

Sunraysia Catholic Communities



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Newsheet: Week 30

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 Office Hours: Tues - Fri 9:00am—4:00pm

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.
 Child Safety Officers:- Mildura—Christine Slattery, Merbein—Kevin Aston, Red Cliffs—Bernadette Gardner*

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	AS ADVISED
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: Therese Byrnes, Pasquale Musolino, Melanie Ransome,

Anniversaries: Matt Zema, Agata Zema, All deceased members of the Tran family, Maria Cricelli

Saturday 6pm:

Sunday 9am: Deceased members of the Healy family

Sunday 5pm: Len Byrne

Friday 5.40pm:

RED CLIFFS

Recent Death:

Anniversaries: Antonio Brizzi, Dominic Mammone

MERBEIN

Recent Death:

Anniversaries: July 28th, Margaret Kelly; 31st, Frank Baric; Aug. 2nd, Ted Pitt.

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

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year C 27th & 28th July 2019

This Sunday's gospel offers three little cameos about praying and about God's generous giving. There are two teachings on prayer forming a frame around an enigmatic parable. In the first cameo, Jesus has finished praying and one of the disciples asks him to teach them to pray. Jesus responds as any devout first century Jew might respond. He evokes the words of the Jewish blessing prayer: "May the great name of God be exalted and sanctified, throughout the world. May God's kingship be established in your lifetime." Jesus calls God "father", a metaphor or image denoting the saving power of God over against the destructive power of the Roman emperor.

The prayer continues with an acknowledgement that bread, the fruit of the earth, is the gift of God: "Keep giving us each day the bread we need." This is not a prayer for more than is needed, but for just as much as is needed to sustain Earth's beings. The final petitions in the prayer are for forgiveness of sin "as we forgive each who is in debt to us" and for freedom from testing. We cannot live without the peace of mind that comes from forgiving, from being forgiven and from the knowledge that God is with us in times of trial such as the present ecological crisis with all its demands for radical change.

The parable that follows has raised questions for interpreters. Is it about persistence or about avoidance of shame? These are two very different concepts, but both have been suggested as the motive for the sleeping neighbour's response to the friend in need and as the proper rendering of the Greek word *anaideia*. The literal meaning of *anaideia* is avoidance of shame. This makes sense in a culture where anyone would be shamed by refusal to help a neighbour unable to meet the demands of hospitality, especially where one could well find oneself in similar need some time. No one would dream of refusing such a request for help, whether for the sake of friendship or to avoid being shamed, not even those who let it be known that they resent having to get out of bed in the middle of the night.

Persistence in prayer is a desirable quality but it has nothing to do with the parable of the friend in need who asks only once for "three loaves" and can expect to receive them. The translation "persistence" seems to derive from association with the repetition of seeking and searching and knocking, in other words with the sayings that form the third little cameo. Here Jesus draws on the experience of his listeners: if flawed disciples know how to give "good gifts" to their children, then they should not be surprised that those who ask for the Holy Spirit will receive this best of all gifts from God as they seek to renew the face of the Earth.

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

ADVANCE NOTICE

**SACRED HEART CHURCH
 SATURDAY 3RD AUGUST 9.30AM MASS IS
 CANCELLED.**

Sacred Heart Mildura REGIONAL NEWS & EVENTS

Sacramental Life & Liturgy

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Parish community **Benjamin Bianchi** whose Baptism occurs this weekend.



RCIA 2019 –2020

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.

Community Life & Outreach

BUPA AGED CARE MASS

Will be held on Tuesday 30th July at 10.30am.

SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL MASS

On Thursday 1st August Sacred Heart Primary school will be celebrating NAIDOC week with a whole school Mass at 9.15am. All welcome.

ANOINTING MASS—Change of day

Please note that our next Anointing Mass will be held on Thursday 8th August at 9.15am. All welcome.



FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP

The Knights of the Southern Cross are sponsoring the Feast Day celebration of St Mary MacKillop on Saturday 10th August with Mass at 6pm followed by entertainment and free pasta and BBQ dinner, from the Sacred Heart Hall. All most welcome to attend.

MOTHER MARY'S ASSUMPTION & INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION 2019



Will be held at the Sacred Heart Church on Sunday 18th August. Holy Mass at 9am.

Free food and soft drinks will be provided after the mass. All welcome.

Organised by the Kerala Community



PARISH RENEWAL RETREAT - Sacred Heart Church Fr. Rojan George VC of the Vincentian Retreat Centre

Mon 28th October: 6.30pm—9.00 pm,

Tues 29th October: 6.30 pm—9.00 pm

Wed 30th October : 6.30pm—9.00 pm

Jer 17:14 Heal me, O Lord and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved, for you are my praise

All welcome to one or all sessions.

