



MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

Pentecost Sunday – 28th May 2023



Gospel Reflection

Pentecost was the Jewish festival of the harvest (also called the Feast of Weeks), celebrated 50 days after Passover, when the first fruits of the corn harvest were offered to the Lord. A feast of pilgrimage (hence the presence in Jerusalem of so many “devout Jews of every nation”), Pentecost also commemorated Moses’ receiving the Law on Mount Sinai. For the new Israel, Pentecost becomes the celebration of the Spirit of God’s compassion, peace and forgiveness – the Spirit that transcends the Law and becomes the point of departure for the young Church’s universal mission (the planting of a new harvest?).

In his Acts of the Apostles (Reading 1), Luke invokes the First Testament images of wind and fire in his account of the new Church’s Pentecost: God frequently revealed his presence in fire (the pillar of fire in the Sinai) and in wind (the wind that sweeps over the earth to make the waters of the Great Flood subside). The Hebrew word for spirit, **ruah**, and the Greek word **pneuma** also refer to the movement of air, not only as wind, but also of life-giving breath (as in God’s creation of man in Genesis 2 and the revivification of the dry bones in Ezekiel 37). Through his life-giving “breath,” the Lord begins the era of the new Israel on Pentecost.

Today’s Gospel of the first appearance of the Risen Jesus before his ten disciples (remember Thomas is not present) on Easter night is John’s version of the Pentecost event. In “breathing” the Holy Spirit upon them, Jesus imitates God’s act of creation in Genesis. Just as Adam’s life came from God, so the disciples’ new life of the Spirit comes from Jesus. In the Resurrection, the Spirit replaces their sense of self-centered fear and confusion with the “peace” of understanding, enthusiasm and joy and shatters all barriers among them to make of them a community of hope and forgiveness. By Christ’s sending them forth, the disciples become *apostles* – “those sent.”

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COME
HOLY SPIRIT
FILL THE HEARTS
OF YOUR FAITHFUL
AND KINDLE IN THEM
THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE.
SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT
AND THEY SHALL BE CREATED
AND YOU SHALL RENEW
THE FACE OF THE
EARTH.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, **AMEN.**

Congratulations



Freya Zemek and Lewis Graham will be celebrating their marriage this Saturday at St Mary’s Church Manly.

We wish them every happiness and God’s Blessings. Please keep them in your prayers.



St Joseph Men’s Group

meet on the first Thursday each month. Our next meeting will be held next Thursday 1st June in the Parish Centre at 7pm.

Those who would like to join please come along and bring a friend.

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.

LET US PRAY FOR

28th May 2023

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Mary Donnelly; John McCooe; Manuel Anez

Prayers for the sick in our parish: "Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage" Margaret Burridge; 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; Donnacha Donnelly; Paul Donnelly; Julie & Rodney Wallis; Lyn Hillard; Ian Flynn; Jake Usher; Wayne Smedley; Shirley Ford; Apolinar Anasarias; Kay Flenady

Dates to remember...

- **PPC Meeting** Wed 31 May at 5:30pm
- **Men's Group** Thurs 1st June at 7pm
- **Cenacle of Our Lady** Manly Tues 9:45am
- **Lectio Divina** Tues 7:30pm and Wed 10am
- **Eucharistic Adoration in Manly** Wed 6pm – 7:30pm

PIETY STORE MANLY has a new selection of Confirmation gifts. The piety store is open before and after weekend Masses or contact the Parish Office.

Movie of the month - For Greater Glory-A powerful movie, star studded cast and true story. Life for Catholics under a tyrannical masonic government in Mexico became unbearable and led to the rise of the "Cristeros". Only \$10 @ the piety store.

CD of the month – Moving heaven and earth – the true story of the Galileo affair

Christopher Check's 3 CD series corrects the prevailing narrative with the real facts on the Galileo affair, only \$5 @ the piety store.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS

Quiet Prayer & Adoration
6:00pm – 7pm

Scripture Reflection on the Eucharist & Benediction 7pm – 7:30pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said starting at 6pm

Livestreaming on Facebook Sunday 8:30am
Mass manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos

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.



