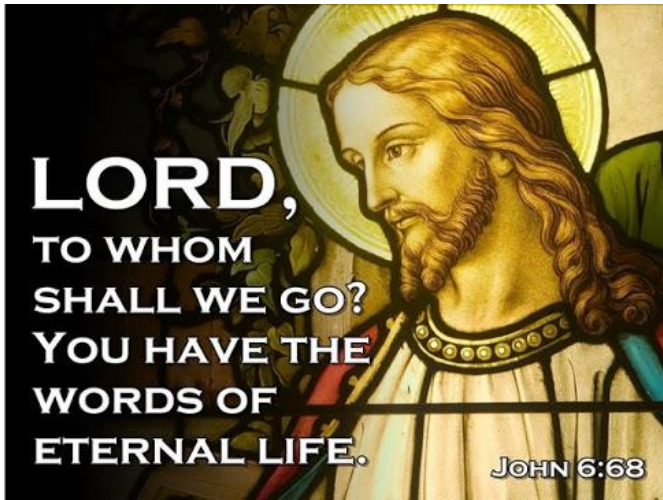




MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – 25th August 2024



Gospel Reflection

The true demands of the Gospel are hard to “endure”: the justice and reconciliation required of the faithful disciple runs counter to the conventions of society; the attitude of humble servanthood Jesus asks of us puts us at odds with the “me first/win at all costs” philosophy of our culture. But, as Peter acknowledges, the words of Jesus are the only way to transform and restore our lives and our world in the life of God.

We often struggle to “endure this kind of talk” not because we don’t understand Jesus but because we understand Jesus all too well. God’s compassion, mercy and forgiveness are hard lessons to live in the challenging and complex lives we live but, in our struggles to act faithfully and with hope, we begin to understand that we are part of a world much greater than ourselves, that we are connected to everyone through the dignity we all share as daughters and sons of God.

Hopelessness can easily become a way of life; the sense that God has abandoned us or that God just doesn’t exist in our lives can cripple us emotionally and spiritually. But the faithful disciple understands the reality that God is the only constant source of anything and everything that is good.

Peter’s simple, plaintive answer is a confession of faith in the God of life and resurrection who is not present in the darkness of evil but in the light of goodness that seeks to shatter that darkness.

The faith that Christ comes to reveal is not a “warm fluffy blanket” under which we hide from whatever we find unsettling or painful nor a protective coating designed to ward off every form of sin and evil; faith is a light that illuminates our journey through life’s challenges and obstacles, a lens through which we are able to see God’s grace at work even in the most confusing and difficult times.

Connectionmediaworks

Livestreaming on Facebook Sunday 8:30am Mass
[manlyfreshwaterparishfacebook/videos](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish/videos)

CLERGY RETREAT NEXT WEEK

Fr Chima will be attending the Clergy Retreat next week for a few days, so the weekday Masses are as follows.

Manly: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Freshwater: Wednesday

Manly: There will be Adoration next Wednesday but NO reconciliation.

Please keep Fr Chima, and all the clergy in your prayers.

We extend our thanks and appreciation once again to the Augustinian Fathers for their support with the weekend Masses during Fr Marek’s leave.



Fr Marek will be leaving next week for his annual holidays and will then meet up with the pilgrims to journey to Poland and Medjogorje.

Please keep him and the pilgrims in your prayers.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS



6pm – 7.30pm Quiet Prayer, Adoration and reconciliation will be available 6pm – 7pm concluding with Benediction

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

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 MANLY community.

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

Parish facebook: [facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish](https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish)

Parish website: bbcatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August
For Political Leaders

Pope Francis invites prayers “so that political leaders may serve their people, work for comprehensive human development and the common good, attending to those who have lost their jobs and prioritizing the poorest.”

LET US PRAY FOR

25th August 2024

Recently Deceased: Cornelia Kelly; Helen Strong; Helen Dean; Frank Hegarty; Kerry Ritson

Anniversary: Frank Ellis

Prayers for the sick in our parish: “*Lord, grant them and their carers strength and courage*” 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; Paul Donnelly; Julie Wallis; Lyn Hillard; Ian Flynn; Jake Usher; Wayne Smedley; Apolinar Anasarias; Kay Flenady; Annette Frances O’Leary; Anna Kalayzich; Veronica Rinaldo; Chinnamma Puliparambil; Rena Cull; John Santos; Shirley Ford; Ana Maria Saladana;

Dates to remember...

