

MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

4th /5th December 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C



The Mansfield Catholic Parish is committed to the safety of children and vulnerable adults

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➤ **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** (Used only when there is no Entrance Hymn)

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: "What marvels the Lord worked for them!" What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

➤ **THE MYSTERY OF FAITH:**

We proclaim your Death O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

➤ **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** (Used only when there is no Communion Hymn)

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Anniversaries: Tim and Mick Mahoney

Prayers for those who are sick:

Amy, George D'Arcy, Amy Duckworth, Logan, Alma O'Brien, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, David Arbuthnot, Margaret Ramma, Tom and Bernard Read

To book St Mary's Hall please call Greg Hogarth on ☎0408 618 135

St Vincent de Paul (St Mary's Hall) Tuesday & Friday 1pm – 3pm ☎5775 3156

President: Zaldah Kirley on ☎0427 500 260

Mansfield Catholic Parish



PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

We the people of Mansfield Parish entrust you with our prayers, our needs and our hopes.

We thank you for giving us your Son as our Saviour, our life and our inspiration.

Help us to work as one in the Spirit building up the Body of Christ and bringing peace through forgiveness to the world.

May our patrons: St Francis Xavier, St John the Apostle, St Patrick, St Joseph, St John and Mary Help of Christians, pray for us and guide us in the ways of Jesus. **AMEN.**

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS 7th – 10th Dec

Tuesday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass
Wednesday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass
Thursday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass followed by Advent reflection.
Friday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass
Weekday Masses 8.30am (Fully Vaccinated only)
Weekday Masses 9.30am (Vaccination status not required)
First Fridays 9am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

MASSES NEXT SUNDAY 11th /12th December

Saturday 6pm Mansfield (Vaccination status not required)
Sunday 9am Mansfield (Fully Vaccinated only)
12noon Woods Point (Vaccination status not required)
NO MASS at Jamieson

1st & 3rd Sunday 6.00 pm Bonnie Doon (Vaccination status not required)

2nd & 4th Sunday 11.00 am Jamieson (Vaccination

ROSTERS for 11th/12th December

SATURDAY 11th Dec:

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Fay Smith

Special Minister: Vacant **Can you help out? **

SUNDAY 12th Dec:

Reader: Griffin family

Prayers of the Faithful: Trish Ryan

Special Minister: Dennis Mahoney

Counters: Pat Gardiner & John Berry

SACRAMENTS IN THE MANSFIELD PARISH BAPTISMS

Baptisms are usually held on Saturdays. Please call the Parish Office on 5775 2005

MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office on 5775 2005

PLEASE NOTE: 3 months' notice is required before a wedding.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 9.45am & 5.30pm

This second Sunday of Advent we hear the voice of John the Baptist crying out "prepare a way for the Lord..." (Luke 3:4). The first reading from Baruch, who was the scribe or secretary of Jeremiah, probably speaking to the Israelite exiles in Babylon, says "take of your dress of sorrow and distress, put on the beauty of the glory of God forever...." (Baruch 5:1). He goes on to say that, "God has decreed.....that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God." (Baruch 5:7) We are called during this time of advent preparation to meditate on the 'Glory of God', which will protect us. There may be things, peoples, governments, organisations etc around us that may seem glorious, especially during this time of doubt and confusion that we are going through. But nothing or no one surpasses the GLORY OF GOD, which is revealed in CHRIST. He is the only one who can save us and our world. The best way to prepare the way for the Lord is by meditating and becoming aware of his awesomeness and his Glory.

✠Fr George

NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH

MASS AT WOODS POINT next Sunday 12th December.

DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS HAMPER

RAFFLE: If you have any items suitable to include in a Christmas hamper raffle please contact Val Kirley on 0400 654 596. It will be drawn after Mass on 19th December. Tickets are \$2 each.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS are on sale from at \$9 each.

HAMPER APPEAL: St Vinnies, together with Mansfield Ecumenical Christian Community, are asking for donations of the following to be put in Christmas hampers for people in need: A nugget of ham, Christmas cakes/puddings, tinned fruit, sweet biscuits/mince pies, pasta sauce, rice/pasta, breakfast cereal, tinned fish, custard/long-life milk, crackers/chips pretzels, tinned beetroot/corn/3 bean mix, Christmas serviettes,/placemats/bonbons,apple sauce/salad dressing. We would be grateful for any of the above or anything that you would love to see in a Christmas hamper that you received. Please bring items to weekend Masses by **12th December.**

CONGRATULATIONS to the newly ordained priests for the Archdiocese of Melbourne - Rev Joseph Nguyen, Rev Samuel Pearson, Rev Hoang Dinh, Rev Alexander Chow and Rev Jaycee Napoles who were ordained on 4th December at St Patrick's Cathedral. God bless their ministry.