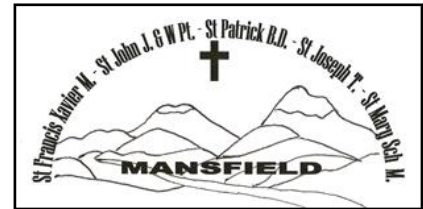


MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

4th/5th January 2025

The Epiphany of the Lord C



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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OFFICE HOURS: Wed - Fri: 10am to 2pm

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (When there is no Entrance Hymn)

Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you

O God, give your judgment to the king, to a king's son your justice,
That he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgment.

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds.

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba, shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him.

For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia: We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem, and the nations will walk by its light.

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
Jan 7th St Raymond of Penyafort

The Baptism of the Lord.

1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 Ps 103 2nd Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Recently Deceased: Fay Anderson

Prayers for those who are sick: Seamus Quinn, Paul Sladdin, Jane W, Tim Whitfield, Ed Griffin, John Nuttman, Winston D'Cruz, Loretta 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.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS 8th – 12th January

Wednesday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15am Mass/Lauds

Thursday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15am Mass/Chaplet

First Friday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15am Mass/Chaplet

Saturday 6pm Mansfield

Sunday 9am Mansfield
11am Jamieson

ROSTERS

SATURDAY 11th Jan:

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Anna McKenzie

Special Minister: Rita Riley

SUNDAY 12th Jan:

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Val Kirley

Special Minister: Jan Berry

Communion to the Sick: Joan Carey

Counting: Tammy Crisp & Glenys Nixon

Church Cleaning: 6/1 – 18/1 Griffins

Flowers for January: Val Kirley

Maintenance: 29th Dec 24 – Jan 12th 25

Mark Henry

Front of Church & Hall

Mick Kelleher

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.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$287.85 **Loose** \$374.05 **Presbytery** \$625.65

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.melbeatholic.org/mansfield>

Pope Francis' '*Dilexit Nos*' (24/10/24)
Encyclical on the human and divine love of the Heart of Jesus (continued....)

THE HEART UNITES THE FRAGMENTS

At the same time, the heart makes all authentic bonding possible, since a relationship not shaped by the heart is incapable of overcoming the fragmentation caused by individualism. Two monads may approach one another, but they will never truly connect. A society dominated by narcissism and self-centredness will increasingly become "heartless". This will lead in turn to the "loss of desire", since as other persons disappear from the horizon we find ourselves trapped within walls of our own making, no longer capable of healthy relationships. As a result, we also become incapable of openness to God. As Heidegger puts it, to be open to the divine we need to build a "guest house".

We see, then, that in the heart of each person there is a mysterious connection between self-knowledge and openness to others, between the encounter with one's personal uniqueness and the willingness to give oneself to others. We become ourselves only to the extent that we acquire the ability to acknowledge others, while only those who can acknowledge and accept themselves are then able to encounter others.

(to be continued)

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

IF YOU ARE VISITING: A very warm welcome to you.

CUPPA : After the Sunday 9am Mass.

FRIENDS OF ST JOSEPH: Their delicious wares are on sale at St Mary's Hall on Friday's 1-4pm and after the 9am Sunday Mass. They need jars and bottles so please help.

JUBILEE 2025: Mansfield Catholic Parish has been chosen as a place of local pilgrimage in our Archdiocese of Melbourne for the Jubilee year 2025. We look forward to welcoming people who make the pilgrimage to our parish in this beautiful part of Victoria known as God's Own Country.

AUSTRALIA DAY: Sunday 26th January Mass at Jamieson will be at 10.45am not 11am.

FAMILY LOOKING FOR A HOUSE TO RENT: There is a family looking for a place in Mansfield. Please contact Fr George if you could help them find a place.



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