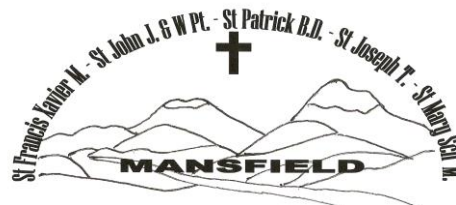


MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

9th/10th September 2023

TWENTY - 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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(Nance is working Wednesday & Friday this week)

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

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 94: 1-2, 6-9

R. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord.

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for, he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand

O that today you would listen to his voice! "Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work."

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➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. 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)

Like a deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

➤ **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.**

Feasts & Memorials this week

Wednesday: St John Chrysostom

Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday: Sts Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian

Readings for next Sunday:

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

1st Reading: **Ecclesiasticus 27: 30 – 28:7** Resp. Psalm: **Ps 102: 1-4, 9-12**

2nd Reading: **Romans 14: 7-9**

Gospel: **Matthew 18: 21-35**

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

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

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

12th – 15th September

Tuesday	8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass
Wednesday	8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass
Thursday	8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass 10.15 am End of Term School Mass
Friday	8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND 16th/17th September

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

ROSTERS for 16th/17th September

SATURDAY 16th September:

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Fay Smith

Special Minister: Rita Riley

SUNDAY 17th September:

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Mike O'Halloran

Special Minister: Zaldah Kirley

Communion to the Sick: Marie Daly (Dot O'Brien)

Counting: Pat Gardiner & John Berry

Church Cleaning: 4/9 – 16/9 Mike O'Halloran

Flowers for September: Rita Riley

Maintenance:

11.9.23 – 23.9.23	Peter Hood	Front of Church
11.9.23 – 23.9.23	Mick Kelleher	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.

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

RECONCILIATION: 9.45am & 5.30 pm (Saturdays)
8.30am (Sundays) and also by appointment

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$473.50, Loose \$208.35, Presbytery \$523.15

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 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary or the Birth of the Virgin Mary was celebrated on Friday 8th of September. Scripture does not record Mary's birth. Mary's birth is found recorded in the Protoevangelium of James or Gospel of James (5:2), an apocryphal text from the second century, believed to have been in circulation c.150 AD, with her parents known as Saint Anne and Saint Joachim. The birth of Mary is narrated in the third chapter of the Quran (Al Imran 35-38) with references to her father as well as her mother. Mary's father is called Imran and her mother is mentioned in the Quran only as the wife of Imran. An ancient Islamic scholar al - Tabari called her mother Hannah. The earliest document on this liturgical celebration in the Church comes from a hymn written in the sixth century. The feast may have originated somewhere in Syria or Palestine in the beginning of the sixth century after the Council of Ephesus (431 AD) declared Mary the Mother of God. Later it was greatly intensified, especially in Syria, and by the seventh century spread to the west.

✠ Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

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

WELCOME: This weekend we welcome the Cripps family as they prepare for their son Bailey's baptism.

CONGRATULATIONS to Lily, Willow, Crosby, Alex, Lillia, Celeste, Tom, Ahlia, Elijah, Jay, Josiah, Alex, Cooper, Nixen, Trindy, Max, Oscar, Olivia and Archie who were confirmed on Friday night. Thanks to all who helped to make the evening so special for the children. We wish all the students and staff of St Mary's a refreshing term break.

YOU ARE INVITED: Would you like to know more about the work of St Vinnies? If so, you are invited to an information day on 12th October in the supper room of St Mary's Hall starting at 12 noon. A light lunch will be provided.

BIBLICAL STUDY ON:

First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community: The eleven-part series will run on Wednesday evenings from 6.00pm starting Sep 20th, Oct 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, Nov 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, Dec 6th & 13th.

Presenter Tim Gray examines Paul's advice for living an authentic Christian life, the nature of grace, the Church as the body of Christ, and the most powerful gift of all — the Eucharist.

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

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



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