Bequests – Remembering your faith community in your Will

After providing for family members in your Will, have you ever considered leaving a bequest directly to your local parish or the Diocese of Broken Bay? This is called a legacy or bequest. Over the years, many people who have felt a special connection with their local parish and church have left part of their Estate to their Parish or the Diocese of Broken Bay. Like a gift to a charity, a bequest of any amount to the Church is a way of saying "thank you" for the spiritual nurturing provided to you and your family over the years.

If you would like further information on bequests including how we can acknowledge your generosity in your lifetime, please speak with your Parish Priest or the Broken Bay Diocese Office for Communications on 8379 1664.



FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADOVA Sunday 18th June 2023

At St John the Baptist Church, Freshwater. Program as follows...

- 1:00pm Confessions
- 1:30pm Holy Mass celebrated by Fr Anthony Fregolent 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.

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WORLD YOUTH DAY

Another outstanding BBQ was held at St Mary's after the 830am Mass on the 21st May: Over \$800 was raised for the Manly-Freshwater Parish World Youth Day team! This money goes towards supporting Sampson Hyland, Richard Heasman and Josh Wright, who are representing the Parish in their WYD pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal. They are very thankful for your kind support and generosity.

The next WYD event is a Cake Stall on 11th June at St Mary's, between 930am and 1130am.

Please also keep your calendars clear for a Curry and Pasta night on 24th June at St Mary's! Wine and live music will also be available, as well as the raffle draw.

Donations may be left at the Parish Office or placed in an envelope on the collection plate during weekend Masses. Please mark on the envelope - WYD Donation.

Thank you for your support!

URGENT HELP REQUIRED PLEASE...



Our Freshwater Morning Tea team of volunteers have lost two teams and we need a family or two to assist for the first two Sundays of the month please. Full support given to set up and tidy up. We need your assistance one Sunday a month. Please contact Francis Raymond 0418 850 815 or the Parish Office.

CATHEDRAL PRECINCT JOURNEY



Bishop Anthony Randazzo invites you to a Diocesan-wide presentation and consultation in our Cathedral Precinct journey as we not only consider our Cathedral parish, but also the needs of the broader community. The Diocesan-wide consultation will begin with Mass as we celebrate our Patronal feast, Mary Star of the Sea. **This Vigil Mass will be at 5.30pm Tuesday 30 May 2023 at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.**

THE IGNITE CONFERENCE

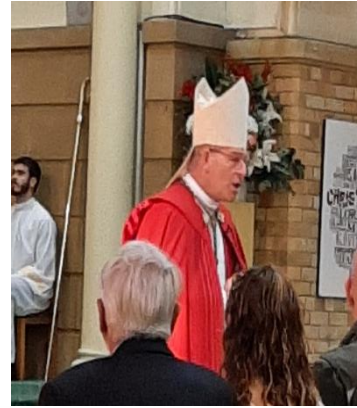


As you will be aware Bishop Anthony Randazzo and the Diocese of Broken Bay is hosting this year's Ignite Conference in the Cathedral Precinct, Waitara between 28th September

and 1st October. The Ignite Conference is one of the most powerful Catholic youth conferences - but it is also so much more for people of all ages. Students, young adults, teachers, clergy, families are all welcome.

This year's theme for Ignite is "Wonder" and it will feature dynamic workshops and preaching, music, the sacraments and faith formation.

CONFIRMATION DAY



Last Saturday we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with 84 children coming together.

Bishop Anthony spoke to the children about sharing the gifts of the spirit by being witnesses in the world.



St Mary's School News...

We have returned to a busy and fun-filled Term 2 at St Mary's!



On our first day of term 2, year 4 hosted a whole school Anzac Day liturgy, this gave our school time to reflect on the sacrifices made by the Anzacs. Each class made a paper poppy to wear to the liturgy.



