

Sunraysia Catholic Communities



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Sacred Heart
Mildura

Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull

St. Francis Xavier
Irymple

St. Joseph's
Red Cliffs

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Merbein

The Sunraysia Catholic Communities are committed to ensure the safety of all children and vulnerable people in our care.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Changes to Weekday Mass times will be listed under Parish Heading

	MILDURA	RED CLIFFS	MERBEIN
MONDAY		9:30AM	
TUESDAY	6:00PM	5:30PM	
WEDNESDAY	9:15AM	9:30AM	
THURSDAY	9:15AM	5:30PM	9:15AM
FRIDAY	5:40PM	9:30AM	
SATURAY	9:30AM	9:30AM	

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

	IRYMPLE	MILDURA	RED CLIFFS	MERBEIN
SATURDAY		6:00PM		
SUNDAY	8:30AM	9:00AM	10:00AM	10:30AM
		5:00PM		

WERRIMULL 11:00AM (LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH)

MILDURA

Recent Deaths: Carmela Dimasi

Anniversaries:

Saturday 6pm: Herb, Kelleen, Gordon, Pat, Doug, Colleen & Kevin Curran, Mona Richardson, Caterina, Vincenzo, Francesco & Leo Monteleone

Sunday 5pm: Bruno Pelle

RED CLIFFS

Recent Death:

Anniversaries: Grazia & Pasquale Timpano

MERBEIN

Recent Death:

Anniversaries: July 8th William Gourlay; 11th Giovanna Ienco

Only immediate family members of the deceased are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B 7th & 8th July 2018

Most of us have known the experience of feeling powerless in the face of rejection, especially when it is rejection from those who are closest to us, from those who might normally be expected to understand and affirm us. Mark presents such rejection as the experience of Jesus. Earlier in the gospel (3:20-21), we find that Jesus is misunderstood by his family who consider him to be out of his mind. Members of his family try to take responsibility for him, to take hold of him and to save him from himself. When they come to take him away, he leaves them outside and continues to teach those gathered around him about a new sort of kinship, kinship that is based on doing God's will.

In today's gospel reading (6:1-6), we find that the neighbours and friends of Jesus' family have trouble coping with him. They admit that his teaching demonstrates considerable wisdom. They also acknowledge his extraordinary power as a healer. From their perspective, however, something does not add up. After all, he is basically just one of them, "the craftsman".

Jesus' hometown people do not simply puzzle over his extraordinary powers. They are actually "scandalised" by him. He experiences their response as rejection and tells them how he feels. In so doing, he identifies himself with the rejected prophets of old. The townspeople's lack of faith renders Jesus, the prophet in their midst, powerless: he is simply unable to perform any mighty deeds among them. There is a hint in the text, however, that some few do have faith: "he cured a few sick people." He cures these people "by laying his hands on them". We have seen, in the request of the man with leprosy (1:41) and the action of the crowds (3:10,) the people's well-founded faith in the healing power of touch, of bodily encounter. Touch is once more the agent of healing.

At times, we may be like Jesus, bringing the wisdom and power of God to our families or local communities, only to meet with rejection. Sometimes, we may be like the few who come in faith and experience a healing touch. At other times, we may replicate the behaviour of the opponents of Jesus and discount the achievements of those who excel or whose message challenges us or our lifestyle. To refuse to listen to a prophetic message because the messenger fails to meet our preconceived ideas about prophets may have something to do with a lack of faith. It may actually stymie the power of God. Finally, the emphasis on healing in this reading invites us to pause and consider the intrinsic value of all, human and other-than-human, so often denigrated and devalued by attitudes that dichotomise the material and the spiritual with dire consequences for the Earth community.

Veronica
Lawson rsm

Our Parish Schools

Sacred Heart Mildura Principal: Des Lowry 5023 1204

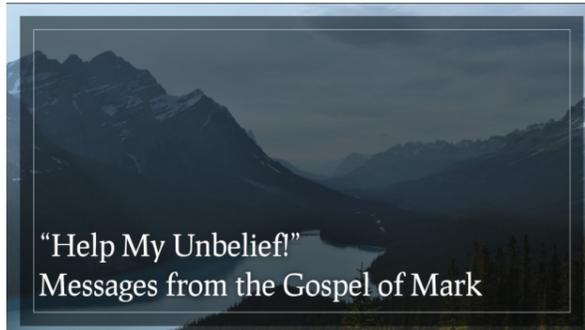
St Paul's Mildura Principal: Vince Muscatello 5023 4567

OLSH Merbein Principal: Narelle Gallagher 5025 2258

St. Joseph's Red Cliffs Principal: Mark Gibson 5024 1654

St. Joseph's Secondary College Mildura

Principal: Marg Blythman 5018 8000



Sacred Heart Mildura REGIONAL NEWS & EVENTS



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

If you want a sick person prayed for, ask their permission. Names will be included for the duration of one month after which family or friends can request more time.