• CHANGES TO WEEKDAY MASSES

see bulletin notice on front page

• **Spanish Prayer Group** Friday 23 August 6pm

• **Cenacle of Our Lady**

Manly: Tues 9:45am; Freshwater: Wed 9:45am



YOUTH GROUP GATHERING

We welcome all youth who are in High School (Yr 7 – Yr 12) to come along and join the Manly Freshwater Parish Youth Group which is held every **1st and 3rd Sunday** following the 6pm Mass (7pm – 9pm). Join us for free food and drinks, table tennis, basketball, party games, talks and new friends! Feel free to check out our instagram or send us an email!

Email: manlyfreshwatercatholicyouth@gmail.com

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PIETY STORE

Come and see our new selection of Piety goods just received.

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- Rosary bracelets
- Children’s Rosary bracelets
- Scapulars
- And much more



Movie of month: *Paul VI: The Pope in the tempest*

Amid the turbulence and violence of the 20th century one man stood for the timelessness of truth.

Only \$10 @ the piety store

CD of the month - *Keep Holy the Sabbath - Reclaiming Sunday* - Dr Tim Gray

An exploration on the facts, and importance of properly observing the Sunday Sabbath.

Only \$5 at the piety store.

THINGS YOU DIDN’T KNOW ABOUT THE MASS.

“All rise, Holy Mass is in session.”

Back when I used to study law and work in law firms, one of the many things that fascinated me – indeed it still does today – was *courtroom etiquette*.

Few places nowadays, at least in Australia, still observe such strict rules of behaviour; keeping silence, using honorary titles, speaking in turn, appropriate dress, rules of language, the list goes on. Of course, perhaps the most recognisable rule is *standing up* when the judge enters the courtroom. Everyone knows that one. It’s a sign of respect and helps keep the order.



But it’s not exactly unfamiliar to us Catholics – we stand up *every week* before the start of Mass. Still, you might wonder, *why do we stand up?* Simply out of respect? Tradition perhaps? To help us sing?

Surely there’s more to it. Let’s find out...

† † †

Let’s start with the obvious one – Catholics stand up at the start of Mass to *welcome Christ*. In the Old Testament, when Moses entered the Tent of Meeting, the People of Israel “would rise up and worship” (Exodus 33:10). So too for us, each Sunday Mass, when the priest enters the nave at the back, we Catholics too rise together and welcome him, worshipping in song. Indeed, Christ is sacramentally *represented* and also *present* in the priest; a fact we are reminded of each time he ascends the sanctuary steps to the altar of sacrifice, just as Jesus ascended Mount Calvary. Because of Christ’s sacramental presence in the priest, when we stand for the *priest*, we stand for *Christ*.

The second reason we stand – is so we can *get walking*. In the first few centuries after Christianity was legalised in Rome, the Pope would gather with his flock in the city, and make a ‘penitential procession’ to the church for Sunday Mass. Such pilgrimages prepared Christians for worship, but also reminded them of the truth; we do not belong to *this* world, but are pilgrims on this earthly journey towards Heaven. Over the centuries, outdoor processions to the church were shortened, and later practiced inside the church; but to this day, they retain their rich symbolism and meaning.

So then, how might we join in? What shall we do?

† † †

Well, dear friends, this week, at the entrance hymn, let us **stand for Christ**. Let us stand for Christ when he arrives in our church. When Fr Chima or Fr Marek first enters the nave at the back, let us stand and welcome him! Trust not these feeble earthly eyes of ours that see but a man; no no, this week, put on your spiritual glasses and see! See Christ who walks our aisle, and welcome him joyfully – with song.

And then, having welcomed Christ, **join the procession!** Join in the procession to the altar. Not in body of course, for that would be chaos, and I would get fired. No, this week, join the procession in *heart* and in *spirit* and in *worship*. As you see Christ walk past you in the aisle, imagine yourself on the pilgrimage with Our Lord to the sanctuary of heaven; follow behind Him, all the way. This week, at the entrance hymn, stand for Christ and join the procession.

For we are but pilgrims on this earth; our true home is Heaven.
God bless you. Seminarian Matthew



PARISH MORNING TEAS

MANLY: every 3rd Sunday after the 10:30am Mass hosted by the Tongan Community.