We celebrated Mother's Day by having our mothers, and special friends join us for a delicious breakfast, a beautiful liturgy, and for families to enjoy some time with their children in the classrooms making a craft or enjoying an activity. K-2 ended the day with our special beach games event at Manly Beach. K-2 had many parent volunteers to help support the year six leaders, Mrs Adler, our sports teacher, and the kindergarten and Year 1 teachers. It was a wonderful day, showcasing the beauty of our school's fabulous location.



During week 3, we hosted our annual Open Day and Evening and kicked off our Term 2 playgroup - these are part of our transition process for kindergarten 2024 students as they become familiar with the school, our staff and their new classmates in the lead up to beginning BIG school. It was wonderful to see many new families attend, places are filling up fast. If anyone would like a school tour and chat with Paul McGuire (Principal), please call the school at 9977 2225.

Over the weekend, Year 3 and 4 students made their Sacrament of Confirmation. Please pray for these children as they continue their spiritual journey and become closer to Jesus.

This Sunday at 6pm, we have our first Family Mass and BBQ of the year hosted by Kindergarten and Stage 3. All are welcome to join us! *Kind regards, Josephine Gradwell (REC)*

St John the Baptist School News...



Our school joyfully celebrated our incredible SJB Super Mums with a wonderful morning liturgy presented by Year One and Year Two and the Dad's cooking up breakfast! Mothers, Grandmothers, and special people then toured our classrooms and participated in classroom activities with their children. It was a very special morning for all involved.



Our first Term 2 Family Mass and BBQ, hosted by Years 1, 2 and 3 also gave the children another opportunity to remember, thank and pray for their mothers and grandmothers.



Last weekend Bishop Anthony Randazzo confirmed 84 children from 8 schools in our area, which included our Year 3 students from SJB. As a community, we

congratulate all the students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and we pray that this significant milestone in their faith journey may strengthen their spiritual journey.

It has been a very busy time at SJB with many students travelling and participating in various sporting events in various locations for hockey, soccer, basketball and cross-country for our region and our state with sensational results, reinforcing our SJB spirit of determination. We are extremely proud of all our competitors and wish them all the best as they courageously continue their sporting ventures.

St John the Baptist, Freshwater, are enrolling now for kindergarten 2024! Please follow details below! *Kind regards Kelli Johnson (Acting REC)*



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Vox Episcopi 25th May 2023

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

When Saint Paul wrote to the Corinthians instructing them about gifts, he was not just reminding them of how talented they might be, but rather that they were gifted by God for a purpose. And that purpose could only be realised if each one lived in a full and wholesome relationship with God. In the Letter to the Romans, Saint Paul reminds us that the Spirit is not just some force or power of God the Father, but a person who works along with the Son and in relation to the Father.



The Spirit teaches us to be authentic in our relationship with God. Not to see God as a force or power, but as a person who thinks about us and loves each one of us and works for us and redeems us.

As sons and daughters of God we are led by the Spirit. As Catholic Christians we believe that the Holy Spirit is the ultimate preview and pledge of our salvation.

Some years ago, during one of his catechetical teachings Pope Benedict XVI spoke with conviction when he said, "One of the greatest evils of our time is mediocrity in matters of faith. Either we are Catholic, or we are not. If we are then this must be manifested in every aspect of our lives" (Visit to Croatia 7 June 2011). These challenging words are a reminder of the vocation that lies before all of the baptised.

They are an even more sober reminder of the vocation of the bishop, the priest, and the deacon, whose lives must be spent at the service of the faithful, who in turn, having been nourished by Word and Sacrament, will be God's presence in the world, not by way of mediocrity, but with excellence, enthusiasm, and distinction.

