

Parish Information

Quote of the Day

**Life is like a sea
We are moving without
end.
Nothing stays with us
What remains is just the
memories
of some people
Who touched us as waves....**

SAFEGUARDING AND STOPLINE

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Officer is:

Les Sellwood: 0401 235 739

STOPLINE Contact: A0B@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 Gavrilova, 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 Sweet, 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:

Majorie Ball, Terence Barron, Eileen Blinco, Pat Brennan, Eileen Brumpton, Dorothy Buckley, Leonard Buckley, Edith Christian, Kathleen Cooper, Prudence Costello, Hazel Fanning, Keyra Hancox, Eunice Harrison, Sybil (Patricia) Hendry, Sr Joyce Hoffman, Marjory Ide-Tolley, Arthur Kelly, Margaret Kirkwood, Eliza (Nellie) Laggan, Bernard Lawder, Stephen Leather, Francis Mason-Johnson, Graham McAuliffe, Sr Margaret McKenna, Margaret McKinless, Olga Morrison, Leslie Nutt, Des Osborne, Walter Passey, Noel Peter Phillips, Joseph Reilly, Edith Smith, Annie Smithson, Vittorio Superina, Dorothy Taylor, Patricia Wamsley, Mary Watson, Win Campbell, Fr Paul Siebert.

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: Wis 6:12-16; 1 *Second Reading:* 1 Thess 4:13-18 *Gospel:* Mt 25:1-13

Parish and Community Announcements

Welcome Last Saturday, through Baptism, we welcomed Bridgette and Jack Pluck. Please keep Bridgette and Jack and their family in your prayers as they begin their faith journey.

Month of Remembering November is the month in which we commemorate those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. During November, the Book of Remembrance will be placed in the Church. You are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the book. You will also find November Mass Offering envelopes to complete if you would like a commemoration Mass to be celebrated. Completed envelopes with offerings can be placed into the parish mail box located near the piety stall or returned directly to the parish office.

All Souls Day Masses We still have seats available at both mass for All Souls Day on Monday. We have extended the cut off for bookings until Monday 2 Nov 8:00am. If you would like to attend please book online at <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/sjv?embed=1>. If you require any assistance or have any questions please contact the parish office.

Mass Bookings As of Monday 2 November mass bookings will be available for weekends up to and including that of Sunday 27 December. **Please note** that this excludes Christmas Eve and Christmas Day masses please see below for more information regarding these masses. If you have any question or require any assistance please contact the parish office.

Anglican Roman Catholic Reconciliation Day Service Will be celebrated at St Luke's Anglican Church, 152 Herries Street, Toowoomba on Wednesday 4 November 2020 at 7:00pm. Due to COVID regulations please register if you would like to attend this service in person. Please contact St Luke's Parish office on (07) 4639 1910 or email: stluke.tmba@bigpond.com. This service will also be available live on Facebook through St Luke's Parish page: www.facebook.com/StLukesParish.

Christmas Masses

In mid November we will release our bookings for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day masses. The following is the schedule for masses in the parish:

Christmas Eve:

5:00pm - Vigil Mass - Manly

7:00pm - Mass - Manly

7:00pm - Mass - Gumdale

11:30pm - Midnight Mass - Manly

Christmas day:

7:00am - Mass - Manly

9:30am - Mass - Manly

PLEASE NOTE: Bookings are **ESSENTIAL** for all of the above masses, due to COVID regulations and in line with guidelines developed by the Archdiocese of Brisbane, those without bookings will not be able to attend the above masses. To ensure you can attend please use our TryBooking site to book when these masses become available in mid-November.

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: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language.

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.' One of the elders then spoke and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

Responsorial Psalm: Response: *Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.*

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

We shall see God as he really is.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

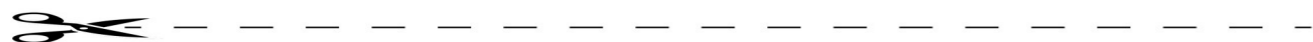
Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.'

