

ST. MARY'S PARISH

LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

11th August, 2024

Lancefield Church
27 Chauncey Street
Lancefield



Romsey Church
85 Main Street
Romsey



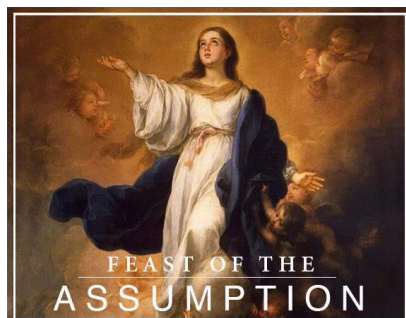
EVERYONE WELCOME

Ministry Roster	11/08/24	18/08/24	25/08/24	01/09/24
Musician	Rosalie	Christine	Vol. required	Christine
Reader	Michael M	Rosemary D	Joanne	Eileen
Collector	Joe	Gerard	Ged	Tim
Cleaner	Kerry	Marie	Rosalie	Anthea
Location	Lancefield	Romsey	Lancefield	Romsey

Could those listed on the roster please advise if you are unavailable.

CONTINUING PRAYER LIST:

Please pray also for the following who are in continuing need of our prayers:
Merle Trembath, Christine Cheney, Isabelle Fleming, Kath Ireland, Gwen DeCarolus,
Brendan Coburn, Susan Brady & Vittoria Cafari.



August 15th Feast of the Assumption

During Angelus address on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Pope Francis reminds the faithful that the Blessed Mother takes each of us by the hand, and invites us to rejoice as we follow her trusting, faithful and 'radical' example. Mary holding our hand, inviting us to rejoice

Reflecting on Our Lady, the Holy Father reminded, "She is the first creature who, with her whole self, body and soul, victoriously crosses the finish line of Heaven."

"She shows us that Heaven is within reach, if we too do not give in to sin, if we praise God in humility and serve others generously. She, our Mother, takes us by the hand, she accompanies us to glory, she invites us to rejoice as we think of heaven."

The Pope recalled that when Mary enters the house and greets her cousin, Elizabeth says: 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb,' and how these words "full of faith, joy and wonder" have become part of the "Hail Mary."

"Every time we recite this prayer, so beautiful and familiar, we do as Elizabeth did: we greet Mary and we bless her, because she brings Jesus to us."

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School Website

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CHILD PROTECTION

is everyone's responsibility

Safety of Children and All Vulnerable People

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community. The St. Mary's Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy is on display on the church noticeboards or via the parish office.

Diocesan Policies available at
<https://www.melbournecatholic.org>

All children leaving the church during Mass must be accompanied by a parent.

Child Safety Committee

Fr. John Healy
Tammie Dalgleish
Michael Mooney
Monica Tomlinson

The Living Word

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First Reading 1 Kgs 19:4-8

Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord', he said 'I have had enough. Take my life: I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33:2-9. R. v.9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its
boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
2. Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all his terrors he set me free. (R.)
3. Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard
him
and rescued him from all his distress.
(R.)
4. The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to
rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.
(R.)

Second Reading Eph 4:30-5:2

Walk in love, just as Christ.

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another,

and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:51

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I am the living bread from heaven, says
the Lord;*

whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 6:41-51

I am the living bread come down from heaven.

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other.

'No one can come to me
unless he is drawn by the Father who
sent me,
and I will raise him up at the last day.
It is written in the prophets:
They will all be taught by God,
and to hear the teaching of the Father,
and learn from it,
is to come to me.

Not that anybody has seen the Father,
except the one who comes from God:
he has seen the Father.
I tell you most solemnly,
everybody who believes has eternal life.
I am the bread of life.

Your fathers ate the manna in the desert
and they are dead;
but this is the bread that comes down
from heaven,
so that a man may eat it and not die.
I am the living bread which has come
down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for
ever;
and the bread that I shall give
is my flesh, for the life of the world.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Your mother and my mother, carrying her baby in the womb for nine months, effectively said: 'Take, eat, this is my body.' A mother able to breastfeed continues this communion as she offers her body to give life to her child.

Our Lord Jesus Christ adopts maternal language to express his deepest desire for us! He gives us his risen and glorified Humanity: 'Take, eat, this is my body', and a sort of life-giving mutual indwelling occurs: 'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them.' This is as intimate as a baby dwelling in the womb of its mother. As St Paul put it in a different context, 'In Him we live and move and have our being.'

The Saviour of the World, the Conqueror of Death, dwells in my body and I dwell in his glorified body. This gives us 'eternal life' which is not something which begins after death, but is simply a label for Our Lord's Divinehuman life which we can share right now. However, because it is the life of the Conqueror of Death it will certainly impel us beyond the grave: 'The one who eats this bread will live forever.'

We could take a moment to pray to more fervently realise and take advantage of the fact that, at every Mass, we can respond to the invitation to come forward to Holy Communion so as to be enwombed in the maternal Christ.

