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**The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C**

**15/16 February 2025**

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**SACRAMENTS**

All enquiries for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, please contact **the parish office.**

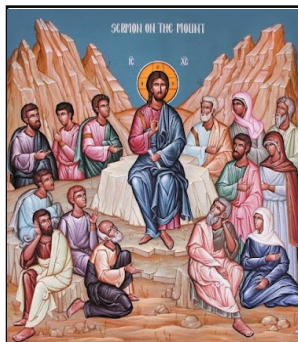
**FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS**

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

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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 4.00 pm or by appointment



*The Beatitudes, the Pope explains, 'may sound strange, almost incomprehensible to those who are not disciples.' But as challenging as they are, they ultimately 'define the identity of the disciple of Jesus.'*

*For Christians, they are non-negotiable.*

Paul teaches us that, united to Christ through faith and in baptism, we are united in his death and resurrection. With Christ we die to sin; with him we rise to a new life. We cannot wait to see proof of our transformation before we change our actions. The proof is in the lives we live in faith. To deny that we have died and been raised is to deny the resurrection of Christ. Paul insists that they cannot be separated. The challenge is to live in and out of this faith.

Both Jeremiah and Jesus introduce us to such a way of living. It is a way of paradox, a way that moves us beyond the self-centred standards of the world. The poor, the hungry, those who weep, and those who are persecuted are really the ones who are blessed. The victims of our social and economic systems, those who have been ravaged by war or have been made vulnerable by life itself are the ones who, if they place their trust in God, will be blessed in the end. They may appear to be the outcasts of this world, but, if they are filled with faith, they will inherit heaven. The wealth of this world and its pleasures are not the blessings that we might think they are. They can blind us to the real values of life and prevent us from dying to the world and living resurrected lives in Christ.

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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.*

**Fr Baiyi's Renewal Leave.**

**17th February-17th June**

Let us keep Fr Baiyi in our thoughts and prayers as he begins his journey of renewal. May the Peace of God protect him as he begins his journey; May the Love of Christ enfold him; and May the Holy Spirit guide and direct him as he enters into renewal, rest and joy in his ministry. May his journey lead him to the graces received on the road to Emmaus.

**Jesus Appears on the Road to Emmaus**



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

**FOR YOUR DIARY  
17-23 FEBRUARY**

17 Mon No Mass  
 18 Tue 6.00 pm Liturgy of the Word with Communion  
 19 Wed 9.00 am Rosary  
 9.30 am Liturgy of the Word with Communion  
 7.30 pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM  
 20 Thurs No Mass  
 21 Fri No Mass  
 22 Sat 4.30 pm Reconciliation  
 Vigil 5.00 pm Mass (SJV)  
 23 Sun 7:00 am Mass (St Jude's)  
 9:30 am Mass (SJV)

**Pope Francis** yesterday called on Catholics to pray and do penance for the peaceful resolution of global conflicts, saying people are born into the world to help communities thrive, not to kill. Source: CNS.



"Please let's pray for peace, let's do penance for peace," he said during his general audience in the Paul VI Audience Hall, launching an appeal for Catholics to ask for a peaceful resolution to the world's conflicts.

Reflecting on the many countries at war, such as Ukraine, Palestine, Israel, Myanmar, North Kivu in Congo and South Sudan, the Pope said, "Let's pray for peace, let's do our all for peace. Don't forget that war is always a defeat."

"We are not born to kill but to help people thrive. May we find paths of peace, please in your daily

**Calling all Yr 4 Students**



Parents Information: A parent information session for Penance/ Reconciliation will be held as follows:

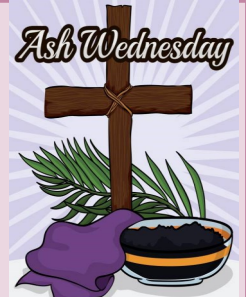
- \* Saturday 15th February 3.30 pm OR
- \* Sunday 16th February 8.00 am

Preparation Sessions will commence as follows:

- \* Week One: 22nd OR 23rd February
- \* Week Two: 1st OR 2nd March
- \* Week Three: 8th OR 9th March
- \* Week Four: 15th OR 16th March

**Practice for the Liturgy: 22nd March**  
**Sacrament of Penance: 29th March**

**Mass will be celebrated**  
 on  
**Wednesday**  
**5th March.**  
**At 9.30 am**  
**St John Vianney Church**



**Appointment of Fr Prem Rethnamony as Administrator of Manly Parish (17 February - 17 June 2025)**

His Grace, Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane, has appointed Fr Prem Rethnamony as Parish Administrator of St John Vianney's Parish, Manly, during my leave from February to 17 June 2025.

-Fr Baiyi

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Servers	Counter
<b>Sat 15 Feb</b>	Denis	Gerardina	Denise	TBA/Jane/Colleen	Pam	AG	B
<b>Sun 16 Feb</b>	Anne	Steve	Donna	Margaret/Sonia/Jasser	Donna	Volunteer needed	
<b>Sat 22 Feb</b>	Laura	Laurent	Jane	Mikaela/Carmel SK/ Alison	Carmel	AG	C
<b>Sun 23 Feb</b>	Trish	Kennedy	Mark	Carolina/Steve/Adeline	Donna	Volunteer needed	

grateful  
thankful  
blessed

A very special thank you to *Mary-Anne Cullen and Colleen Skubis* for their tireless work during the absence of a Parish Secretary. Their work has been very helpful.

