



# MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 21st January 2024



### Gospel Reflection

The day of the Messiah has dawned; but newness demands change: a "turning away" (the original meaning of the word **repentance**) from business as usual and a complete trust in the life and love of God. Simon and Andrew's "abandoning" of their nets and James' and John's "abandoning" of their father in today's Gospel illustrate the total trust and commitment Jesus demands of those who would be his disciples. [connectionsmediaworks.com](http://connectionsmediaworks.com)



### Pope Francis Prayer Intention for January – For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

**Year of Yes Prayer...** Today and every day I say Yes to you O Lord. In the same way that Mary said yes to your invitation, I say Yes to your Son's presence in my life. May my yes, by the power of your Holy Spirit, allow you to use all the talents, skills and gifts you have given me for the purpose of building up Your Body in our community. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. *Amen*

### CHANGES TO WEEKDAY MASSES 9:15am

Mass will be held on the following days...

**Manly:** Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

**Freshwater:** Wednesday

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 MANLY community.

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

### Confraternity of Christian Doctrine – CCD



This weekend at Manly and Freshwater we will hear from some of our current Catechists who will be asking for your help in this important ministry.

Parishioners from the parish visit Manly West, Manly Village and Harbord Public Schools every week in school time. They teach the children using an approved curriculum which is authorized by Bishop Anthony.

We are looking for more Catechists as we have vacancies for teachers in 2024.

Please speak to Laurie Riley (9949 7750) or Toni Walsh (0418 862 410) who will be at the back of the Church after each Mass to answer any of your questions and how you can join this wonderful group.

### INVITATION!!!



We are about to commence a **NEW YEAR** with the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC).

Our first meeting for 2024 will be held on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 5.30pm in the Parish Centre.

We are inviting YOU to consider joining us and make your contribution to the life of this wonderful Parish. There is much to be done and yet so few to commit and help out.

Here is your opportunity. Please ask the likes of Robert Marshall, Michael McGrath, Ian Press, Val Buono, Margaret Dent, Peter Nacard, Ivica Covic and Patrica Carroll of their experiences serving on the PPC. I am pleased to be Chair of this terrific group of Parishioners, and you too could become part of this.

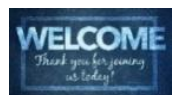
Please contact any of us to discuss joining and becoming part of our Parish Leadership Team or discuss with Jenny in our Parish office 9977 5822.

*Kind regards Paul Pervan – Chair PPC*



### CAN'T GET TO MASS ON SUNDAY AND WANT TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION?

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.



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.

**LET US PRAY FOR** 21st January 2024

**Recently Deceased:** Joan Pereira; Joseph Heng

**Anniversary:** Antonietta Quiattoville;  
Murray Boyle; Maureen Boyle; Eugene Boyle

**Prayers for the sick in our parish: "Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage"** 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; Paul Donnelly; Julie Wallis; Lyn Hillard; Ian Flynn; Jake Usher; Wayne Smedley; Shirley Ford; Apolinar Anasarias; Kay Flenady; Annette Frances O'Leary; Anna Kalayzich; Bill Hipkiss; Veronica Rinaldo; Chinnamma Puliparambil; Paul Gallagher; Jim Turley; Rena Cull; Maria Vasile

### Dates to remember...

- **Cenacle of Our Lady SMM** Tues 9:45am, SJB Wed 9:45am
- **Eucharistic Adoration in Manly** Wed 6pm – 7:30pm



**PARISH GIVING** – thank you for your generous support. We encourage you to use the tap machines at the Church entrances. If you prefer to

use cash there will be **ONE** collection during Mass at the offertory at Manly and **TWO** at Freshwater.

**PILOT PROGRAM** –The Diocese has agreed for Manly to pilot a **ONE COLLECTION** at the weekend Masses. The Diocese will continue to monitor this.

The collection is for the First and Second Plates and will be allocated as follows:

- 25% to Supporting our Priests including the sick & retired in our Diocese.
- 75% to Parish operations and maintenance of building.



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

1. **Planned Giving:** through a monthly direct debit or credit card. Please contact the parish office for more information 9977 5822.
2. **Collection plates during Mass**
3. **Tap and Go machines** using your credit/debit card or. **EFTPOS Terminals.**
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**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** Service will be held at Seaforth Anglican Church, 3 French's Forest Rd Seaforth at 10 am on **Friday 1st March 2024**. This year the service theme "Bear with one another in love" has been written by the Christian women in Palestine, written years before the current conflict.



