



St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

embracing the worshipping communities of
Manly & Gumdale



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FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS

All enquiries regarding Funerals and Weddings, please contact **the parish office** manly@bne.catholic.net.au

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 pm or by appointment

12 October / 13 October 2024

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

Let Us Pray:

Holy Spirit, help me to decide upon an action that will help me detach from earthly treasures this week.

Amen.

Jesus asks the rich young man, "Why do you call me good? Only God is good." What's he trying to achieve?

First, if the young man truly believes that Jesus is good and that his teachings are good, and if he has observed his miracles and behaviour, then it should be obvious to him that all this goodness is proof that Jesus is God.

Also, Christ's question offers the young man the opportunity to become more humble. If he truly believes what Jesus says, then he should realize that since only God is good, no one else, including himself, obeys the commandments perfectly. Such a realization should have opened his heart to the truth that Jesus explains next:

"There's only one thing keeping you from being holy like God: earthly attachments. To gain freedom from this world and possess only what belongs to the kingdom of God share your treasures".

He's saying this to all of us, but he's not telling us to become destitute. To "give up" everything we possess means being willing to give it away. If it's a good thing for us to have because it blesses us, God does want us to enjoy it, but true joy comes from being God's partner as a distributor of his wealth. It's the fullest way to live! We are all called to live this way.

If we remain attached to earthly stuff, we distance ourselves from God and hurt those who would benefit from our generosity. However, to achieve complete freedom from attachments, we cannot rely only on our own efforts. It's often very difficult to let go and become willing to share everything.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

In comparison to the holy ways of dealing with life's circumstances that Jesus modelled for us, how unlike Jesus, how worldly are you today?

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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.

We acknowledge and pay respect to Traditional Custodians on whose land we walk, live and worship.

**FOR YOUR DIARY
OCTOBER**

14 Mon No Mass
 15 Tues 6.00 pm Mass
 16 Wed 9.00 am Rosary
 9.30 am Mass
 7.30 pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM
 17 Thurs No Mass
 18 Fri 9.30 am Year 1 Liturgy of the Word
 11 am Mass at Lota House

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

19 Sat 4.00 pm Reconciliation
 5.00 pm Mass (SVJ)
 20 Sun 7.00 am Mass (St Jude's)
 9.30 am Mass (SVJ)

DATE CLAIMER

9th/10th November 2024

The Knights of the Southern Cross will host a BBQ after Masses at SVJ on 9th/10th November. Please note this weekend in your diary.

Details next weekend.



OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Tanara Turvey, Catherine Hartlep (Fr Frank Jones' sister), Noelene Costello, Angela Geraghty, Kevin Mawn, and Alice Frances Thompson.

ANNIVERSARIES: Tyler Whitton, Mary Farrugia, N.M Joseph, 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, Jill Rideout Belletty, Veronica Lynch, Kevin Holzberger, Jim Holzberger, 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, Jill Rideout Belletty, Veronica Lynch, Kevin Holzberger, and Jim Holzberger.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Sue McDonald, Beth Craig, Chris Lee, Francis Raisch, Eric Roberts, John Cliffe, Sue Wynne-Davies, Jack & Mary Beard, Jocelyn Barron, Dell Chapman, Emily de Looze, Anne Dixon, Irene Gavrilla, Carlos Manabat, Maureen Handcock, Leesa Scott, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, Emma Walters, Patrick Nofokifolau, and Brian Prove.

To include a name in our 'Recently Deceased', the Privacy Act requires the permission of a close relative. For those 'Who Are Sick' requires the permission of the nominee or a close relative. Names of the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners are reviewed at the end of each month.

CATHOLIC MISSION – 12 & 13 OCTOBER 2024

This weekend we will be raising funds for the Catholic mission for their House of Mercy, in Mongolia. It will provide a shelter for people with a variety of needs; i.e. people without a place to call home, people in need of a warm meal or a bed, etc.

| | Welcomer | 1st Reader | 2nd Reader | EMHC | Screen | Servers | Counter |
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| Sat 12 Oct | Alison | Denise | Colleen | Mikaela/Jane/Denis | Pam | DH | E |
| Sun 13 Oct | June | Jasser | Margaret | Carolina/Donna/Adeline | Donna | Volunteer Needed | |
| Sat 19 Oct | Maureen | Alison | Laura | Mikaela/Denise/ Carmel SK | Carmel | AG | F |
| Sun 20 Oct | Bond | Katherine | Harvey | Sonia/Carmel S/Adeline | Donna | Volunteer Needed | |

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 1300 304 400 Email AOB@stoline.com.au

WELCOME TO MAKING DONATIONS TO OUR CHURCH ELECTRONICALLY

Dear Parishioners,

Our parish, St John Vianney's, has long been a place of spiritual nourishment, community, and service. It is through your generosity that we have been able to continue providing pastoral care, celebrating the sacraments, and supporting those in need. However, to sustain and grow our parish's mission, we rely on the financial support of our community.

Your contributions help with the upkeep of our beautiful churches, fund essential ministries and services, and enable us to reach out to the wider community. Whether large or small, every donation makes a difference and ensures the future of our parish for generations to come.

For those who prefer the convenience of electronic giving, donations can also be made via direct bank transfer. Please find the parish bank details below:

BSB: 064-786

Account No: 100002778

Full Account Name: St John Vianney's Parish Manly

Please use your surname as the reference for a general donation. If the donation is for a specific purpose, please briefly indicate it, such as 'wedding', 'funeral', etc.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. Together, we can build an even stronger and more vibrant community in our Risen Lord.

May God's love and peace be with you all.
Blessings,

Fr Baiyi.

QUEENSLAND STATE ELECTION

We wanted to bring to your attention and share with you some information regarding the upcoming candidate forums for the Queensland State Election. As you'd know the current Parliament of Queensland has been dissolved and the election campaign has begun in earnest for the State election on 26 October.

Through *Queensland Churches Together* - Christian Churches across Queensland are working together to host "candidate forums" for their electorate in the up-coming State election.

The purpose of the candidate forums is to get Christians of the electorate together to meet their candidates, ask them questions and hear their responses. It's about giving all candidates a fair chance to hear our concerns and respond to them.

It also gives the members of our church the opportunity to hear directly from the candidates on the important issues, so they can make an informed choice at the ballot box.

An election statement from the Queensland Bishops regarding this election will be uploaded to our website, for reading online or downloading, at your leisure.

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



For the Children

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Jesus is always ready to forgive us even when we turn away. Jesus forgave Zaccheus who was a tax collector who had cheated people out of their money. Zaccheus was sorry for his dishonesty and selfishness.

LET US PRAY

Lord, you see and remember every act of kindness and generosity and store them in your heart. Please help me to try hard to be kind and loving to everyone like you were during your time on earth.



FIRST READING: *Wisdom 7:7-11*

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.

I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.

I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 89:12-17* .

R. Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!
Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?

Show pity to your servants. **R.**
In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.

Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**

Show forth your works to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

SECOND READING: *Hebrews 4:12-23*

The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts.

No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Matthew 5:3*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *Mark 10:17-30*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.'

Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.'

They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel Acclamation: Mark 10:45

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45