FRESHWATER: every Sunday after the 9am Mass in the parish hall.

**Join us for morning tea and a chat.
All welcome and bring a friend.**



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 **ONE** collection during Mass at the offertory at Manly and **TWO** at Freshwater.

PILOT PROGRAM –The Diocese has agreed for Manly to pilot a **ONE COLLECTION** at the weekend Masses. The Diocese will continue to monitor this.

The collection is for the First and Second Plates and will be allocated as follows:

- 25% to Supporting our Priests including the sick & retired in our Diocese.
- 75% to Parish operations and maintenance of building.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH & PRIESTS

FINANCIALLY by using one of the following...

1. **Planned Giving:** through a monthly **direct debit** or **credit card**. Please contact the parish office for more information 9977 5822.

2. **Collection plates during Mass**

3. **Tap and Go machines** using your credit/debit card or **EFTPOS Terminals**.



4. **Scan to Donate** using the QR code to access our BPoint Donation page.



5. **Direct into Parish Bank Accounts**

- **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** Supports our Priests
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DIRECT DEBIT FROM BANK ACCOUNT

Please consider changing your giving from a credit card deduction to a direct debit from your bank account. Please contact the parish office to have this set up automatically for you.



Baptism of Older Children

We will be commencing a Baptism Program for school age children in the coming weeks. If you would like your child to be baptised please contact the parish office 9977 5822.

Ministers of Communion for the Sick



We would like to recommence Communion to our parishioners who are unable to attend Mass on Sundays.

This includes our local Nursing Homes and parishioners at home.

We look forward to hearing from you if you have previously been a part of this ministry or if you are interested in being trained as a Minister to the Sick. Please contact the parish office 9977 5822.

Year of Prayer

Our Vicar General, Very Rev Dr David Ranson, has prepared a Meditation Series of Christian Prayer. This is in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee.

The Introduction to the series and the first three videos in the series can be found at

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/mission/year-of-prayer> or on the [Diocese YouTube channel](#)

An excellent series!

The Year of Prayer is meant to help Catholics individually and as a community to prepare to receive God's grace.

May prayer be the compass that guides, the light that illuminates the path and the strength that sustains us on the pilgrimage that will lead to entering the Holy Door in 2025, the traditional sign of having made a jubilee pilgrimage. Through prayer, may we arrive at the Holy Door with our hearts ready to welcome the gifts of grace and forgiveness that the Jubilee offers as a vivid expression of our relationship with God.

OUR PILGRIMS TO:

POLAND



& MEDJUGORJE

WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS AT EVERY MASS



We close the intention collection on the 25 August.

Write down your intention on the prayer card, you will find at the foyer/entrance

- 08.09 Warsaw airport chapel
- 09.09 Warsaw Church of St. James
- 10.09 Niepokalanów St Maximilian MK
- 11.09 Częstochowa - Jasna Góra
- 12.09 Częstochowa - Jasna Góra
- 13.09 Cracow - Church of St. Florian
- 14.09 Wieliczka
- 15.09 Łagiewniki Divine Mercy Shrine
- 16.09 Cracow airport chapel
- 17-19.09 Medjugorje
- 20.09 Dubrovnik - Church of St. Blaise
- 21-22.09 Neum

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PILGRIMS

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF NORTH HARBOUR
ALPHA YOUTH FOR 18 – 35ish**

National Child Protection Week

In addition to the above NAPCAN will be facilitating webinars during National Child Protection Week. On September 2nd, 2024, the week gets started with the official launch featuring guest speaker, Anne Hollands, National Children's Commissioner. This session will set the tone for the week by highlighting the national commitment to child protection, the impactful efforts driving child protection nation-wide and the importance of every conversation.

For those wanting to attend this, or any of the other webinars, registrations can be accessed via the following link <https://www.napcan.org.au/final-official-program-webinars-events-2024/>

Ignite 2024 Thu 26 – Sat 28 September

Broken Bay is again delighted to host the Ignite Sydney Conference, a gathering of Catholics for four days of formation, renewal of faith, and powerful worship. It is a conference for all children, high school students, and young adults, and deeper sessions for adults, specifically parishioners, priests, religious, ministry leaders, parents, and grandparents. There is something for everyone at the Ignite Conference.

