

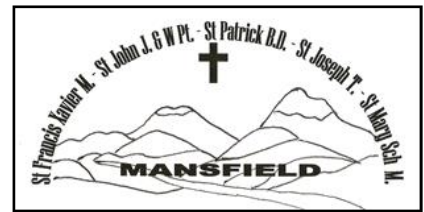
MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

24th/25th August 2024

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Land of the Taungurung



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

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➤ **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** (When there is no Entrance Hymn)

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 33: 2-3, 16-23

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save.

Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken.

Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

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- **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting 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)
The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.
- **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
Tuesday St Monica
Wednesday St Augustine
Thursday The Passion of St John the Baptist

Twenty - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
1st Reading: **Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8** Resp Psalm: **Ps 14: 2-5**
2nd Reading: **St James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27** Gospel: **Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

Anniversary Prayers: Patrick and Charlotte Kirley

Prayers for those who are sick: 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, Logan, Lloyd, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, David Arbuthnot, Margaret Ramma

To book St Mary's Hall please call Greg Hogarth on ☎0408 618 135
St Vincent de Paul ☎ 5775 3156. President: Rosemary Badrock ☎ 0467 925 614

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

27th August – 1st September

Tuesday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass

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Friday 8.45 am Rosary 9.15 am Mass

Saturday 6pm Mansfield

6.30 pm Mt Buller

Sunday 9am Mansfield

5pm Bonnie Doon

ROSTERS for 31st August/ 1st September

SATURDAY 31st August:

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Anna McKenzie

Special Minister: Helen Mullins

SUNDAY 1st September:

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Val Kirley

Special Minister: Jan Berry

Communion to the Sick: Joan Carey

Counting: Nance & John Rutley

Church Cleaning: 19/8 – 31/8 Mike O'Halloran

Flowers for August: Kath Bock

We have journeyed through the 'Bread of Life' or 'Eucharistic' discourse from the gospel of John from the weekend of the 17th Sunday in Year B. This weekend, the 21st Sunday, we conclude that journey. The word 'Eucharist', from Greek *eucharistia* (εὐχαριστία), is the term chosen by the early Christians to translate into Greek the Hebrew word *berakot / berakhot* (ברכות) which means blessing or thanksgiving. For the Jew blessing and thanksgiving was the basic form of prayer. One of the main occasions during the day when the Jew blessed the Creator was at the family meal. The prayer of blessing took the form of a ritual led by the father of the family with others responding. It was celebrated in bread as grace before meals and in wine as grace after meals. In a gathering of a rabbi with his disciples the rabbi would take the place of the father (Jesus and his disciples). A Jew enters a sacrifice by consuming the victim (Ex 12:8ff).

The identification of Jesus with the bread and wine at the time of the institution shows us that in some mysterious way they are indeed what Christ says, His Body and His Blood. Hence the Eucharistic sacrifice of the altar is identified with the sacrifice of Christ's death and resurrection. This was the way that the words over the bread and cup were understood in the early liturgy during the Apostolic times which are confirmed in passages such as 1Cor10:16-17; 11:27-32, the institutional narratives in the gospels (Mt26:26ff; Mk14:22ff; Lk22:17ff) and in the 'Bread of Life' or 'Eucharistic' discourse of John 6:35ff. In this weekend's second reading Paul relates this Eucharistic mystery with the Body of Christ - the Church - and Christian marriage. Hence the Eucharist is not just private and personal but also has an ecclesial (Church - Body of Christ) and Community (marriage/family) dimension as well. Just as Christ nourishes and cherishes us, his Body the Church, in marriage husbands and wives are to nourish and cherish each other. So too in our parish and community life we are called to nourish and cherish one another in and through our day-to-day interactions.

✠Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR 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 9.45am & 5.30pm, Sunday 8.30am

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS: 5.30 pm at the parish office - Sep 25th, Oct 23rd, Nov 27th & Dec 18th, 2024. February & March 2025 dates TBA. All are welcome.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$362, **Loose** \$201.30, **Presbytery** \$601.45

If you wish to contribute to either the Church or House account here are our bank details:

MANSFIELD CATHOLIC CHURCH ACCOUNT:

BSB 083 347 Acct No. 65793 1299

(If this is for thanksgiving, please include your thanksgiving number as a reference)

MANSFIELD PARISH HOUSE ACCOUNT:

BSB 083 347 Acct No. 65793 1280

You can also donate via our website:

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/mansfield>

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

THE 2024 ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN: There will be leaving collection at all Masses this weekend. Envelopes are also available for this special Archbishop's Campaign collection. You could post them directly, using the return-paid envelope provided, to Archbishop's Campaign, PO BOX 146, East Melbourne 8002. Loose money from the special leaving collection will also be sent to the Archdiocese. For tax deductible/non-deductible/direct debit/credit card payments contact archbishopsfund@cam.org.au

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The next Finance Committee will be held on 18th September at 5pm in the Parish Office.

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for those who would like to become Catholic or for Catholics wanting to renew their understanding of the Sacraments and Church teaching. All are welcome to the sessions which start on 25th September and will continue till March 2025.

RADIO MARIA: A Catholic radio station which broadcasts 24/7, Masses, Rosary prayers, a variety of programmes and positive music that foster faith, hope and joy. You can tune in live via www.RadioMaria.org.au or Digital Radio 202.928 or apple or Google Play App: Radio Maria Play.

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(Parish Vision and Mission Statement and Child safety policies are on the website.)



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