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MYSTERY OF FAITH

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

- Fr:** In the power of the Spirit we make intercession and petition for the world,
the universal Church, and the particular needs entrusted to our care.
- R:** We pray for the Pope and bishops who lead the Eucharistic Church.
May the prayer and sacrifice offered through and with and in the Lord Jesus,
bring us salvation and keep us faithful to the light of God's truth.
We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** We pray for all who have answered the call to consecrated and religious life,
that their work and prayers will be rewarded by young people joining them.
We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** We pray with Our Lady as we celebrate her Assumption on 15th August.
May our prayer and veneration lead us through Mary to Jesus, her Son.
We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** We pray for the children in our Parish Community who are preparing for
their First Eucharist. May this be a time of grace for the children and their
families as they prepare to come to the Lord's table for the first time.
We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** We pray for the sick members of our parish, especially Sandra Taggart, and
for those who care for them. We pray for the recently deceased, and for those
whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Terry Silva, Eileen Peterson,
Angela Mancin & Noela Howlett. May the Eucharist they have shared lead
them to salvation in the peace of Christ.
We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

All HAIL MARY

- Fr:** We bless you, O Lord, at all times because you hear us when we call.
May we always look to you in faith and trust as we pray for all these intentions
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collections last week Presbytery \$194 Thanksgiving \$452
1st collection: Presbytery & Priest 2nd collection: Thanksgiving (envelope)

Readings next week Proverbs 9:1-6 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58

UPCOMING PARISH MASSES

Sun	Aug 11 th – 9:00am	Sunday Mass – LF	Fr. Brian
Wed	Aug 14 th – 9:30am	Weekday Mass – LF	Fr. Brian
Thur	Aug 15 th – 9:30am	Weekday Mass – Rom	Fr. Brian
Fri	Aug 16 th – 10:15am	School Mass Yr 1&2 – LF	Fr. Brian
Sun	Aug 18 th – 9am	Sunday Mass – Rom	Fr. John
		Baptism Presentation - Olivia	

St. Mary's Church Romsey - 100 years Celebration

As you are all aware the Romsey Church will celebrate 100 years
with a special Mass celebrated by

Archbishop Peter Comensoli on October 6th, 2024 at 2pm

followed by afternoon tea in the Church Hall.

As part of the celebrations, we hope that past Parish Priests will be able to join us to share
memories and we will be able to prepare a display of events that have taken place in the
Romsey Church over the years.

Photos of Baptism, First Communions, Confirmations and Weddings come to mind and
maybe some old Certificates from Sacraments. If you can think of anything to add to the
display that would be great.

If you can assist with any memorabilia we would be most grateful if you could clearly mark
the item with your name, a description and date of the occasion and names to a photo.

Please drop your items to Tammie at the presbytery or contact

Kerry McCarthy on 0403 163 592.

To assist with afternoon tea we ask that those who can, please bring a plate.

RSVP: Attendance to Tam at lancefield@cam.org.au or 5429 2130

RSVP: Catering offering to Tam at lancefield@cam.org.au or 5429 2130

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

St. Mary's Parish

Sunday's at 9:00am

11/08/24 – Lancefield

18/08/24 – Romsey

25/08/24 – Lancefield

01/09/24 – Romsey

08/09/24 – Lancefield

15/09/24 – Romsey

HEALING MASS

1st Saturday at 10:00am

07/09/24 – Romsey

05/10/24 – Romsey

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

St. Ambrose Parish - Woodend

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 11:00am

Wednesday, Thursday

& Friday 9:30am

Baptism

As arranged with the Parish
Secretary on the 4th Sunday
of the month

Marriages

Arranged by appointment with
at least 6 months' notice.
Please contact parish office.

Funerals

Contact Fr. John directly.
Contact Fr. Brian directly.

Reconciliation

By appointment only
Please contact Fr. Brian or
Fr. John directly
5429 2130

Thanksgiving

Any parishioner wishing to join
the Thanksgiving program is
invited to contact Tammie at the
parish office to arrange some
Thanksgiving envelopes.
Thanksgiving contributions by
Direct Debit or Credit Card
welcome.

Welcome

St. Mary's Parish community
warmly welcomes visitors and
new parishioners. We invite new
parishioners to introduce
yourself to Fr. Martin, fill in a
census card located in the church
foyer and place in either
collection or contact Tammie
directly at the parish office.

Volunteering Ministries

A current Working with Children
Check is required to volunteer
within the parish.

Help is always welcome!

Power Point operator at Mass
Reader of the Word
Church Cleaning & Gardening

2024 ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN

The 2024 Archbishop's Campaign is now underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. These ministries are outlined in the Campaign brochure which you will find in church.

Gifts of \$2 or more are tax-deductible. Tax-deductible donations go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund which supports the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the Priests Retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne

Overseas Mission, University of Divinity Building Fund as well as Catholic community agencies and service organisations through annual grants. Non-tax-deductible donations go to the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation and evangelisation ministries. Please review the campaign material and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift to help us continue to strengthen the Christian faith and address the needs of God's people.

Tear-off pledge cards are attached to the campaign envelopes in the church. You can also make a gift online at melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign or via the QR codes on the campaign materials. I invite you to give generously to this important campaign.

ACU's BIG SING FOR A BIG CAUSE

Sunday 25th August, 2024 - 3:00 to 4:30pm

St. Patrick's Cathedral – 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne Vic 3002

Presented by Australian Catholic University, the Big Sing for a Big Cause performance is back and will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Volunteer singers, choirs and instrumentalists from Victoria and Auckland, New Zealand, will combine in this special international event. The program features the 10th anniversary performance of

Street Requiem – For Those Who Died On The Street.

Led by conductor Dr. Kathleen McGuire, this event advocates for people who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity and will help raise funds for services that directly help people experiencing hardship, as well as for ACU's Urgent Financial Hardship Grants.

The event will also feature special guests Tracee Hutchinson (award-winning broadcaster and journalist) and Jess Hitchcock (internationally renowned Indigenous singer/songwriter and mezzo soprano).

Tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/acu-s-big-sing-for-a-big-cause-melbourne/tickets>

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Anyone not already contributing to the Priest & Presbytery expenses who would like to contribute may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

**St. Mary's Presbytery Account
NAB**

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 64151 8467

Please use your surname as the reference.

THANKSGIVING BY DIRECT DEBIT

Anyone not already on the Thanksgiving Program who would like to contribute to the Church may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

**St. Mary's Church Account
NAB**

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 64150 3257

Please use your surname and TG number as the reference.