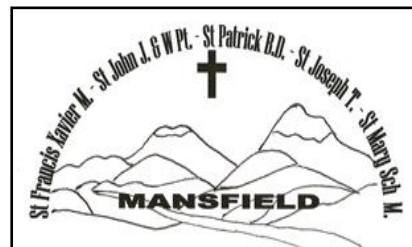


MANSFIELD CATHOLIC PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Saturday 28th March-Mass-6pm at Mansfield
Sunday 29th March-Masses-9am Mansfield & 11am Tolmie



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: (Used only when there is no Entrance Hymn) Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend'.

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones.

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me!

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons'

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: Save us Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

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.**

Sacred Easter Triduum
2nd April Thursday of the Lord's Supper
3rd April Good Friday
4th/5th April Easter Saturday/Sunday

Easter Sunday (5th April 2026)

1st Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43
Psalm: Ps 117: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23
2nd Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4
Gospel: John 20: 1-9

Anniversaries: Moira Hood.

Prayers for those who are sick: Phillip Mahoney, Geoff Robinson, Anna McKenzie, Josie Webber, Jane W, Tim Whitfield, Winston D'Cruz, Loretto Redfern, Marj Cameron, Ashleigh Chapman, Loretta Chivers, Anthony McHugh, Natasha Gomes, Rex Zebrst, Amy, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, Margaret Ramma, Ian, Logan, Jane O'Halloran, Julius D'Costa and Lucy.

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 1st April – 5th April

Wednesday: 8.45am Rosary/Chaplet 9.15am Mass - St Mary's school attending

Thursday: 6pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Mansfield

Friday: 11am Ecumenical Stations of the Cross at Highett Street.

3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord - Mansfield and Jamieson

Saturday: 6pm Mansfield (Easter Vigil)

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Anna McKenzie

Special Minister: Rita Riley

Sunday: 9am Mansfield

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Sandra O'Brien

Special Minister: Jan Berry

Communion to the sick: Dot O'Brien

Counting: Watson Wills/Joan Carey

11am Jamieson

5pm Bonnie Doon

Flowers for April – Val Kirley

CLEANING & MAINTENANCE ROSTER (28/3 – 10/4)

Church Cleaning: Genevive Albers

Maintenance: Mark Henry (Front of Church & Hall)

Greg Hogarth (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: Saturday 9.45am & 5.30pm / Sunday 8.30am.

First Reconciliation: Reconciliation on Wednesday 18th March at 6pm at St Francis Xavier's church.

First Eucharist: Preparation will be on Wednesday 13th May at 6pm at St Mary's and First Eucharist Sunday 14th June 2026 at the 9am Mass.

CRAFT GROUP: 11am Tuesdays at St Mary's Hall.

CHAIR EXERCISES: 10am Wednesdays at St Mary's Hall.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$365.00 Loose \$200.50 Presbytery \$667.45

To donate - Mansfield Catholic Church Acct: BSB 083 347 Acc 65793 1299
Mansfield Parish 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/mansfield>

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

Synod 2026 Dec 4-6th

Synodality is not new: It is not a modern invention. From the earliest days of the Church, Christians gathered to pray, listen, and discern together. In the Acts of the Apostles, the Church faced difficult questions and resolved them not through power struggles, but through prayer, dialogue, and trust in the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for the Synod (Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus)

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Attributed to St Isidore of Seville (c. 560 – 4 April 636), this prayer been used at councils, synods and other Church gatherings for hundreds of years.

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

WELCOME: A warm welcome to all visitors.

EASTER SACRAMENTS: We welcome and pray for Jessica, Lewis, Rhys, Arabella, Georgia & Ottilie who are receiving the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter.

CRAFT GROUP: Invites you all to join them on Tuesday at 11am for Hot Cross Buns at St Mary's Hall.

EASTER BREAK: We wish the students, staff and their families of St Mary's School a relaxing Easter break.

VCCEM: Emergencies Ministry Volunteer training at Shepparton on Saturday 18th April 2026. Please contact Fr George or please go to VCCEM website at www.vccem.org.au/training and register online.

HOLY WEEK: Starts with Palm Sunday this weekend.

March 31st Tuesday: 10am Mass of the Oils at St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne.

April 1st Wednesday: 8.45am Rosary/Chaplet 9.15am St Mary's School's leading End of Term Mass

April 2nd Holy Thursday: 6pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Mansfield

April 3rd Good Friday: 11am Ecumenical Stations of the Cross at Highett Street
3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord - Mansfield and Jamieson

April 4th Easter Saturday Vigil: 6pm at Mansfield
April 5th Easter Sunday: 9am Mansfield, 11am Jamieson & 5pm Bonnie Doon (Daylight Saving Ends)

Mansfield Catholic Parish

