### ST. MARY'S PARISH

### LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY '

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Lancefield Church 29 Chauncey Street Lancefield





Romsey Church 85 Main Street Romsey



### **CURRENT MASS CONDITIONS – ALL WELCOME**

- All Catholics in Melbourne continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Prayerfully participating in online Mass continues to be a great source of comfort on Sundays.
- Face coverings are recommended during the winter period. Please be sensitive to the well-being of others when in close proximity.

Hand sanitiser will remain available at the church entrance, as will masks if you required. Social distancing is always recommended.

Ministry Roster	r 21/08/22	28/08/22	03/09/22	04/09/22
Musician	Christine	Agnes		Christine
Power Point				
Reader	Leanne	Michael G	Eileen	John H
Collectors	Allan T	Vol. required		Gerard
Cleaner	Anne N	Kerry		Christine
Location	Romsey	Lancefield	Romsey	Romsey

Could those listed on the roster for 28/08/22, 03/09/22 or 04/09/22 please advise if you are unavailable.

### **CONTINUING PRAYER LIST:**

Please pray also for the following who are in continuing need of our prayers: Jesse Hogan, Cheryl Horan, Marg Redmond, Rita Shannon, Merle Trembath, Christine Cheney, Isabelle Fleming, Kath Ireland, Noel Doolan, Vittoria Cafari, Val Carr, Gwen DeCarolis & Brody Thrum.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Over the next 3 Sunday's, parishioners will have the honour to witness our parish children receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

The children will participate in the Mass and read the prayers. Children receiving First Holy Communion this week are:

Josiph Tappin-Rathouski, Thomas Butler, Milla Willmott,

Madison Stocker & Cohen Bobic

Please keep them in your prayers.

### CATHOLICCARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL

Our total contribution was \$229.45. Thank you for your support.

### 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2022

### **Parish Priest**

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Parish Secretary

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Parish Website http://pol.org.au/lancefield/Home.aspx

Secretary Hours Tues, Wed & Friday 9:00am – 3:00pm

**St Mary's Primary School Principal** - Julie McDougall T: 5429 1359

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School Website www.smlancefield.catholic.edu.au

### CHILD PROTECTION is <u>everyone's</u> 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

### Child Safety Committee

Fr. Martin Fleming Tammie Dalgleish Michael Mooney Monica Tomlinson

## The Living Word

### Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

### First Reading Is 66:18-21

They will gather all of your people from all nations.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

### Ps 116. R. Mk 16:15

(R.) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

### (R.) Alleluia!

- 1. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! (R.)
- 2. Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. (*R*.)

### Second Reading Heb 12:5-7, 11-13

The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course. any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

### Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;

no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

### Gospel Lk 13:22-30

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

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### Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

'[People] from east and west, north and south . . . will feast in the Kingdom of God.' Amongst those people, will there be Buddhists, Muslims, Hindus, atheists?

The surprising answer of Catholic Christianity is: 'Yes, but always through the working of the Holy Spirit of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who can prompt the heart of *any* person *any* where at *any* time with divine grace so that that person strives to lead a life of compassion and justice and not harming innocent creatures.' Obviously, this work of the Holy Spirit could encompass millions if not billions of people who have never heard the Gospel.

If the slogan: 'No salvation outside the Church' is taken to mean no-one can be saved unless he/she is a baptised member of the Catholic Church then it is a heresy explicitly condemned by Popes.

Nevertheless, we must pray and work for the conversion of all people so that they might have the advantage of all the aids of Word and Sacrament which we draw on as direction and strength on our journey towards the destiny which God desires for each one of us.

We could pause for a moment to acknowledge the boundless mercy of God, but also praying that all peoples might share our privilege of participating in that Holy Communion which is the foretaste of the banquet prophesied by Jesus in today's Gospel.

### **Mystery of Faith**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

### **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

- The word of God counsels us not to lose heart when we are discouraged. We come as Fr: sons and daughters before our loving God to make intercession for all who seek help in difficult times.
- R: Today we will receive a very special gift from Jesus when we share His body for the first time. Let us say thank you for being so lucky. As we celebrate our First Eucharist, we thank Jesus for the people who love us - our families and friends.

### We pray to the Lord.

### Lord, graciously hear our prayer.

As we receive the body of Jesus, may we remember what he told us to do -R: "Love one another as I have loved you".

### We pray to the Lord.

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R: We pray for Fr. Martin who is here with us at our First Holy Communion. May Jesus help him as he continues his work.

