

ST. MARY'S PARISH

LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

28th July, 2024

Lancefield Church
27 Chauncey Street
Lancefield



Romsey Church
85 Main Street
Romsey



EVERYONE WELCOME

Ministry Roster	28/07/24	03/08/24	04/08/24	11/08/24
Musician	Agnes	-----	Christine	Rosalie
Reader	Eloise	Joanne	Michael G	Michael M
Collector	Barry	-----	Tim	Joe
Cleaner	Tam	-----	Loretta	Kerry
Location	Lancefield	Romsey	Romsey	Lancefield

Could those listed on the roster please advise if you are unavailable.

CONTINUING PRAYER LIST:

Please pray also for the following who are in continuing need of our prayers:
Merle Trembath, Christine Cheney, Isabelle Fleming, Kath Ireland, Gwen DeCarolus,
Brendan Coburn, Isla Foy, Rhonda Cusack, & Susan Brady.

St. Mary's Church Romsey will celebrate **100 years** in October 2024!

Centenary of Romsey Church – Mass October 6th, 2024 – 2pm

There will be no 9am Mass on this day.

Archbishop Peter Comensoli will celebrate this Mass with us.

Afternoon tea at the hall will follow Mass.

Sea Sunday – 21 July 2024 – 28 July 2024

This week we celebrate Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. The Appeal today is for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. To assist this

Catholic ministry, please send your donations to:

<https://stellamarisaustralia.org/sea-sunday-appeal/>

UPCOMING PARISH MASSES

Sun	July 28 th – 9:00am	Sunday Mass – LF	Fr. John
Sun	July 28 th – 2:30pm	Baptism's – LF	Fr. John
PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO WEDNESDAY WEEKDAY MASS			
Wed	July 31 st – 9:30am	Weekday Mass – LF	Fr. John
No weekday Masses 1/8 or 2/8/24			
Sat	Aug 3 rd – 10:00am	Healing Mass – Rom	Fr. John
Sun	Aug 4 th – 9:00am	Sunday Mass – Rom	Fr. John
Wed	Aug 7 th – 9:30am	Weekday Mass – LF	Fr. John
Thur	Aug 8 th – 9:30am	Weekday Mass – Rom	Fr. Brian
Fri	Aug 9 th – 10:15am	Weekday Mass – LF	Fr. Brian

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY CORRECTION

It appears I had a vision malfunction last week and got my months crossed!

JULY HAPPY BIRTHDAYS go to **TOBY NEWNHAM & ELIZA NEWNHAM!**

JULY HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES go to **Bill & Pat Badger – 66 years!**

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Secretary Hours

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Parish Website

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St Mary's Primary School

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School Website

www.smlancefield.catholic.edu.au

CHILD PROTECTION

is **everyone's** responsibility

Safety of Children and All Vulnerable People

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community. The St. Mary's Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy is on display on the church noticeboards or via the parish office.

Diocesan Policies available at
<https://www.melbournecatholic.org>

All children leaving the church during Mass must be accompanied by a parent.

Child Safety Committee

Fr. John Healy
Tammie Dalgleish
Michael Mooney
Monica Tomlinson

The Living Word

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First Reading 2 Kgs 4:42-44

They will eat and have some left over.

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:10-11, 15-18. R. v.16

*(R.) The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.*

1. All your creatures shall thank you,
O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their
blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your
reign
and declare your might, O God. (R.)
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due
time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 4:1-6

There is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

*A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.*

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 6:1-15

He distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted.

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The disciples fell into the verbal trap which Jesus set. They believed that market forces should dictate how the hunger of the crowd could be satisfied. It was a young lad who put the disciples to shame, simply handing over five barley loaves and two fish to Jesus. It was because of his generosity that Divine generosity was able to feed the crowd.

Divine desire to satisfy the hungers of humanity for the various necessities of life (food, shelter, companionship, education, medicines) require human generosity. Otherwise, Divine Compassion cannot be effective in the world.

Voluntary renunciation of property and sharing of wealth still occurs in the little oases of monasteries and convents, echoes of the radical redistribution of wealth recorded in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 4:32-35). St Luke makes it clear that this was essentially linked to the Apostles' testifying to the Resurrection 'with great power'.

Francis of Assisi and now Francis of Buenos Aires remind us that the Church itself needs to engage in the redistribution of its wealth to enable the hungers of humanity to be satisfied. This will give authenticity to its preaching of the Gospel, and enable its evangelising to be undertaken 'with great power'.

We could take a moment to pray that we become more like the little boy in the Gospel, more like Francis of Assisi, more like Francis of Buenos Aires, voluntarily sharing our wealth to satisfy the hungers of humanity.

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MYSTERY OF FAITH

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Fr: In the miracle of feeding five thousand people, our Lord shows us that the Father will give us everything we need. Let us ask him for all the good gifts he can provide for us.

R: We pray with and for our church leaders, the Pope and bishops. May their calls for Christian unity answer Christ's prayer at the Last Supper. May our unity be the sign of hope in Christ for the world.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: We pray for all Christians who accept Christ as the prophet who is to come into the world. May their faith in Christ be greater than the things that separate them.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: We pray for our local church communities. May our prayers bear united witness to the one Lord, one faith, one baptism that unites us.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: We pray for all those still searching for the Bread of Eternal Life. May their hunger lead them to know that "we do not live on bread alone but on the very word which comes from the mouth of God".

