

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

Solemnity of Saint Mary of the Cross-8th August 2021

Dear Friends,

I hope you are keeping well. The first thought that comes to mind is how are we managing our waistlines as we are eating our way through this current lockdown, and what are we going to do when the Olympics are over.

Last week I was advised by Bishop Anthony that he has reappointed me as Parish Priest of Manly Freshwater Parish for another 6 years. I am very grateful to you for all your support and prayers and I look forward to continuing to minister to you and with you in these somewhat strange times.

May God Bless you and keep you, Fr David Taylor

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Mary of the Cross (MacKillop). The Story of Australia's first official saint, Mary MacKillop (1842-1909), is well known and easily accessed. Let Mary speak to us in her own words:



Believe in the whisperings of God to your own heart. (1868)

Never see a need without doing something about it (1871)

Be full of forgiveness, hope and love (1873)

Try at least to excuse what you cannot understand and bear in mind that you have only to answer for your own faults. (1877)

Let us show love in our actions, bearing with one another, forgiving and forgetting (1980) Seek first the poorest and most neglected parts of God's vineyard (1900)

And finally, to her Sisters: 'Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them cheerfully, remembering whom you are trying to follow. Do not be afraid. Love one another, bear with one another, and let charity guide you in all your life'. (1909)

**In today's Gospel** Mathew 6:25-34, we might be surprised that the text for the feast of Mary MacKillop comes from the sermon on the Mount. But the passage chosen, like Mary's life, poses a question we'd rather avoid. In what do we place our trust? Is it material things (money, food, clothing) or is it the God who unfailingly cares for all? Where does our heart lie? Is our heart set on what we possess or on the reign of God?

The passage as a whole is framed by two statements of Jesus. The first is "You cannot be the slave both of God and of money." The second is " Set your hearts on his kingdom first, and on his righteousness, and all these other things will be given you as well." In between, Jesus offers engaging images and speaks in conversational terms. Break Open the Word 2021 Liturgy Brisbane

### 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

8 August 2021

Recently Deceased: Jenny Shroder Anniversary: Geoffrey Formica

# 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 9/8 - 19th week in Ord Time Deut 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27 Tue 10/8 - St Lawrence 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26 Wed 11/8 - St Clare Deut 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20 Thurs 12/8 - 19th week in Ord Time Joshua 3:7-11,13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1 Fri 13/8 – 19th week in Ord Time Joshua 24:1-13: Mt 19:3-12 Sat 14/8 – St Maximilian Mary Kolbe Joshua 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15 Sun 15/8 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Apoc 11:19, 12:1-6, 10; 1 Cor 15:20-26; Lk 1:39-56

## 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



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### 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.

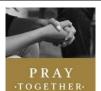


**ZOOM ZOOM ZOOM** This week some of our groups have used Zoom for their meetings. At this time, our meetings have a 40-minute time

limit. We have scheduled meetings for the week ahead for:

Craft Group – Tuesday at 10am Lectio Divinia – Tuesday at 7:30pm Lectio Divinia – Wednesday at 10am

If you would like to join these meetings, the meeting id is: 543 014 9315. Please contact the Parish Office for the password.



### ST CLARE'S PARISH PRAYER GROUP ONLINE:

Towards the end of her life St Clare of Assisi was distressed that her illness was keeping her from Mass. It is said that she was

blessed with a vision of the Mass on her wall, both hearing and seeing it miraculously.

Because of this vision, St Clare became 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>1</u>, <u>Liturgy Brisb</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.



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/



Each week the Sunday Mass is broadcasted on Channel 10 at 6.00am.

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.

## SAVE THE DATE On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November

we come together to



celebrate St John the Baptist Church's 100 year Anniversary...

Shout a Mate a \$6 plate' making an online donation to CatholicCare's 'Shout a Mate a \$6 plate' fundraiser for Mary Mac'sPlace.



https://www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/shout-amate-a-plate/.



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/vinnie

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The invitation in the Gospel of Jn 6:24-35 is this; rather than being concerned only with material bread, let us welcome Jesus as the bread of life and, starting out from our

friendship with Him, learn to love each other. Freely and without calculation.

