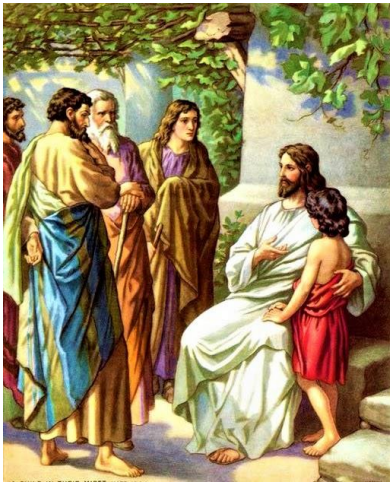




# MANLY FRESHWATER CATHOLIC PARISH

Mary Immaculate and St John the Baptist Churches

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 22nd September 2024**



## Gospel Reflection

Different hopes and expectations of the long awaited "age of the Messiah" collide in today's Gospel.

A somber Jesus speaks cryptically of what awaits him in Jerusalem, while those closest to him argue about their own greatness and status in the Messiah's reign (that must have been quite a conversation to elicit the strong reaction it did from Jesus!). The disciples, long resigned to their people's humiliation and subjugation, dream of a kingdom of power and influence in which ambition is exalted; Jesus explains to them (yet again) that the Messiah's reign will be a kingdom of spirit and conversion in which humble service to others is exalted.

Jesus articulates the great paradox of discipleship: *Do you wish to be first? Then become last. Do you seek to attain greatness? Then become small. Do you want to be masters? Then become the servants of those you wish to rule.*

To emphasize the point, Jesus picks up a little child and places the child in the midst of these would-be rulers and influence peddlers. A child has no influence in the affairs of society nor offers anything to adults in terms of career advancement or prestige enhancement; just the opposite is true: a child needs everything. To be "great" in the reign of God, Jesus says, one must become the "servant" of the "child," the poor, the needy, the lost.

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## FUNERAL

A Requiem Mass for long time Freshwater parishioner **Patricia (Pat) Smith** will be held on Friday 27th September at 10:30am at St John the Baptist Church Freshwater.

Please keep Pat and her family in your prayers.

## WEEK DAY MASSES - UPDATE

Fr Marek returns from the Pilgrimage next week, the week day 9:15am Masses will resume back to normal – Tuesday to Friday at Manly and Freshwater.



## ENQUIRY NIGHT

Invite your family & friends to **Come and See** on Tuesday 24 September at 7pm in the Parish Centre at Manly Freshwater Parish

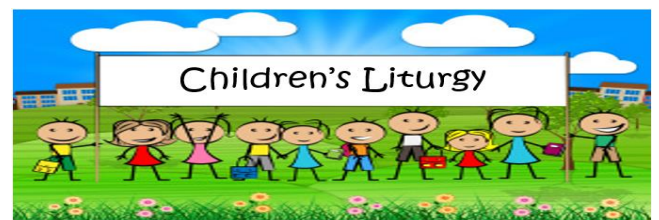
*Especially for Adults who are unbaptised or baptised in another Christian tradition and wanting to know more about the Catholic Faith.*

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process for adults to learn and live the Good News of Jesus as revealed in the Bible, in the Catholic tradition and lived out in our community.

We explore the teachings, practices and history of the Catholic Church.

Our aim is for those who are unbaptised or come from another Christian background to come to a deeper understanding of God, our relationship to God and our Catholic community.

Be welcomed in a place where we can find acceptance and belonging through God's love and mercy. Contact: Parish Office for more details.



Children's Liturgy will commence on Sunday 13th October during the 10:30am Mass. It will continue to be held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 10:30am Mass. This will cater for children aged 3 to 8 years old. Each week a theme that correlates to the readings and Gospel is presented to the children using age-appropriate materials. The adult catechists incorporate prayer, song, group discussion, worksheets and other activities so the children can relate the Word of God to daily life. The children leave the church after a blessing from the priest, gather in the parish meeting room, and return during the offertory.