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

Help Us Update Our Parishioner Contact Details

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: _____



All Saints Day - 1 November 2020

Parish Weekly Diary	
Monday 2 Nov	All Souls
9:30am	Manly
6:00pm	Manly
Tuesday 3 Nov	Saint Martin de Porres (OM)
6:00pm	Manly
Wednesday 4 Nov	Saint Charles Borromeo (M)
9:00am	Manly (Rosary)
9:30am	Manly
Thursday 5 Nov	
Friday 6 Nov	
Saturday 7 Nov	
5:00pm	Manly
Sunday 8 Nov	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am	Gumdale
9:30am	Manly
Reconciliation	
	By appointment only.



We are coming very near the end of the Church liturgical year. November is the month of remembrance. How appropriate, then, that the Catholic Church offers us the month of November, which begins with All Saints Day and All Souls Day. The Solemnity of All Saints this weekend reminds us of who we are and what a bright future can be ours. As we celebrate today all the saints, both those canonized and those who are unofficial, we are joyful that they have reached the goal of life, heaven. They remind us to keep our sights fixed high, to remember who we are and the glorious eternity that God offers us.

All Saints Day is also intended to honour the memory of countless unknown and uncanonized saints who have no feast days and be inspired by the faithful who have gone before us. Today we thank God for giving ordinary men and women a share in His holiness and Heavenly glory as a reward for their Faith. This feast is observed to teach us to honour the saints, both by imitating their lives and by seeking their intercession for us before Christ, the only mediator between God and human. The feast gives us an opportunity to thank God for having invited so many of our ancestors to join the company of the saints. May our reflection on the heroic lives of the saints and the imitation of their lifestyle enable us to hear from our Lord the words of grand welcome to eternal bliss: "Well done, good and faithful servant! Enter into the joys of your master" (Mt 25:21). Today is also a day for us to pray to the saints, both the canonized and the uncanonized, asking them to pray on our behalf that we may live our lives in faithfulness like theirs, and so receive the same reward.

During November we pray for all of our loved ones and friends who have died. We hope and pray that all those near and dear to us who have departed are already or will be numbered among the saints and so we pray for them especially during this month. **You are also invited to record the names of your deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance at the front of the Church. The Memorial Book with all the names will be placed on the front of the altar the whole month of November so that we can pray for everyone whose name is contained in the Book. There are also November mass envelopes provided on the back table if you wish to have a Mass celebrated for your loved ones and friends who have died.**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen, May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Blessings,
Fr. Dantus Thottathil.

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.

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Postal Address: PO Box 5174 Manly QLD 4179

Office hours: 8:30am – 2:00pm—Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri

Mass Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/sjv?embed=1>.



THE ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE

23 October 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

You are probably aware that on 18 October the Queensland Premier announced that she would rush euthanasia legislation into parliament in February 2021 despite previously committing to draft legislation being prepared by the Queensland Law Reform Commission by 1 March 2021.

The Anglican Archbishop of Brisbane Phillip Aspinall and I made a joint statement responding to the unexpected and unexplained announcement (see attached).

It is deeply disappointing that a matter as vital as life and death has been thrust into the fray of an election campaign and so heavily politicised. It is also disappointing that legislation will be rushed into a parliament that will comprise new members who have not had the opportunity to ponder the issue properly before being asked to vote on it. Disturbingly, as admitted by the Parliamentary Health Committee which conducted the inquiry into voluntary assisted dying, there has been very little, if any, consultation with one of the more vulnerable sectors of our community, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Reluctantly, then, we find ourselves in a position where we have to enter the fray.

There is only one more Sunday before most Queenslanders go to the polls I urge you to reinforce to your parishioners on the weekend of 24-25 October your message on voluntary assisted dying and urge them to think carefully about the matter before they cast their vote.

The resources provided to you for the recent *Dying Peacefully – No Euthanasia Sunday* (11 October) can guide you for your homily, particularly the pastoral letter. They can be found here - <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/dying-peacefully/#resources>

As always in the Lord,

Archbishop of Brisbane

The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge

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