Marian Calf, Dianne Lanigan, Albis Dy, Jill Antonie, Ron Russell, Brian Ramsey, Graeme Lewis, Joan Appleby, Fr Denis Dennehy, Vince Alicastro, Geraldine Brunner, Hailey Crossan

Sacramental Life & Liturgy

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Parish Community Lachie Brady whose Baptism occurs this weekend.



RCIA 2018 – 19

We are presently enrolling the names of those who would like to be part of the next RCIA Program. Parishioners are asked to direct anyone they know of who is interested in becoming a member of our Catholic Community to enrol their names at the Parish Office.

FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP

The Knights of the Southern Cross are sponsoring the Feast Day celebration of St Mary MacKillop on Saturday 4th August with Mass at 6pm followed by entertainment & free pasta & BBQ dinner. All most welcome to attend.



THANK YOU—to the St Anthony Committee for their kind donation of \$1700 towards the Monaghan Centre and \$300 to The Shared Table.

Irymple Lay Led Assembly July 15th & 29th

Community Life & Outreach

SACRED HEART PARISH FINANCE MEETING

Will be held on Tuesday 7.30am, at the Parish Office.

BEREAVEMENT TEAM MEETING

Will be held on Tuesday 10th July 9am at the Parish Office.

SACRED HEART FAMILY GROUP

Next outing is at the RSL Club, Madden Ave, Mildura on Sunday 15th July for lunch at 12noon.

Please let Gary or Helen know your intentions on 5023 5035.

SHARED TABLE STALL & CUPPA

This Sunday 8th July after the 9am Mass

Donations to this stall need to be perishable items such as: fruit, vegetables, preserves, home baked and home crafted items.

All money collected goes directly to the Projects of The Shared Table in Lima, Peru.

CUPPA after Mass

All are invited to stay on after the 9am Mass for:

Community, Conversation & Cuppa



Weekly Prayer Opportunities Mildura

Prayer of the Church: Tues/ Wed/ Thurs/ Fri. 8:40am

Charismatic Prayer Meeting: Tuesday 6:30pm

Devotions and Exposition: Friday 3:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am—10:30am

Christian Meditation: Sat 11:30 am Prayer Room

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE POPE

The Annual Collection for the Holy Father will be taken up this weekend.

I am aware of the many demands made on the people of our Diocese throughout the year by way of appeals for financial support. However, this particular Appeal does require special attention. Through this collection we have the opportunity to support the Pope's pastoral care for people around the world.

Paul Bird CSSR, Bishop of Ballarat

Community Trivia Night St Joseph's College

Friday 10th August at The Sacred Heart Hall from 6.30 – 10.30pm to raise funds for the Tiwi College Partnership Program. BYO Drinks and Nibbles. Get your friends together and dress up for the special themed table prize. Tables can be booked and paid for at the College Reception for \$150 (Adult Table - \$15 pp), \$100 (Student Table - \$10pp) and children under 12 free.

Many entertaining activities and games to get involved in. On the night bring some spare change for competitions and to purchase raffle tickets.

For further information please see flyers on notice boards.

WERRIMULL BUS TRIP—29th July

The next Werrimull Bus trip will be held on Sunday 29th July.

Mass from 11am followed by lunch at the Pub.

If you would like to attend please contact the Parish Office on 5021 2872.



REGIONAL YOUTH NEWS

Ballarat Diocese is holding 3 x day-long Festivals called Joy+ for youth and young adults 15-30yo. From the Murray to the Sea, in **Robinvale on Sunday 5 August**, in Warrnambool West on Sunday 2 September, in Ballarat on Sunday 25 November. Come to one or more! Features Genevieve Bryant & band and many guests. Free registration open soon.

