



**Diocese of Broken Bay**

# MANLY FRESHWATER PARISH

Mary Immaculate, Manly and  
St John the Baptist, Freshwater

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**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

## The Ascension of the Lord 2nd June 2019



“First Communion, is, above all, a celebration.

We celebrate Jesus, who wants to remain always by our side. He will always be with us.

Making your First Communion shows that you want to be closer to Jesus every day, to grow in friendship with him and to lead other people to share in the joy he wants us to feel.

May today be the beginning of many Communion, so that your hearts may always, like today, be festive, full of joy and, above all else, gratitude.

This is our identity card: God is our Father, Jesus is our brother, the church is our family. All of us are brothers and sisters, and our law is love.” *Pope Francis May 2019*

**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.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June: Priests**

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are the most poor.

**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.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Vuna Tuifua (Chair); Laurie de Ambrosio; Joanne Druery; Richard Heasman; Michael Larkin; Robert Marshall; Ian Press; Freya Zemek

**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

## June

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Mon 3/6 – Charles Lwanga	Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
Tue 4/6 – 7th week of Easter	Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11
Wed 5/6 – St Boniface	Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19
Thurs 6/6 – 7th week of Easter	Acts 22:30,23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Fri 7/6 – 7th week of Easter	Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19
Sat 8/6 – 7th week of Easter	Acts 28:16-20,30-31; Jn 21:20-25
Sun 9/6 – Pentecost Sunday	Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; Jn 14:15-16,23-26

## LET US PRAY FOR

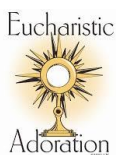
2nd June 2019

**Recently Deceased:** Stephen Taylor; Emmeline Holland; Anita Lo Cascio

**Anniversary:** June Beninati; Lorna Cummins; Norman Cummins; Wally Sandner

**Prayers for the sick in our parish:** Mark Taylor; Joan Knap Hunt (Knappie); Wayne Smedley; Sofia Musso (child); Kay Flenady; Leon Cochrane, Jonathan Keil, Robina Dwyer, Betty Borg; Ann Irvin; Prionsias Kearney; Brian Davies; Majella McLoughlin; Debbie Vernon; Desmond Connors; Lauren Hannahan; Virginia Leary; Rosalba Galuis

**Mass Intention Publications:** All Mass Intentions may be left at the Parish Office or on the collection plates on the weekend. Names for Mass Intentions for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries and for those who are sick (permission of the person is required) will be included in the weekly bulletin. All other Mass Intentions (including yearly offerings) will be given directly to the Priests who will offer the Masses.




Adoration

**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

Please TURN OFF your mobile phones during all Church services; that includes sending/receiving text messages

 St Mary's Church at Manly is fitted with an audio loop for hearing impaired.

**The St Vincent de Paul Clothing** bags available for you in the Piety Store and you can return your clean clothing donations either to the Piety Store or the Church Foyer. There will also be SVDP Clothing Appeals from time to time.

## DATES TO REMEMBER...

- **1st Communion 2nd June**
- **RCIA** Tue 4th June @ 7pm
- **SJB Yr 6 Class Mass** Tues 4th June @ 9:15am
- **SMM Yr 3 Class Mass** Thurs 6th June @ 9:15am

## SUNDAY MORNING TEAS

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

**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.



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.



**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. Visitors to the area are more than welcome.



**Lectio Divina** Read his story in the Gospels. Spend time with him. Listen to what he says. Lectio Divina group meets in the Parish Centre on Wednesday mornings at 10am.



**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION** Anyone interested in this form of silent prayer is most welcome to attend. We meet each Monday at 6pm in the Parish Centre. Enq: Hazel Cottee 0402 052 088  
"Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46: vs 10)



**Children's Liturgy** is held each weekend at Manly during the 8.30am Mass and at Freshwater during the 9am Mass



**The Parish Playgroup** is held during school terms on Monday morning in the Parish Hall at Manly from 8.30am to 10.30am.