LET US PRAY FOR 22nd September 2024

**Recently Deceased:** Patricia (Pat) Smith; Fiona McIntosh; Carmen Cariola

**Anniversary:** Margaret Santos; Louise Santos

**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; 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; Rita Hogan

### Dates to remember...

- **RCIA Enquiry Night** Tues 24th Sept 7pm
- **St Paul’s Yr 12 Graduation Mass** Wednesday 25th Sept 9:15am
- **PPC Meeting** Thurs 26th Sept 5:30pm
- **SVDP Festival Mass at SJB Church** Friday 27th Sept 7pm
- **Spanish Prayer Group** Friday 27th Sept 6pm
- **Cenacle of Our Lady** Manly: Tues 9:45am; Freshwater: Wed 9:45am

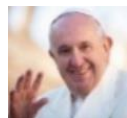


### PARISH MORNING TEA

**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.**



### Pope Francis Prayer Intention for September *For the Cry of the Earth*

“Let us pray that each of us hears with the heart the cry of the Earth and victims of natural disasters and climate change, personally committing to care for the world we inhabit.”

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

### PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

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

**Parish website:** [bbccatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater](https://bbccatholic.org.au/manlyfreshwater)

*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.*



**BROKEN BAY NEWS  
SEPTEMBER EDITION  
NOW AVAILABLE  
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**KIDS ACTIVITY BULLETINS  
ARE AVAILABLE AT THE  
ENTRANCES TO THE CHURCH**

## THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE MASS

### From Altar to Aisles: The Ripple of Peace

Years ago, I remember watching a famous political commentator, who had just become Catholic, talking about how much he loves the Mass. Despite his firm character, he said one particular moment almost makes him cry...



...The Sign of Peace.

He marveled at it – the idea that you’re sitting in a church full of complete strangers, turn to someone you don’t know, and say to them: “Peace be with you.”

In *his* world, filled with political factions and mudslinging, there was at least *one moment* in his life where he was reminded – “everyone is basically like you... and we’re all trying to get along.”

I’d never thought about it like that.

Still, for any of us who are human, we know that it’s one thing to wish someone “Peace be with you”, and another to actually live out that peace – especially when we can’t find such peace within ourselves.

So this week, dear friends, let us consider the question: what is the Sign of Peace, and why should we offer it to each other?

† † †

The first reason is because Our Lord asks us. In Matthew’s Gospel, Jesus says: “If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.” The Sign of Peace is a reminder of this teaching. Don’t get me wrong, it’s not easy, but we must share peace with each other, if we are ever to fully radiate Christ unto the world.

The second reason we offer peace (even when we can’t find it in ourselves) is because it is **not our** peace we offer; rather, it is *Christ’s* peace. The Sign of Peace has taken many forms over the centuries – a kiss, an embrace, a bow, or even an icon of Christ to be kissed. Still, a key feature for the longest time was that the bishop or priest (representing Christ) would first kiss the altar or Host, then offer the kiss of peace to his deacons, then the deacons to the faithful, and the faithful out to each other, rippling out from the sanctuary unto the aisles until the whole community had received Christ’s peace. The symbolism was profound: all *true peace* comes from Christ, cascading through the ministers of the Church out and among God’s people. Just beautiful.

So then, what shall we do this Mass?

† † †

**Well, firstly, let us receive the peace of Christ:** When the priest extends his hands outwards and says: “The peace of the Lord be with you always”, let us expose our hearts. Yes, expose our hearts – because the peace of Christ is being transmitted to you in that moment – like a ray of light, shooting from the priest’s hands and heart, directly into yours. Let us receive the peace of Christ.

**And secondly, then offer Christ’s peace to others:** Then, when the priest says, “Let us offer each other the sign of peace”, let us turn and transmit that peace to others. A simple bow or handshake is good – and to those nearest us – for this is not a mere *greeting*, but rather a *blessing* that we share with each other.

