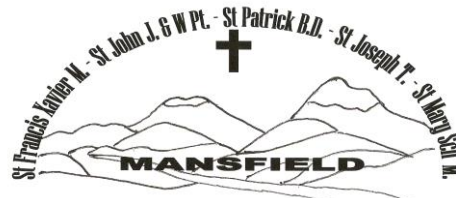


MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

16th/17th September 2023

TWENTY - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



Land of the Taungurung

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

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(Nance is working Tuesday only this week)

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➤ **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** (Used only when there is no Entrance Hymn)

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 102: 1-4, 9-12

R. The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

My soul, given thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion.

His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults.

For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far east is from the west so far does he remove our sins.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. 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)

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

➤ **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.**

Feasts & Memorials this week
Wednesday: Sts Andrew Kim Taegon,
Paul Chong Hasang & Companions
Thursday: St Matthew
Saturday: St Pius of Pietrelcina

Readings for next Sunday:
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A
1st Reading: **Isaiah 55: 6-9** Resp. Psalm: **Ps 144: 2-3, 8-9, 17-18**
2nd Reading: **Philippians 1: 20-24, 27** Gospel: **Matthew 20: 1-16**

Recently Deceased: Dennis Dooley,

Anniversary Prayers: Neil Gardiner, Bernie Byrne, Maureen and Terry Weingott

Prayers for those who are sick: 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

19th – 22nd September

Tuesday 8.45 Rosary 9.15 am Mass.
Wednesday 8.45 Rosary 9.15am Mass.
6pm Bible Study
Thursday **NO MASS**
Friday 8.45 Rosary 9.15 am Mass.

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND 23rd /24th September

Saturday 6pm Mansfield
6.30pm Our Lady of the Snows Mt Buller
(17th June – 30th September)
Sunday 9am Mansfield
11am Jamieson
1st & 3rd Sunday 5.00 pm Bonnie Doon 2nd & 4th
Sunday 11.00 am Jamieson 5th Sunday 11am Tolmie

ROSTERS for 23rd/24th September

SATURDAY 23rd September:

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Anna McKenzie

Special Minister: Helen Mullins

SUNDAY 24th September:

Reader /Prayers of the Faithful: Griffin family

Special Minister: Dennis Mahoney

Communion to the Sick: Zaldah Kirley

Counting: Tammy Chrisp & Glenys Nixon

Church Cleaning: 18/9 – 30/9 Griffin Girls

Flowers for September: Rita Riley

Maintenance:

11.9.23 – 23.9.23 Peter Hood Front of Church
11.9.23 – 23.9.23 Mick Kelleher Back of Church & back of
Father George's residence

SACRAMENTS IN THE MANSFIELD PARISH

Please contact the Parish Office on 5775 2005 for further information on the following:

BAPTISMS: Saturdays & 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 11.00 am. 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month 1.00 pm. Contact the Parish Office and make an appointment to meet the Parish Priest.

MARRIAGES: Please note 3 months' notice is required before a wedding. For further information, please check Mansfield Catholic Parish Website.

RECONCILIATION: 9.45am & 5.30 pm (Saturdays)
8.30am (Sundays) and also by appointment

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving \$228.55, Loose \$118.45, Presbytery \$383.50,
Fathers' Day Collection \$233.20

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>

This weekend's readings reflect forgiveness and mercy. There is no Christianity without mercy. This mercy is both communal and personal. (Cf. Saint John Paul II, Encyclical *Dives in Misericordia*) "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy" (Mt 5:7). God's love is unconditional, but God's mercy and forgiveness are reciprocal. "There will be no mercy for those who have not shown mercy to others." (James 2:13) The forgiveness handed out, and forgiveness received are inseparable. "Forgive, and you will be forgiven." (Luke 6:37). Our Lord on the Cross, whom we commemorate in the Eucharist, is not just for our forgiveness but also the model for us to be people of forgiveness. Jesus has taught us, his disciples, that we are to "be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:36). This mercy is revealed through Our Lord on the Cross who prayed, "Father forgive them for they know not what they are doing." (Luke 23:34)

✠ Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

IF YOU ARE VISITING: We extend a very warm welcome to visitors to our Parish.

YOU ARE INVITED: Would you like to know more about the work of St Vinnies? If so, you are invited to an information day on 12th October in the supper room of St Mary's Hall starting at 12 noon. A light lunch will be provided.

BIBLICAL STUDY ON:

First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community. The eleven-part video presentation by Tim Gray is on Wednesday evenings at 6.00pm in the Parish Office. We start this Wednesday (20th) and continue on Oct 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, Nov 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, Dec 6th & 13th.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUNDAY: This Sunday is an opportunity to give thanks for the dedicated work of thousands of staff and volunteers of Catholic Social Services who stand with and serve the poor, disadvantaged and marginalised.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: There will be a meeting of the Finance Committee on the Thursday 19th of October at 5pm in the Parish Office.

RURAL AUSTRALIANS FOR REFUGEES is hosting a screening of Watandar at Swanpool Cinema on Sunday 24th September at 1.30. This heartwarming movie is about Afghans and their place in Australia for over 160 years. Bookings at trybooking.com/events/landing/1081954

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: We will be having a Parish Fair on Saturday 4th November. Details to follow.

THE PARISH PRAYER GROUP meets Wednesdays after morning Mass. All welcome.

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



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