

MANSFIELD PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

15th/16th January 2022

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C



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

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Rather than visit, we would prefer that you call or email Nance.

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

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

R. Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name.

Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name.

Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: "God is king." He will judge the peoples in fairness.

R. Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

➤ **THE MYSTERY OF FAITH:**

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

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

You have prepared a table for me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

Prayers for those who are sick:

Amy, George D'Arcy, Amy Duckworth, Logan, 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

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.

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES

MASSES NEXT SUNDAY 22nd/23rd January

Saturday 6pm Mansfield

Sunday 9am Mansfield

11am Jamieson

1st & 3rd Sunday 6.00 pm Bonnie Doon 2nd & 4th Sunday
11.00 am Jamieson 5th Sundays 11am Tolmie

5th Sunday of the Month 11.00 am Tolmie

ROSTERS for 22nd/23rd January

SATURDAY 22nd January:

Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful: Anna McKenzie

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

SUNDAY 23rd January:

Reader: Griffin Family

Prayers of the Faithful: Trish Ryan

Special Minister: Dennis Mahoney

Counters: Nance & John Rutley

Church Cleaning: 17/1 - 29/1 Mike O'Halloran

Flowers for January: Val Kirley

Maintenance:

10/1 – 23/1 Kevin Murphy Front of Church

10/1 – 23/1 John Rutley Back of Church & back of

Father George's residence

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

Do whatever he tells you

This weekend's gospel from John gives us the account of the wedding at Cana where Jesus turns water into wine at the request of his mother, Mary (John 2:1-11). The first of the Gospels to be written was Mark's. In Mark, we find a voice from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the Son of God at his baptism. Matthew and Luke both speak of the virginal conception by the Holy Spirit, which reveal Jesus as the Son of God. The Gospel of John, which was the last of the Gospels to be written, proclaims the 'pre-existence' of Jesus, the Word of God, with the Father, marking the highest development of Christology. Here we find doctrinal development on the understanding of Jesus Christ in the early Christian community. As the doctrinal development of Jesus unfolded so did the mention of Mary his mother. Mark makes no mention of the birth and infancy of Jesus but Matthew and Luke mention the virginal conception of Mary and the birth of Jesus. In John's Gospel, Mary appears in the beginning as intercessor and the end of Jesus' ministry as 'mother' of the faithful.

The key to understanding Mary is this; we do not start with Mary. We start with Christ, the Son of the Living God. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus (1 Tim 2:5). Jesus is the mediator of a better and new covenant (Hebrews 7:22; 8:6; 9:15). The mediation of Christ is unique and nothing can compare to it. Christ's mediation is not just intercession. It is of salvation and redemption through his blood in the new and everlasting covenant. Thus in this aspect there is no other mediator but Jesus Christ. It is on account of Our Lord Jesus Christ that Mary receives special attention, and not on account of herself. Our Lord is God Who became Man. We did not choose Mary, He did. At Cana though he said 'My hour is not yet come' (John 2:4), yet he chose to listen to Mary. Let us seek her intercession and listen to Mary's advice, "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5).

Fr George

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