ST. MARY'S PARISH

LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

23 October, 2022

Lancefield Church 29 Chauncey Street Lancefield





Romsey Church 85 Main Street Romsey



CURRENT MASS CONDITIONS – ALL WELCOME

Please be sensitive to the well-being of others when in close proximity.

Hand sanitiser available at the church entrance, as are masks if required.

Social distancing is always recommended.

Ministry Roster	23/10/22	30/10/22	05/11/22	06/11/22
Musician Power Point	Agnes	Rosalie		Christine
Reader	Michael M	Michael G	Joan	Michael M
Collectors	Joe	Ged/Tim		Gerard
Cleaner	Florence	Rosalie	Romsey	Anthea
Location	Lancefield	Lancefield		Romsey

Could those listed on the roster for 30/10/22, 05/11/22 or 06/11/22 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.

ONLINE SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

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

The date is nearing where we won't be able to volunteer unless we have done this training.

GROUP TRAINING SESSION AVAILABLE

Friday 28th October, 2022 – 10am Parish Office

Please allow 1 hour to complete the training.

It can be done quicker at home alone but we found a few topics created some discussion as a group.

If you would like to complete the training as a part of a group, please contact Tam by email or phone to book in. lancefield@cam.org.au or 5429 2130

BAPTISM PRAYER

We ask our God, the giver of life, to bless you, Heidi Roberts and Harrison Gazzola

who will be baptised today.

We the Church of St. Mary's Lancefield/Romsey welcome and support you.

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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

 $\underline{office@smlancefield.catholic.edu.au}$

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. Martin Fleming Tammie Dalgleish Michael Mooney Monica Tomlinson

The Living Word

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First Reading Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man,

he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication,

nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted,

his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds,

until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him,

acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement.

And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:2-3. 17-19. 23. R. v.7

(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

- 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. (R.)
- The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
 - The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. (R.)
- 3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.

Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge.

will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;

and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 18:9-14

The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

This parable begins 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray'. But only one of them actually prayed: 'God be merciful to me, a sinner'. The other informs God how well he is doing in the piety stakes. Notice that he strings together a whole lot of verbs, all in the first person singular! This means he is in mortal danger of staying in the first person singular after death, which is Hellish.

The other is said to be 'humble'. I like the English companion word: 'humus'. He is well-grounded, knows where he is standing, sometimes in the manure of life.

It takes courage and humility to admit to God exactly where we stand. We can do so in Confession, or less formally simply praying: 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner'.

We could pause for a moment to humbly pray so that we may hope to hear Our Lord say: 'This woman, this man, this boy, this girl, went home at rights with God.'

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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: With contrite and humble hearts, we stand in the presence of God. Let us respond to these intentions with the sincere and honest prayer our Father welcomes.

R: That the Church be a sure haven for us all. Let us experience a sense of belonging here in God's presence and when we go out may we feel uplifted and ready to face the day.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: We pray for all missionaries, women and men, that their vocation to witness to Jesus is not just by words, but above all by words alive with the example of living a dynamic and compassionate Christian life.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: For our children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation; may they be strengthened through the prayers of our Parish community.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: We pray for the many Australians enduring further floods impacting their homes, towns, businesses and farms. May they may support each other and know the support of government and the wider community.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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 Paul Glennon and Neil Reggardo and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Mg. Bryan Long, Brendan Finucane, Lynne Connors, Kathrine Theisz and Peter McLaughlin. May they share fully in the glory of God's promise.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

All HAIL MARY

Fr: God of power, you never abandon those who call on you.

Nourish our faith, strengthen our hope and stir up our love.

We ask this, through Christ our Lord

Amen

Collections last weekPresbytery\$321Thanksgiving\$442Collections 09/10/22Presbytery\$334Thanksgiving\$510

1st collection: Presbytery & Priest 2nd collection: Thanksgiving (envelope)

Readings next week

Wisdom 11:22-12:2 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 Luke 19:1-10

POSITIONS VACANT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified & experienced people for the positions of:

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne - https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies

Parish Parish Parish professions

Parish Positions

- Parish Secretary St Kevin's Parish, Hampton Park
- Parish Secretary St Dominic's Parish, Camberwell East
- Parish Secretary/Finance Administrator St. Joseph's Parish, Chelsea
- Parish Secretary/Finance Administrator, St. Kevin's Parish, Templestowe
- Parish Administration Assistant St Brigid's Parish, Gisborne
- Parish Administration Assistant St. Vincent de Paul & St. Monica Parishes, Strathmore & Moonee Ponds
- Evangelisation Coordinator St Catherine of Siena Parish, Caroline Springs
- Pastoral Worker, Westernport Parish, Hastings
- Pastoral Worker, St. Luke's Parish, Lalor
- Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) Educator, St. Peter Apostle's Catholic Primary School, Hoppers Crossing
- OSHC Program Coordinator, St. Peter Apostle's PS, Hoppers Crossing

Other Positions

• Wellbeing Support Worker - Sisters of St Joseph, Hawthorn East

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

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

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

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

23/10/22 – Lancefield

30/10/22 – Lancefield

06/11/22 - Romsey

13/11/22 – Lancefield

20/11/22 – Romsey 27/11/22 – Lancefield

04/12/22 - Romsey

HEALING MASS 1st Saturday at 10:00am

05/11/22 - Romsey

03/12/22 – 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 2nd & 4th 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

THANK YOU BERNADETTE

Many of you will know Bernadette who is is Fr. Martin's Secretary at Woodend.

Bernadette kindly made available some bulletins for Mass last Sunday so parishioners could follow along with the readings as I was unable to prepare for Mass due to the floods blocking me in at home.

Bernadette is a constant source of support to me and I thank her for organising a number of things so Mass could run smoothly.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS

Now available in both churches

Calendars - \$8

Cards - \$3.50 (packet of 8)

Special Collection - World Mission Sunday - 23 October, 2022

Catholic Mission is the Australian agency of the international Pontifical Mission Societies.

We share in God's mission to reach out and give life by sharing our personal and financial resources to:

proclaim the gospel

serve people in need and act for peace,

justice and creation in partnership with local churches so that all may have life in Christ.

Catholic Mission operates in over 160 countries to support initiatives in 1,100 dioceses, including remote Australia.

Your support of this Catholic Mission Church Appeal with help continue vital Church-run mission programs around the world.

Thank you for partnering with us today.

HELP NEEDED

If anyone has a whipper snipper and a spare hour, your help is required to trim around the edges at the Presbytery.

Please contact Tam if you are able to help out. Thank you.

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.



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