## Do You have Doubts about Covid 19 Vaccine?

Sydney Archbishop Anthony Fisher has advised parishioners that they would need a "really serious reason" not to get vaccinated. He said it was a pity that some people are "dead set against all vaccines" and that others feared the side-effects. "The vaccines will save lives, especially of elderly people", he said.

Archbishop Fisher said some people were troubled that the AstraZeneca vaccine was cultured on a cell-line ultimately derived from an electively aborted baby.

"Like the Vatican and that other archbishops, I think one can use such vaccines where there are no alternatives available. That's because anyone using such a vaccine today can honestly say they were in no way complicit in the abortion all those years ago and would not want it repeated" he said.

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(Please discuss your health concerns with your doctor)

## OUTSIDE THE PARISH National Online Launch of Social Justice Statement 2021-22

You are invited to attend an **on-line launch** of the Social Justice Statement for 2021-22 *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor.*- **5:30pm-6:30pm on 5 August, AEST**. Register here

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYoceyrqjwiEtXIzP2Yjc 9FM2hNAPTR3N9y

**Calling all writers!** Entry is now open for The Good Oil 2021 Writers' Award, an initiative of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan which aims to support and encourage the development of emerging and published writers. Entrants are asked to write on the theme **Inclusivity**, which is embodied in the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Lk 10:25-37).

Entries close at midnight AEST on Sunday 22 August, 2021. For further information and to download the entry form and guidelines, visit https://www.goodsams.org.au/the-good-oil/the-good-oil-2021-writers-award/



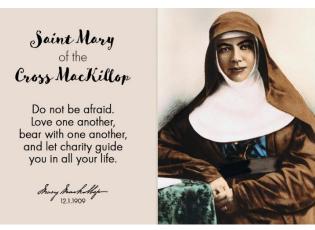


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Greetings on the feast of Saint Mary MacKillop. Letter by Sr Monica Cavanagh rsj Congregational Leader- 2019

As we celebrate Mary MacKillop's feast day, let us celebrate how she was a woman who raised the powers of love in her time and continues to inspire us to do the same in our day. Love was at the heart of all that Mary did. She recognised that the source of her love had its origin in God. She knew deeply within her that:

### **God is love and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.** 1 John 4:16

From this spiritual source she drew the energy to be a heartbeat of God's love in the world especially for those most disadvantaged in our society.

Mary loved all with an undivided heart. As Pope John Paul II said during his 1995 visit to Australia for her beatification:

### Mother Mary's life speaks eloquently because it was firmly anchored in something for which every human heart longs: inner peace, that peace that comes from knowing that one is loved by God and from the desire to respond to God's love. [1] Pope John Paul II – 20.1.1995

Hers was a spirituality of the heart, holding in balance a contemplative stance with a concern for justice. Mary entered the mystery of God's love and allowed herself to be transformed by it in order to assist the voiceless to find their voice. Mary was indeed a woman who remained grounded in the reality of life, and through all her experiences learnt to 'act justly, love tenderly and to walk humbly with God' (Micah 6:8). She rolled up her sleeves, got her hands dirty and responded to the cries of those who struggled in life.

An example of how Mary MacKillop raised the power of love occurred when Mary and Sister Helena McCarthy were on their way to the city. Sister Helena shared this story. "We were waiting at the corner of the Street near Mount Street Post Office for a tram. A young woman came staggering along and at last reached and rested by the stone wall on the side of the footpath. I naturally thought the woman was intoxicated, but Mother's quick eye detected something more serious. She said to me 'Come along, dear and see what is wrong with this poor woman.' On getting up to her we found the woman was very ill. Mother asked if she could do anything for her. The woman said if she could get to the chemist's nearby, she knew what would relieve her. The three of us then went to the chemist's where the patient was attended to and we waited until she felt better". [2]

On this feast day let us, like Mary MacKillop, be women and men who raise the powers of love. Recently I was having a cup of coffee with one of our sisters and I asked her what she had been doing. She replied that she had just come from a meeting of 'Grandmothers Against Detention of Refugee Children'. Their work is based around the safety and protection for innocent children living in the experience of detention centres. On another day, I visited the office of the Sisters of Saint Joseph Congregational Administration Centre to find the staff knitting over lunch. They told me that they were joining others around our country who belong to the organisation 'Wrap with Love'. Joining in movements such as these is one way of continuina to give expression to Mary MacKillop's vision for living the Gospel.

