

# ST. MARY'S PARISH

LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY

Third Sunday of Easter - Year B

14<sup>th</sup> April, 2024

Lancefield Church  
27 Chauncey Street  
Lancefield



Romsey Church  
85 Main Street  
Romsey



## EVERYONE WELCOME

Ministry Roster	14/04/24	21/04/24	28/04/24	04/05/24
Musician	Rosalie	Christine	Rosalie	-----
Reader	Michael M	Eileen	Joanne	Leanne
Collector	Tim	Ged	Gerard	-----
Cleaner	Eva	Monica	Florence	-----
Location	Lancefield	Romsey	Lancefield	Romsey

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:

Merle Trembath, Christine Cheney, Isabelle Fleming, Kath Ireland, Gwen DeCarolis,  
John Alford, Brendan Coburn, Isla Foy, Rhonda Cusack, Fran Cassidy & Susan Brady.

St. Mary's Church Romsey will celebrate **100 years** in October 2024!  
**Centenary of Romsey Church.**

Please forward celebration idea's by email to [lancefield@cam.org.au](mailto:lancefield@cam.org.au)



As Easter has now passed, could parishioners please finalise their mite boxes and giving envelopes for the Project Compassion Special Collection and return them at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your support of this cause.

## INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. COME & SEE!

An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **4 May 2024**

**Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC),  
278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information:

Watch: Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTS0>

Watch: Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for Deacons and video  
<https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY>

Visit: Archdiocese of Melbourne permanent diaconate webpage

<https://vocations.melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate>

Read More: <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

To celebrate the **Centenary of Romsey Church - Archbishop Peter Comensoli** will be here to celebrate Mass with us on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2024** Mass will be at 2pm on this day and will be followed by afternoon tea in the Parish Hall. Please put this date in your diary and help us celebrate this wonderful occasion.

## Parish Priest

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Fr. Brian Muling  
C/- Presbytery  
27 Chauncey Street  
Lancefield Vic 3435  
Ph: 5429 2130

## Parish Secretary

Tammie Dalgleish  
C/- Presbytery  
27 Chauncey Street  
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Ph: 5429 2130

## Secretary Hours

Wednesday & Friday  
8:00am – 5:00pm

## Parish Email

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## Parish Website

<http://pol.org.au/lancefield/Home.aspx>

## St Mary's Primary School

T: 5429 1359  
[office@smlancefield.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@smlancefield.catholic.edu.au)

## 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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14 April 2024

## First Reading Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

*You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.*

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

(R.) *Lord, let your face shine on us.*  
or:

(R.) *Alleluia.*

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice;  
from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;  
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say.  
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,  
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

## Second Reading 1 Jn 2:1-5

*Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.*

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments.

Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

## Gospel Acclamation See Lk 24:32

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.*

*Alleluia!*

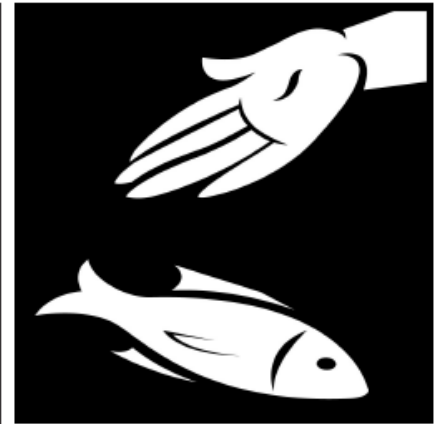
## Gospel Lk 24:35-48

*It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.*

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

When Jesus appeared to them, the disciples thought they were seeing a ghost, a sort of projection of a human image on the screen of the world but with no human depth and vitality. In fact, ghosts seem to drain life and warmth from those they encounter.

The disciples became convinced that they were in the presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ when he assumed a characteristic way of acting – sharing a companionable meal (of fish).

His bodily presence of that sort is now withdrawn from us. But we are now encountered by him in the Mass which has many dimensions, one of which is that of a sacred meal. When we share in the sacramental signs of his Real Presence in the Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink of Holy Communion, he brings us the life and warmth of the Risen Son.

In fact, he shares his very life with us, and because his life is gloriously fully human, we become less ghost-like as he heals those parts of our personality which drain goodness and vitality from the world.

We could take a moment to pray to take greater opportunities to share in the Real Presence of Our Risen Lord under the appearance of bread and wine. This will move us from the illusion of being alive to that vitality which is nourished by his glorified humanity.

