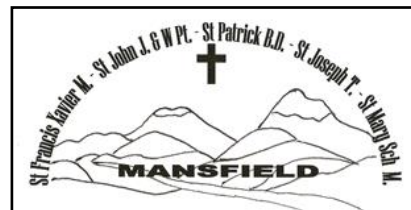


MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

1st/2nd March 2025

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Land of the Taungurung

Our vision is to Live, Love and Grow into the Body of Christ.

Our mission is to work as one in the Spirit building up the Body of Christ, to serve one another and the Mansfield Community.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (When there is no Entrance Hymn) The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night.

The just will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia you! Shine on the world light stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: (When there is no Communion Hymn) I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

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
5th March Ash Wednesday

First Sunday in Lent (Next Weekend)

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Psalms 90:1-2, 10-15

2nd Reading: Romans 10: 8-13

Gospel: Luke: 4:1-13

Prayers for those who are sick: Jane W, Tim Whitfield, Ed Griffin, John Nuttman, Winston D'Cruz, Loretto Redfern, Leveah Hames, Marj Cameron, Ashleigh Chapman, Loretta Chivers, Anthony McHugh, Natasha Gomes, Janelle Kuc, Nancy Haley, Rex Zebrst, Patricia Wilson, Amy, George D'Arcy, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, Margaret Ramma, Ian, Logan, Jane O'Halloran.

To book St Mary's Hall please call Greg Hogarth on ☎0408 618 135

St Vincent de Paul ☎ 5775 3156.

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

MASS TIMES & ROSTERS 5th MARCH – 9th March**Ash Wednesday** 11.30 Reconciliation 11.45 amRosary/Chaplet 12.15pm Mass (St Mary's School Attending)
5.30pm Mass**Thursday** 8.45 am Rosary/Chaplet 9.15am Mass**First Friday** 5pm Exposition/Adoration 5.30pm Stations of
the Cross followed by Mass**Saturday 8th March Vigil Mass:** 6pm Mass Mansfield

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Tony Riley

Special Minister: Helen Mullins

Sunday 9th March : 9am Mass Mansfield

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Val Kirley

Special Minister: Jan Berry

Communion to the Sick: Marie Daly

Counting: Tammy Crisp & Glenys Nixon

11am Mass Jamieson

Sanctuary/Altar Flowers for March: Rita Riley**CLEANING & MAINTENANCE ROSTER**Church Cleaning : 3rd - 15th March Frances GoldenMaintenance 3rd – 15th March

Mark Henry (Front of Church & Hall)

David Bock (Back of Church, Hall & Presbytery)

SACRAMENTS IN THE MANSFIELD PARISH**BAPTISMS:** Saturdays & 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 11.00
am. 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month 1.00 pm. Please make an
appointment to meet the parish priest.**MARRIAGES:** Three months' notice is required before a wedding. For
further information, please check Mansfield Catholic Parish Website.
Please make an appointment to meet the parish priest.**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays 9.45 am & 5.30pm / Sunday 8.30am.**FIRST RECONCILIATION:** Family Evening at St Mary's School -
Thursday 13th March 6pm. First Reconciliation - Wednesday 2nd April
6pm St Francis Xavier's.**FIRST EUCHARIST:** Family Evening at St Mary's School - Thursday
29th May 6pm. First Eucharist Sunday 22nd June 9am Mass at St
Francis Xavier's.**CONFIRMATION:** Family Evening at St Mary's School - Thursday
28th August 6pm. Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Sunday 12th
October 9am Mass at St Francis Xavier's.**FRIENDS OF ST JOSEPH AT ST MARY'S HALL**

Delicious Jams, Relishes, Chutneys, Pickles etc. on sale.

Open on Friday's 1-4pm and after the 9am Sunday Mass.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$516.80 Loose \$203.50 Presbytery \$561.20

To donate Church Acct: BSB 083 347 Acc 65793 1299

House Acct: BSB 083 347 No. 65793 1280

or please scan the QR Code

Child safety policies are on the website
<https://www.melbatholic.org/s/mansfield>

We begin the season of Lent this Wednesday. Lent is a time for personal and communal renewal, since it leads us to the paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This weekend's readings remind us to examine our thoughts, words, deeds and actions. In the gospel Jesus exhorts us to have 'goodness in our hearts.' These readings set the tone for the season of Lent which invites us to conversion, to a change in mindset and share goodness.

✠ Fr George**NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH**

JUBILEE 2025: We welcome all visitors and pilgrims to the parish. Programme for pilgrims: Wednesdays and First Saturdays only 11.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation, 11.45am Rosary, 12.15pm Mass. First Saturdays of the month Ecumenical gatherings at 10.30am which alternate between the churches. For further details, please check the parish website.

CONGRATUALATIONS ELI: We pray for Eli Laidlaw as he receives the sacraments of Initiation which are the foundations of Christian life. We wish him and his family every blessing as he is born anew in Baptism, strengthened by the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and shares in the Eucharist for the first time as food for the journey to eternal life. We all walk this journey with you. Thanks to all those parishioners who accompanied Eli during his preparation for this day.

ART & CRAFT: Tuesday's 11am at St Mary's Hall.

CHAIR EXERCISES: Starts 4th & 5th of March 10am at St Mary's Hall. Gold coin donation.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025: On Friday 7th March 10.30am at St Francis Xavier's Church. The Focus of our prayer this year is the Cook Islands.

FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION: Family Evening at St Mary's School - Thursday 13th March 6pm.

SUNDAY CUPPA: The March Cuppa after Mass will be on the 16th after the 9am Mass. Please bring something to share.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Prayer Day at Our Lady, Mother of God Church, Wangaratta on Wednesday 19th March, the Feast of St Joseph. Starts with the 9am Mass. BYO Lunch. Tea and Coffee provided.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: Wednesday 2nd April 6pm.

PROJECT COMPASSION 2025: Donation boxes are available. You could also donate online this Lent through the link <https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion>



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