On this feast day may you be inspired like Saint Mary MacKillop to make a difference in someone's life by raising the powers of love through an act of everyday kindness.

May your day be filled with the joy and love that filled the heart of Saint Mary MacKillop.

[1] Pope John Paul II, 20 January 1995 at Beatification ceremony Randwick

[2] Sister Helena McCarthy – Memories of Mary by those who knew her p 71, 2010

### FEAST OF MARY MACKILLOP

No Masses will be celebrated at Mary MacKillop Place. The Chapel remains closed, Prayer resources are available on the website

https://www.marymackillopplace.org.au/feas t-day-resources

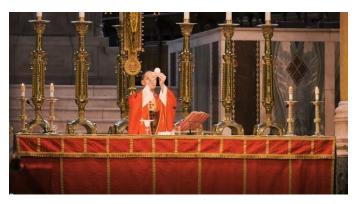
# WHAT IS SYCAMORE

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 Eucharist

The Mass, the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, is at the very centre of Christian worship. We meet Jesus Christ through the prayer of the Christian community, through the bible readings, through the ministry of the priest, and above all through his Real Presence in Holy Communion. This Sycamore film explores the meaning of the Mass. It looks especially at how the Mass is a Holy Sacrifice that unites us with the death and Resurrection of Jesus.



## The meaning of the Mass

The Celebration of the Eucharist is the centre of Christian worship. Catholics in the Western tradition often call it "the Mass", and the Eastern Churches speak about "the Divine Liturgy".

The Mass is far more than just a community gathering or a prayer service. It connects us with the Last Supper. It unites us with Jesus Christ, and with his eternal offering to the Father, in the power of the Holy Spirit. It makes us one with the prayer of the whole Church: with Christian communities around the world, with those who have died, with the angels and the saints, with the worship of heaven. And at the end, we are sent out on mission, to serve others and share the good news of salvation, because this incredible gift is not just for ourselves.

The sacrament of the Eucharist was given to us by Jesus Christ at the Last Supper. And in the Acts of the Apostles, the first Christian communities meet together for the Eucharist, which they call "the breaking of bread". It's thoroughly biblical.

Why is it so important? Because Jesus himself is present at every Mass. He speaks to us through the words of the bible. Without the bible there is no Mass! He is present through the ministry of his priests, who represent Christ the Good Shepherd, even with their weaknesses. Jesus is present in the midst of the congregation, because he promised to be with his people whenever they pray in his name. And he is present above all when the bread and wine are changed into his Body and Blood, and when he gives himself to us in Holy Communion.

## The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist

One of the hallmarks of Catholic faith, shared with many other Christians, is belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Bread and wine are brought to the altar at Mass. The bread is often in the form of small round wafers or hosts. The priest says the prayer of consecration, using the words of Jesus from the Last Supper: "This is my body... This is my blood". And through the power of the Holy Spirit the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. We call the consecrated elements "Holy Communion" or "the Blessed Sacrament".

This is much more than a symbol or a metaphor. The external form stays the same – it still looks and tastes like bread and wine. But the deepest reality, the substance, has completely changed. Jesus Christ himself is now present, his whole being, in the fullness of his humanity and his Divinity. We adore Jesus on the altar. We receive him as food and drink, and in this way we are given consolation and spiritual strength and all the graces we need to grow in holiness.

And after Mass the consecrated hosts are kept with great reverence in the church. They are normally placed in a small mounted box called a "tabernacle".

This becomes a place where people can pray in worship and adoration. And the communion hosts can be taken to those who are sick or housebound and unable to attend Mass.

The Mass is an extraordinary miracle. Jesus Christ becomes present in our Catholic churches. He is not a distant God. You can meet him face to face, heart to heart, in Holy Communion, in the Blessed Sacrament.

We can believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist because of the words of Jesus and because of the teaching of the Church in every generation. He's the one who said: "Anyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life", and "My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink".

## The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Catholics speak about the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, because when we go to Mass we are united with the Sacrifice of the Cross. We share in its saving power and offer our lives to the Father with Jesus.

