MANSFIELD PARISH **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

22nd/23rd January 2022 THIRD 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)

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

> RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

R. Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock!

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> GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. 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) Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

Recently deceased: Fr Noel McKay

Prayers for those who are sick: Carlton D'Cruz, Amy, George D'Arcy, Amy Duckworth, Logan, Enzo Robinson, Patricia Lawson, Bernie Carroll, David Arbuthnot, Margaret Ramma, Tom and Bernard Read

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.

<u>EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS</u> <u>EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS</u> 25th – 28th January

Tuesday 5pm Rosary 5.30pm Mass
Wednesday 11am Mass followed by lunch
Thursday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass
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First Fridays 9am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

MASSES NEXT SUNDAY 29th/30th January

Saturday 6pm Mansfield Sunday 9am Mansfield 11am Tolmie

1st & 3rd Sunday 6.00 pm Bonnie Doon 2nd & 4th Sunday 11.00 am Jamieson $5^{\rm th}$ Sundays 11am Tolmie

ROSTERS for 29th /30th January

SATURDAY 29th January:

Reader/Prayers of the Faithful: Tony Riley

Special Minister: Rita Riley

SUNDAY 30th January:

Reader/Prayers of the Faithful: Mike O'Halloran

Special Minister: Zaldah Kirley

Counters: David Bock & Ray Close

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

Flowers for January: Val Kirley

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

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Pope Francis' in his Apostolic Letter, Motu proprio "Aperuit illis", published on 30 September, 2019 established that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God."

Pope Francis invites us to "mark this Sunday with a certain solemnity" and that the sacred text be enthroned "in order to focus the attention of the assembly on the normative value of God's Word". This weekend's first reading from Nehemiah speaks of the people listening attentively as Ezra read from the Book of the Law (Nehemiah 8:3).

The title, "Aperuit illis", taken from Luke 24:45, describes how the Risen Jesus appeared to two disciples on the road to Emmaus, and "He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures". Let us pray for the docility of the disciples that Lord may open our minds to understand his Word.

I would like to conclude with a quote from Pope Francis' "Aperuit illis": "Along our path of welcoming God's word into our hearts, the Mother of the Lord accompanies us. She is the one who was called blessed because she believed in the fulfilment of what the Lord had spoken to her (cf. Lk 1:45)."

➣ Fr George

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS:

There will be an 11am Mass on Australia Day, this coming Wednesday 26th January, at St Francis Xavier's followed by lunch. Please bring a plate of food.

MASS AT TOLMIE: There will be 11am Mass at Tolmie on 30th January. BYO Lunch.

<u>WELCOME</u> to the teachers of St Mary's who will return from holidays this Friday. Please remember them in your prayers.

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