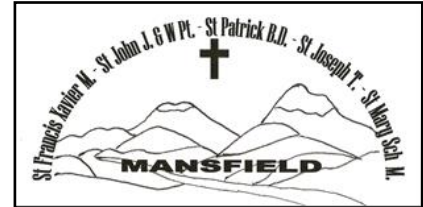


MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

26th/27th April 2025

Second Sunday of Easter year C (Divine Mercy)



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: Thu : 10am to 2pm

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: (When there is no Entrance Hymn) Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.'

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord, grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me but still believe! Alleluia

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim your death O Lord until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: (When there is no Communion Hymn) Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

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

Monday: Saint Peter Chanel – Memorial

Tuesday: Saint Catherine of Siena – Memorial

Wednesday: Saint Athanasius - Memorial

Third Sunday of Easter Sunday(Next Weekend)

1st Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

Psalm : 29: 2, 4-6, 11-13

2nd Reading: Rev: 5: 11-14

Gospel: John 21: 1-19

Recently deceased:

Memoriam & Anniversaries: Patricia Kirby Mahoney

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, Janelle Kuc, Nancy Haley, Rex Zebrst, Patricia Wilson, Amy, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, Margaret Ramma, Ian, Logan, Jane O'Halloran & Julius D'Costa, Alex Harmes

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 3rd/4th May

Monday 28th April: Mass at 9.15am for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis

Saturday 3rd May

Vigil Mass 6pm Mass Mansfield

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Anna McKenzie

Special Minister: Helen Mullins

Sunday 4th May

9am Mass Mansfield

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Joan Tehan

Special Minister: Zaldah Kirley

Communion to the Sick: Debbie Eve

Counting: Tammy Chrisp & Glenys Nixon

Flowers in May: Kath Bock

CLEANING & MAINTENANCE ROSTER

Church Cleaning: Frances Golden

Maintenance: Chris Dunlop (Front of Church & Hall)

Kevin Murphy (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 EUCHARIST: Preparation Evening at St Mary's School – Wednesday 28th May 6pm. First Eucharist Sunday 22nd June 9am Mass at St Francis Xavier's.

CONFIRMATION: Preparation 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 \$152 Loose \$1456.10 Presbytery \$1025.50

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.melbcatholic.org/s/mansfield>

DEATH OF THE HOLY FATHER / SUNDAY OF DIVINE

MERCY

The death of the Holy Father has plunged the Church and the world into sadness. The first two messages of condolences I received on 21st April were from Rev Mel Clark and Rev Catie Inches-Ogden, both former vicars of the Anglican Church in Mansfield. We also received condolence messages from the Mansfield Uniting and Anglican church parishioners, which I would like to convey to all of you.

The bells at St Francis Xavier's Church Mansfield and St John the Apostle Church Jamieson were rung (Death Knell) on April 22nd Tuesday at which we paused to pray. The St Mary's Primary School Mansfield students and staff gathered in silence at 9 am in front of the McAuley Centre and prayed while the bells were rung. May Pope Francis Rest in the Peace of Jesus and may perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.

The Divine Mercy devotion was promoted by Pope St John Paul II. On April 30, 2000, at the Canonization of Faustina Kowalska, the second Sunday of Easter was officially designated as the Sunday of the Divine Mercy in the General Roman Calendar. The liturgical celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday reflects God's Mercy – It also gives us the message of 'Peace' that the Risen Lord gives us. The 'peace that surpasses all understanding' (Philippians 4:6). This peace that our Lord brings leads us to unity of heart and soul. Let us be open to God's mercy and become sharers of his Divine Mercy.

It was to Saint Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), a simple nun from Poland, that the Lord chose to spread the devotion and message of Divine Mercy. Through her we have received the pattern of Christian perfection based on trust in God and on the attitude of mercy toward one's neighbours.

✠ Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

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

All through May 2025 Program for Pilgrims, at St Francis Xavier's Mansfield, will be the Weekend Saturday 6pm/Sunday 9am Masses. There will not be any other Masses in the parish during this time and the church will not be opened on weekdays except on Saturdays and for the weekend Masses. The Pilgrim Program will recommence on the 31st May/1st June. From June onwards there will be Masses for Pilgrims only on First Wednesdays and First Saturdays (not all Wednesdays or Saturdays) in addition to the usual parish Masses.

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

CHAIR EXERCISES: Starts 30th Wednesday 10am at St Mary's Hall. Gold coin donation.

FIRST EUCHARIST: Preparation Evening at St Mary's School – Wednesday 28th May 6pm.

PARISH THANKSGIVING/OFFERTORY CAMPAIGN: Will begin on the weekend of 24th/25th May and conclude Sunday 29th June 2025.

MASS ON MONDAY 28TH APRIL AT 9.15AM for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis

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