## Knights Manly Mingle is back by popular demand!

*A diary date claimer:*

**Saturday 01 March 2025**

following the 5pm mass.

The Knights of the Southern Cross will host a fund raising BBQ after Mass.

This is a wonderful opportunity to socialise with fellow parishioners for great food and a great time.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED AND WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCURE AT THIS TIME:

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Georgina Powell, Daniel O'Neill, Noela Bell, Beverley Ann Brown,

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Martin Ball, Russell Barton, Robert (Bob) Bishop, Murray Bradley, Flynn Brown, Fran Brennan, , George Campbell, Molly Campbell, Sr Denise Candy, Eileen Cook, Leonard Cunnington, Maria Cybulski, Ernie Erzetic, Mary Forbes, John Edward Harrison, Robert Hooper, Ivan Katic, Jamie Kaden, Fletcher McCormack, Peter Martin, Blanche Mahoney, Kai Mathie, Franklin Pankhurst, Valerie Smith, Warren Smith, Mary Thornthwaite, Geoffrey Peake, John Pease, Jill Pleming, Frederick Ward, Kathleen Wellington, John Trevor, Ken Gillespie, Audrey Gillespie, Ronald Gillespie, Rosalina Manso Barot, Inda Yeng Malinao, Christopher Lees, John Derrick, Berni Jane Barot,

**THOSE WHO ARE SICK: SR JOAN CUSACK. PBVM AND DAN O'BRIEN HAVE JUST START PALL CARE AND BOTH ARE VERY ILL.**

PLEASE ALSO KEEP PRAYING FOR ALL WHO ARE ON OUR LIST:

Sue McDonald, 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, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, Emma Walters, Patrick Nofokifolau and Brian Prove.

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

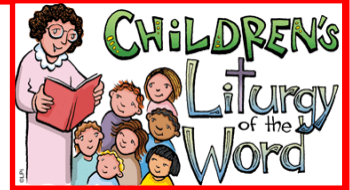
### Seeking Volunteers: Children's Liturgy

We are excited to announce that Children's Liturgy will soon be

recommencing at St John Vianney's, Manly at Sunday's 9.30 am mass. *Children's liturgy provides the opportunity for young hearts and minds to be introduced to God's Word, the beauty of prayer, and the love of Christ.*

### How You Can Help: Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for compassionate, dedicated individuals to help lead and support our children during Children's Liturgy. If you are interested in being involved in this ministry please contact Philippa Ewer at [Philippa.ewer@gmail.com](mailto:Philippa.ewer@gmail.com). It is anticipated volunteers will be rostered on to lead/support two sessions per term during mass time.



### Lenten Reflections/Discussion Groups

We are Ordering Books for Lenten Reflections/Discussion Groups.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mob: \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Would you like to join a group?
- B. Would you like to get together with friends at home?
- C. Would you like to order one for personal reflection?

Please contact the parish office or Anne Skitmore as soon as possible.

### MAKING DONATIONS TO OUR CHURCH

The options for electronic donations are:

- Use our EFTPOS machine at the Manly parish church. You can swipe, tap or insert your card for the amount of your choice.
- By direct deposit - parish bank details are

Please join us for  
morning tea after  
the 9.30am Mass  
Sunday







## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

**First Reading**                      **Jeremiah 17:5-8**

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah:

*A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.*

The Lord says this:

‘A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,  
 who relies on things of flesh,  
 whose heart turns from the Lord.  
 He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:  
 if good comes, he has no eyes for it,  
 he settles in the parched places of the wilderness,  
 a salt land, uninhabited.  
 ‘A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the  
     Lord,  
 with the Lord for his hope.  
 He is like a tree by the waterside  
 that thrusts its roots to the stream:  
 when the heat comes it feels no alarm,  
 its foliage stays green;  
 it has no worries in a year of drought,  
 and never ceases to bear fruit.’

**Responsorial Psalm**      **Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5**

**(R.)** Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

1.      Happy indeed is the man  
         who follows not the counsel of the wicked;  
         nor lingers in the way of sinners  
         nor sits in the company of scorners,  
         but whose delight is the law of the Lord  
         and who ponders his law day and night. **(R.)**
2.      He is like a tree that is planted  
         beside the flowing waters,  
         that yields its fruit in due season  
         and whose leaves shall never fade;  
         and all that he does shall prosper. **(R.)**
3.      Not so are the wicked, not so!  
         For they like winnowed chaff  
         shall be driven away by the wind.  
         For the Lord guards the way of the just  
         but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **(R.)**

### Next Sundays Readings

#### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time C

First Reading:      Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23  
 Responsorial      Psalm 102:1-8, 10, 12-13  
 Second Reading:    Corinthians 15:45-49  
 Gospel:              Luke 6: 27-38

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians:

*If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.*

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

**Gospel Acclamation:**                      **Luke 6:23**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.                      Alleluia!

**Gospel**                                              **Luke 6:17. 20-26**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!*

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

‘How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

‘Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

‘But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

‘Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.’

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