REGIONAL GATHERING

The quarterly meeting with representative of the Parishes of Mildura, Red Cliffs, Merbein & Ouyen will be held at St Joseph's Red Cliffs on Sunday 29th July after the 10am Mass.

BBI -TAITE—ACBC 14TH NATIONAL ECONFERENCE

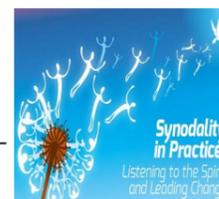
Synodality in Practice: Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change

Will be held on Wednesday 8th August at the Sacred Heart Parish—Monaghan Centre—from 10am—3pm. Cost: Free—Bring your own lunch or a plate to share.

All most welcome to attend.

For booking enquiries please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office on 5021 2872.

Please see noticeboards for further details.



LETTER FROM BISHOP PAUL BIRD

For your information, please see notice board for letter titled 'Three New Parishes' which have been formed by joining groups of neighbouring parishes that have been working together and sharing a parish priest.

MILDURA PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1333.05
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$2527.70
Loose Plate	\$ 398.50
Monaghan Centre	\$1820.00
The Shared Table	\$ 330.00

St. Joseph's Red Cliffs Our Lady Of The Sacred Heart Merbein



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If you want a sick person prayed for, ask their permission. Names will be included for the duration of one month after which family or friends can request more time.

Tim Lewis, Brendan Bell, Caterina Brizzi, Larry Cricelli, Jana Njegovan, Marie Adams, Raymondo Chan, Albis, Roman & Joe Dy, Graeme Lewis, Robert & Elizabeth Young, Diane Lanigan, Heather McWilliams, Maurice O' Connor, Joe Mammone, Joe Cufari, Brother Dan Geary MSC



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Kit Coogan, Peter Willcock, Betty Green, Joan Appleby, Maria Pyatt, Ted Verryt, Alison Olden, Frank Chandler, Fr Frank Smith CSSR

NO CHANGES TO THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES

LAY LED ASSEMBLY—JULY 15TH

Team for Lay-led Liturgy

Leader: Kim Hawkes

Reading from Ephesians: Sera Fuoco

Reflection on Ephesians: Janice Divola

Psalm: Breeana Wade

Gospel: Dylan Darby

Reflection on the Gospel: Tammy Leamon

Prayer of the Faithful: Rita Chase

Lay Ministers for Communion: Bidy Pitt, Chen Cavallaro

ST VINCENT DE PAUL UNITS—RED CLIFFS

Now have available 2 x single bedroom units for rent.

Applicants must be on a Centrelink pension. Please contact Peter Bramsen 5021 1393 or 0427 567 650.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Mary MacKillop - We will be celebrating the feast of St Mary MacKillop on Sunday, August 5. Grades 2-3 will have leading roles in our Mass that day.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

St Joseph's Parish will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the consecration of the Church.

on Sunday 19th August 2018.

Bishop Paul Bird will be celebrating Mass followed by a light luncheon/ finger food at the school hall.

Please mark this day on your calendar. Further information in the coming weeks.



ADVANCE NOTICE—PARISH AGM

Will be held on Sunday, August 26th after Mass. All most welcome.

FESTA

October 7, Feast of the Holy Rosary is a Sunday this year. So our Festa will be celebrated that day.



"So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith."

RED CLIFFS PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections

1 st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$190.95
2 nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$559.00
Loose Plate	\$ 36.50

PARISH COUNCIL

IMMEDIATELY AFTER MASS THIS MORNING.

PARISH COUNCIL

MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS

In his latest prayer video, Pope Francis asked Catholics to dedicate the month of July to giving a spiritual gift to their priests by praying for them. "Priests with their virtues and defects, work in many different areas. Working on so many active fronts, they cannot remain inactive after a disappointment", the Pope said. "And when these moments come along, it is good for our priests to remember that the people love their priests, need them, and trust in them".

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Will be happening in Term 3 for those children in Year 4. We are waiting for the confirmation of the preparation dates and the actual date for First Reconciliation will be September 13th. Janine Dannatt will contact those who have notified the school of their desire to be part of this program, with this preparation information as soon as it is available.



ALTAR SERVERS

Children who have made their First Communion and who would be interested in becoming an altar server, please leave your name at the school office or contact Sr. Carmel on 50252716. This is a great way to become involve in our local parish and it's also important to have our own school students serving at Mass when there is a school celebration. This will also require some weekend commitments.