Mission Broken Bay is pleased to offer a 50% subsidy for parishioners to attend. Please contact Mission@bbcatholic.org.au to access the promotional code for either a "Teen" or "Adult" registration.

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Applications are now open for 2025.

To download the Prospectus, please click: [Prospectus](#);

To apply, please click [Apply](#)

Participants may also be eligible for a diocesan subsidiary. For further information, please contact mission@bbcatholic.org.au

PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

- Cenacle of Our Lady: Tues 9:45am Manly Church
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am Parish Centre
- Eucharistic Adoration: Weds 6:00pm Manly
- Lectio Divina: Tues 7.30pm & Weds 10am Parish Centre
- Piety Store: open on weekends or call the Parish Office
- Prayer Group in Spanish – 2nd & 4th Friday 6pm Parish meeting room
- Reconciliation: Manly: Sat 10am – 11am
- RCIA: Contact the Parish Office 9977 5822
- Rosary: Freshwater Tues – Fri 8.45am in Church
- Youth Group (Yrs 7 – Yr 12): 1st & 3rd Sunday 7pm – 9pm

PARISH MONTHLY EVENTS

- Anointing Mass: Manly & Freshwater 1st Friday 9:15am
- Parish Pastoral Council: contact Parish Office
- St Joseph Men's Group: 1st Thurs of the month 7pm
- t Vincent de Paul Conferences: Manly 1st Mon each month 5:30pm Freshwater 2nd Mon each month 5:30pm

Long Term Volunteer Opportunities in the Australia-Pacific Region - The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco



We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for departure in January 2025 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Mongolia. Applications close October 31st, 2024. Send us an enquiry - www.cagliero.org.au or lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

KIDS ACTIVITY BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCES TO THE CHURCH

Youth Group gathering.



ALPHA group sharing a meal together after finishing the 11-week Alpha program.



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YOUNG ADULTS
COMMUNITY

Every 2nd Saturday at pub/restaurant
Every 4th Saturday at Manly Parish
message: (6 Raglan St)
Fr Marek at 0422532173
or Cam at 0432895304

Lord, your words give everlasting life

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B



By listening to Jesus, we too can have everlasting life. What are some things Jesus is telling us? Draw the missing pictures, then circle the correct answers.



Simon Peter said that Jesus' words give eternal life. Can you think of some other things that Jesus gives us? Write or draw your answers.

Love one another

Do anything you want



Always be the winner

Help others



Be stronger than others

Pray to God



MINISTRY ROSTER – SEPTEMBER 2024 – MANLY

	Ministry	Week 1 31 Aug – 1 Sept	Week 2 7 – 8 September	Week 3 14 – 15 September	Week 4 21 – 22 September	Week 5 28 – 29 September
		22 Sun in Ord Time	23 Sun in Ord Time	24 Sun in Ord Time	25 Sun in Ord Time	26 Sun in Ord Time
6pm Vigil Mass	Server	Kazuko Fischer	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham	Louise Wareham
	Readers	Freya Zemek Jean Halcrow	Bill Tango	Rita Bruzzese Jean Halcrow	Bill Tango	Rita Bruzzese
	Music	CD'S	CD'S	CD'S	CD's	CD's
	Warden	John Zemek	John Zemek	John Zemek	John Zemek	John & Merle Zemek
	Piety Store	Elizabeth Bray Chiplin	Merle Zemek	Elizabeth Bray Chiplin	Merle Zemek	Merle Zemek
8:30am Mass	Server	Ken Thompson	Matthew French Owen Koster	Matthew French	Matthew French Owen Koster	Ken Thompson
	Readers	Jan Van Den Broek	Patty Thomas	Patty Thomas	Jan Van Den Broek	Patty Thomas
	Music	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir	Parish Choir
	Warden	Dom Ferragina	Dom Ferragina	Dom Ferragina	Dom Ferragina	Dom Ferragina
	Piety Store	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen	Jan Dorsen
10:30am Mass	Server	Louise Wareham	Ivica Covic Teresa Hearn	Matthew French Bernie Lawler	Ivica Covic	Louise Wareham Bernie Lawler
	Readers	Katalina Taefotu Ron Gravolin	Rita Bruzzese Janie Fonua	Carmel Lawler Katalina Taefotu	Rita Bruzzese Janie Fonua	Carmel Lawler Janie Fonua
	Music	Tongan Choir	Bianca Zatz Parish Choir	Tongan Choir	Gina Marshall Bianca Zatz	Gina Marshall
	Warden	Paul Pervan	Paul Pervan	Paul Pervan	Paul Pervan	Paul Pervan
	Morning Tea			Tongan Community		
	Piety Store	Kim McGrath	Jenny Tucker	Kim McGrath	Jenny Tucker	Kim McGrath
	Server	Matthew French Gabriele Wan	Matthew French Richard Heasman	Ivica Covic Owen Koster Richard Heasman	Matthew French Gabriele Wan	Ivica Covic Owen Koster
6pm Mass	Readers	Sandie Cornish	Sandie Cornish	Youth Group	Family Mass	Assistance Required
	Music	Simon Hyland	TBC	Simon Hyland	Family Mass	TBC
	Warden	Joanne Kalayzich Mark Bateman	Joanne Kalayzich Mark Bateman	Joanne Kalayzich Mark Bateman	Joanne Kalayzich Mark Bateman	Joanne Kalayzich Mark Bateman
	Piety Store	Aira & Christian Escobio	Aira & Christian Escobio	Aira & Christian Escobio	Aira & Christian Escobio	Aira & Christian Escobio

