



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 6th February 2022

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Commercial fishing has always been a hard way to make a living. It is hard work, sometimes with little or no reward; it requires a substantial investment of time and money for boat and gear and their maintenance; it entails considerable risk in leaving the safety of homeport for the open sea; it compels crews to work together to bring in the catch. The work of the prophet/disciple demands that same kind of hard work, risk, personal investment, patience, and sense of community.

The best fishing, Peter and his brothers knew, was done at night; little is caught during the heat of the day. So, Peter's agreeing to lower his nets at Jesus' urging was, for a fisherman of Peter's experience, an act of considerable faith. And as today's Gospel recounts, Peter's faith is rewarded abundantly. If the first disciples of Jesus had any special grace at all, it was an openness to Jesus' call and teaching.

In Luke's account, Peter's reaction is somewhat surprising. Upon realizing who Jesus is, he cowers away. In the light of Christ's revelation, Peter recognizes his own unworthiness and humbleness in the sight of God. But Jesus assures him he has not come to drive sinners from his presence but to bring them back to God – to catch them in "net" of God's love.

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COVID REQUIREMENTS

Please remember you MUST...

- QR code before entering the Church
- Wear a mask for Mass
- Cleanse your hands
- Observe social distancing



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.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

Livestreaming on Facebook Sunday 8:30am Mass
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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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Recently Deceased: Marty O'Donnell;
Kevin Crowe

Anniversary: Jozo Strinic

Prayers for the sick in our parish: "Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage" Meg and Wayne Storey,

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February**Year C**

Mon 7/2 – 5th week Ord Time 1 Kg 8:1-7,9-13; Ps 131:6-10; Mk 6:53-56
Tue 8/2 – 5th week Ord Time

1 Kg 8:22-23,27-30; Ps 83:3-5,10-11; Mk 7:1-13

Wed 9/2 – 5th week Ord Time

1 Kg 10:1-10; Ps 36:5-6,30-31,39-40; Mk 7:14-23

Thurs 10/2 – St Scholastica

1 Kg 11:4-13; Ps 105:3-4,35-37,40; Mk 7:24-30

Fri 11/2 – 5th week Ord Time

1 Kg 11:29-32;12:19; Ps 80:10-15; Mk 7:31-37

Sat 12/2 – 5th week Ord Time

1 Kg 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 105:6-7,19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Sun 13/2 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4; 1 Cor 15:12,16-20; Lk 6:17,20-26

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

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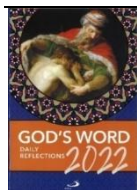


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**Pope Francis @Pontifex**

We at times risk seeing our consecration only in terms of results, goals and success. The Spirit, on the other hand, asks for none of this. He wants us to cultivate daily fidelity, attentive to the little things entrusted to our care.



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Please call CatholicCare on 9481 2600 or email info@catholiccarebb.org.au.



Available at the entrances of the Churches

Dates to remember...

- **Craft Group** Tues 10am – 12noon
- **Lectio Divina** Tues 7:30pm and Wed 10am
- **Eucharistic Adoration in Manly** Wednesdays 6:30pm – 7:30pm
- **St Paul's College Opening Mass** Tuesday 8th Feb @ 9:15am
- **Bible Study (Zoom)** Tues 8th Feb @ 7pm
- **First Communion Parents Workshops** Manly: Tuesday 15th Feb @ 7pm
Freshwater: Wednesday 23rd Feb @ 7pm



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.



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 along your knitting or other craft if you wish.

Lectio Divina Read his story in the Gospels.

Spend time with Him.
Lectio Divina groups meet
Tuesday 7.30pm and
Wednesday 10am
in the Parish Centre.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS**
Quiet Prayer & Adoration

6:30pm – 7pm

Scripture Reflection and Benediction

7pm – 7:30pm

Divine Mercy Prayers

1st Wednesday of the month
after 9:15am Mass



We are happy to be able to resume the baptisms at both Manly (4th Sunday) and Freshwater (2nd Sunday) Churches since the Covid restrictions have eased. If you would like to have a baptism, please contact the parish office 9977 5822.



MINISTRY TRAINING

Senior Servers Fr David will be offering a program to prepare new senior servers for our parish to assist the priests at weekend

Masses and weekday Masses (if you are available).

Applications are open to males and females from 17 years of age onwards.

Those who are already Ministers of Communion may wish to consider becoming Senior Servers.

Readers

Fr David will be offering a program for new Readers for weekend Masses and weekday Masses (if you are available).

