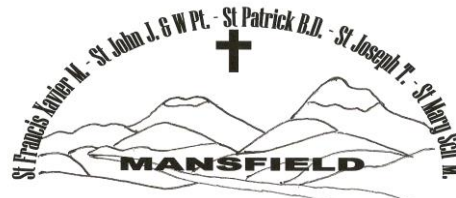


MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

22nd/23rd July 2023

16th 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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(Nance is working Thursday & Friday this week)

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

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 85: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

O Lord you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice.

All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God.

But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me.

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia.

➤ **THE MYSTERY OF FAITH:**

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

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

The Lord the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

➤ **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.**

Readings for next Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

1st Reading: **Kings 3: 5, 7-12**

Resp. Psalm: **Ps 118: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-130**

2nd Reading: **Romans 8: 28-30**

Gospel: **Matthew 13: 44-52**

Prayers for those who are sick: Natasha Gomes, Janelle Kuc, Carol Storer, Nancy Haley, Rex Zebrst, Patricia Wilson, Amy, Dennis Dooley, Leon Storer, George D'Arcy, Logan, Lloyd, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, David Arbuthnot, Margaret Ramma, Bernard Read

To book St Mary's Hall please call Greg Hogarth on ☎0408 618 135
St Vincent de Paul (St Mary's Hall) Tuesday & Friday 1pm – 3pm ☎ 5775 3156
President: Rosemary Badrock ☎ 0467 925 614

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

24th-28th July

Monday 10.15 am School Mass
(Grandparents & Special Friends' Day)
Tuesday **NO MASS**
Wednesday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass
Thursday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass
Friday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND 29th /30th July

Saturday 6pm Mansfield
6.30pm Our Lady of the Snows Mt Buller
(17th June – 30th September)
Sunday 9am Mansfield
11am Tolmie (BYO Lunch to share)
1st & 3rd Sunday 5.00 pm Bonnie Doon 2nd & 4th
Sunday 11.00 am Jamieson 5th Sunday of the month

ROSTERS for 29th/30th July

SATURDAY 29th July:

Reader/Prayers of the Faithful: Fay Smith

Special Minister: Rita Riley

SUNDAY 30th July:

Reader/Prayers of the Faithful: Val Kirley

Special Minister: Zaldah Kirley

Communion to the Sick: Zaldah Kirley

Counting: Tammy Chrisp & Glenys Nixon

Church Cleaning: 24/7 – 5/8 Mike O'Halloran

Flowers for July: Val Kirley

Maintenance:

17.7.23 – 30.7.23 Shane O'Brien Front of Church

17.7.23 – 30.7.23 John Rutley 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: On Saturdays or 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month.

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

RECONCILIATION: 5.30pm only this week

CONFIRMATION: Friday 8th September at 6pm

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$ 329, Loose \$85.75

Presbytery \$414.50

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>

This weekend's Gospel has three kingdom parables: The wheat and darnel (grass that looks like wheat), the grain of mustard seed and leaven hid in the flour (Matthew 13:24-43). The owner of the field sowed wheat (Matthew 13:24) but his enemy came at night and sowed darnel among the wheat (Matthew 13:25). Both grew and the land owner's servants wanted to weed out the darnel when they noticed both growing but the owner told them not to do that because 'when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it....Let both grow together...at the harvest time gather the weeds first to be burned, but gather the wheat to my barn.' (Matthew 13:29-30). The main point of the parable is that the kingdom is a mixed body of saints and sinners on earth until the final sifting by God. Patience, tolerance, and forbearance are necessary. No one should usurp divine judgement. The church needs constant reformation and including a quest for holiness yet must avoid unrealistic purism or angelism. This is the elusive but needed balance. We are to build the kingdom in silence like the leaven in the flour (Matthew 13:33) or like the mustard seed which is the smallest of all seeds (Matthew 13:31-32) by doing little things (love, service, mercy, kindness etc) that help build the kingdom of God.

✠ Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

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

WELCOME BACK Father George! We hope you enjoyed your holiday and catching up with family.

MASS AT TOLMIE: There will be 11am Mass at Tolmie next Sunday followed by lunch. Please bring a plate of food to share.

CONFIRMATION: Confirmations will be held on Friday 8th September at 6pm. A Confirmation Information Evening for families and those intending to be confirmed will be held on Wednesday 9th August at 6pm at St Mary's School

WANTED: Friends of St Joseph need jam jars. If you have any, please leave them on the presbytery verandah.

THE PARISH PRAYER GROUP meets Wednesdays after morning Mass. All welcome.

AEQUALES CHAMBER MUSIC QUINTET will be performing at the Mansfield Performing Arts Centre on Sunday 30th July at 4pm. Adults \$30 Students \$15. Bookings: Try Bookings Aequales Chamber Music Mansfield. All proceeds in aid of Rural Australians for Refugees Mansfield.

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



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