

MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary- 15th August 2021

In the Western church, August 15 is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, the celebration of Mary's body as well as soul being "assumed" into heaven; in the Eastern church, today's feast is called the "Dormition" or "falling asleep" of Mary; in the Lutheran, Episcopal and many other churches, August 15 is the feast of St. Mary the Virgin.

The Gospel for August 15 is Mary's **Magnificat**, her song of hope and joy in the Christ she will bear. The words of the **Magnificat** should dispel any notion we might hold of Mary as a reserved, diffident figure. Her canticle is nothing less than a prophetic, cutting-edge declaration of faith in the living, creating love of God. Her song celebrates God's saving work of the past and anticipates the saving work of the child in her womb. The **Magnificat** is the first



proclamation of the Gospel of the Christ: Mary is the "lowly servant" on whom God looks with favor; she mirrors the Good News her Son will proclaim: the Gospel of forgiveness, humble service to one another, justice and, ultimately, resurrection. *connectionsmediaworks.com*



PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

Donate to help families and parish communities in Broken Bay.

We are delighted to announce the Charitable Works Fund (CWF) is rebranding to Pastoral Works Broken Bay from July 2021. The purpose of the new name is to better reflect the authentic, lifegiving pastoral work you are helping to support, and provide a name that uniquely connects it to our Diocese of Broken Bay.

At this time, we appreciate support that can be given, no matter how big or small. Our ministries continue to operate and provide vital services. We encourage donations at our parish website or www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks. All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Collection envelopes for Masses will be available when parishes re-open. Thank you for helping to renew and rebuild lives. Every gift makes a difference to someone in hospital, school, a parish or the wider community.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

On Facebook - manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos - Sunday 8:30am Mass

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August: The Church Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light 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

LET US PRAY FOR

15 August 2021

Recently Deceased: Errol Jones; Susana Tisi; Irene Stevenson

Anniversary: Mara Strinic

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

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

August 2021	Year B
Mon 16/8 – 20th week in Ord Time	Judges 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22
Tue 17/8 – 20th week in Ord Time	Judges 6:11-24; Mt 19:23-30
Wed 18/8 – 20th week in Ord Time	Judges 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16
Thurs 19/8 – 20th week in Ord Time	Judges 11:29-39; Mt 22:1-14
Fri 20/8 – St Bernard Ru	ith 1:1,3-6,14-16,22; Mt 22:34-40
Sat 21/8 – St Pius X Rut	th 2:1-3,8-11,4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12
Sun 22/8 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Joshua 24:1-2,15-18; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69	

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

<u>Parish facebook</u>: facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish <u>Parish website</u>: bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater

DUE TO THE LOCKDOWN NO GROUPS ARE MEETING ONSITE



WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION?



Please scan the QR SCAN ME code for Credit Cards donations

or director deposit details are below

New: Scan to Donate using the QR code to access our BPoint Donation page. You will then be able to click the BPoint logo on the webpage to take you to the payment page. This secure system provided by the BPoint

Commonwealth Bank Australia will give you the option of having your receipt emailed to you.



Payment

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

Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish 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.

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

ZOOM ZOOM ZOOM

The following meetings have been schedules for week ahead: Craft Group – Tuesday at 10am Lectio Divinia – Tuesday at 7:30pm Lectio Divinia – Wednesday at 10am Youth Group – Sunday at 7pm



If you would like to join these meetings, please contact the Parish Office for the meeting id and password



ST CLARE'S PARISH PRAYER GROUP ONLINE:

St Clare is the patron saint of television. As screens are currently helping many

in our community stay connected we are embracing St Clare as our patron for an online prayer group, meeting Wednesday at 7:30pm. **If you have an intention** you would like us to pray for please email <u>faithwomen2020@gmail.com</u> and we will include your intention in our evening of prayers. If you would like to join us in the prayer group, please email <u>faithwomen2020@gmail.com</u> for the ID and password. We very much look forward to seeing you (on our screens) and praying with you.

MASS FOR YOU al hame Each week the Sunday Mass is broadcasted on Channel 10 at 6.00am.

God does not come in extraordinary events, but works amid the apparent monotony of our daily life, in the frequently dull rhythm of our activities,

in the little things that, working with tenacity and humility, we achieve in our efforts to do his will.

Safeguarding: It is important to always look for ways to improve and make things safer for children and young people and provide feedback to the Clergy of the Parish and Ministry Leaders.



