

MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 22nd October 2023

Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, two opponents of Jesus, the Pharisees and Herodians (supporters of Herod's dynasty), join forces to trap Jesus. If Jesus affirms that taxes should be paid, he alienates the religious nationalists; if he denies that taxes should be paid, then he is subject to arrest by the Romans as a political revolutionary. But the very fact that his inquisitors could produce the emperor's coin from one of their purses was to admit a Roman obligation: If one used the sovereign's coin then one automatically took on an obligation to the sovereign; in other words, the Pharisees and Herodians, in to trap Jesus, answered their own question. But Jesus takes the debate to an even higher level by challenging them to be just as observant in paying their debt to God.

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CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL 21/22 October 2023

With Timor-Leste's fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death. Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in

Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address this reality. We hope you will take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need. Envelopes will be available in the pews from this weekend.

CHANGES TO WEEKDAY MASSES 9:15am Mass will be held on the following days...

Manly: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Freshwater: Wednesday



PARISH GIVING – thank you for your generous support. We encourage you to use the tap machines at the Church entrances. If you

prefer to use cash there will be ${\bf ONE}$ collection during Mass at the offertory at Manly and ${\bf TWO}$ at Freshwater.

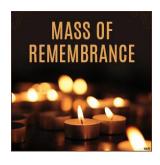
There is only one collection at Mass at St Mary's Manly which is allocated as follows:

25% to Supporting our Priests including the sick & retired in our Diocese.

75% to Parish operations and maintenance of buildings



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for October – For the Synod We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



At our Remembrance Mass on All Souls Day, Thursday 2 November we will remember and pray for all the faithfully departed of your families and our Parish community.

We invite you and your family to one of the Masses.

All Saints Day Mass Wednesday 1st November at 9.15am at Manly and Freshwater

All Souls Day Masses Thursday 2nd November:

Freshwater - 9.15am

Manly – 9.15am and 6pm which will be followed by a light supper.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

During the month of November we remember our loved ones who have died. To add the names of your loved



ones to our **Parish Book of Remembrance** which will be on display in the Churches during November please contact the Parish Office on 9977 5822 or email manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of hearing and living the Good News of Jesus as revealed through the Bible and Catholic tradition in our parish community. Our Focus is a relationship with Jesus Christ our Lord.

come And See We explore the teachings, practices, beliefs, and sacraments of the Catholic Church. Our aim is come to know a deeper understanding and relationship to God and to the parish community where we can find acceptance, welcome, and belonging in God's love.

RCIA Enquiry Nights- Come and See

Tuesday 31st Oct & Tuesday 7th Nov 2023 at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre

Especially for Adults who are unbaptised or baptised in another Christian tradition and wanting to know more about the Catholic Faith. Contact: Parish Office for more details



We welcome the following Children who will be Baptised at Manly this Sunday.

William, Rafael, Albie, Thomas, Byron, Emily and Zoe

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Cynthia Gregan, Elisabetta Calacoci

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: Paul Donnelly; Julie Wallis; Lyn Hillard; Ian Flynn; Jake Usher; Wayne Smedley; Shirley Ford; Apolinar Anasarias; Kay Flenady; Annette Frances O'Leary; Anna Kalayzich; Bill Hipkiss; Myree Randazzo

Dates to remember...

- Spanish Prayer Group Friday 27th October at 6pm
- Cenacle of Our Lady SMM Tues 9:45am, SJB Wed 9:45am
- Lectio Divina Tues 7:30pm and Wed 10am
- Eucharistic Adoration in Manly Wed 6pm 7:30pm
- SMM Class Mass Yrs 3 & 4 Thurs 9.15am



PIETY STORE **SANTA TERESA CROSSES**

The Piety Store has some ceramic crosses from Santa Teresa (Ltyentye Apurte) Community in the NT. The

Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre has an important role in the community and Catholic Parish.

The crosses from Santa Teresa are all originals, no one is the same. They make wonderful gifts and in turn help the community.

Movie of the month – Sound of freedom (Jim Caviezel) God's children are not for sale. Based on true events, the child trafficking syndicate is more organised than people realise. A recent box office hit, \$20 @ the piety store.

CD of the month "To hell and back - divine love and the cross" Anne Marie Schmidt. An incredible testimony on divine providence during the Nazi persecution and Russian invasion. The hand of God from the perspective of a Czechoslovakian survivor. Only \$5 @ the piety store.



PASTORAL CAN'T GET TO MASS ON SUNDAY AND WANT TO RECEIVE HOLY **COMMUNION?**

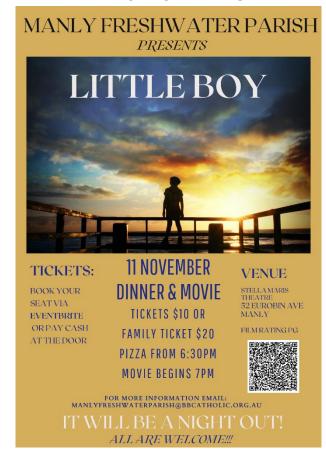
Many of you have not been able to come back to Mass on Sunday for different reasons. If you would like one of the Priest to visit you at home, please ring the parish office on 9977 5822.

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



PIZZA & MOVIE NIGHT



Manly Freshwater Parish presents "LITTLE BOY"

"Little Boy" is an enjoyable film based on the loving relationship between father and son and set during the second World War. It is rated PG and considered suitable for children aged 8 and up.

Purchase your ticket online via the eventbrite link below or from the parish office in cash

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-marys-parish-manlypresents-movie-night-featuring-little-boy-tickets-733786604487?aff=oddtdtcreator

> For more information email the parish office manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au







Caritas Australia has opened a Gaza Crisis Appeal to support the efforts of our partners in the region who are responding to immediate needs such as food, water, shelter and hygiene supplies. Donations can be made at www.caritas.org.au/gaza.



This Sunday at the 6pm we will be holding our Family Mass and BBQ which is hosted by Kindy and Year 6.

All are welcome to come along.

Kids Bulletin Page and pencils are available at the entrances to the Church

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

First Reading Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 (JB)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10 (JB)*R. Give the Lord glory and honour.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. R.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods; the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens. R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts. R.

Worship the Lord in his temple,
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king,'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. R.

Second Reading -1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

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

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

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

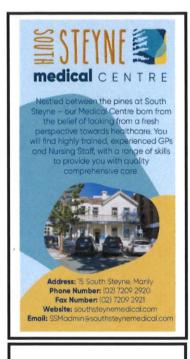
Gospel Acclamation Philippians 2:15-16 (JB)
Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

GospelMatthew 22:15-21 (JB)
A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he replied, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's,' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.





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Parish Pastoral Council: Paul Pervan (Chair); Michael McGrath (Deputy Chair); Margaret Dent (Secretary); Patricia Carroll; Joanne Druery; Val Buono; Ivica Covic; Robert Marshall; Peter Nacard, Ian Press, Katalina Taefotu

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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