

# ST. MARY'S PARISH

LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year A

30<sup>th</sup> April, 2023

Lancefield Church  
27 Chauncey Street  
Lancefield



Romsey Church  
85 Main Street  
Romsey



## NO CURRENT MASS RESTRICTIONS – ALL WELCOME

Ministry Roster	30/04/23	06/05/23	07/05/23	14/05/23
Musician	Rosalie	-----	Christine	Agnes
Reader	Michael M	Eileen	Michael G	Rosemary D
PowerPoint	-----	-----	Margaret	<b>Vol. required</b>
Collector	Ged/Tim	-----	<b>Vol. required</b>	Joe
Cleaner	Kerry	-----	Anthea	Rosalie
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:

Jesse Hogan, Cheryl Horan, Marg Redmond, Rita Shamon, Merle Trembath, Christine Cheney, Isabelle Fleming, Kath Ireland, Noel Doolan, Vittoria Cafari, Val Carr, Gwen DeCarolis, John Alford & Michael Grelis.

### Special Collection through Lent - Caritas - Project Compassion

Please return your Mite boxes and Collection envelopes.

Our Parish contribution will be sent off to Caritas next week.

If you still have a mite box or any envelopes at home, please return them at Mass this Sunday at Lancefield or contact Tam to arrange collection.

Thank you for supporting this cause.

### GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY – APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Pope Francis tells us:

***There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.***

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

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### Parish Website

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### Secretary Hours

Wednesday & Friday  
8:00am – 5:00pm

### St Mary's Primary School

Principal - Julie McDougall  
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### School Website

[www.smlancefield.catholic.edu.au](http://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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30 April 2023

## First Reading Acts 2:14, 36-41

*God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22:1-6. R. v.1

(R.) *The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.*  
or

(R.) *Alleluia.*

1. The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)
2. He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of  
darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your  
staff;  
with these you give me comfort. (R.)
3. You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. (R.)
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall  
follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. (R.)

## Second Reading 1 Pt 2:20-25

*You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.*

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

## Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:14

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.*  
*Alleluia!*

## Gospel Jn 10:1-10

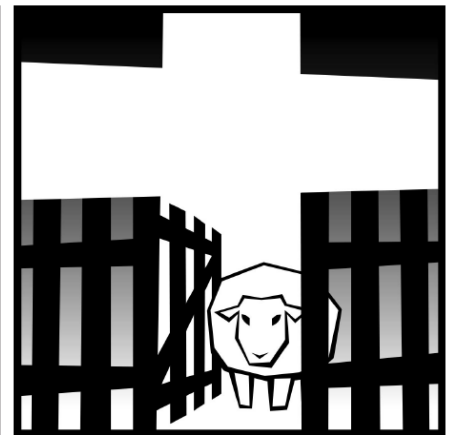
*I am the gate of the sheepfold.*

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,  
I am the gate of the sheepfold.  
All others who have come  
are thieves and brigands;  
but the sheep took no notice of them.  
I am the gate.  
Anyone who enters through me will be  
safe:  
he will go freely in and out  
and be sure of finding pasture.  
The thief comes  
only to steal and kill and destroy.  
I have come  
so that they may have life  
and have it to the full.'

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## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

In Jesus' time, the shepherd lead from the front: the sheep followed the sound of his voice to reach good pasture. Jesus describes other voices who might try to mislead the sheep as 'thieves and brigands'.

In John's gospel, Judas, the thief from the common purse of the disciples, led a group of temple guards and Roman soldiers to take Jesus by force.

Barabbas was a *brigand*, a leader of an insurrection. Our Lord knew that armed rebellion against the Romans would lead to the destruction of Jerusalem.

So, Jesus is warning his followers against the seductive voices of those who advocate the use of violence.

In particular, the successor of Peter should echo the voice of Jesus the Good Shepherd and no other. Popes of the modern era seem to be listening more attentively to the Good Shepherd, as successors of St Peter who was instructed: 'Feed my lambs, feed my sheep'.

We could pause for a moment to attune our ears to the sound of the Shepherd's voice and follow Him so that He may lead us to pastures where we can have life, abundantly.

Alleluia!

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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:** The promise of the spirit has been given to us. Trusting in the Spirit, we present the following petitions before our loving God.

**R:** We pray for Pope Francis and all bishops of our church. May they be strengthened in their ministry to be true shepherds of the flock.

**We pray to the Lord.**

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

**R:** We pray for leaders in our world today. May they be true guides on the path to justice and equity for all people.

**We pray to the Lord.**

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

**R:** We pray for all those who have turned away from God. May they respond to the words of Peter "to come back to the shepherd and guardian of their souls".

**We pray to the Lord.**

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

**R:** We pray for the sick members of our parish, especially Rita Tully, Michael Martin, Damien Martin and John White and for all who have asked for our prayers. We pray for those who have died recently, especially Leanne Azoulas and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Beulah Badger. May they share the fullness of eternal life promised by the Good Shepherd.

**We pray to the Lord.**

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

## All HAIL MARY

**Fr:** God, our Good Shepherd, we fear no evil if you are at our side. Hear our prayers for those who seek your justice and healing. We make these prayers through Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

<b>Collections last week</b>	Presbytery \$263	Thanksgiving \$585
	1 <sup>st</sup> collection: Presbytery & Priest	2 <sup>nd</sup> collection: Thanksgiving (envelope)
<b>Readings next week</b>	Acts 6:1-7	1 Peter 2:4-9      John 14:1-12



# Wordsearch

Try to find these words:

fence	life	sheepfold	stranger
follow	name	shepherd	thief
gate	sheep	story	voice

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## WEEKLY MASS TIMES

### St. Mary's Parish

#### Sunday's at 9:00am

30/04/23 – Lancefield

07/05/23 – Romsey

14/05/23 – Lancefield

21/05/23 – Romsey

28/05/23 – Lancefield

04/06/23 – Romsey

## HEALING MASS

### 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 10:00am

06/05/23 – 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

### Cardinal Pell Luncheon & Lecture

*Aid to the Church in Need* is launching an annual

#### *George Cardinal Pell Luncheon & Lecture*

with the inaugural event to take place in Melbourne CBD on Sunday 21 May. The keynote speaker will be Mr David Pell, brother of the late Cardinal.

For information and to register, please visit [www.trybooking.com/CGUDA](http://www.trybooking.com/CGUDA).

### POSITIONS VACANT

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

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

- Discipleship Specialist - Marriage and Family Accompaniment
- Retail Shop Assistant – St. Patrick’s Cathedral Shop

#### Parish Positions

- Parish Secretary – St Dominic’s Parish, Melton
- Parish Secretary – Holy Family Parish, Maidstone and Braybrook
- Parish Secretary - St Andrew's Parish, Clayton South
- Liturgical & Sacramental Coordinator - Nazareth Parish, Torquay

#### Other Positions

- Philanthropy Lead - Carmel Impact

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.

### Are you called to be a Sponsor Couple?

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#### Choose your webinar date:

Wednesday May 3 - OR -  
Tuesday June 6 (2023)

8pm AEST | 7.30pm ACST |  
6pm AWST (1 hour)

Find out more & register at:

[www.smartloving.org/webinars](http://www.smartloving.org/webinars)

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