

# MANSFIELD PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
PALM SUNDAY YEAR C



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

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**Days:** Thursday this week

**St Mary's Primary School Principal – Trish Ecell 5775 2670**  
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➤ **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** (Used only when there is no Entrance Hymn)

Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest.

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. "He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend."

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones.

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me!

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled, "You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons."

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➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

➤ **THE MYSTERY OF FAITH:**

**Save us Saviour of the World for by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.**

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

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

**Anniversary Prayers:** Vin & Mary Close

**Prayers for those who are sick:** Glenys Nixon, Leon Storer, Carlton D'Cruz, Amy, George D'Arcy, Logan, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, David Arbuthnot, Margaret Ramma, Tom & 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

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**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**

**12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> April**

Wednesday 5pm Rosary 5.30 pm Mass.

**CONFESSIONS** before and after Mass in preparation for Easter.

**HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS**

**Holy Thursday** 8.00 pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at Mansfield followed by Vigil

**Good Friday** 11.00 am Ecumenical Stations of the Cross at Highett Street

3.00 pm The Lord's Passion at Mansfield and Jamieson

**Saturday: 6pm** Mansfield

**Easter Sunday: 9am** Mansfield

**11am** Jamieson **5pm** Bonnie Doon

**ROSTERS for 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> April**

**SATURDAY 16<sup>th</sup> April:**

**Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful:** Anna McKenzie

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

**SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> April:**

**Reader:** Mike O'Halloran

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Trish Ryan

**Special Minister:** Dennis Mahoney

**Communion to the Sick:** Sandra O'Brien

**Counters:** Nance & John Rutley

**Church Cleaning:** 4/4 – 16/4 Mike O'Halloran

**Flowers for April:** Val Kirley

**Maintenance:**

11/4 – 23/4 Mark Henry Front of Church

11/4 – 23/4 Brendan Griffin Back of Church & back of Father George's residence

**SACRAMENTS IN THE MANSFIELD PARISH**

Please contact the Parish Office on 5775 2005 for further information on the following:

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms are usually held on Saturdays.

**MARRIAGES:** Please note 3 months' notice is required before a wedding.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays 9.45am & 5.30pm

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 9am

Each year during Lent we are reminded that "goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day" (ibid., 11). Let us ask God to give us the patient perseverance of the farmer (cf. *Jas* 5:7), and to persevere in doing good, one step at a time. If we fall, let us stretch out our hand to the Father, who always lifts us up. If we are lost, if we are misled by the enticements of the evil one, let us not hesitate to return to God, who "is generous in forgiving" (*Is* 55:7). In this season of conversion, sustained by God's grace and by the communion of the Church, let us not grow tired of doing good. The soil is prepared by fasting, watered by prayer and enriched by charity. Let us believe firmly that "if we do not give up, we shall reap our harvest in due time" and that, with the gift of perseverance, we shall obtain what was promised (cf. *Heb* 10:36), for our salvation and the salvation of others (cf. *1 Tim* 4:16). By cultivating fraternal love towards everyone, we are united to Christ, who gave his life for our sake (cf. *2 Cor* 5:14-15), and we are granted a foretaste of the joy of the kingdom of heaven, when God will be "all in all" (*1 Cor* 15:28).

May the Virgin Mary, who bore the Saviour in her womb and "pondered all these things in her heart" (*Lk* 2:19), obtain for us the gift of patience. May she accompany us with her maternal presence, so that this season of conversion may bring forth fruits of eternal salvation.

*Excerpts from Pope Francis Lenten Message*



**NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH**

**PRAYER FOR PEACE:** Each Sunday, during the season of Lent, St Francis Xavier's will be open between 3 and 4pm for anyone to come in and pray for peace in our world.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:** We wish the Students, Staff and their families of St Mary's School a safe and refreshing break.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!** For stalls in the Parish grounds on Easter Saturday in conjunction with the Bush Market. Jams & Pickles, Cakes, Plants, Books (which can be dropped off at the presbytery) and bric a brac eg. Any kitchen items, glasses, ornaments, vases, jewellery etc. Ring Marie Daly on 57791750 if you have items to drop off. Please **NO** big items like furniture

We are also having a **HAMPER RAFFLE** so we need donations of items to include in the hampers please. Kindly help, either by giving your time or by donating goods to sell. Contact Val, Zaldah or Nance. Many hands make light work!

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April, there will be a meeting for all volunteers in the Parish at 11am in St Mary's Hall.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** On 24<sup>th</sup> April at 8.30am there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Divine Chaplet followed by Mass at 9am.