**POPE FRANCIS CALL TO HOLINESS GROUP** continues Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm in the Parish End Room. All Welcome



**FRESHWATER FRIDAY 7TH JUNE** Please note there will be Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 9:15am on Friday 7th June at Freshwater.



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the children who will be making their First Holy Communion this weekend at Freshwater at the 9am Mass & Manly at the 10:30am Mass.

Please remember the children and their families in your prayers.

### Prayer before Communion

Dear Jesus,  
I am preparing to receive you in Holy Communion.  
Help me to be loving and kind,  
help me to receive you  
and believe in you  
and love you with all my heart.  
Amen.

### Prayer After Communion

Thank you, Lord Jesus  
for giving yourself to me.  
Make me strong to show your  
love wherever I may be. Amen



**Manly Piety Store** at the rear of the Church, has a large selection of First Communion Gifts come in and take a look



## CONFIRMATION PARENT WORKSHOP

Confirmation is the second Sacrament of Initiation & is received by children about 7 years old (normally school year 2).

If you wish your child to be a part of the **program you are must to attend one** of the following compulsory workshops:

- **Tuesday 11 June at 7pm** at St Mary's Church, Manly
- **Wednesday 12 June at 7pm** at St John the Baptist Hall, Freshwater

For further information please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822.



The Parish will be holding a preparation Program for Children aged 5 and over who wish to be Baptised into the Catholic Faith. Please contact the Parish on 9977 5822 for further information.



Let yourself be transformed and renewed by the Holy Spirit, in order to bring Christ into every environment and to give witness to the joy and youthfulness of the Gospel!

## FR PAUL'S YOU TUBE

Please take a minute to watch Fr Paul Kim's presentation on The Ascension of the Lord

<https://youtu.be/bZBM6r5gl2I>



First of all, we would like to thank everyone for their fantastic support over the years. We could not do the work we do without your support.

Our winter appeal will begin on Saturday 15th June, envelopes will be on the church pews from Saturday 8th June. We would like to give a little background of our work in the parish.

Manly conference has made over 340 home visits and helped over 100 families. Freshwater conference has made over 100 home visits and helped over 60 families. As you can see there is a great need for help in our area. We would like to thank the parents, teachers and children from our parish schools for their support of our Christmas and Winter Appeals.

Many thanks to our conference members who generously give up their time to help those in need. Thanks to Father David and Father Paul for their continued support.

If you would like to become a volunteer to do conference visits or help out in our Brookvale Office you would be most welcome. Please contact Bruce or Mick through the parish office.

Bruce Whittet – Manly Conference  
Michael O'Farrell – Freshwater Conference.



## THINKING ABOUT LIFE & FAITH?

### Christianity for Adults

Sycamore is a new programme of evangelisation and catechesis' It consists of ten films that explore some of the core questions often put to Christian believers:

- How can I find true happiness?
- What is the meaning of life? Does God exist?
- Who is Jesus Christ?

It deals with topics such as the Holy Spirit, the Church, the Bible, the Christian Tradition, faith, prayer, love, vocation, and the purpose of life. People are invited to learn about the Christian faith, and to share their own ideas and questions without fear of being judged.

[www.sycamore.fm](http://www.sycamore.fm)

**Manly Catenians** are part of a global association that offers a forum for catholic men to socialise. We meet locally each 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed for dinner, generally with a guest speaker but always ensuring a fun night. Try us out. Manly Parish has several members but can do with more. Laurie de Ambrosis is a member and would be happy to provide more details. 0418276186.



## FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADOVA

Sunday 16th June 2019 is the annual celebration at St John the Baptist Church, Freshwater. The program for the day is as follows:

- 1:00pm Confession
- 1:30pm Holy Mass celebrated with blessing of the bread and children during the Mass
- 3:30pm Holy Procession accompanied by the Italian Brass Band of Giuseppe Verdi and escorted by the Italian Carabinieri in their colourful uniforms

TRIDIO: 12th, 13th, 14th June at 7:30pm;  
Recita del Santo Rosario at 7pm...**ALL WELCOME**

### St Mary's School News...

Our May Family Mass was held on Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> May. It was wonderful to see many families join us to celebrate this Mass and enjoy the sausage sizzle afterwards. We thank the Year 2 parents and children for leading us in the preparation of this Mass.