### We pray to the Lord.

- R: We pray for children around the world who are not as lucky as we are. We pray to the Lord. Lord, graciously hear our prayer.
- R: We pray for people around the world who do not have enough to eat and are hungry. May we remember them in our prayers.

### We pray to the Lord.

We thank God for our parents and teachers who teach us about Jesus. R: May God keep them safe.

### We pray to the Lord.

### Lord, graciously hear our prayer.

We pray for the sick members of our parish, especially John Alford and those who R: care for them. We pray for those who have died recently and those who anniversaries occur at this time, especially Tamara Scicchitano, Alice McCarthy & Veronica Powell. May they share fully in the glory of God's promise.

### We pray to the Lord.

Lord, graciously hear our prayer.

### All HAIL MARY

Fr: Gracious God and Father. steadfast in your kindness towards us, hear our prayers and let our joy be full. We make our prayer through Christ, our Lord.

Amen

**Collections last week** Presbytery \$172 Collections 07/08/22 Presbytery \$185

1<sup>st</sup> collection: Presbytery & Priest Isaiah 66:18-21

Thanksgiving \$492 Thanksgiving \$1162 2<sup>nd</sup> collection: Thanksgiving (envelope) Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Luke 13:22-30

### **Readings next week**

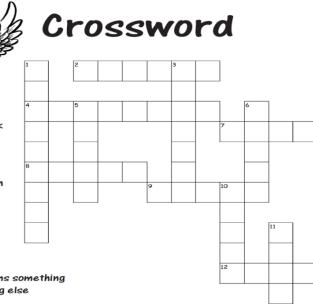


### Across

- 2: thin, not wide 4: people who speak on behalf of God
- 7: cry
- 8: we use these to chew our food
- 9: a celebration with food and drink
- 12: we open this to go inside

### Down

- 1: significant
- 3: not inside
- 5: a person who owns something
- 6: less than anything else
- 10: rescued
- 11: to rap your knuckles on a door



### WEEKLY MASS TIMES St. Mary's Parish Sunday's at 9:00am

21/08/22 - Romsey 28/08/22 - Lancefield 04/09/22 - Romsey 11/09/22 - Lancefield 18/09/22 – Romsey 25/09/22 - Lancefield

### HEALING MASS

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10:00am 03/09/22 - Romsey 01/10/22 - 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 usually the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

### Marriages

Arranged by appointment with Fr. Martin at least 6 months in advance.

**Funerals** Contact Fr. Martin directly.

### Reconciliation By appointment only

Please contact Fr. Martin 5427 2690

### 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!

Reader of the Word Church Cleaning Gardening

# POSITIONS VACANT Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of: Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne - https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies • Bookshop Manager - Permanent Full Time • World Youth Day (WYD) Coordinator • Account Executive, Client Services, Catholic Development Fund • Parish Animation Consultant Parish Positions • Bookkeeper - St Peter Apostle Mission Parish • Parish Business Manager - South Yarra Catholic Parish • Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) Educator - Hoppers Crossing Parish • OSHC Program Coordinator - Hoppers Crossing Parish • Parish Bookkeeper - St Mary's Parish, Castlemaine • Parish Secretary - St Mary's Parish, Castlemaine

- Parish Secretary St Dominic's Parish
- Parish Manager St Dominic's

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <u>https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies</u>

Parishioners are encouraged to forward this information to family or friends they may have living in the areas mentioned.

### **INNER HEALING & FORGIVENESS THROUGH MEDITATION**

### September 16 – 17, 2022

Prayer & Meditation through gentle postures and breathing in the Holy Spirit, heals body, mind and soul. Retreat begins at 5.30pm on Friday 16th Sept. and concludes at 4.30pm on Saturday 17th of Sept. Guided by Fr. Gilbert Carlo SVD Contact: 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia, Victoria 3155. RSVP Tel: 0424202191 or Email: gilbertcarlo@gmail.com

### **HEART OF LIFE**

### Assertiveness - Trusting Your Own Inner Voice (via Zoom), Tuesday evening 30 Aug 2022, 7pm-9.30pm

This reflection event will explore: assertiveness - what it is and what it is not; why being assertive is adult behaviour that builds up everyone's strength and capacity to love; finding within ourselves that voice of God that echoes who I am as good in the eyes of God; what is it that distorts this perspection and how that influences my judgement and behaviour; being assertive with God; being with an assertive God. Led by Chris Chaplin msc (MSCX, Dip Transpersonal & Experiential Psychotherapy, BTheol, Cert Spir Dir (Siloam)). Cost \$35. Book and pay by 26/8/22 via www.heartoflife.melbourne Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Malvern VIC, email info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101.

