

Parish Information

Quote of the Day

“When you know how much God is in love with you, then you can only live your life radiating that love”.
St. Mother Teresa.

SAFEGUARDING AND STOPLINE

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Officer is:

Les Sellwood: 0401 235 739

STOPLINE Contact: AOB@stopline.com.au

This Parish is Child Safety Aware and also complies with Australian Privacy Laws. A copy of the Child Safety and Protection of Vulnerable Adults policy is situated in the foyer of the church.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Les Sellwood (Chair), Pam Chapman,
Bruce Corrie, Helen McNamara, Paola Nunez,
Maria Jones, Julia McLean

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Karen Booker, Michael Gibbings, Mary Schmidt, Joyce Starkey, Pat Wilson, Sandra Wilson, Maddie Bell, Sr Teresa Geraghty, Mary Forrester, Krystyna Kelly, Sheila Petersen, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Ash Dean, Dennis Patterson, Carmen Phairs, Irene Gavrila, Rosa Maria Santos, Dawn O’Sullivan, Leon and Roz Thomas, Maura Poots, Angela Geraghty, Hugo Callan, Joan Francis, Angela de Weger, Terry Coles, Margaret Brennan, Ted Chapman, Leslee O’Connell, Katherine Pickering, Stacie Stonier, Val Steeden, Mitchell Swee, Barbara Peet

For a name to be included in the ‘Prayer for our Sick’ list, the Privacy Act now requires the personal permission of the nominee or a close relative.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Noel Armanasco, Dawn Bone, Hugh Cleary, Mary Cotter, Sr Anne Doherty, Suzanne Dougherty, Paul Forrester, Kerry Greensill, Matilda Iselin, John Kenafake, Antoni Kolbuch, Charles Lewis, Mary Machin, Ester Morrison, George Plant, Noreen Roe, Nancy Sheehan, Ronald Smith, Horace Tranter, Eunice Wade.

COVID-19 UPDATE

From the Archdiocese: ‘The Chief Medical Officer has expressed confidence in organisations with COVID Safe plans and at this stage parishes following the [Industry Plan for Places of Worship](#) can continue to hold acts of worship with no additional operating restrictions.’ Bishop Ken Howell

Our Parish operates under the COVID safe plan and we can continue to celebrate mass following these guidelines.

Mass celebrations at St. John Vianney’s:

Mass bookings for **55** people can be made.

To book please visit <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/sjv?embed=1>.

If you require assistance for bookings, please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email us at manly@bne.catholic.net.au

Mass Celebrations at St. Jude’s:

We are currently able to celebrate with **20** people in attendance with social distancing in place. To book please contact: Helen McNamara via phone 0403 193 625 or e-mail: Imac11@optusnet.com.au

Next Week’s Readings:

First Reading: Is 45:1, 4-6 *Second Reading:* 1 Thess 1:1-15 *Gospel:* Mt 22:15-21

Parish and Community Announcements

Bishops Of Queensland Election Statement

Pope Francis appeals to us all to start ‘a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet’. Climate change is a complex social and environmental problem that the Pope says demands ‘an integrated approach to combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded and at the same time protecting nature.’ Will you use your Queensland State Election vote to benefit our planet and all people? You can find out more about the issues you might reflect on when you cast your vote at <https://bit.ly/3bXbb7q>

All Souls Day - Monday 2 November

Bookings for masses on All Souls Day are now available on our TryBooking Site. These masses are available via the same link as bookings for weekend masses. If you have any questions or require any assistance please contact the parish office. **Please Note** the evening mass time has been changed from 5:00pm to 6:00pm.

World Vision Month

“You must love your neighbour as yourself...” Last week, the Universal Church, including this parish, celebrated World Mission Sunday. It was a time in the liturgical calendar when Catholics acknowledge, and give thanks for, the selfless sacrifice made by priests, brothers and religious sisters around the world, as they look to serve people in need by bringing hope, faith and love. It is these people that model the compassion of Christ and the grace of God and who you were invited to support, by contributing to the Catholic Mission appeal campaign. If you have not yet made a donation, you can still do so, in any of the following three ways: Text the word **GIVE** to 0488 854 436, enter your parish name in the notes and follow the prompts; donate online (catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia) or give via the traditional appeal envelope that are still available from your church. To all those who did contribute, by donating or offering prayers, we thank you. May the Lord bless all of you and sustain your community at this challenging social time, just as you have sustained other communities around the world.