Our Year 5 and 6 children attended class Mass on Thursday and Year 5 students also visited the residents of Wesley Heights Nursing Home. It is great to see our students participate and be involved in our parish and wider community.

Finally, congratulations to all the children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend. We pray that you will forever be blessed as you continue to trust God and grow in His grace. Congratulations!

*Monique Johnston (REC)*

### St John the Baptist School News...

**St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School ranked 2nd out of 52 Northern Beaches Primary Schools for 2018 NAPLAN** The *Manly Daily* looked at the combined Year 3 and Year 5 results for reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation; and numeracy to determine how schools ranked overall. The full results of these 2018 NAPLAN tests were released on 10th April 2019.

**STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics)** Students in Years 3 to 6 are engaged in STEM Projects which engage children in critical and creative thinking by investigating and taking action to solve real world problems in the chosen areas of sustainability and biodiversity, human impact on the environment and renewable energy. The students will then participate in a Science Fair being held at St Paul's Catholic College in August.  
*Judy Slattery (Principal)*

## Plenary Council 2020 – Year of Discernment


The Year of Discernment phase of our journey towards Plenary Council 2020 continues in earnest at Pentecost, beginning with 5pm Pentecost Vigil Mass celebrated by Fr David Ranson, Diocesan Administrator at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

In the weeks following, resources will become available to support small group listening and discernment encounters related to the themes.

Keep up to date with the latest information and resources by subscribing to the Plenary Council Newsletter at:

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> and by clicking on 'News'.

**PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAM**




The Resilient Child

How can we help children develop their resilience and cope better with the ups and downs of school life? What strategies develop "mental health fitness" in children and lifelong wellbeing skills?

Joins us for a workshop that will provide you with:

- A better understanding of what is "wellbeing"
- Strategies for building resilience and coping skills
- Ideas to develop "mentally fit" children
- Building a growth mindset at home.



**This is a FREE workshop**  
Brought to you by the Parent Education Team, Catholic Schools Office, Diocese of Broken Bay.

**Tuesday, 18 June at 7pm**  
**"Open Kindy Classes"**  
Come and see how the Kindy classroom works at 6.15pm for 2020 Kindergarten  
**St Mary's School, Manly**  
RSVP to [smm@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:smm@dbb.catholic.edu.au) by 14 June (9977 2225)

**YES! I will be attending "The Resilient Child" workshop**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Class \_\_\_\_\_

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



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)

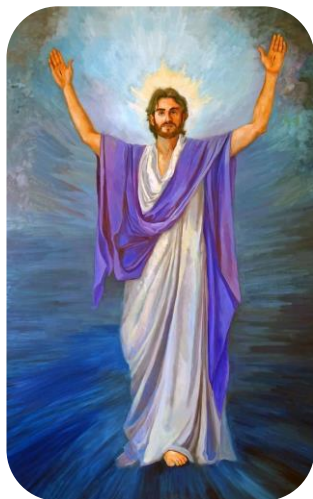
If you would like to use one of our tap units at **Manly** there is a unit in the front foyer of the Church and at the side exit into the Carpark.