**God bless you. Seminararian Matthew**



## PRAYER GROUP IN SPANISH GRUPO DE ORACION EN ESPANOL

A Prayer Group for Spanish Speaking families meet on a fortnightly basis.

All those who are interested in joining this fellowship gathering are most welcome including children.

Next meeting: Friday 13th September

Time: 6:00pm Place: Parish Meeting Room



**Craft Group** meets each week on Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12noon in the Parish Center. We invite you to come along for a cuppa and a chat in a friendly relaxed environment. Bring along your knitting or other craft if you wish.

Visitors to the area are more than welcome.



**Lectio Divina** Read his story in the Gospels. Spend time with him. Listen to what he says. Lectio Divina group meets in the Parish Centre on Tuesday evening at 7pm and Wednesday mornings at 10am. All Welcome



**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION** Anyone interested in this form of silent prayer is most welcome to attend. We meet each Tuesday at 12:15pm in the Parish Centre.

*"Be still and know that I am God"*  
(Psalm 46: vs 10)



## 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!

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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.



## 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



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN MANLY ON WEDNESDAYS

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



## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS REMINDER SUNDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2024 Clocks turn back 1 hour



WELCOME TO OUR  
PARISH COMMUNITY

If you are new to the Parish or are not currently registered we warmly welcome you

and ask that you complete a Parish Census form.

This will assist us to connect with you and your family and advise you of any of our parish community activities.

The census form can be found on the back wall of the Church or at the side door entrance and may be left in the collection plate or emailed to the Parish Office - [manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au)



CCD  
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## CCD Annual Mass

Saturday 16 November  
11.30am at Our Lady of  
the Rosary Cathedral,  
Waitara

The CCD Annual Mass is our opportunity to recognize and celebrate the devoted SRE catechists in our Diocese. We honour those who have served our ministry for 15 years or more, and this year we are thrilled to present a 60 years of service award. We also recognize catechists who have achieved high levels of training. We invite all clergy to concelebrate the Mass, and all catechists, family, friends and parishioners are welcome to attend.

## CCD Ongoing Classroom Management training

Experienced SRE catechists are invited to join us for Ongoing Classroom Management training in the next school holidays. Those who are due to renew this training will be contacted by their Parish Catechist Coordinator or CCD Registrations. Contact Alicia at our Registrations desk on [registrations@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:registrations@bbcatholic.org.au) or 02 8379 1673 for enquiries or to register. **Flyer**



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2/10 Sensory play with sandy twist

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4/10 Bubble Bonanza

7/10 Public Holiday

8/10 Tie Dye

9/10 Mystery Day

10/10 Halloween Fun

11/10 Halloween Fun

14/10 Master Chef Day



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.
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Account Name: Manly Freshwater Parish  
Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank  
Account # 100002025 BSB: 062 784
  - **1st collection** Supports our Priests  
Account: Manly Freshwater Parish Pastoral  
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**HAS YOUR CREDIT CARD EXPIRED?**

If you donate to the Parish using your credit card please let us know if you have a new card or the card has expired by contacting the Parish Office 9977 5822 or email [manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:manlyfreshwaterparish@bbcatholic.org.au)

**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.

**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. 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.



**St Vincent de Paul Mid-Winter Appeal**

Freshwater and Manly Conferences sincerely thank all the parishioners who donated to the recent SVDP Appeal. Total donations amounted to \$15,460. These donations will enable members to help to continue to help people in need. Sincerely Mick and Bruce.

