ST. MARY'S PARISH

LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY '

Twenty-seventh 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 Roste	er 01/10/22	02/10/22	09/10/22	16/10/22
Musician		Christine	Rosalie	Christine
Power Point				
Reader	Anne B	Leanne	Eileen	Vol Required
Collectors		Rob B	Ged/Tim	Allan
Cleaner		Loretta	Eva	Marie H
Location	Romsey	Romsey	Lancefield	Romsey
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Could those listed on the roster for 09/10/22 or 16/10/22 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 & John Alford.

SECRETARY ON LEAVE

I will be taking leave on Friday October 7th but will be in the office next Tuesday & Wednesday.

ONLINE SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Wednesday 5th October, 2022 – 10am – Lancefield Presbytery

Thank you to all parish volunteers who have completed their Safeguarding training via online at home and sent me their completion emails.

If you would like to do the session as a group, please feel free to join us in the Presbytery next Wednesday. It would be helpful if you have a laptop or ipad so we can share screens.

WiFi will be available.

PRESBYTERY PHONE SYSTEM

The Presbytery phone system is not allowing all incoming calls to utilise the "Options" at present. Normally you would press 1 to come through to the Secretary but if it doesn't work for you, please just listen to the 4 options and your call will automatically then come through to the office.

It appears to be an issue with our phones and their upgrades rather than the switchboard as it is not affecting all phones. Sorry for any inconvenience.

2 October, 2022

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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

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First Reading Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4 The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

- (R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
- Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (*R.*)
- 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we

the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)

3. O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (*R*.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Pt 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 17:5-10

lf you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

"Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty.""



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The loving gaze of a mother towards her newborn simply gives rise to the obligation to feed the baby. There is no special reward for doing her motherly duty. This is how Jesus sees 'good works'. If we perceive our relationships with people correctly, then so-called 'good works' are no more than our duty and don't deserve special congratulatory access to Heaven.

If we saw human beings as 'formed from the dust of the earth, . . . a manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory' (St John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae* 34.2), then that perception leads to certain ways of relating which are obliging. Like the servant in the story, we will have done no more than our duty.

Nevertheless, doing that sort of duty you and I are becoming the sort of creature who can love unreservedly. We are being readied to receive the free gift of heavenly life.

We might take a moment to pause to get our perception of human beings correct so that our response may prepare us for the free gift of heavenly life.

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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:** We are God's friends, his adopted children, but in humble prayer we come to him as servants, seeking to do our duty, and asking him to "increase our faith."
- R: For those ordained to serve the Church, that they will always use the permanent gifts granted by the laying-on of hands.

We pray to the Lord.

For the nations of the world, that the justice of God be not further rejected by tyranny, R: terrorism, and discord.

We pray to the Lord.

For those who care for animals, that they, like St. Francis of Assisi, may show R: kindness to all God's creatures.

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For this Eucharistic congregation, that today we may hear God's voice and harden not R: our hearts.

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R: We pray for the sick members of our parish and for those who have asked for our prayers. We pray for those who have died recently, especially Chris Crawford and Bp Hilton Deakin and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Maureen Brown. May they share fully in the glory of God's promise.

Lord, hear our prayer.

All **BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY PRAYER**

HAIL MARY

Readings next week

God our Father, Fr: increase our faith. as once more we make our petitions, offering them confidently, though Christ our Lord. Amen Collections last week Presbytery \$252

Thanksgiving \$486 1st collection: Presbytery & Priest 2nd collection: Thanksgiving (envelope) 2 Timothy 2: 8-13 Luke 17:11-19

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations and special blessings to all those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the month of October. May your journey through life be filled with daily treasures, and may you always be open, willing and ready to share your blessings with others.



Birthdays: Margaret Redmond, Anne Todd, Jenny McCarthy, Carolyn McCarthy, and A Very Big Happy Birthday to Odin Tully & Ben Jackson! Jenny & Luke Jackson – 6 years

Anniversaries: Cameron & Louise Newnham - 12 years Ken & Helene Newnham – 62 years Barry & Kath Ireland – 63 years!

2 Kings 5:14-17

125th Anniversary of Consecration – St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's

Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.

This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

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

02/10/22 - Romsey09/10/22 - Lancefield 16/10/22 – Romsev 23/10/22 – Lancefield 30/10/22 - Lancefield06/11/22 – Romsey 13/11/22 – Lancefield 20/11/22 - Romsey

HEALING MASS

1st Saturday at 10:00am 01/10/22 - Romsey05/11/22 – 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^{nd} & 4^{th} 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

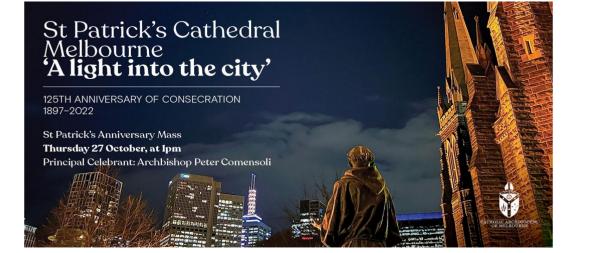
St. Mary's Parish community warmly welcomes visitors and new parishioners. We invite new parishioners to introduce vourself to Fr. Martin, fill in a census card located in the church foyer and place in either collection or contact Tammie directly at the parish office.

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



If you would like to attend this special event at St. Patrick's Cathedral, please contact Tammie at the office on: 5429 2130 or by return email at <u>lancefield@cam.org.au</u>. A bus can be arranged so we can all travel together and share this occasion.

RCIA PROGRAM

The parish has recently had a number of enquiries from adults wishing to become Catholic and participate in the RCIA program.

Fr. Martin strongly encourages anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith to come to Mass, introduce themselves to him and discuss this further.

Should a program get up and running it needs the assistance of parishioners to help those going through the program. I was fortunate to be involved in the program almost 20 years ago here at St. Mary's and had some wonderful people help me through.

If you would be interested in being a mentor or to share your faith experience with someone wanting to learn about becoming Catholic please contact Tam at the office.

St. Mary's Drop In – Thursday 6th October, 2022

10:30am – 2:30pm Romsey Church Hall Anyone wishing to attend, please contact Rose on 5429 5270

