FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6 A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10 R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. R.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.

You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. R.

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. R.

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. R.

**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of

Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. The word of the

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION. Matthew 2:2 Alleluia. alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** JOHN 1:29-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Isaiah 8:23 - 9:3 Ps 26:1, 4, 13-14 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17 Matthew 4:12-17

# For the Children

### **JESUS IS THE CHOSEN ONE**

John the Baptist had been preaching to the crowds and baptising them in the River Jordan. God had told John that he would send him a sign. The Holy Spirit would appear like a dove and settle on the one he had chosen to send. John would then be ready to show the son of God to all

### **LET US PRAY**

When we see these doves, God, help us to remember that your spirit is with us in all that we do, helping guide and protect us always.





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### **FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS**

All enquires about Funerals and Weddings, please contact Kate Sellwood manly@bne.catholic.net.au

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4.30pm or by appointment

### Children's Liturgy

In recess for the month of January. Will return on Sunday 5 February. Wishing you a happy and safe holiday.



### SACRAMENTAL **PROGRAM** FIRST RECONCILIATION **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Enrolments are now being accepted for the 2023 First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Sacrament Program and will close on Friday 27 January. If you have not already received an Enrolment Form by email please contact Nola or sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au

### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

1 February Parent Information Evening (by Zoom) 4-5 February Reconciliation Classes Begin

**Sat 4 March First Reconciliation Ceremony** 

25-26 March Holy Communion Classes Begin 13-14 May First Holy Communion Ceremonies

### 14/15 JANUARY 2023

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

### Behold God in your midst . . .

An eight-year old boy is facing surgery. He asks his doctor, "What's it like to die?" Neither the doctor nor anyone else on the medical staff can answer his question directly, but one hospital employee can. She isn't a doctor, nurse or child psychologist. She cleans the floors. One night the boy asks her, "Are you afraid of dying?" She puts down her mop, looks up from the floor and replies, "Yes, I am, but I do something about it." She talks and listens to the boy. She tells him that she believes in God and finds comfort in the words of Jesus. The two talk for a long time. She has put the boy at peace simply by listening to him. [1] Behold, the Lamb of God...

A student is struggling with his algebra homework. The frustration builds and the teenager slams the book shut. His father comes into the kitchen and asks if he can help, but the teenager says, "They didn't even have algebra in your day." Defeated and angry, the boy goes off to bed. At 4am, the dad shakes his son awake and sits him back down at the kitchen table. The father, who works two jobs as a janitor and a chauffeur, sat up all night to read the algebra book from cover to cover. He worked the problems through until he understood them enough to be able to explain them to his son. With his dad tutoring him, the son finally grasps the equations and completes his homework. That night, a father taught his son much more than algebra. [2] Behold, the Lamb of God...

Within a month, she had lost both her father and her mother. It was something neither she nor her husband knew how to deal with. She was devastated; getting through the days was often more than she could handle. He thought he might be able to lessen the blow by being a more attentive spouse or more romantic husband. He felt more and more inadequate at not being able to do something to alleviate her grief. Then the night came for them to see the musical Wicked. The tickets had been bought months before. The two leads sang a song that always reminded her of her mother. That's when he realised his role: to be there to hold her hand, to have Kleenex at the ready, to let her know he would be there when the music ended and the lights came back on. [3] Behold, the Lamb of God...

[SOURCES: [1] Guideposts, December 1990; [2] NPR's StoryCorps; [3] The **Boston Globe Sunday Magazine,** November 25, 2007.]

In every act of selfless generosity and humble compassion, the Lamb of God walks in our midst. Every one of us, of every profession and age group, possessing every talent, skill and ability, has been called, as the Baptiser was called, to point to the Christ, the Lamb of God, dwelling among us and walking with us in our doubts, our hurts and our fears. John declared his witness in preaching and baptising at the Jordan; our witness can be declared in less vocal but no less effective vehicles: in our unfailing compassion for others, in our uncompromising moral and ethical convictions, in our everyday sense of joy and purpose.

We acknowledge and pay respect to Traditional Custodians - the Quandamooka and Jagera Peoples on whose land we walk, live and worship.

