chosen ones



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

When the fig tree starts to sprout new leaves, we know that summer is near and it is ready to bear fruit. Write down things you can do to make yourself ready for when Jesus returns.



When Jesus returns, God will send his angels to gather his chosen ones.

Write down the names of some people for the angels to gather.



## FIND THE SECRET ANSWER

Help the angel find the hidden answer to this question ..... "Who will know when the time is right for Jesus to return?" In the puzzle below, cross out any letter that appears four or more times. Then unscramble the remaining letters to complete the verse below.



B	M	G	S	N	D	V	K	P	Y	Z
J	W	Q	I	H	Z	O	S	W	E	V
P	C	T	B	V	Q	G	X	M	P	I
M	Q	S	L	N	K	Y	C	S	U	B
X	D	J	M	T	X	V	D	J	Z	V
L	U	O	K	S	J	B	K	C	D	R
Q	E	L	P	G	O	Z	U	Q	S	Y
G	I	W	U	X	M	F	K	C	N	G
L	O	C	S	B	I	P	L	J	D	P
Z	U	Y	L	H	N	G	Q	A	W	K

ONLY \_\_\_\_\_ KNOWS.

# 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – YEAR B

## First Reading

A reading from the prophet Daniel 12:1-3

*When that time comes your own people will be spared.*

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:5,8-11

**R. Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.**

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. R.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. R.

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. R

## Second Reading

A reading from the letter of to the Hebrews 10:11-14,18

*By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.*

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool

for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

## Gospel Reading 13:24-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark  
*He shall gather his elect from the four winds.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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