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

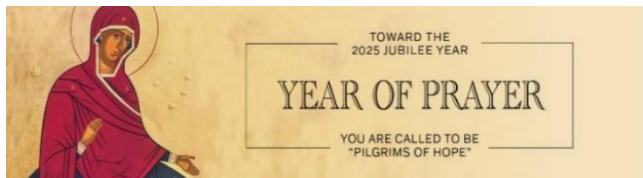


**PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS**

- Cenacle of Our Lady: Tues 9:45am Manly Church
- Craft Group: Tues 10:00am Parish Centre
- Christian Meditation: Tues 12:15pm 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
- St Vincent de Paul Conferences:  
Manly 1st Mon each month 5:30pm  
Freshwater 2nd Mon each month 5:30pm



In preparation for the Jubilee Year "Pilgrims of Hope", 2023-24 has been designated the Year of Prayer by Pope Francis, with a particular emphasis on the Our Father. This presents our Church with a significant opportunity to revisit the basics of prayer, and for us to become even more a people of prayer,

Someone once said that 'prayer doesn't help our relationship with God, prayer IS our relationship with God!' and so when we become more devoted to prayer, we are building up that Divine friendship. Being Pilgrims of Hope means that we should always be growing in our love of prayer on our journey of Faith. But the Year of Prayer also asks us to consider how we might help others to pray, so that they can experience a personal encounter with the risen Jesus.

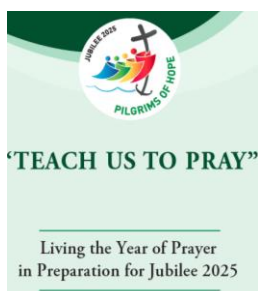
Can you teach at least one other person to pray, as Our Lord taught His disciples, during this Year of Prayer?

*God of blessings, in this year ahead,  
give us a spirit of listening, of openness to your word  
and longing for your kingdom.*

*As we journey toward the Jubilee,  
a time of new beginnings, we pray for help and  
strength, to heal our relationships  
with each other and all creation.*

*Sing your song of love over us,  
renewing our faith and courage,  
so we may join our voices together, discovering new  
harmonies of hope, new melodies of reconciliation*

*Attentive to the Spirit, and awake to the needs of the  
world, may we seek your life-giving presence,  
as we join as one global family,  
in a great symphony of prayer and praise. Amen*



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 the link below.

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

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.

Is God calling you to make a difference in vocations ministry?



Serra vocations Mass and dinner meeting Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024 at Sacred Heart Church at 6:30pm

Our Mass celebrant and after dinner speaker will be

Father Gerard Moran OCD Assistant Priest at Corpus Christi Parish St Ives.

His topic: "The Nature of a Discalced Carmelite Vocation and the Carmelites in Australia since 1948"

*Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.*

For catering purposes kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on 0478 083 116 or email [annaytleung@yahoo.com.au](mailto:annaytleung@yahoo.com.au) or telephone Terry Scanlan on 0438 887 295 or email [terry\\_scanlan@bigpond.com](mailto:terry_scanlan@bigpond.com) if you are planning to attend.

### Our Lady of Fatima Mass and Fundraiser.



Proceeds to St Kevin's Church Dee Why.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am Mass followed by Lunch in St Kevin's Church Hall.

Cost: \$50pp. Includes: 3 Course Meal, Wine and soft drinks. D J and Dancing.

RSVP: Louie Maruca: 0404 655 280

# PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND AND MEDJUGORJE – update from Fr Marek



After visiting the Polish capital city we moved to Czestochowa which is considered the Spiritual Capital City with 6 million pilgrims visiting every year.

We also visited the seminary where Fr Marek was training for the priesthood and we visited his family house.



## Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year B

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

### **First Reading** *Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 (JB)*

A reading from the book of Wisdom

*Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.*

The godless say to themselves,

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

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

### **Responsorial Psalm** *Ps 53:3-6, 8 (JB)*

#### **R. The Lord upholds my life.**

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. R.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. R.

But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. R.

### **Second Reading** *James 3:16 - 4:3 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St James

*Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.*

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

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

### **Gospel Acclamation** *cf 2 Thessalonians 2:14 (JB)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

### **Gospel** *Mark 9:30-37 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity ... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.*

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.


They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**Parish Pastoral Council:**

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Margaret Dent; 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

**St Mary's Primary School** 7256 2135

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