

# MANSFIELD PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> March 2022

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 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)

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

➤ **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: "My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust."

Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon.

His love he set on me so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: "I am with you." I will save him in distress and give him glory.

**R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

➤ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No-one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. 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)

The Lord will conceal you with his pinions, and under his wings you will trust.

**Recently deceased:** Bernie Cummins Snr & Father Kevin Mogg

**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

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****EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> March**

Tuesday 6pm Rosary 6.30 pm Mass

Wednesday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass

Thursday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass & Lenten Reflections

Friday Stations of the Cross at 5.30pm & Mass at 6pm

**MASSES NEXT SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> March**

**Saturday 6pm** Mansfield

**Sunday 9am** Mansfield

**11am** Jamieson

1st & 3rd Sunday 6.00 pm Bonnie Doon 2nd & 4th Sunday

11.00 am Jamieson 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 11am Tolmie

Lent is a favourable time for personal and community renewal, as it leads us to the paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. For our Lenten journey in 2022, we will do well to reflect on Saint Paul's exhortation to the Galatians: "Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up. So then, while we have the opportunity (*kairós*), let us do good to all" (*Gal* 6:9-10).

In these words, the Apostle evokes the image of sowing and reaping, so dear to Jesus (cf. *Mt* 13). Saint Paul speaks to us of a *kairós*, an opportune time for sowing goodness in view of a future harvest. What is this "opportune time" for us? Lent is certainly such an opportune time, but so is our entire existence, of which Lent is in some way an image. All too often in our lives, greed, pride and the desire to possess, accumulate and consume have the upper hand, as we see from the story of the foolish man in the Gospel parable, who thought his life was safe and secure because of the abundant grain and goods he had stored in his barns (cf. *Lk* 12:16-21). Lent invites us to conversion, to a change in mindset, so that life's truth and beauty may be found not so much in possessing as in giving, not so much in accumulating as in sowing and sharing goodness.

*Excerpts from Pope Francis Lenten Message*

**NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH**

**CUPPA** after 9am Mass this weekend.

**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.

**NEW APPOINTMENT:** Genevieve Bolwell is our new Parish Safety Officer. Thanks so much to Trish Etccl for all her guidance and help to set up the position of Parish Safety Officer initially.

**WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH:** A sacramental information evening, for parents and children who are intending to receive their sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist this year, will be held at St Francis Xavier's at 6pm.

**THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH:** St Patrick's Day Mass 9.15am at St Francis Xavier's.

**SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH:** There will be Mass to celebrate St Joseph's Feast Day at 11am at Tolmie followed by a BYO lunch.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!** We intend to have stalls in the Parish grounds on Easter Saturday in conjunction with the Bush Market. Some suggestions for stalls are Jams & Pickles, Cakes, Plants, Books, Spinning Wheel and a raffle. In order to make this a success we will need volunteers to run the stalls and donations of goodies to sell. If you can help, either by giving your time or by donating goods to sell, please speak to Val, Zaldah or Nance.

**ROSTERS for 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> March****SATURDAY 12<sup>th</sup> March:**

**Reader/ Prayers of the Faithful:** Tony Riley

**Special Minister:** Rita Riley

**SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> March:**

**Reader /Prayers of the Faithful:** Val Kirley

**Special Minister:** Zaldah Kirley

**Communion to the Sick:** Marie Daly

**Counters:** Nance & John Rutley

**Church Cleaning:** 28/2 – 12/3 Mike O'Halloran

**Flowers for March:** Rita Riley

**Maintenance:**

7/3 -19/3 Peter Hood Front of Church

7/3 -19/3 Ray Close 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 RECONCILIATION:** Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> March at 6pm

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