# Sacred Heart Parish Mildura



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Our Lady of Lourdes Werrimull

St. Francis Xavier Elms Street, Irymple

# 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B - 15th & 16th August, 2015

### **Weekend Mass Times**

Sat: 6:00 pm
Sun: 9:00 am, 5:00 pm
Irymple: 8:30 am
Werrimull 11:00 am (last Sunday of each month)

# **Weekday Masses**

If there is a Funeral Mass on Wed, Thurs, the advertised Mass will be cancelled.

Tues: 7:00 pm Wed: 9:10 am Thurs: 9:30 am Fri: 5:40 pm Sat: 9.30 am

# **Weekly Prayer Opportunities**

Rosary: Monday 5:00pm

**Prayer of the Church**: Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri. 8:40 am **Scripture Reading**: Thurs 10:30 am - 20 Beasy Court **Christian Meditation**: Sat 11:30 am Parish Prayer Room

**Charismatic Prayer Group:** Tues 7:30pm in Church **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** held 1st Friday of each month in the Church from 12—5:00pm

**Devotion Prayer and Exposition:** Fri 3:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am

**RECENT DEATHS:** Riche Testa, June Maloney,

Karl Sabo

ANNIVERSARIES: Lina Solano (mother of Sr Cathy Sola-

no rsm)

**Sunday 9am:** Steven & Maria Friscic, Dennis Ormesher, Joseph Schembri, Giuseppe Carbone (30 day remembrance) **Sunday 5pm**: Elisabetta Pollifrone, Maria Dimasi, Rosa

Roccisano, Larry Argiro

(Only members of the deceased's immediate family are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.)

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

If you want a sick person prayed for, ask for their permission. Please let us know when to take their name off the list.

Joan Appleby, Jock Fisher, Ron Morello, Monica Crimmins, Daniel Ralli, Dan Rodan, John Devilee, Ethan Neyland, Mathew Spain, Georgie Manning, Dorothy Norris, Eileen Flanner, Sophie Sitters, Fr Justin Woodford, Vince Manno Fr Denis Dennehy, Eli Madden-Andrews, Mary Baldock, Kel Townsend, Vince Alicastro,

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**



In this week's gospel passage, we continue our reflection on John 6. John's gospel was written towards the end of the first century. The Bread of Life discourse probably reflects the interpretation of the gospel writer rather than the actual words of Jesus. This is important

for making sense of statements in the discourse that would seem to be out of place from the lips of Jesus during his lifetime. The hearers of these words have lived and worshipped as followers of Jesus for some decades. They have gathered each week for the breaking of the bread and reflected deeply on the mystery of life in Christ, on the Word made flesh.

If the eucharistic overtones were subtly present in last week's gospel passage (John 6:41-51), they become quite overt as the Johannine Jesus responds to yet another objection from his opponents in this week's gospel. Like the Israelites of old in the desert wanderings, they are more than ready to grumble: "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" (6:52). Jesus does not really respond to the question "How....?" Rather, he goes on to tell his hearers that "life" for them depends on their eating his flesh and drinking his blood. The Johannine Jesus uses the present as well as the future tense. The life they experience in eating his flesh and drinking his blood is a present reality for them as well as a promise of on-going life. Life for the Israelites was in the blood: blood poured out meant life poured out. Clearly "life" is being used in John 6 for the quality of life the believers have come to experience through their incorporation into the community of the baptised, the sort of life that is not destroyed by death.

Life in the community unites the believers intimately with Jesus as well as with the God of Israel, whom the Johannine Jesus generally calls "Father". The first reading for today reminds us that other metaphors such as Wisdom were available to those of Jewish heritage for portraying the divine. Wisdom is a female way of imaging the divine. In John's discourse, Jesus becomes Wisdom extending an invitation to the banquet of life. We keep accepting that invitation. It is well to remember that one never enjoys a banquet alone. It is always shared with others who accept the same invitation. In the strength of the sustenance we receive in this banquet, we are also invited to bring a quality of life to all beings that struggle to exist. The potential for this is as boundless as the generosity of our God "enfleshed" in Jesus.

- Veronica Lawson rsm

WEDNESDAY MORNING MASS CANCELLED
DUE TO FUNERAL MASS
FOR JUNE MALONEY 1PM

### SACRAMENTAL LIFE & LITURGY



#### **TEAM MEETING**

Will be held on Thursday, 20th August 4.00pm at the Parish Office Meeting Room.



# THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS

Because I was celebrating a wedding in Adelaide last Saturday, I was unable to be present for the Mass in the evening. I have heard nothing but praise regarding both the Mass in the Church, and the gathering in the Hall afterwards. I sincerely thank the Knights of the Southern Cross for the

work they have done in ensuring that the annual celebration of our own Australian Saint is both fitting and significant. The festivities were very well attended, and we are also very grateful to our schools for providing assistance with the Liturgy and entertainment afterwards. It was great to know that so many people attended, and that our schools supported this celebration so well. Thank you to all. *Fr. Michael* 



# MONAGHAN CENTRE RECEIPTS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR COLLECTION

### **PARISH FINANCE**

Last week's collections

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1545.40
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$2739.20
Loose Plate	\$ 543.30

#### **COMMUNITY LIFE & OUTREACH**

#### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Will be held on Tuesday 18th August, 7.30pm in the Hillman Room.

#### REGIS ONTARIO AGED CARE MASS

Will be held on Thursday 20th August at 2pm. All welcome.

#### YOUTH FUNDRAISER

The Youth are organizing a Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser on Saturday 29th August from 9.30am at Dan Murphy's Car Park.

#### PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

Passionist Family Group will be lunching at the home of Lyn & Colin Welsh 16 Westside Blv, Mildura on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August at 12.30pm. Please let Lyn or Colin know your intensions on 50231356. Dessert or nibbles for afters would be appreciated.



# MOTHER MARY'S FEAST & INDIAN KERALA (STATE) MALAYALEE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION 2015

The Mildura Indian-Kerala Community is organizing MOTHER MARY'S FEAST & Indian Independence Day celebration on Sunday 23rd August at Sacred Heart

Church at 9am Mass. Traditional Kerala style food will be provided. All are welcome.

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL HOMES MILDURA

Committee of Management wishes to announce that a two bedroom unit will shortly be available for rent to a low-income couple, at least one of whom should be over 60 years of age. For further details contact Brian Bleeser on 5021 1828.

#### **CASSEROLE LUNCH**

The Sacred Heart Ladies Social Group had a very enjoyable and successful day on Monday at the Casserole Lunch. Many thanks to those who donated casseroles and items for the raffles. Also we are very grateful to the ladies who gave their time and energy to doing all the kitchen work, without their help we wouldn't be able to have this event.

Aileen Curran

#### Winners on the Day were:-



Marg Sheahan, Mavis Clinch, Joy Nash, Theresa Giles, Bev Gottschutzke x 2, Leslie Tierney, Val Fletcher, J Farrelly, G Gooch, Mabel, T Dimasi & L Wheatland.

#### BUS TRIP TO WERRIMULL

Our **next** bus trip to Werrimull will be held on Sunday 30th August. We will celebrate Mass followed by a counter lunch at the pub. Please contact the Parish Office to make a booking on 5021 2872.







'Another desperate group of people fearing persecution and inhumane treatment if they return to their own country – it's the Australian cricket team.' to order your own print of this or any other Mac cortoon, or a Pupi cartoon, visil adipletures.nessprints.co.uk or call 800 7566 0360

#### **THE HAIRCUT**

A teenage boy had just passed his driving test and inquired of his father as to when they could discuss his use of the car.

His father said he'd make a deal with his son: 'You bring your grades up from a C to a B average, study your Bible, and get your hair cut. Then we'll talk about the car.'

The boy thought about that for a moment, decided he'd settle for the offer, and they agreed on it.

After about six weeks his father said, 'Son, you've brought your grades up and I've observed that you have been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed you haven't had your hair cut

The boy said, 'You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that, and I've noticed in my studies of the Bible that Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair and there's even strong evidence that Jesus had long hair.

You're going to love the Dad's reply:....

"Did you also notice that they all walked everywhere?"

#### **NEW FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOLS**

## SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Families and Friends,

The KOSC Mary MacKillop Mass & Celebrations, were a great success and we thank all who helped out with the organisation, choir, food etc, We were superbly led by our REC Mrs D. It was fantastic to have a wonderful attendance by SHPS students and their families, along with staff, and to top the night off, we won the \$500 banner competition which we kindly split with St Paul's.

Also on Monday, we received the brilliant news that SHPS had been randomly selected to receive one of the 99.5 FM **Buddy Seats** (I would much prefer it to be known as the 'Pendle's Seat'...) sponsored by Bunnings Warehouse. Well done to our Student Leadership Team (SLT) for nominating us and to all the students, families and friends who supported our nomination. Representatives from 99.5FM and Bunning's presented the SLT with the seat this morning. The SLT have selected their best location for its placement in the school grounds. Photo next week! Have a great week.