**The 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 your knitting or other craft if you wish.



**Lectio Divina** Read his story in the Gospels. Spend time with him. Lectio Divina groups meet in the Parish Centre on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm and Wednesday mornings at 10am.



On 13th January, Manly-Freshwater Parish hosted the Northern Beaches Catholic Young Adults Community (NBCYAC) at

the 6pm Vigil Mass at St Mary's Manly. This is a newly formed group of 18–35-year-olds who meet in Fellowship in Jesus every month in different areas of the Peninsula.

The group enjoyed the Vigil Mass and then moved to the New Brighton for dinner, where much fellowship was had!

The next event will be held on February 17th in Forestville (exact place to be determined). If you would like to join, please see Richard Heasman after the 6pm Mass at St Mary's Manly on Sunday.

### PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Bible Study via Zoom: 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7pm
- Cenacle of Our Lady: Tues 9:45am Manly Church
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Weds 6:00pm – 7:30pm Manly
- Lectio Divina: Tues 7.30pm & Weds 10am Parish Centre
- Piety Store: open on weekends or call the Parish Office
- Prayer Group in Spanish – contact Parish Office 9977 5822
- 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 1st Friday 9:15am
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Joseph Men's Group: 1st Thurs of the month 7pm
- St Vincent de Paul: Manly & Freshwater Conferences 2nd Mon each month 5:30pm

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS

**Quiet Prayer & Adoration** 6pm – 7pm  
**Scripture Reflection & Benediction** 7pm – 7:30pm.



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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

### First Reading *Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Jonah

*The Ninevites renounced their evil ways.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

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

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

**R. Teach me your ways, 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. 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 *1 Corinthians 7:29-31 (JB)*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*The world as we know it is passing away.*

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

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

### Gospel Acclamation *Mark 1:15 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News!

Alleluia!

### Gospel *Mark 1:14-20 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*Repent, and believe the Good News.*

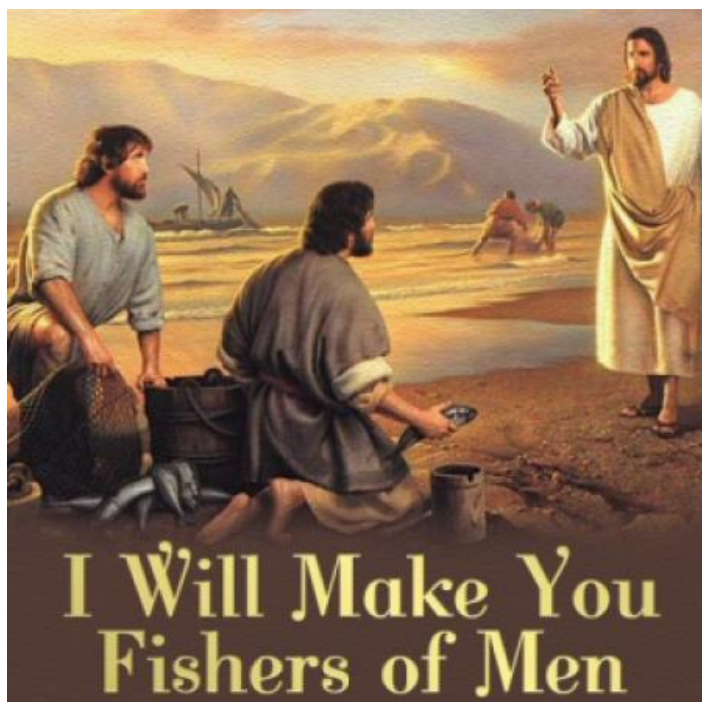
After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets, he called them at once, and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

The Gospel of the Lord

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




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(Secretary); Patricia Carroll; Joanne Druery;  
Val Buono; Ivica Covic; Robert Marshall;  
Peter Nacard, Ian Press, Katalina Taefotu

**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

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**Baptisms:** please contact the parish office  
*Manly:* 4th Sunday of the month  
*Freshwater:* 2nd Sunday of the month

**Reconciliation:** *Manly* Sat 10am – 11am

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