

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 22:1-3, 5-6

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. R.

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. R.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. R.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. R

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

A reading from St Paul to the Corinthians

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in the proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming King of our father David

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew: 25:31-46

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?"

And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Pastor

Fr George Joseph

josephg@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Secretary

Zoe Goodwin

P: 3131 2610 manly@bne.catholic.net.au

Office Hours: Mon Wed Fri

8.30am - 1.30pm

Ministry Coordinator

Nola Smith

sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Pastoral Council

Chair: Peter Smyth-Kirk

Secretary Pam Biggs-Chapman

Parish Finance Committee

Chair: Hugh Davies

Safeguarding Officer

Position temporarily vacant

SJV Primary School Manly

P: 3097 2900 E: pmanly@bne.catholic.edu.au

SACRAMENTS

All enquires for Baptism,
First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion
and Confirmation, please contact

Nola Smith

Ph. 0412 345 752

sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au

FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS

All enquires regarding Funerals and
Weddings, please contact **the parish office**

manly@bne.catholic.net.au

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.30pm or by appointment

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We follow the words of our patron,
St John Vianney, who said "He is here".

We recognise Christ is in the Word,
the Eucharist, and in us His people,
with a special reverence for Him
in the poor and marginalised.

We are called to make Christ present
through our prayer and charity.

We seek to grow in our spiritual lives and
create a community

where everyone is welcome;
the young and the old, together to
experience the loving presence of God.

We believe He is here amongst us
and we joyfully go out
to make Him present to all.

25/26 November 2023

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Let Us Pray:

Lord: Give me an alert spirit and a generous heart always ready to serve others. I want to follow You wherever You lead, taking Your love to heal, deliver and comfort my brothers and sisters. Amen.

What does Jesus do as King?

We don't usually think of shepherds as kings, but the scriptures this Sunday describe the kingly powers of Jesus as our Good Shepherd. A good king cares for his subjects the way a shepherd cares for his sheep.

Kings increase the size of their reign and accomplish their work over the whole territory through their subjects. That's why Jesus says, "Whatever you do for one of the least of mine, you do for me."

For example, our Good Shepherd-King wants to distribute food to the hungry, all the way to the farthest reaches of his kingdom. How does he get it done? He gives an abundance of food to some of us and commands us to take it to those who need it.

What happens if we don't fulfill the King's commands? Do the starving people think the King is benevolent? No, they can only see his goodness when we do as he tells us to do.

Look at the people who are around you. Each one is an opportunity to give the King a good name.

What about the people whom you like least of all? What about those who've made you feel angry or intimidated or hurt? Well, ask this: What is he/she hungry for? If the answer's not obvious, ask the Holy Spirit. Observe that person long enough to identify the emptiness or pain or fears that are buried under the surface.

Then ask this: What abundance has God given to me that this "least one" is lacking and needs from Christ our King? Can I show him/her the King's benevolence despite my feelings?

When we say no to opportunities to share what we have, we are behaving like one of the goats whom the Good Shepherd-King separates from the sheep on the way to heaven. And when we say yes, despite the feelings that could make us goat-like, the King's good reputation spreads, and we are all blessed.

*Catholicism@ Catholic Digital Resources,
www.catholicdr.com. Printed by permission.*

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

**FOR YOUR DIARY
NOVEMBER**

27 Mon No Mass
 28 Tues 6:00pm Mass
 29 Wed 9:00am Rosary
 9:30am Mass
 5.30pm Rehearsal - Choir
 6.30pm KSC Mass - Manly Bowls Club
 7.00pm KSC Dinner - Manly Bowls Club
 7.30pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM
 30 Thurs 10.30am Thanksgiving Mass - SJV School
 5.15pm Rehearsal - SJV Youth Choir

DECEMBER

01 Fri 10.30am NO Mass
 02 Sat 4:30pm Reconciliation
FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT
 5.00pm Mass (SJV) Choir Sings
 03 Sun 7:00am Mass (St Jude's)
 9:30am Mass (SJV)
 10.30am Baptism - GEORGE
 4.00pm Volunteers Gathering

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR MORNING
TEA AFTER THE 9.30AM MASS
TODAY**



**Another Christmas
Knight**



**KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS
Fundraiser Dinner for PNG Missions Project
and Farewell to Fr Michael Twigg OMI
@ the Manly Bowls Club
Wednesday 29 November**
 6.30pm Mass (Celebrant: our very own Fr George)
 7.00pm Dinner
 \$50pp (3 course meal, buy own drinks at club prices)
 RSVP by Sun 19 Nov to Chairbr46ksc@gmail.com
 Contact Leon Treasbr46ksc@gmail.com for tickets
 (Cash, Card, Direct Deposit or pay at the door)
 Further enquiries: Geoff Burke 0438 113 586

OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Tyler Whitton, Brian Eather, Pat Ellis, Merv Holman.