MINISTRY ROSTER – September 2024 – FRESHWATER

	Ministry	Week 1 31 Aug – 1 Sept	Week 2 7 – 8 September	Week 3 14 – 15 September	Week 4 21 – 22 September	Week 5 28 – 29 September
		22 Sunday in Ord Time	23 Sunday in Ord Time	24 Sunday in Ord Time	25 Sunday in Ord Time	26 Sunday in Ord Time
5pm Vigil	Server	Mick O'Farrell	Ian Press	Mick O'Farrell	Ian Press	Mick O'Farrell
	Readers	Amanda Whitfield	Amanda Whitfield	Family Mass	Joseph Press Jessica Press	Amanda Whitfield
	Music	CD's	CD's	Family Mass	CD's	CD's
	Welcomers	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott	Shirley Abbott
	Server	Joanne Druery	Lou Maruca	Francis Raymond	Amorina Wright	Joanne Druery
9am Mass	Readers	Patricia Brown Luke Campbell	Vincent Bokanovic Luka Bokanovic	Toni Walsh Pam Brown	Josh Wright Jasmine Wright	Toni Walsh
	Music	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown	Pat Brown
	Welcomers	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt	Sally Moffatt
	Altar Society	Isabella & Phillip d'Souza	N/A	Jacqui Good Mary Arcus	N/A	Patricia & Solo Brown
	Morning Teas	Joy family	Talerico family	Angelica & Michael Rosatto	Wright family	Francis Raymond

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

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year B

First Reading *Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 (JB)*

A reading from the book of Joshua

We will serve the Lord God, because he is our God.

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.'

The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

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

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 33:2-3, 16-23 (JB)*

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. R.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal. R.

They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. R.

Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken. R.

Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. R.

Second Reading *Ephesians 5:21-32 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

This is the great mystery, it applies to Christ and the Church.

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives submit to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her

to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body - and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

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

Gospel Acclamation *cf John 6:63, 68 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

Gospel *John 6:60-69 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?'

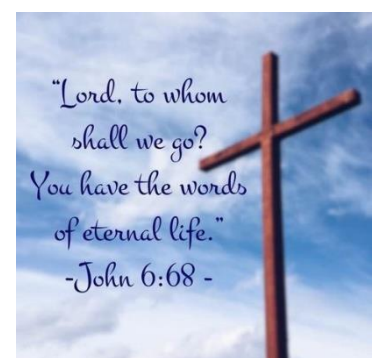
'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.'

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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St John the Baptist Church

cnr Johnson & Oliver St, Freshwater 2096

Parish Pastoral Council:

Michael McGrath (Chair); Ivica Covic (Deputy
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Val Buono; Patricia Carroll; Margaret Dent;

PPC continued...

Robert Marshall; Peter Nacard, Ian Press,

Weekend Masses:

Manly: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

Freshwater: Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 9am

Weekday Masses: Manly & Freshwater

Tuesday – Friday 9:15am

Baptisms: please contact the parish office

Reconciliation: *Manly* Sat 10am – 11am

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