ST. MARY'S PARISH

LANCEFIELD & ROMSEY

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

16th June, 2024

Lancefield Church 27 Chauncey Street Lancefield





Romsey Church 85 Main Street Romsey



EVERYONE WELCOME

Ministry Roster	16/06/24	23/06/24	30/06/24	06/07/24
Musician	Christine	Rosalie	Agnes	
Reader	Rosemary	Judith	Joan	John
Collector	Rob	Barry	Joe	
Cleaner	Anne N	Leanne	Eva	
Location	Romsey	Lancefield	Lancefield	Romsey
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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,
Brendan Coburn, Isla Foy, Rhonda Cusack, & 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

FR MARTIN'S FAREWELL MORNING TEA

Romsey Church Hall - Sunday 16th June, 2024 – 10am

EVERYONE WELCOME

Please come and join us to wish Fr. Martin well for his retirement. Tea, coffee, cakes & sandwiches provided.

UPCOMING PARISH MASSES

Sun	June 16 th – 9:00am	Sunday Mass – Rom	Fr. Martin
Wed	June 19th – 9:30am	Weekday Mass – LF	Fr. Brian
Thur	June 20th – 9:30am	Weekday Mass – Rom	Fr. Brian
Fri	June 21st - 10:15am	School Mass Yr 1&2 – LF	Fr. Brian
Sun	June 23 rd – 9:00am	Sunday Mass – LF	Fr. Brian



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require.

The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/mongolia

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School Website

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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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16 June 2024

First Reading Ez 17:22-24

I have made the small tree great.

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar,

from the highest branch I will take a shoot

and plant it myself on a very high mountain.

I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.

It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar.

Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.

And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one

who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow,

who withers green trees and makes the withered green.

I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2

(R.) Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

- It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High,
 - to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. (R.)
- The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)
- Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 5:6-10

Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord.

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight - we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower:

all who come to him will live for ever.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 4:26-34

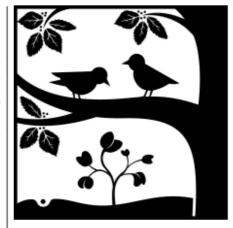
The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

A peasant in Galilee would hope for a return of 7:1 when sowing seed for a crop. So when Jesus pictures the Kingdom of God as a wonderful harvest (returning 100:1 as he put it in another parable), his peasant listeners would envisage a future without hunger, without servitude to rapacious landlords and moneylenders. A true liberation (such as Mary sang of in the Magnificat)!

Naturally, they and we want to know when this new way of life, this fulfilling of the Kingdom of God, will come about. Our Lord replies: 'Be patient. Your job is to sow the seed. Something will happen out of all proportion to your part in the process, just like the disproportion of the mustard seed to a mustard bush' (which he exaggerates into a tree sheltering birds).

God's creative power worked in the depths of stony ground of the tomb to raise up the Gospel Seed who is Jesus Christ. From that, a community has grown which, at its best, leads to a fair and just distribution of the world's resources, as Pope Francis insists is a major test of authenticity of our claim to be Christian.

We could take a moment to pray for the courage to sow the seed of the Gospel whenever an opportunity presents itself, and the patience to await the germinating power of the Resurrection to create the Tree of Life such that all peoples 'can shelter in its shade'.

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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: Let us bring our needs and petitions to God our Father.

R: Let us pray for the growth of God's Kingdom: that we may co-operate with God's grace and spread the Good News of the gospel to everyone we meet.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: Let us pray for all the members of the Church: that they may place all their hope and trust in God and in God's Son, Jesus.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord bear our results to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: Let us pray for those who are burdened with problems and suffering: that they may be comforted in their pain by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

R: Let us pray for unity among all people of goodwill, that prayers for the end of the wars in the Holy Land and Ukraine will be insistent and fervent, and that peace will be true and lasting.

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, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Lucia Marzano & Brunislawa Zinkiewicz, that they will be lifted to eternal glory with God

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

All HAIL MARY

Fr: God our Father, be with us at every moment of our lives, in times of trouble and of joy, and enable us to reach out to you in prayer with ever-thankful hearts. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Collections last week Presbytery \$238 Thanksgiving \$233

 1^{st} collection: Presbytery & Priest $\qquad 2^{nd}$ collection: Thanksgiving (envelope)

Readings next week Job 38:1, 8-11 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 Mark 4: 35-41

POSITIONS VACANT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified & experienced people for the positions of: **Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne**

- Animation Consultant, East Melbourne (including travel to the Western Region)
- School Engagement Officer Vocations, East Melbourne

Parish Positions

- Parish Finance Officer, Holy Child Parish, Dallas
- Parish Secretary, Holy Child Parish, Dallas
- Music Coordinator, St Scholastica's Parish & St Benedict's Parish, Burwood
- Finance Officer, Sacred Heart-Emmaus Parish, St Albans-Sydenham

Other Positions

- Administration Assistant Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria, Thornbury
- Dean of Studies, Newman College, Parkville

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

NAIDOC WEEK - 7th July - 14th July, 2024

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria warmly invites you to two important liturgical celebrations that will mark the start and end of NAIDOC week (7th-14th July). We especially encourage you to invite the First Nations community members to attend:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Mass 7 July 2024, 11am

St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne

&

NAIDOC Week Mass - Sunday 14 July, 11am St Francis' Church, 326 Lonsdale St, Melbourne

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

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

16/06/24 – Romsey

23/06/24 – Lancefield

30/06/24 – Lancefield

07/07/24 - Romsey

14/07/24 – Lancefield 21/07/24 – Romsey

HEALING MASS

1st Saturday at 10:00am

06/07/24 - Romsey

03/08/24 - 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 4th Sunday of the month

Marriages

Arranged by appointment with Fr. Brian 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

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Venue: Mary Help of Christians Church Hall Address: 97 Railway St N, Altona VIC 3018

Date: Thursday 11th July 2024

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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.