- Des Lowry Principal

## ST PAULS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear St Paul's families and friends,

What a wonderful celebration on Saturday night at Sacred Heart Church for the feast of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop. Thank you to Mrs Kennedy and Miss Fuoco for all their preparation and planning with the children who attended. The children's choir after Mass was very well received by the parish community. Saturday 15th August, we also celebrated the Feast of the Assumption. Mary, the mother of Jesus, holds a very special place in our hearts within the Catholic community.

A Reminder for our School community that Friday 21st August and Monday 24th August are school closure days. As always, Keep the Faith!

- Vince Muscatello Principal

#### **NEWS FROM ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE**

This week at St Joseph's College, our Year 9 and 10 students were involved in alterative programs. Our Year 9 students spent the week in an alternative program called "Choice Week". This week gives the students an opportunity to be involved in a number of activities, aimed at extending them and getting them to look at future career choices. Students were involved in activities such as visiting Monash University, fitness classes at the Mercy Campus, water based activities at King's Billabong, Hair and Beauty at the Mercy Campus Riverside Trade Training Centre, Hospitality at the Mercy Café and Ballroom Dancing in preparation for the SJC Ball in September. While our Year 10 students had the choice of attending the snow camp at Mt Perisher (where they can ski or snow board) or go to Canberra for tours to Parliament House and the War Museums.

Students and staff alike had a wonderful time while learning an array of new skills this week.

- Paula Cox

Our Parish Vision
"Our Parish is a Eucharistic Community united by
our faith in Jesus Christ.
We work together in the power of the Holy Spirit to
spread the good news of God's
Kingdom."



# **Our Parish Schools**

Sacred Heart Primary School Principal: *Des Lowry* 5023 1204

St Paul's Primary School Principal: *Vince Muscatello* 5023 4567

St Joseph's Secondary College Principal: *Anthony Banks* 5018 8000

15th & 16th August, 2015		22nd & 23rd August, 2015			
THIS WEEK'S READINGS		NEXT WEEK'S READINGS			
First Reading: Prov 9:1-6 Resp Psalm: Ps 33:2-3, 10-15. R. v. 9 Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Second Reading: Eph 5:15-20 Gospel: Jn 6:51-58		First Reading: Josh 24:1-2, 15-18 Resp Psalm: Ps 33:2-3, 16-23. R. v. 9 Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Second Reading: Eph 5:21-32 Gospel: Jn 6:60-69			
EUCHARIST MINISTERS		EUCHARIST MINISTERS			
SATURDAY	AY SUNDAY		SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
6PM	9AM	5PM	6PM	9AM	5PM
6 Ministers required	7 Ministers required	6 Ministers required	6 Ministers required	7 Ministers required	6 Ministers required
Margaret McDonald	Michael Faingaanuku	Christine Slattery	Katy Quinlan	Anna Vartuli	Reni Cheriyan
Anita Naray	Maureen Speed	Jacinta Macri	Taiana Fatai	Nada Zudetich	Wendy Finn
Leo Kearney	Alicia Tindall	Petelo Mafi	Trish McNamara	Sara Visona	Tony Finn
Margaret Sheahan	Lily Tindall	Anthony Banks	Morris Henderson	Julieta Cresp	Melanie Ransome
Linda Henderson	Peter O'Donnell	Paula Cox	Ellen Frauenfelder	Robert Tindall	Bill Dolence
Irene Morello	Filomena Carbone	Jennifer Boord	Volunteer Please	Louise Belej	Jacqui Willis
	Gina Raiti			Nancy Leonardis	
MUSIC		MUSIC			
Sacred Heart Group	M Guthrie	Youth Group	M Hammond	Indian Community	
Leader		K Mafi	B Prescott		
M Faingaanuku			J O'Bryan		
ALTAR SERVERS		ALTAR SERVERS			
2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required
Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer
OFFERTORY PROCESSION		OFFERTORY PROCESSION			
2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required
	Catherine & Paul	Laura Fisher	Baptism	Baptism	
	McErvale				
READERS		READERS			
Gary Huxtable	Peter Maloney	Jim Graham	Rosemary Barnes	Julie O'Bryan	Sue Hermans
COUNTING TEAM 10		COUNTING TEAM 1			
BRIAN GROGAN 5021 2099		GERRY LAVERY 5021 1918			
IRYMPLE - SUNDAY		IRYMPLE - SUNDAY			
READER	R EUCHARIST MINISTER		READER	EUCHARIST MINISTER	
Margaret Hill	Ken Knight		Kath Modoo	Di John	