Call For Volunteers

The parish is in need of volunteers for weekend masses. If you would like to help with the following duties and are not already a volunteer in our parish please go to the following link to register as a volunteer: <http://archbne.org/welcome> and we will be in contact with you. If you are already a volunteer within our parish and would like to assist please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email: manly@bne.catholic.net.au. Full training is provided to all volunteers.

Sacristan duties, Readers, Ministers of Communion, Altar Serving, Screen Operators, Hospitality, Counters and Choir and musicians.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

Please see information of the Volunteer Information Notices at the back of the church. We would like to thank you in anticipation.

Important Information Regarding Mass Bookings

Bookings for masses in November will commence on Monday October 12 at 9:00am and be released in two week intervals, please check weekly to see when new masses become available.

All bookings that are made from now on have been limited to one seat per booking, this is to allow for a simplified contact tracing system to be put into place.

If you are a family or booking multiple seats you will be required to book one seat for each person attending, using their details. This includes any families booking with children. **PLEASE NOTE** that in order for the contact tracing pages to be pre-filled with your details you need to ensure that the full details are being inputted this includes full first and last names. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter and thank you to everyone already assisting with this.

In the event that you have made a booking and can no longer attend mass we ask that you please cancel your booking, this can be done using the booking confirmation you receive via email, the option to cancel is located at the bottom.

If you have any questions please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email: manly@bne.catholic.net.au

First Reading: *Exodus 22:20-26*

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

Responsorial Psalm: *Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.*

Second Reading: *1 Thessalonians 1:5-10*

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread - and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel: *Matthew 22: 34-40*

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

Help Us Update Our Parishioner Contact Details

We are in the process of updating our records in regards to contact details for our parish community. This will allow us to better communicate with those in our parish community. If you wish to assist us, please fill in the slip below and place it into the parish mail box located at the back of the church. You may also like to take a copy of this form for someone in our parish community who is currently unable to attend mass, please note that the person whose details they are will need to sign the bottom of the form. The privacy of all individuals with whom we interact is very important to us and we are committed to protecting all personal information we collect and hold. We do this by handing information in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles in the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (**Privacy Act**).



Family Surname: _____

First Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Do you consent to being contacted by St John Vianney's Parish?
YES / NO

Signature: _____



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 25 October 2020

Parish Diary

Monday 26 Oct

Tuesday 27 Oct
6:00pm Manly

Wednesday 28 Oct
Saints Simon and Jude
(F)

9:00am Manly
(Rosary)
9:30am Manly

Thursday 29 Oct

Friday 30 Oct

Saturday 31 Oct
5:00pm Manly

Sunday 1 Nov
30th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

7:00am Gumdale
9:30am Manly

Reconciliation

By appointment
only.

Welcome to St John Vianney's Catholic Parish!

Our parish is known for being friendly and welcoming, as well as for active participation at Mass through music and prayer. There is a place here for everyone; we hope that you will join us. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact the parish office via email.

That's how God works.... There is a story about a young girl who was in great distress because she had lost a sense of God in her life. She complained to her elderly grandmother, "Why doesn't God let me feel His presence? If only I could feel Him and know that He has touched me." Her grandmother said, "Pray to God, right now. Close your eyes and pray to him. Ask Him to put out his hand and touch you." The girl closed her eyes and prayed fervently. Then she felt a hand on her hand. "He touched me. He touched me," she cried out. Then she said, "You know, his hand felt just like your hand." "Of course it was my hand," her grandmother said. "That's how God works. He takes the hand that is nearest and uses that."

In this weekend's Gospel Jesus underlines the principle that Love of God means putting Him first, respecting His Name and we are to love our neighbour as we love ourselves because both of us bear God's image, and to honour God's image is to honour Him. The love of God has priority and is our source of love for neighbour. In our neighbour we experience something of God, His image and likeness that encourages us to show respect for others, their relationships, their reputations, and their property.

The readings of today easily remind us how God expresses His love for us. Most of the time, God shows His love for us through the people around us. God's love is there for all to share and we love God when we sincerely love our brothers and sisters. It is simply the commandment to love. It reaches out even to those who do not behave well or wish to hurt us.

However, God does not stop loving us and He constantly reaches out to our love. We are always certain that God's love is offered to human persons and is never taken back. It comes in the sunset, in creation, in friendship, in our service to others, and in our desire to reconcile. God expects us to respond to this love through our gratitude to Him and express it in our loving service to our brothers and sisters.

Blessings,
Fr. Dantus Thottathil.

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