If you are interested in one or both of these Ministries, please contact the parish office on 9977 5822 or manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au



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Confraternity of Christian Doctrine



The first CCD catechist training program of the year will begin in February for new and provisional (yellow card) catechists. [Download flyer](#)

The postponed Annual CCD Mass & Presentation of Awards will now be held on Saturday 26 February 2022. Invitation is on back of our latest edition of Connections

[Download invitation](#)

ZOOM ZOOM ZOOM

Meeting ID 872 561 5999 / Code: 2512

BIBLE STUDY: Tues 8th February @ 7pm *Gospel of St Mark* Fr John will continue a Bible Study via Zoom on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday each month at 7pm.

ROSARY: 1st Thurs 6pm, every other Thurs 7pm via Zoom.

MEN'S GROUP: Thurs 3rd March @ 7pm
Fr John will continue to lead a Men's Group on the 1st Thursday each month at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

You are most welcome to join.



We are currently seeking more Catechists and Helpers for our CCD Classes in 2022

What is a Catechist? A Catechist is someone who is from our Parish Community who volunteers

- To teach and share their faith with the Children in our local government schools.
- Has a passion for sharing the gift of faith with young people.

What is involved? To be a Catechist you need to be able to:

- Give around 1 hour each week to share your faith in a local government school.
- Do a little bit of preparation at home, using the lesson resources and work books provided for students and the catechist.
- Participate in online training and support offered from time to time.

Who can be a Catechist?

Catechists come in all shapes, ages and from all walks of life, reflecting the rich tapestry of our Church.

- Many Catechists start as a classroom helper and from there are eager to take on a class themselves.

If you put your hand up to be involved you will be really well supported with online training and resources.

Currently we have classes at all our schools that do not have a Teacher or Helper so please consider joining our wonderful team of Catechists and Helpers.

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

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

St John's School News...



What a fantastic first week at St John the Baptist! The children have loved reconnecting with peers and settling back into a new school year. A very warm welcome to our Kindergarten children as they begin their schooling journey and to all the

new students at the school. Please also give a warm welcome to our lovely new staff: Margaret Brewster, Caitlin Gravemade, Ben Donlan, Gabriella Herzog and Robyn Scali. We are also excited to have Emma Eddy returning from maternity leave.

Take care and God Bless, from the Staff at St John the Baptist, Freshwater.

St Mary's School News...



What a wonderful start to the year we have had! It was lovely to see all the children return, ready to learn with a smile on their faces! A special welcome to our

Kindergarten children who started their school journey on Wednesday. We prayer for a smooth transition and a full year of fun and learning. *Kind regards Alexis Conn (REC)*

PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Bible Study via Zoom: 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7pm (see bulletin notice for login details)
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am in the Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Manly Church Weds 6:30pm – 7:30pm
- Lectio Divina: Tues 7.30pm & Weds 10am in the Parish Centre
- Piety Store: call Parish Office
- Reconciliation: Manly: Sat 10am – 11am
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822
- Rosary via Zoom: 1st Thurs 6pm, every other Thurs 7pm (see bulletin notice for login details)

PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS

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

Ministry Roster – Manly

	6th Sunday in Ord Time	12-13 February 2022
6pm Vigil Mass	Server	Louise Wareham
	Readers	Jean Halcrow
	Music	CD's
	Welcomers	John & Merle Zemek
	Piety Store	Merle Zemek
	Flowers	Hazel Cottee Carole O'Donnell
8:30am Mass	Server	Martino Hoang
	Readers	Patty Thomas Olivia Ellis
	Music	Parish Choir
	AV Screens	Robert Marshall
	Welcomers	Paul Cunningham
	Piety Store	Jan Dorsen
10:30am Mass	Servers	Ivica Covic Iona & Teresa Hearn
	Readers	Rita Bruzzese Janie Fonua
	Music	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz
	AV Screens	Robert Marshall
	Welcomers	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan
	Piety Store	Lynette Duffy
6pm Mass	Server	Kieran & Michael Wan
	Readers	Sandie Cornish
	Music	Josh Willard
	Welcomers	Assistance Required
	Piety Store	Assistance Required

Ministry Roster – Freshwater

	6th Sunday in Ord Time	12-13 February 2022
5pm Vigil	Server	Joanne Druery
	Readers	Nela & Zara Hornikova
	Music	CD's
	Welcomers	Shirley Abbott
	Server	Francis Raymond
9am Mass	Readers	Vincent Bokanovic Luka Bokanovic
	Music	Pat Brown
	Welcomers	Sally Moffatt
	Altar Society	Jacqui Good Mary Arcus





LENTEN PENANCE

The Season of Lent is a time of preparation for the celebration of Easter. It is an annual journey whereby we are drawn more deeply into the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

The Fathers of the Second Vatican Council taught that the Lenten liturgy has a twofold means of preparation. By remembering their own Baptism and undertaking penance, the liturgy assists in the renewal and ongoing formation of the *faithful* (cf. *Sacrosanctum Concilium* 109). The formation of *catechumens* via the various stages of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is equally an important part of Lent (cf. GIRM 27).