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: We pray for the sick members of our parish, and for those who care for them. We pray for the recently deceased, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Cora Quinn Rinaldi, Michael Connally & Brooke Alford.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

All HAIL MARY

Fr: The eyes of all look hopefully to you, O God.
We ask you to remain near to all who call upon you.
Answer us in our need through Christ our Lord.

Collections last week Presbytery \$311 Thanksgiving \$1260
1st collection: Presbytery & Priest 2nd collection: Thanksgiving (envelope)

Readings next week Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 Ephesians 4:17, 20-24 John 6:24-35



A Child's Prayer for Grandparents

Dear God, please bless my grandparents.
Thank you for the life they gave my parents
and for the life, they give to me.

For the ways they helped me and made me strong, I give thanks.
For the ways, they love me no matter what, I rejoice.
For the ways, they have paved the road
that leads me here, I am grateful.

Let them grow in wisdom and joy in life.
Let them find peace and rest from their work.
Let them be healed of every sickness and pain.
And let them see with their own eyes your glory
and the love of their children and grandchildren.

Bless them always until they come to rest in you
Amen

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

St. Mary's Parish

Sunday's at 9:00am

28/07/24 – Lancefield
04/08/24 – Romsey
11/08/24 – Lancefield
18/08/24 – Romsey
25/08/24 – Lancefield
01/09/24 – Romsey

HEALING MASS

1st Saturday at 10:00am

03/08/24 – Romsey
07/09/24 – Romsey

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

St. Ambrose Parish - Woodend

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 11:00am

Wednesday, Thursday

& Friday 9:30am

Baptism

As arranged with the Parish
Secretary on the 4th Sunday
of the month

Marriages

Arranged by appointment with
at least 6 months' notice.
Please contact parish office.

Funerals

Contact Fr. John directly.
Contact Fr. Brian directly.

Reconciliation

By appointment only
Please contact Fr. Brian or
Fr. John directly
5429 2130

Thanksgiving

Any parishioner wishing to join
the Thanksgiving program is
invited to contact Tammie at the
parish office to arrange some
Thanksgiving envelopes.
Thanksgiving contributions by
Direct Debit or Credit Card
welcome.

Welcome

St. Mary's Parish community
warmly welcomes visitors and
new parishioners. We invite new
parishioners to introduce
yourself to Fr. Martin, fill in a
census card located in the church
foyer and place in either
collection or contact Tammie
directly at the parish office.

Volunteering Ministries

A current Working with Children
Check is required to volunteer
within the parish.

Help is always welcome!

Power Point operator at Mass
Reader of the Word
Church Cleaning & Gardening

FR. BRIAN – ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr. Brian will be on leave from Monday 15/7/24 to Monday 5/8/24

NEW PARISH WEBSITE

Anyone visiting the parish website this week will have been redirected to our new site.
<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/lancefield>

CATHEDRAL GRAND ORGAN RECITAL

Sunday 11 August, 2024 – 3pm-4pm

St Patrick's Cathedral - 1 Cathedral Place - East Melbourne Victoria 3002

St. Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne is proud to open its doors to the community and offer an experience of the sacred through uplifting music from some of Australia's most talented musicians.

Christopher Cook studied at the Queensland Conservatorium of Music, graduating in piano and organ performance, and has performed in most states and overseas. Christopher will showcase compositions by Bach, Martin, Sowerby and Guilimart, among others.

Don't miss out! Purchase your tickets today or at the door.

Adults \$30 / Concession \$25 / Children aged 15 and under are admitted free.

For more information, email music@cam.org.au or call 03 9926 5760.

"Living with Joy" Women's Retreat with Fr. Frankie Mulgrew

Catholic Leadership Centre - 576 Victoria Parade - East Melbourne

Saturday 17 August, 2024 – 9:30am to 4:00pm

The Catholic Women's League of Victoria warmly invites you to a day retreat at the Catholic Leadership Centre.

Fr Frankie was a professional entertainer in the UK before answering a calling to become a Catholic priest.

Commences 9.30am with Holy Mass, adoration, Confession and three inspiring talks by Fr Frankie.

This is a wonderful opportunity to encounter God's love and meet a supportive community of women of faith. It promises to be a truly divine experience!

Join us!

<https://melbournecatholic.org/uploads/documents/events/2024/living-with-joy-womens-retreat-with-fr-frankie-mulgrew/Living-with-Joy-with-Fr-Frankie.pdf>

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PRIEST & PRESBYTERY BY DIRECT DEBIT

Anyone not already contributing to the Priest & Presbytery expenses who would like to contribute may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

**St. Mary's Presbytery Account
NAB**

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 64151 8467

Please use your surname as the reference.

THANKSGIVING BY DIRECT DEBIT

Anyone not already on the Thanksgiving Program who would like to contribute to the Church may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

**St. Mary's Church Account
NAB**

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 64150 3257

Please use your surname and TG number as the reference.