My dear people, the Holy Spirit is at work in the Church and indeed in each one of us in Broken Bay. As we prepare for the great feast of Pentecost, may we be strong in our faith and confident in our hope as together we pray:

Come, Holy Spirit! Come, light of our hearts. Make us witnesses before the world so that God may be all in all and our joy may be complete. Amen. +Anthony

We are filled with the Holy Spirit



Pentecost Sunday, Year A, B and C



The Spirit Brings
LOVE

I can show love by _____

_____ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings
PEACE

I can be a peacemaker by _____

_____ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings
JOY

I can show joy by _____

_____ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.

MINISTRY ROSTER – JUNE 2023 – MANLY

	Ministry	Week 1 3 – 4 June	Week 2 10 – 11 June	Week 3 17 – 18 June	Week 4 24 – 25 June
		The Most Holy Trinity	Corpus Christi	11th Sun in Ord Time	12th Sun in Ord Time
6pm Vigil Mass	Server	Kieran Wan	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham
	Readers	Freya Zemek	Bill Tango	Rita Bruzzese	Bill Tango
	Music	CD'S	CD'S	CD'S	CD's
	Welcomers	John & Merle Zemek Mary Prager	John & Merle Zemek	John & Merle Zemek Mary Prager	John & Merle Zemek
	Piety Store	Merle Zemek	Merle Zemek	Merle Zemek	Merle Zemek
8:30am Mass	Server	Ken Thompson	Ivica Covic	Ken Thompson	Ivica Covic
	Readers	Jan Van Den Broek	Patty Thomas	Patty Thomas	Jan Van Den Broek
	Music	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir
	AV Screens	Robert Marshall	Robert Marshall	Robert Marshall	Robert Marshall
	Piety Store	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen
10:30am Mass	Server	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham Teresa Hearn	TBC Bernie Lawler	Louise Wareham
	Readers	Katalina Taefotu Ron Gravolin	Rita Bruzzese Janie Fonua	Carmel Lawler Katalina Taefotu	Rita Bruzzese Janie Fonua
	Music	Tongan Choir	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz	Tongan Choir	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz
	AV Screens	Tongan Choir	Robert Marshall	Tongan Choir	Robert Marshall
	Welcomers	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan	Paul Pervan Anne Gaughan	Paul & Nicola Pervan Anne Gaughan
	Morning Tea			Tongan Community	
	Piety Store	Kim McGrath	Jenny Tucker	Kim McGrath	Jenny Tucker
6pm Mass	Server	Richard Heasman	Kieran & Gabriele Wan	Ivica Covic Richard Heasman	Kieran & Gabriele Wan
	Readers	Dean Gale	Sandie Cornish	Youth Group	Family Mass
	Music	Simon Hyland	Josh Willard	Simon Hyland	TBC
	Piety Store	Assistance Required	Assistance Required	Assistance Required	Assistance Required

MINISTRY ROSTER – JUNE 2023 – FRESHWATER

	Ministry	Week 1 3 – 4 June	Week 2 10 – 11 June	Week 3 17 – 18 June	Week 4 24 – 25 June
		The Most Holy Trinity	Corpus Christi	11th Sun in Ord Time	12th Sun in Ord Time
5pm Vigil	Server	Ian Press	Mick O'Farrell	Joanne Druery	Ian Press
	Readers	Amanda Whitfield	Family Mass	Amanda Whitfield	Jessica & Joseph Press
	Music	CD's	Family Mass	CD's	CD's
	Welcomers	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott
	Server	Joanne Druery	Lou Maruca	Francis Raymond	Amorina Wright
9am Mass	Readers	Patricia Brown Luke Campbell	Vincent Bokanovic Luka Bokanovic	Toni Walsh Pam Brown	Josh Wright Jasmine Wright
	Music	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown
	Welcomers	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt
	Altar Society	Patricia & Solo Brown	Isabella & Phillip d'Souza	Maria Harkness	Jacqui Good Mary Arcus
	Morning Teas	Andy & Beck Thiss	Tim Markwart	Angelica & Michael Rosatto	Wright family

If you would like to take part in one of these ministries, please contact the parish office 9977 5822

PENTECOST SUNDAY – Year A

NOTE: Readings for the Manly Family Mass will be taken from the Children's Lectionary

First Reading

Acts 2:1-11 (JB)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

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

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34*

R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R.**

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **R.**

Second Reading *1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13*

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

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

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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