For both the local community of the faithful and the elect, Lent is a time of grace and mercy whereby the Holy Spirit greets and renews those who seek to live as disciples of the Lord Jesus, who is our light and our salvation (cf. Psalm 27).

The Season of Lent commences on **Ash Wednesday**. Given the challenges of the past two years and the turbulent disruption for so many in our community of the Church, Lent 2022 will be a particularly important time to reconnect with the Body of Christ; to reflect upon our spiritual pilgrimage both as individuals and as one community of disciples.

In our Catholic tradition, it is commemorated as a time for conversion, repentance, and renewal. Marking our foreheads with ashes on Ash Wednesday is an outward sign of internal conversion. It is also an invitation to “*Turn away from sin and believe the good news*”. In this annual invitation, we acknowledge our human vulnerability, and we pray to be strengthened by God’s grace, mercy, and love.

In imitation of Jesus our teacher and master, we also fast (cf. Matthew 4:1-11). Like Our Lord, we will journey into the desert places of our life. Where the Lord has gone, we hope to follow, and so we must expect some challenges and temptations because the Gospel reminds us that this too was the plight of Jesus. Christians are people of hope, so during these moments of vulnerability, let us take shelter in God’s mercy and compassion.

DAYS OF PENANCE

On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, abstinence from meat is to be observed by those who have completed their fourteenth year of age. Those who are aged between 18 and 60 are to fast on these days. Priests should encourage those under their pastoral care to embrace the spirit of abstinence and fasting. This Lenten practice is not to be a burden upon those who have health issues or special needs. During this time of pandemic, pastors of souls will be particularly vigilant as to encourage the faithful to undertake the disciplines of Lent with moderation and care.



On all other Fridays of the year the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

1. *Prayer* – for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary; or in other ways;
2. *Self-denial* – for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or deserts; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor in one's own country and elsewhere; limiting screen time on social media; or in other ways;
3. *Helping others* – for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened or feeling isolated from our Church community; or in other ways.

Lent is from **Ash Wednesday** (2 March 2022) until the **Mass of the Lord's Supper** (14 April 2022) inclusive. Fasting is also observed on **Good Friday** and if possible, on **Holy Saturday** until the Easter Vigil.

PASCHAL PRECEPT

Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is done between **Ash Wednesday** and **Trinity Sunday** (12 June 2022), unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year.

All the faithful who have reached the age of discretion (seven years old) are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year. Given the disruption to community gatherings that can occur during the pandemic, Priests in the Diocese of Broken Bay are encouraged to make a special effort this year by making available to the faithful the first form of the Rite of Penance.

I encourage you to read the Scriptures in your homes, individually and as a family. Likewise, you may take the opportunity to be part of a Lenten prayer or discussion group, face to face or online. The Paschal mystery is the heart of the Eucharist. Personal private prayer before the Blessed Sacrament is a wonderful way to probe the mystery of faith. Our churches are regularly open outside of Mass times to assist the faithful in making a visit for prayer and adoration. Stations of the Cross are also a splendid spiritual devotion in our tradition, providing us with the occasion to walk the way to Calvary with Christ. While individuals can follow the *Via Crucis* on any day of Lent, the Stations are particularly meaningful on the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ, I pray in these weeks ahead that our community of the Church of Broken Bay will be open to encounter new life in Christ. This Lent, may we humbly confess our sins, prayerfully perform our penance, and joyfully proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through words and deeds of charity, mercy, and compassion.

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD JCL
Bishop of Broken Bay

6 February 2022

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

First Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8 (JB)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Here am I! Send me.

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings. And they cried out one to another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. His glory fills the whole earth.' The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said: 'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said: 'See now, this has touched your lips, your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: 'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?' I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137:1-5, 7-8 (JB)

R. In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. R.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. R.

All earth's kings shall thank you when they hear the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the Lord's ways: 'How great is the glory of the Lord!' R.

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. R.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (JB)

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

I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you - believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of

whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:19 (JB)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 5:1-11 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

They left everything and followed him.


Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats - it was Simon's - and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

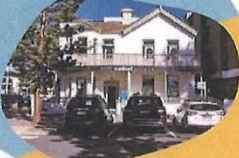
When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.


All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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Weekend Masses:

Manly: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

Freshwater: Saturday Vigil 5:00pm & Sunday 9am

Weekday Masses:

Manly: Tuesday – Friday 9:15am

Freshwater: Tuesday – Friday 9:15am

Baptisms: please contact the parish office

Manly 4th Sunday of the month

Freshwater 2nd Sunday of month

Reconciliation: Manly Sat 10am – 11am

Parish Pastoral Council: Paul Pervan (Chair), Ian Press (Deputy Chair), Margaret Dent (Secretary), Ivica Covic; Joanne Druery; Robert Marshall; Michael McGrath

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