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, Sr Joyce Hoffman, Sybil (Patricia) Hendry, Arthur Kelly, Bernard Lawder, Margaret Kirkwood, Stephen Leather, Leslie Nutt, Des Osborne, Walter Passey, Noel Peter Phillips, Marjory Ide-Tolley, Edith Smith, Annie Smithson, Joseph Reilly, Graham McAuliffe, Olga Morrison, Dorothy Taylor, Patricia Wamsley, Grace Spann, Win Campbell, Margaret McKinless, Mary Watson, Fr Paul Siebert, Eliza (Nellie) Laggan, Francis Mason-Johnson, Sr Margaret McKenna, Vittorio Superina.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Jack and Mary Beard, Jocelyn Barron, Lorraine Bourke, Stephen Burrows, Philip Hunt, Dell Chapman, Emily de Looze, Anne Dixon, Rose-Marie Dickson, Irene Gavrilla, Richard Pook, Maureen Handcock, David Schilling, Leesa Scott, Violet Maureen Phillips, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, Emma Walters, Natasha Skitmore, Stacie Stonier & Peter Smyth-Kirk.

To include a name in our 'Of Your Charity' 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.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Sat 23 Dec: 5pm Vigil Mass Advent Wk4 (SJV)
 Sun 24 Dec: 7am NO MASS (St Jude)
 Sun 24 Dec: 9.30am NO MASS (SJV)
 Sun 24 Dec: 5pm Family Christmas Mass (SJV)
 7pm Christmas Mass (St Jude)
 Mon 25 Dec: 9.30am Christmas Mass (SJV)

**MANLY PARISH OF ST JOHN VIANNEY AND ST JUDE
CELEBRATION OF VOLUNTEERS
4PM SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER**

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Servers	Counter
Sat 25 Nov	Gerardina	Laurent F	Laura F	Denis H, Alison G	Pam	DH, LF, LAF	A
Sun 26 Nov	Katherine	Donna R	Kennedy C	Margaret H, Jasser	Nola	PN, LN, CO	
Sat 2 Dec	Nola S	Jane O	Jen B	Mikaela, Gerardina	Anjoline	DH	B
Sun 3 Dec	Mark E	Helen C-B	Bond W	Trish E, Adeline W	Donna	SN, LN, CO	

This parish is Child Safety Aware and complies with Australian Privacy Laws. A copy of the Safeguarding policy is situated in the foyer of the church. STOPLINE CONTACT: Phone 1 300 304 400 Email AOB@stopline.com.au



**CONGRATULATIONS
AND WELCOME**

We congratulate and welcome:

**Lola Drury, Isla Brugioni,
Billie and Freddie Ferrari,
Louis Peggie, Arlo Maclean**

who were Baptised in our Parish this weekend.



Looking for Christmas Gift ideas for those who have everything? Please consider **donating a Gift Card** to the Romero Centre as a gift for your loved ones.

- Go Cards, Coles / Woolworths gift cards (\$25 or \$50)
Multi shop gift cards or Cash.

Place cards in the weekend collection, in a sealed envelope marked **The Romero Centre**.

Remember, those assisted by The Romero Centre do not have access to government support (Centrelink, Medicare) and are not allowed to work, yet they are refugees fleeing for their lives just as the Holy Family was forced to do after the birth of Jesus.

CHRISTMAS NATIVITY PLAY

If your child would like to be in the Christmas Nativity Play, we will be presenting it at our **Christmas Twilight on Friday 15 December** as well as during the **Family Christmas Mass at 5pm on Sunday 24 December**. Please register your child's interest on the Sign-Up Form in the church foyer or contact Nola at:

sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY
TODAY**

For the Children

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING YEAR A

Christ is King

Today is the last Sunday of the church's year, the feast of Christ the King. As the year draws to an end, we turn our thoughts to the time when Christ will return as king.

LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, watch over us and guide us. Help us to remember that whatever we do to others, we do to you.



**NEXT
YOUTH CHOIR
REHEARSAL**

5.15PM THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER

- St Vincent de Paul -

CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL 2023

The Annual Christmas Hamper Appeal for **Non Perishable Food Items** commences **THIS WEEKEND 25-26 November**.

Hampers will be delivered on Saturday 16 December so early donations would be greatly appreciated.

Donation suggestions include:

CHRISTMAS FARE

Christmas Cake, Christmas Pudding (individual)
 Christmas sweets/chocolate, long life custard, fruit mince pies, jellies, tinned leg ham

CHRISTMAS TABLE ITEMS

Serviettes, bon-bons, decorations

GENERAL FOOD ITEMS

Tinned/bottles fruit & vegetables, savoury biscuits, tins of biscuits, shortbread

DRINKS

Bottles of cordial/fruit juice, packs of poppers, soft drinks

GIFT VOUCHERS

Woolworths, Coles, Kmart, Target

St Vincent de Paul appreciates the continuing support of the St John Vianney's Parish to assist those in need in our community and to add a little cheer at Christmas time.