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

## Manly and Freshwater Roster 8th – 9th June 2019

Ministry	Manly 6pm Vigil	Manly 8.30am	Manly 10.30am	Manly 6pm	Freshwater 5pm Vigil	Freshwater 9am
<b>Acolytes</b>	Kazuko Fischer	Louise Wareham	Ron Gravolin	Ivica Covic	Lou Maruca	Mick O'Farrell
<b>Servers</b>	Bernie Lawler		Iona & Teresa Hearn	Michael, Kieran, Gabriele Wan Evan & Byron Cahill		
<b>Readers</b>	Carmel Lawler Jean Halcrow	Paul Walsh Rita Bruzzese	Janie Fonua Marlene Bowring	Mark Sing Flora Spiteri	Family Mass	Richard Feledy Assistance Req
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	Carmel Lawler Maree Rowan	Trish McGregor Tiere Morgan	Kim McGrath <b>Assistance Req</b>	Paula Martin Richard Heasman	Family Mass	Pam Brown
<b>Music</b>	CD's	Bianca Zatz Parish Choir	Kath Papallo Gina Marshall	Josh Willard	Josh Willard	Pat Brown
<b>AV Screens</b>	Peter Simpson	Parish Choir	Robert Marshall	Bill Tango	Family Mass	Margie Gruca
<b>Warden</b>	John Zemek	Dom Ferragina	Marika Jones	Stephen Crowley		
<b>Piety Shop</b>	Louise Wareham	Jan Dorsen	Maria Condomitti	Lynette & Eliza Duffy		
<b>Flowers/ Altar Society</b>	Hazel Cottee Carole O'Donnell					Mary Ann Marles
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Sophie Ford Rose Redding	Filipino Group			Storey Family
<b>Children's Lit</b>		Claire Shefford				Rena Curll

### The Ascension of the Lord Reflection...



St Luke in the Gospel is passing on the continuity between the ministry of Jesus and that of the disciples who, when empowered with the Spirit at Pentecost, will become eyewitnesses and ministers of the Word. So, the disciples are not dismayed, nor do they lament the departure of Jesus. They have a task to fulfil; they will be equipped for that task; they have Jesus' promise that he will return. So, having worshipped the One they now recognise to be God's Son as

well as Messiah, they return to Jerusalem with great joy, to await the promised 'clothing with power from on high'.

Continuing the Paschal victory of Jesus, his messianic work continues as he breathes his Spirit into the Church that will carry on his mission. What the Church must understand – what the Ascension assures her – is that accompanying all her endeavours is the victory of her risen Lord, who now stands at the right hand of God interceding on behalf of all (Rom 8:34).

The Ascension reveals the presence of Christ everywhere in the universe. He is no longer limited by earthly conditions — to be in one place at one time in his presence to his followers — but now dwells in Heaven with the Father: and is present in every gathering of his people — so he is present among us now, present whenever his people are in need, present in hearts calling us to be disciples and to be his hands, and feet, and voice in our lives. To celebrate this feast today is not to recall a past event — that day long ago 'when he went up to heaven' — but to rejoice that Jesus is our living Lord, with us now, leading and guiding us, until he comes again.

*Brendan Byrne sj | Thomas O'Loughlin 2019*

### 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 Wed 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



# Jesus was taken up to heaven

My name is

Ascension, Year C

Draw Jesus ascending into heaven.



Even though Jesus ascended into heaven he is always with us. Complete the sentences below.

Jesus is with me when....

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Jesus is with me when....

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Jesus is with me when....

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## ASCENSION

How many words can you make from the letters in the word ASCENSION?

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# The Ascension of the Lord – YEAR C

**Note: Readings for the First Communion Mass will be taken from the Children's Lectionary**

## **First Reading**      *Acts 1:1-11 (JB)*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*Why are you standing here looking into the sky?  
Jesus has been taken into heaven.*

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

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

## **Responsorial Psalm**      *Ps 46:2-3, 6-9 (JB)*

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:  
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. R.

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. R.

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. R.

## **Second Reading**      *Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23 (JB)*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*Christ has entered heaven.*

It is not as though Christ has entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

In other words, brothers, through the blood of Jesus we have the right to enter the sanctuary, by a new way which he had opened for us, a living opening through the curtain, that is to say, his body. And we have the supreme high priest over all the house of God. So as we go in, let us be sincere in heart and filled with faith, our mind sprinkled and free from any trace of bad conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us keep firm in the hope we profess, because the one who made the promise is faithful.

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

## **Gospel Acclamation** *Matthew 28:19, 20 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

## **Gospel** *Luke 24:46-53 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke  
*While blessing them, he was taken to heaven.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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