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## 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

- Fr:** As we hear his word in the scriptures, our hearts burn within us, with a longing for God's presence. With this Easter hope, let us express our needs in prayer.
- R:** That those who teach in the Church will remain faithful to the Gospel of repentance and forgiveness.  
**We pray to the Lord.** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** That leaders of Church, government and industry will work together to provide food, employment and justice to all.  
**We pray to the Lord.** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** That those who are dying may know the peace of the risen Christ.  
**We pray to the Lord.** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** That the Eucharist be the source of life for us just as it is the expression of our faith and trust in the Lord's promise.  
**We pray to the Lord.** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- R:** We pray for the sick members of our parish, and for those who care for them. We pray for the recently deceased, especially John Alford and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Doreen Linehan, Hugh Martin, Kathleen Morrison, Gertrude Linehan, Clare Jones & John Hampton.  
**We pray to the Lord.** **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- All HAIL MARY**
- Fr:** Almighty God and Father,  
We ask you to grant these prayers, through your risen Son,  
the glorious prince of life,  
living and reigning for ever and ever.  
**Amen**

**Collections last week** Presbytery \$486      Thanksgiving \$360  
1<sup>st</sup> collection: Presbytery & Priest      2<sup>nd</sup> collection: Thanksgiving (envelope)

## WEEKLY MASS TIMES

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

14/04/24 – Lancefield  
21/04/24 – Romsey  
28/04/24 – Lancefield  
05/05/24 – Romsey  
12/05/24 – Lancefield  
19/05/24 – Romsey

## HEALING MASS

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

06/04/24 – Romsey  
04/05/24 – 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 on the 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.  
Contact Fr. Brian directly.

## Reconciliation

By appointment only  
Please contact Fr. Brian  
5429 2130

## 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.

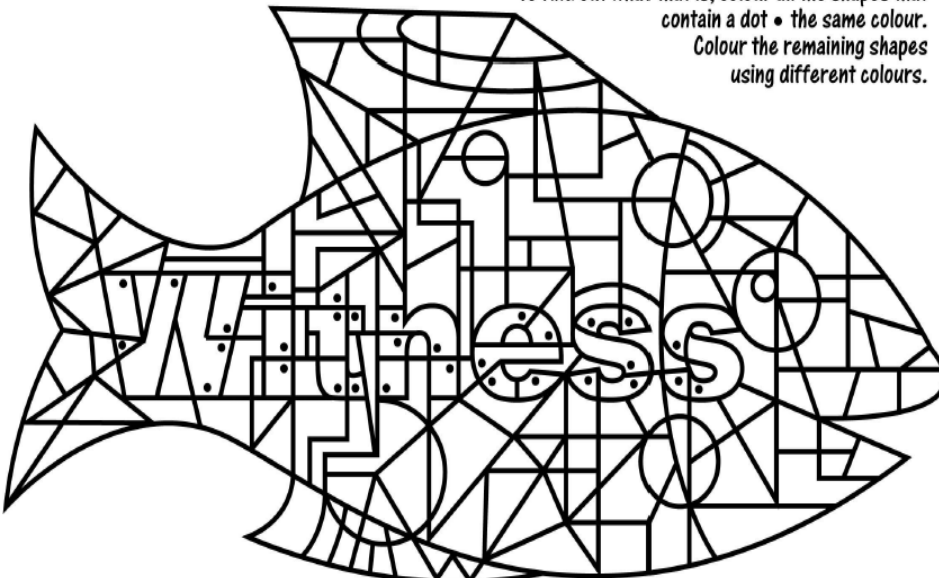
**Help is always welcome!**

Power Point operator at Mass  
Reader of the Word  
Church Cleaning & Gardening

## Good Shepherd Sunday - World Day of Prayer for Vocations -21 April

Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

*There is something that Jesus asks us to do for him.  
To find out what that is, colour all the shapes that  
contain a dot • the same colour.  
Colour the remaining shapes  
using different colours.*





# Wordsearch

Try to find these words:

bread	frightened	Moses
eat	ghost	nation
Emmaus	hands	road
fish	Jerusalem	three

T F Y G R F H M C J I F O J Z V  
 S A X N M P A J I K R A B J Q Q  
 R K E Q Q K J Y Z I W X K E V X  
 J H U P M M H P G G H G J R X E  
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 M F B L H H J U G V S W E Q O S  
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## POSITIONS VACANT

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

### Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

- Communications Officer
- Executive Support Officer-Proclaim, East Melbourne
- Aboriginal Catholic Ministry of Victoria (ACMV) Coordinator, Thornbury

### Parish Positions

- Parish Secretary, St John Vianney's Parish, Springvale North

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Please forward this information to family or friends you may have living in the areas mentioned.

## ST MARY'S DROP IN – DATES FOR 2024

### ST. MARY'S PARISH HALL ROMSEY

10:30AM TO 2:30PM

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July



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## PRIEST & PRESBYTERY BY DIRECT DEBIT

Anyone not already contributing to the Priest & Presbytery expenses who would like to contribute may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

**St. Mary's Presbytery Account  
NAB**

**BSB: 083 347**

**Acct: 64151 8467**

Please use your surname as the reference.

## THANKSGIVING BY DIRECT DEBIT

Anyone not already on the Thanksgiving Program who would like to contribute to the Church may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

**St. Mary's Church Account  
NAB**

**BSB: 083 347**

**Acct: 64150 3257**

Please use your surname and TG number as the reference.



Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

Pray  
**THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY**  
One Family in Faith | One Family in Mission



# World Mission *May Rosary Prayers*

Mon - Fri  
Time: 2pm Brisbane / Melbourne time  
12pm Perth time  
Join Zoom Meeting:  
<https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>  
Meeting ID:  
893 8798 2280  
Password:  
876574

**GO AND INVITE EVERYONE**  
*to the banquet*