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 <u>info@catholiccaredbb.org.au</u>. They are here to help our parish families.

Please note this support is able to be offered due to Government funding so they will require ID and some documentation to access assistance but they can walk you through the requirements.



FRIDAY 27TH AUGUST 6PM

JOIN our Vinnies Community Sleepout or donate to help us rebuild lives for people experiencing homelessness.



A virtual event - we will be in our own homes but together online and in one spirit.

By choosing to sleep out at home in your car, backyard or on your couch, you can continue to help

raise crucial funds for Vinnies and connect online with some of the realities faced by those experiencing homelessness and disadvantage.

To join or make a donation go to

https://my.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/vinniescommunity-sleepout-central-coast-region-2021/



SCRIPTURE CLASSES FROM HOME With our schools closed, we would like to reach out to the Children who would normally attend our Scripture classes each week We are now able to offer Learning from Home SRE Lessons - please go use the following link

https://www.ccress.org.au/





Memorare to St. Joseph

Remember, O most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector, Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection, or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them. Amen.

National Day of Prayer in this Time of Pandemic – Sunday 22 August

An ecumenical National Day of Prayer has been organised for Sunday 22 August, calling Australia to come together in prayer in light of the current COVID-19 crisis. The theme is '*Lord have mercy'*, as we make this verse from Ps. 123 our own: **Our eyes look to the Lord our God till He shows us His mercy**" (Ps. 123:2).

A Prayer Call on Zoom, from 9am to 9pm on Sunday 22 August, will feature Church leaders and Indigenous Christian Leaders. Participants can join for as long as they wish. In addition, daily prayers will be offered in the week prior, from 16 August.

For more information and to register, please visit: <u>http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au/LordHave</u> <u>Mercy/</u>

St Mary's School News....

We would like to congratulate our wonderful students and families are St Mary's for their dedication and support during home-based learning. We know it hasn't been easy, but we are so proud of all the work and effort you are putting in to your daily Zooms and online work. We had a blast at our virtual disco last Friday and have a few more fun activities up our sleeve...we will keep you posted! *Kind regards Alexis Conn (REC)*

St John the Baptist School News...

It was joyous to join as a whole school on Monday morning (albeit virtually) to celebrate the Feast Day of St Mary MacKillop. In a time of such change and uncertainty in our world we can take comfort from the words of Mary, "There where you are you will find God." Mary MacKillop 1871. A



gentle reminder that although we are not able to gather in our usual way, and that life feels and looks very different, God is walking with us no matter our journey.

This week we are looking forward to judging the student's entries for the annual Bishop's Art Prize. Look out next week for our announcement of the finalist artworks!

Warm regards Sharna Taranto (Acting R.E.C.)

THE FUTURE OF CATHOLICISM IN AUSTRALIA FORUM 2: Outcomes and Actions for the Plenary Council

The Australasian Catholic Coalition for Church Reform invites Australian Catholics to the second in a series of convocations via Zoom - 3-10 October 2021

Free Registration - http://www.acccr.com.au

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo - Bishop of Broken Bay Message 03 August 2021

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, These past five weeks or so, have triggered unending questions from various corners of the community. Some enquiries are helpful, as they raise awareness around the neighbourhood, they highlight what might be of assistance to others as we navigate new spaces and evolving relationships.

There are some in our community who have a gift for these kinds of questions. They seem to observe the needs of others and are able to engage the space positively between the strict letter of the law and the rigid adherence to protocols. They have the gift of seeing the common good and making a positive contribution to making it a reality. There are some in the community who have the gift of being able to identify issues but are challenged by what they see and hear to the point that they become fearful, distrusting, and sceptical.

If we are honest, we might discover that there is a little bit of column A and a little bit of column B in most of us. No one this side of the grave is the full package or has the complete formula for navigating life.

Our 21st century culture sometimes hoodwinks us into thinking otherwise. However, it is not a unique trap for our generation. Time and again, history records that the human family has yielded to the temptation to be all powerful, all knowing, and all accomplished. Time and again human history demonstrates that this mentality and the behaviour that extends from it is false. It can cause leaders to become despotic, which in turn can elicit disorder and anarchy from the people. The common good is quickly replaced by personal wants and desires. The well-being of others might only be considered after the ego is first satisfied.