### FOR YOUR DIARY JANUARY

16 Mon No Mass 17 Tues 6.00pm Mass 18 Wed 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Mass 19 Thu 9.30am Mass 20 Fri No Mass 21 Sat 4.30pm Reconciliation **3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ABORIGINAL SUNDAY** 21 Sat 5.00pm Mass (Manly) 22 Sun 7.00am Mass (Gumdale) 9.30am Mass (Manly) 23 Mon No Mass 24 Tues 6:00pm Mass 25Wed 9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass 26 Thu 9:30am Mass **AUSTRALIA DAY** 27 Fri 9:30am Mass 28 Sat 4:30pm Reconciliation **4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 5:00pm Mass (Manly)

### **ASH WEDNESDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2023**

7:00am Mass (Gumdale)

9:30am Mass (Manly)

29 Sun

### TRIUMPH Lenten Reflection Book - \$10.00

Triumph is an 88-page full colour book with short daily reflections from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday (perfect for individual devotional reading) in addition to the Sunday Scripture readings and longer form reflections, prayers and questions traditionally used in Lenten group gatherings.

To order a copy of this book, please contact the Parish Office by 2pm Friday 27 January.

### **LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS!**

If you are interested in joining a group please add your name to the Sign-up Sheet in the Church Foyer.

### Of your charity, please pray for:

**Recently deceased:** Ken Gillespie, Allan Delaforce, Kevin Holzberger, Veronica Lynch, Marcelo Vitoriano, Jill Rideout Belletty, Rory Greene.

Anniversaries: Trevor Alexander, Edmond Baker, Katherine Barton, Jean Rosenstengel, Kathleen Galea, Dean Bramley, Kevin Byrne, Joan Copley, Fay Bishop, Catherine Dillon, Sylvia Fens, Alan Francis, Jean Kuter, Meg Griffiths, Stephanie Hankins, Madeline Shenton, Jennifer Lynas, Sr Teresita Ahearn, Henry Sizeland, Olivia Lewis, Gerard Ring, Blanca Wiswell, Wilma Will, Eric Morrison, Gary Selwood, Maria Hoang T Do, David Vidler and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

### We Pray For The Sick

Rose-Marie Dickson, Emma Walters, David Schilling, Pat Ellis, Emily de Looze, Jocelyn Barrow, Barry Smith, Dell Chapman, Ted Chapman, Mrs Ford, Richard Pook, Natasha Skitmore, Irene Gavrilla and Anne Dixon.

For a name to be included in our 'We Pray For The Sick' list, the Privacy Act requires the personal permission of the nominee or a close relative. Names on the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners lists are reviewed at the end of each month.



# SAVE THE DATE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023 Friday 3rd March 2023 Hosted by

St John Vianney's Parish, Manly.

More details coming soon.

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Returning Soon - Morning Tea after the 9.30am Mass We are always looking for volunteers to help with the morning tea after 9.30am Sunday Mass. If you would like to be involved please contact the Parish Office.

	Welcomer	1 <sup>st</sup> Reader	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	ЕМНС	Screen
Saturday 14 Jan	Jane O	Jen B	Gerardina R	Mikaela A	Anjoline/Irene
Sunday 15 Jan	Helen C	Donna R	Jasser N	Nola S	Kate P
Saturday 21 Jan	Maureen B	Jane O	Colleen S	Gerardina R	Anjoline/Irene
Sunday 22 Jan	June M	Anne S	Margaret P	Jasser N	Kate P

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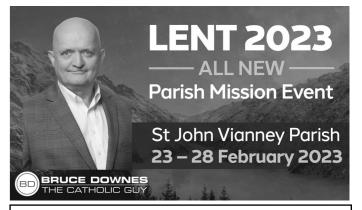
Aboriginal Sunday - 22 January 2023

"Hear the voices from the past so that together
we can walk into the future"

### GREAT CHARACTERS IN THE BIBLE PODCAST

This wonderful podcast series is hosted by our very own Archbishop Mark Coleridge. The focus is on the Bible as a story filled with fascinating human characters from both the Old and the New Testament. We will meet these characters, as they tell us a lot about humanity, and they are coming to meet us, as they do in the stories of scripture.

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### **ALL NEW 4-day Lenten Mission**

with Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy. 23-24 Feb and 27-28 Feb 2023

Sessions will be held at 9.30am and 6.30pm
The 6.30pm is a repeat of the morning session.
You choose which time best suits you on the day
Each session stands alone.

You do not need to attend all four days Tea/Coffee and Biscuits provided

This Faith Enrichment opportunity is FREE (Donations gratefully accepted)

### Be inspired! Be refreshed! Be renewed!

It is amazing what God can do when you pause and listen to Him! Inspirational, Prayerful and will help you in your spiritual walk this Lent.

Sign up Sheets available in church foyer

# Exciting opportunities for our children in 2023



10th Feb | 24th Feb | 10th Mar | 24th Mar | 31st Mar

### **FRIDAY NIGHT 7-9 PM**

BAYSIDE UNITING CHURCH HALL- 420 WONDALL RD, MANLY WEST

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