# MANSFIELD PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

9th/10th October 2021 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B



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)

If you, O Lord should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

## > RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

## R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants.

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we know misfortune.

Show forth your works to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands.

## R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

#### > GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! 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)
The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

## 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 **2**0408 618 135 St Vincent de Paul (St Mary's Hall) Tuesday & Friday 1pm − 3pm **2**5775 3156 President: Zaldah Kirley on **2**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.

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.

## <u>EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS – 20 persons (max)</u>

## $12^{th} - 15^{th}$ October

Tuesday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass Wednesday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass Thursday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass Friday 9am Rosary 9.30am Mass

First Fridays 9am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

## MASSES NEXT SUNDAY 16th/17th October

Saturday6pmMansfieldSunday8.30 & 9.15amMansfield6pmBonnie Doon1st & 3rd Sunday 6.00 pm Bonnie Doon

2nd & 4th Sunday 11.00 am Jamieson

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month 11.00 am Tolmie

You will need to book for weekend Masses at Trybooking – Mansfield Catholic Parish (20 people per Mass)

## ROSTERS for 16th /17th October

Counters: Pat Gardiner & John Berry

## Church Cleaning:

Maintenance:

 $\begin{array}{ll} 4/10-16/10 \;\; \text{Glen Martin} & \quad \text{Front of Church} \\ 4/10-16/10 \;\; \text{John Rutley} & \quad \text{Back of Church \& back} \end{array}$ 

of Father George's residence

## SACRAMENTS IN THE MANSFIELD PARISH BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office on 5775 2005

#### **MARRIAGES**

Please contact the Parish Office on 5775 2005

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: 3 months' notice is required before a wedding.

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 9.45am & 5.30pm

On Line Sacramental information evening for confirmation candidates and parents - Wednesday  $6^{\rm th}$  October at 5.30pm Confirmation –  $5^{\rm th}$  November at 6pm

For further information, please contact the Parish Office.

#### **Mansfield Catholic Parish**



### **RELYING ON GOD WHO SAVES US**

This weekend's gospel speaks about the incident of the man who asks Jesus 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus replied that keeping the commandments of God is one of the ways. The young man says he has always done this. To this Jesus tells him, 'Go sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come and follow me.' (Mark 10:21). The young man went away sad because he was very rich.

In Judaism, wealth is seen as a sign of divine blessings with the privilege to give to the poor. Here Jesus is asking him to forgo all ownership in order to follow him, even if this means giving up his privilege to give to the poor. The disciples were astonished because in private Jesus tells them that how difficult it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God. When they question him, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus answers 'For men it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God'. (Mark 10:27)

Jesus emphasizes the power of God and total reliance on God as the only means to being saved. A mere renunciation of wealth (Mark 10:17-22) or giving of alms or pious practices like fasting and praying (Matthew 6:1-6) are not enough. The one who saves is God and salvation is the gratuitous gift of God (CCC 1999) which we have received in Baptism. Since salvation is the work of God for us and for all of humanity, we need to be careful about questioning or doubting not just our salvation but even that of others.

Paul exhorts us, 'therefore do not pronounce judgement before time....' (I Corinthians 4:5) because we believe in a God who desires 'all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.' (I Timothy 2:4)

So this week we reflect on our need to totally rely on God, who saves us.

## **NEWS AROUND OUR PARISH**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Mass at the cemetery 5.30pm.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov: Confirmation at 6pm

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov S: First Eucharist at 9am Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec: Parish picnic and Christmas celebration at Mirimbah. 12 noon Mass followed

by picnic lunch.

**STALL IN THE HALL:** There will be a fortnightly stall selling jams, cakes etc in the hall from 7<sup>th</sup> November. Tea and coffee will also be available.

**FORMS FOR VOLUNTEERS** are available at the back of the church this weekend. There is a pack for each parish volunteer. Please collect yours.