One of our great challenges at this time is ignorance. This ignorance is fuelled by the lack of general knowledge, the fear of different cultures, the unwillingness to determine historical facts, the inability to use reason in search of a higher good, and the pride of believing that one can go it alone.

It is precisely in moments and circumstances like this that our Christian faith urges us to look beyond ourselves to Christ, the Lord and Saviour of the world. He is the remedy for the ill that plagues our world.

Over these weeks, our Sunday Gospel readings are taken from Chapter Six of the Gospel according to John (John 6). Biblical scholars commonly refer to chapter six as The Bread of Life Discourse. Saint John reminds us that Jesus gives himself as the bread of life so that the crowds may believe.

I think that the Bread of Life Discourse has come at the right moment for us this year, especially while we are in lockdown under the stay-at-home orders. I am deeply conscious of the pain that many feel because they are not able to receive holy communion, have regular access to the sacraments, or visit our churches for prayer and worship. And yet, in a particular way over the next few weeks, Jesus, the bread of life, is present in a real way through the Gospel discourse.

We do well to notice that the crowds who gathered and followed Jesus had many questions for him, as we often do too. He does not shy away from their inquisitive demands, nor does he ignore ours. Rather, Jesus wins the battle when we ask him questions. Why? Because like the crowds in the Gospel, our questions demonstrate our need for a teacher. We are no different to the crowds in the Gospel. The sick are in need of healing; the sinner is in need of forgiveness; the lonely in need of a friend. And Jesus comes to people according to their need.

When the crowds came looking for him Jesus examined their motives. What was is that they really wanted? They were looking for him, he concluded, not because they had seen the signs, but because they had all the bread they wanted to eat. Their physical hunger had given way to a spiritual hunger, and in this spiritual hunger, Jesus could come to them as the bread of life. The bread of life would only have meaning for them if they were indeed in need of spiritual nourishment, and looking for satisfaction beyond that offered by the material world alone.

The teachings of Jesus will not have their full impact on our lives unless we can see where we are in need. Like the crowd in the Gospel, we can ask questions of the Lord that reveal to him and to ourselves what we long for.

In times of challenge and difficulty, when members of the community are isolated and feel the burden of loneliness, and when friends and loved ones are sick or have died, the Lord of heaven and earth, the teacher of truth, the bread of life is present in our midst to teach us, to feed us, to save us.

So where to this week, my sisters and brothers? Where is God calling us in our lives?

Without a doubt, we will feel unfulfilled and dissatisfied if we wander aimlessly and without purpose. This is not our call. As Catholic Christians, we are called to be people of faith, hope, and love. We are at our best when we feel we have something to offer and can play a part wholeheartedly. We can assess situations we are in and ask ourselves where the Lord is calling us.

How might we use our gifts and our faith to live well this week? To do something well, we need to be motivated, to see a reason for what we are called to do. No matter how we respond to God's call, we should do so with the words of Saint Paul clearly ringing in our ears: "Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth." (Ephesians 4:17-24)

With these sentiments in mind, with the gift of faith in our hearts, and with a strong determination to cooperate in the work of God, who provides for the people in their great need (Philippians 4:19), let us pray once more that what God has created may be restored, and what is restored God might keep safe.

Blessings on your week, +Anthony

WHAT IS SYCAMORE

https://www.sycamore.fm/videos/

Sycamore is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to explore your beliefs and think about questions that really matter.

The Holy Spirit and the Church

How the Holy Spirit can change your life

After Jesus had risen from the dead and ascended to heaven, the disciples were together in Jerusalem, with Mary the mother of Jesus. And on the day of Pentecost a sound came from heaven like the rush of a violent wind. Something like fire appeared in the room and the flames seemed to rest on each of them. They were filled with the



Holy Spirit, who gave them the miraculous ability to speak to people of all nations in their own languages.

This is the Holy Spirit. The breath of God who forgives our sins, revives our souls, and gives us a share in God's own life. A divine fire that sweeps through our lives, turning everything upside down, burning away all that is unworthy or impure, and giving us light, energy, confidence and power.

The Holy Spirit is the love of God, sent to us from the Father, by his Son Jesus. This is why Christians speak about the Holy Trinity, because the one eternal God is a communion of three Divine Persons – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

The gift of the Holy Spirit is so precious because he transforms us from the inside. He takes the broken pieces of our lives and makes something new from them. God is working in our lives. The biblical word for this is grace.

