

MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

18th/19th November 2023

THIRTY - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



Land of the Taungurung

The Mansfield Catholic Parish is committed to the safety of children and vulnerable adults

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➤ **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** (Used only when there is no Entrance Hymn)

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 127: 1-5

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper.

Your wife is like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table.

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life.

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia.

➤ **THE MYSTERY OF FAITH:**

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

➤ **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** (Used only when there is no Communion Hymn)

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

➤ **PARISH PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, We the people of Mansfield Parish entrust you with our prayers, our needs and our hopes. We thank you for giving us your Son as our Saviour, our life and our inspiration. Help us to work as one in the Spirit building up the Body of Christ and bringing peace through forgiveness to the world. May our patrons: St Francis Xavier, St John the Apostle, St Patrick, St Joseph, St John and Mary Help of Christians, pray for us and guide us in the ways of Jesus. **AMEN.**

Solemnities, Feasts and Memorials

Tuesday: The Presentation of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St Cecilia

Friday: Sts Andrew Dũng-Lạc and companions

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year A

1st Reading: **Ezekiel 34: 11 – 12, 15-17**

Resp Psalm: **Ps 22: 1-3, 5-6**

2nd Reading: **Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28**

Gospel: **Matthew 25: 31-46**

Recently deceased: David, Derrick, Aperaamo and Alesana

Prayers for those who are sick: Terry Read, Natasha Gomes, Janelle Kuc, Nancy Haley, Rex Zebrst, Patricia Wilson, Amy, Yvonne Felicieux, George D'Arcy, Logan, Lloyd, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, David Arbuthnot, Margaret Ramma

To book St Mary's Hall please call Greg Hogarth on ☎0408 618 135
St Vincent de Paul ☎ 5775 3156. President: Rosemary Badrock ☎ 0467 925 614



Mansfield Catholic Parish

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

21st - 24th November

Tuesday 8.45am Rosary followed by Communion Service
Wednesday 8.45am Rosary followed by Communion Service
Thursday 8.45am Rosary followed by Communion Service
Friday 8.45am Rosary followed by Communion Service

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND 25th/26th November

Saturday 6pm Mansfield

Sunday 9am Mansfield

NO Communion Service at Jamieson this weekend.

First & Second Sundays of the month:

11am Liturgy of the Word & Communion Service at Jamieson.

ROSTERS for 25th/26th November

SATURDAY 25th November:

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Mark Henry

Special Minister: Helen Mullins

SUNDAY 26th November:

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Griffin family

Special Minister: Zaldah Kirley

Communion to the Sick: Sandra O'Brien

Counting: Nance & John Rutley

Church Cleaning: 13/11- 25/11 Griffin Girls

Flowers for November: Kath Bock

Maintenance:

20.11.23 – 2.12.23 Shane O'Brien Front of Church

20.11.23 – 2.12.23 Dale Daly Back of Church & back of

Father George's residence

SACRAMENTS IN THE MANSFIELD PARISH

Please contact the Parish Office on 5775 2005 for further information on the following:

BAPTISMS: Saturdays & 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 11.00 am. 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month 1.00 pm. Contact the Parish Office and make an appointment to meet the Parish Priest.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 6pm

FIRST EUCHARIST: Sunday 2nd June 2024 at 9am Mass

MARRIAGES: Please note 3 months' notice is required before a wedding. For further information, please check Mansfield Catholic Parish Website.

RECONCILIATION: 5.30 pm (Saturdays)
8.30am (Sundays)

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$266.60, Loose \$75.60, Presbytery \$508.50

If you wish to contribute to either the Church or House account here are our bank details:

MANSFIELD CATHOLIC CHURCH ACCOUNT:

BSB 083 347 Acct No. 65793 1299

(If this is for thanksgiving, please include your thanksgiving number as a reference)

MANSFIELD PARISH HOUSE ACCOUNT:

BSB 083 347 Acct No. 65793 1280

You can also donate via our website:

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/mansfield>

The Greek 'talent' in the Bible is a unit of measurement and one talent would be around thirty-four kilograms, in money it would be worth thousands of dollars. But in English a talent could mean our abilities and aptitudes. To use our abilities and aptitudes for the glory of God is what we could do as Christians. 'No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a bushel. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house' (Mt 5: 15). Our talents, abilities and aptitudes need to bear fruit. As we hear in the gospel acclamation to bear fruit we need to live in the Lord. To live in the Word of God, in the Eucharist and the Sacraments and in our own personal prayer time with our Lord. The one fruit we all need to bear during these times is the fruit of peace. Next weekend we will end this liturgical year by celebrating the Solemnity of Christ the King, the Prince of Peace. Let us pray that we will all strive to become that 'peace', that only our Lord can give to those in our families and in our community of Mansfield especially during this time as some of us are saddened by the car crash. May David, Derrick, Aperaamo and Alesana rest in peace. Let us especially remember their families in Samoa.

✠ Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

IF YOU ARE VISITING: We extend a very warm welcome to visitors to our Parish.

WELCOME BACK: Father John Dupuche who is our celebrant again this weekend.

DROP BOX: If you need to leave anything for Nance or Father George at the Presbytery, please use our new drop box which is on the wall to the left of the front door.

PIETY STALL: Columban Calendars are on sale- \$10 each.

ARE YOU COMING? It is not long until our **PARISH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:** on Sunday 3rd December 2023. Mass will be at 11am followed by a light lunch in the Hall. Please let Nance know if you will be coming to the lunch by Tuesday 28th November for catering purposes. BYO Drinks. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE BOOK: There is a folder at the front of the church in which you can write the names of your deceased loved ones. The ones you write will be remembered in all the November Masses.

THE PARISH PRAYER GROUP meets Wednesdays after morning Communion Service. All welcome.

THANK YOU: We received this email from Father George Hogarty: "Thanks to the parishioners for their generous help for Columban Mission as a result of the mission promotion of the Far East magazine that I did on the 21st & 22nd of October. Thanks also to those who gave a donation of \$363.00 for Columban missions as well.

I'd also especially like to thank Fr. George the attentive and kind hospitality that he showed me while I stayed with him that weekend. I will keep him and his mother in prayer over the coming months.

May God bless you all as we enter into this time of Advent and the birth of our Saviour Jesus this Christmas."

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISH

CHRISTMAS EVE

5pm Bonnie Doon

6.30pm Mansfield

8pm Jamieson

CHRISTMAS DAY

9am Mansfield

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(Parish Vision and Mission Statement and Child safety policies are on the website)