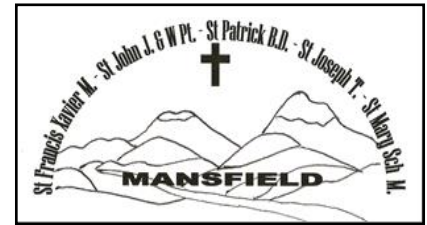


MANSFIELD CATHOLIC PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

December 6th/7th 2025
Second Sunday of Advent - Year A



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) O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

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

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.

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.

May his name be blessed for ever and endure like the sun. Every tribe shall be blessed in him, all nations bless his name.

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. 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) Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from 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.**

Memorials and Feasts

Sun 8th Dec: The Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary –
Solemnity
Sat 13th Dec: Saint Lucy - Memorial

Third Sunday of Advent (14th December 2025)

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6,10

Psalm: Ps 145:6-10

2nd Reading: James 5: 7-10

Gospel: Matthew 11: 2-11

Recently Deceased: Fr Michael Leonard Shadbolt. *Fr Michael was Assistant Priest at Mansfield 1966-68 and during this time he was Chaplain to the Catholic Ski Club. May he Rest in the peace of Jesus and Rise in Glory. Amen.*

Prayers for those who are sick: Jane W, Tim Whitfield, Ed Griffin, John Nuttman, Winston D'Cruz, Loretto Redfern, Marj Cameron, Ashleigh Chapman, Loretta Chivers, Anthony McHugh, Natasha Gomes, Rex Zebrst, Patricia Wilson, Amy, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, Margaret Ramma, Ian, Logan, Jane O'Halloran, Julius D'Costa, Alex Harnes

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

10th – 14th December

Wednesday: 8.45am Rosary/Chaplet 9.15am Mass

Thursday: 8.45am Rosary/Chaplet 9.15am Mass

Friday: 8.45am Rosary/Chaplet 9.15am Mass

Saturday: 10.30am Mass for Pilgrims

6pm Mass Mansfield

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Tony Riley

Special Minister: Rita Riley

Sunday: 9am Mansfield

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Val Kirley

Special Minister: Dennis Mahoney

Communion to the sick: Marie Daly

Counting: Pat Gardiner/John Berry

12.15pm Woods Point

Flowers for December: Rita Riley

CLEANING & MAINTENANCE ROSTER (6 Dec – 20 Dec)

Church Cleaning: Kevin Murphy

Maintenance: David Bock (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.

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 \$256.00 \$Loose \$303.70 Presbytery \$459.15

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>

'The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.' (Matthew 3:3) John the Baptist is quoting Isaiah 40:3 who was prophesying about the return of the Jews from exile in Babylon back to Jerusalem. In the gospel of John when the Jewish leaders question John the Baptist as to who he is he replies, 'I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord' (John 1:23). The humility John is that he was the voice and Christ was the Word said St Augustine of Hippo, take away the word and the voice has no meaning. We are to be the voice for the Word of God, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

✠ Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

JUBILEE 2025: Welcome to all visitors and pilgrims. Jubilee Programme details are on the parish website.

CHAIR EXERCISES: Wednesday 10am at St Mary's Hall. Gold coin donation.

2026 CALENDARS: Columban Art calendars available for sale in the piety store. Cost \$ 10 each.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY: There is a letter for all parishioners. Please collect your letter with relevant information. Envelopes for the coming year, commencing 7th December are also available at the main church entrance. Please note that some of your numbers may have changed and the boxes of envelopes are displayed in alphabetical order.

This Sunday 7th December: Parish Christmas Celebration and Thank you to Trish Etccl - 11am Mass at Mansfield followed by Christmas Lunch at the Hall. Please bring a plate to share. BYO Drinks.

Thursday 11th December: 6pm St Mary's School Graduation Mass.

Friday 12th December: 10.30am Ecumenical Christmas Service at Buckland House.

6pm Ecumenical Christmas Carols & Celebration at Alexandra Catholic Church.

Sunday 14th December: 12.00 noon Christmas Carols & 12.15pm Mass at Woods Point followed by BYO Lunch.

Christmas Eve 24th December:

5.00 pm Mass at Bonnie Doon

6.30 pm Mass at Mansfield

8.00 pm Mass at Jamieson

Christmas Day 25th December:

9.00 am Mass at Mansfield

Sunday 28th of December: Conclusion of Jubilee Year with Eucharistic Adoration from 10am to 3.30pm and Benediction. Please fill in the times you could spend adoring the Lord in the roster sheet.

Mansfield Catholic Parish