The grace of the Holy Spirit helps us to pray. He gives us the gifts of faith, hope, love; of wisdom, courage, joy, kindness. He gives us many other spiritual gifts that we need, to live a life that is truly worthwhile and a life that will be a gift to others.

No one gets into heaven alone

You've probably heard the phrase: It takes a village to raise a child. It's about all the different ways that a community can help someone to grow.

And I'd tweak this slightly to say: It takes a church to raise a Christian. Christians are part of an amazing community of faith. No one gets into heaven alone.

I think of the network of Christian communities around the globe united in faith and friendship. And then I think of these communities stretching back through time, back to Jesus Christ himself.

The Christian faith has been passed on from one generation to the next. There is a golden thread that runs through history, a chain of continuity, that gives us a direct connection with Jesus Christ and the community he founded, the new family that he gathered together.

This is the deepest meaning of the Church. It's a sign of the unity and peace God wants to give all people through Jesus Christ; and a way for us to share in that peace. It looks and feels a bit different today. But it is the Church of the Bible, the Church of the Apostles. The faith we profess today is fundamentally the same.

This is very practical too. We can't live the Christian faith alone. We need friends, neighbours, teachers, shepherds. I need the help of a community of faith. I need the help of God's Church. And this speaks to a deep need within us for community and belonging.

Why we need signs, symbols and sacraments?

Christians believe that God took flesh and walked among us. And he continues to use visible signs to share his life with us. In the Christian tradition these visible signs are called sacraments.

The seven sacraments are at the heart of biblical faith: baptism, confirmation, the eucharist; marriage and ordination; confession and the anointing of the sick. They are given to us by Jesus himself. But they are not just signs: they have an effect; they give us the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus is not like a friend who shares photos of himself via social media and never comes to visit. He is someone who stands in the doorway, steps across the threshold, and wraps us in his embrace. This is part of the meaning of the sacraments: Jesus Christ touching and transforming our lives today.

There are many different Christian signs and symbols beyond the sacraments too. And if you walk into any Christian church around the world, at almost any point in history, you will nearly always find the same key symbols.

There will be a central space for the community to meet and pray; a pool of water for the celebration of baptism; a stand or pulpit where the Bible is read; a place for the priest who leads the service; and an altar on which the gifts of bread and wine are placed for the Sunday Eucharist.

It's all about connection. These symbols are not a substitute for Christ: they connect us with Christ. They point to him and help our communities to be shaped by him.

Now the writer GK Chesterton once said: "Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in your garage makes you a car". We are saved by a living faith. And the sacraments and all the external symbols of Christianity are ineffective without faith. But when they are celebrated with faith, they deepen that faith and bring it to fulfilment

- Have you ever had a moment of inspiration or some kind of spiritual experience?
- What helps you to find peace or rest in your life?
- What do you do when you need to make an important decision?
- What have been your best experiences of community or family?
- Can you describe your ideal community?

- Which person has been the biggest influence on your life and why?
- Have you ever gone to a religious service of any kind? What signs and symbols do you remember?
- What is your impression of Christians and Christianity?
- What do you think about the idea that we can connect to God through worship and community?

FROM THE BIBLE

Isaiah 11:2-3 The Prophet Isaiah speaks about the promised Messiah: "The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord."

John 14:26 Jesus says to his disciples: "But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you."

Acts 2:1-4 "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability."

Acts 2:38 St Peter says to the people of Jerusalem: "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Galatians 5:22-23 "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."

Acts 2:42 The life of the early Christian community in Jerusalem: "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

1 Corinthians 12:12-13 "For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit."

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

First Reading Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6, 10 A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I saw a woman clothed with the sun and with the moon beneath her feet.

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened, and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

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

Responsorial Psalm Ps 44:10-12, 16 (JB) R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

The daughters of kings are among your loved ones. On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir. Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words: forget your own people and your father's house. R.

So will the king desire your beauty: He is your lord, pay homage to him. They are escorted amid gladness and joy; they pass within the palace of the king. R.

Second Reading *1 Corinthians 15:20-26 (JB)* A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

As members of Christ all people will be raised, Christ first, and after him all who belong to him.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order; Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

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Gospel Acclamation

Accl (JB)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary is taken up to heaven, and the angels of God shout for joy. Alleluia!

Gospel *Luke 1:39-56 (JB)* A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The Almighty has done great things for me; he has lifted up the lowly.

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said: 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy - according to the promise he made to our ancestors - of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

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

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