The Mass is a real sacrifice, but it's not a new offering – as if Jesus hadn't done enough already. The offering of his life that Jesus made on the Cross once-for-all has infinite value. It fulfils all the sacrifices of the Old Testament and all the promises of God to his People. And this one sacrifice is now re-presented on the altar, is made present, in a sacramental manner, and we are made one with that offering.

At the Last Supper, Jesus took bread and said, "This is my body – which is given for you". He took wine and said, "This cup – that is poured out for you – is the new covenant in my blood" (Lk 22:19-20). He told the apostles to do this in memory of him.

Notice those words of Jesus: "Which is given for you", "Which is poured out for you". The Last Supper is not just a meal; it's also an offering, a sacrifice, which links us with the crucifixion. The same is true for every Mass. The Catholic priest represents Jesus sacramentally for the Church. He stands "in the person of Christ" the High Priest: offering that same sacrifice, in union with Christ the Priest; and offering his own life too, in union with Christ the Victim.

What difference does this teaching make? It puts the focus on God. We don't have to create a magnificent worship service every Sunday, through our own efforts and ingenuity. Instead, we unite ourselves with Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, as he offers his life to the Father in praise and thanksgiving. We can share in all the graces that have been won for us on the cross. And in a very personal way, when we go to Sunday Mass we can offer up my life to the Father with Jesus. Whatever has happened in our week, whatever is happening in our lives, we can bring it to Jesus at Mass and trust that he will bring it to the Father

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- If God is everywhere, what's the point of going to church on Sundays?
- What is your experience of coming to Mass or to other Christian Sunday services?
- Which parts of the Mass, or which symbols within the Mass, do you find most interesting or helpful?
- When are the times that you feel closest to God?
- Have you ever experienced God's presence in Church?
- What do you think about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist? Do you find it easy

or hard to believe? What difference could it make to your life and faith?

- If you discovered that someone had died to save your life, what difference would it make?
- Can you describe any crosses or crucifixes you have seen? What do you think about the idea that Jesus offered his life on the Cross to take away our sins and bring us salvation?
- What do you think about the idea that the Mass is a Sacrifice that unites us with the Cross of Jesus? What difference could it make to your life and faith?
- What other ideas or questions strike you from this part of the film?

## WISDOM FROM THE BIBLE

Luke 22:19-20 At the Last Supper: "Jesus took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.'"

Luke 24:30-32 After the Resurrection, on the road to Emmaus: "When Jesus was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognised him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"

John 6:51, 54-56 "Jesus said to them, 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh... Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them.'"

1 Corinthians 10:16-17 "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."

## Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross

### **First Reading**

1 Kings 17:8-16 (JB)

A reading from the first book of Kings

The jar of meal shall not be spent .....

And then the word of the Lord came to Elijah, 'Up and go to Zarephath, a Sidonian town, and stay there. I have ordered a widow there to give you food.' So he went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go ahead and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel: "Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth" The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 62:1-8 (JB)

# *R. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.*

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. R.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. R.

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. R.

On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. R.

## Second Reading

Colossians 3:12-17 (JB)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Bear with one another, forgive each other.

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Matthew 27:55 (JB)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Many women were there by the cross, watching from a distance, the same women who had followed Jesus and looked after him.

Alleluia!

## Gospel

Matthew 6:25-34 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Do not worry about your life.

Jesus said to his disciples: That is why I am telling you not to worry about your life and what you are to eat, nor about your body and how you are to clothe it. Surely life means more than food, and the body more than clothing! Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they are? Can any of you, for all his worrying, add one single cubit to his span of life? And why worry about clothing? Think of the flowers growing in the fields; they never have to work or spin; yet I assure you that not even Solomon in all his regalia was robed like one of these. Now if that is how God clothes the grass in the field which is there today and thrown into the furnace tomorrow, will he not much more look after you, you men of little faith? So do not worry; do not say, "What are we to eat? What are we to drink? How are we to be clothed?" It is the pagans who set their hearts on all these things. Your heavenly Father knows you need them all. Set your hearts on his kingdom first, and on his righteousness, and all these other things will be given you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.'

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

**St Mary's Primary School** 9977 2225 Principal: Paul McGuire

**St John the Baptist Primary School** 9939 6699 Principal: Alicia van der Merwe

**St Paul's Catholic College** 9977 5111 Principal: Michael Reid

**Stella Maris College** 9977 5144 Principal: Elizabeth Carnegie