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

Reusable Produce Bags – Replaces supermarket fruit and vegetable plastic bags so you can reduce your plastic use. Designed in Australia to be reused over and over again. To obtain these bags and for other ways to reduce plastic visit onyalife.com.

MERBEIN PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections

1 st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$ 84.50
2 nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$219.00
Loose Plate	\$ 22.35

July 7-15 NAIDOC Week

The origins of NAIDOC week came out of a Day of Mourning for the destruction and despoliation of Indigenous Australians which followed the arrival of the first fleet. It later became also a celebration of Indigenous and Islander culture. Each year it offers a theme that points to a key part of Indigenous culture. It offers space for reflection not only by Indigenous but by all Australians.



**BECAUSE OF HER,
We Can!**

This year the theme proposed for NAIDOC week is 'Because of her, we can'. It points to the central role played by women in the nurturing of Indigenous culture and celebrates the strong women who have fought for their people's rights. It is timely for all Australians. Recently the #Me Too movement has drawn attention to the ways in which many women have been sexually abused by men in positions of power over them. It has called out disrespect.

We have recently become more aware, too, of the extent of domestic violence in Australia, and that it is mostly perpetrated by men against women and children. This form of disrespect, once wreathed in silence, has been spoken of courageously and effectively. In this area, as in the #Me Too movement, we have been struck, not only by the outrageous treatment of women, but also by their strength and resilience and by the courage of those who have described their experience.

Disrespect for Indigenous women has been part of the national DNA. As part of policy for generations many women's children were routinely taken away from them, and this remains the default response to domestic problems in Indigenous communities. Government policies and administration have consistently ignored women's part in holding together families and communities often under great pressure.

For these reasons it is the right time to celebrate the strong women who have spoken truth to power in Australia - from Truganini to Evelyn Scott, Mum Shirl and Pat O'Shane, to name some of the best known. Often dismissed because they were female as well as Indigenous, they gave hope to others.

Celtic Trio—

Liminality

With Special Guests,
Mildura Strings "FLING"
& O'Shea-Ryan Academy
of Irish Dance

Mildura, 13th July, 7pm at St
Margaret's Anglican Church
or
Wentworth 13th July, 2.30pm
at Wentworth Town Hall.
Tickets \$25.00

Please see flyer at each Church
Entrance



NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTERS & READINGS

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B 14th & 15th July 2018

First Reading: Amos 7:12-15
Responsorial: Ps 84:9-14
Response: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:13-14
Gospel: Mark 6:7-13



Werrimull Last Sunday of month 11:00am	Sacred Heart Saturday 6.00pm	Sacred Heart Sunday 9:00am	Sacred Heart Sunday 5.00pm	Irymple Sunday 8:30am	Red Cliffs Sunday 10:00am	Merbein Sunday 10:30am	Merbein Lay Led Assembly Last Sunday of the month
Leader / Reader	Gary Huxtable	Laurie Fry	Jancy Thomas	M Hoy	LAY LED ASSEMBLY Kim Hawkes	E Nemtsas	July 29th Vernon Knight Elvira Iamarino
Music	M Hammond J Ljubic/J Macri	Tongan Choir M Sullivan	NO MUSIC				
Offertory		Louise Belej			N Orr	Ellis Family	
Altar Servers	Volunteer Please	Volunteer Please	Volunteer Please				August 26th Nancy Prevedello Kevin Aston
Eucharist Ministers	Katelin Anesbury	Talia Fainga'anuku	Myrna Rodi	J Kearney		Kay Wagner	
	Vince Pileggi	Michael Fainga'anuku	Maree Irvin			Leon Wagner	
	Anne-Maree Greville	Maureen Speed	Sue Hermans				September 30th
	Taiana Fatai	Peter O'Donnell	Naomi Kennedy				Bernadette Wells Kay Wagner
	Margaret McDoonald	Greg Johnston	Mario Zema		Biddy Pitt	CHAFFEY AGED CARE	October 28th Sr Camel Annette Lemon
	Trish McNamara	Gina Raiti	Josie Zema		Chen Cavallaro	Pat Sylvia Annette Lemon	
		Anna Vartuli					
Counting Team	TEAM 2	JOE DE JONG 5023 7802			P Hunt & B Pitt		
Church Cleaning	As per arrangement			As per arrangement		As per arrangement	