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

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.

Mildura: Tess Kerr, Dien Brown, Clair Lang, Sandra McCarthy, Albis Dy, Brian Ramsey, Vince Alicastro, Fr Denis Dennehy, Geraldine Brunner, Hailey Crossan

Merbein: Joan Edwards, Martin Rogers, Kit Coogan, Maria Pyatt, Ted Verryt, Frank Chandler, Fr Frank Smith CSSR

Red Cliffs: Gwen O'Connor, Maureen Lee, Max Slater, Edna Chua, Lily Flanagan, Barry Crosbie, Brendan Bell, Caterina Brizzi, Marie Adams, Reynaldo Chan, Albis, Roman & Joe Dy, Robert & Elizabeth Young, Joe Cufari, Maurice O' Connor, Joe Mammone

POPE FRANCIS ANNOUNCES NEW BISHOP OF SANDHURST FOLLOWING BISHOP LESLIE ROGERS TOMLINSON'S RETIREMENT



Pope Francis has announced former Bungaree priest Reverend Father Shane Mackinlay has been appointed the next Catholic Bishop of Sandhurst. Father Mackinlay, who was the Parish Priest of St Michael's Parish Bungaree in the Diocese of Ballarat, will replace the retiring Most Reverend Leslie Rogers Tomlinson.

"I love teaching and also being involved with people in their local parish communities and I very much look forward to continuing those two ministries in a different way in my new role," Bishop-Elect Mackinlay said.

"I've greatly enjoyed being a priest in the Ballarat diocese and I'm very pleased that I can continue my ministry among the people of regional Victoria."

Father Mackinlay was ordained as a priest for the Ballarat Diocese in 1991 and has serviced the parishes of Hamilton, Colac and Ballarat Cathedral.

He was the spokesperson for the Catholic Church from 2012 to 2014 during the Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and other Non-Government Organisations.

Father Mackinlay was also the secretary to the Bishop of Ballarat from 1998 to 2001, and has been the chairperson of the Bishop's Advisory Council of the Ballarat diocese since it was established in 2009.

Father Mackinlay's appointment follows the resignation of Most Reverend Leslie Rogers Tomlinson, who has reached the Catholic Church's retirement age.

Bishop Tomlinson has been the Bishop of Sandhurst since 2012. "I am delighted with the appointment of Father Mackinlay, as he is a man with extensive talents, deep priestly commitment and considerable skill, that he will bring to the leadership of the diocese," Bishop Tomlinson said in a letter to the congregation.

"I am certain that in partnership with his leadership, the Diocese will continue to grow as a community in Christ and as Christ's light in the world."

Father Mackinlay said he had observed Bishop Tomlinson's "generous and diligent service" in Sandhurst and was grateful for the welcome Bishop Tomlinson has extended to him as his successor.

Father Mackinlay will be ordained as Bishop on October 16 at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Bendigo.

The Sandhurst Diocese covers more than 80 parishes across north central and north east Victoria, including churches in Bendigo, Myrtleford, Echuca, Sheparton and Wodonga.

PLENARY COUNCIL

National Theme for Discernment #3

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Prayerful and Eucharistic? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared how deeply they treasured the Eucharist and the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church. Find out more at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

This Weekend's Responsorial Response: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

DIOCESAN e-News - 'JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH'

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph!" I cried as I was thrown across my cabin whilst preparing to disembark from the 'River Countess' in Venice in June. Together with some one hundred and twenty folk I had enjoyed a tour of Northern Italy by sea, river and land. Unbeknown to me and others below deck the large cruise ship 'MSC Opera', that was trying to moor near our ship, lost control after a steel cable that tied it to a tugboat snapped. This meant everything in the cabin and elsewhere that was not a fixture was quickly on the move, including me. Thanks be to the Holy Family I was able to avoid flying drawers, open doors, bedding, tables and chairs and light fittings as I sought to find the door and safety. On reaching the upper deck we remaining thirty passengers and crew were gathered together to be accounted for and given medical assistance if needed. Fortunately, I was okay and so able to be with others who were distressed and shocked. Up to this point, others were not aware of my priestly ministry but this soon became obvious as I began to assist my fellow travellers. I accompanied three couples in a water ambulance to a hospital and remained with them until we were discharged. We were thankful our luggage was waiting for us on our return, as well as a great meal and lovely hotel overlooking the canals.

The next morning I headed off to Rome where I needed to rest after the trauma of the collision, before joining the Cathedral Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. God bless the Columban Fathers for their care and hospitality.

Having been offered a ticket to the weekly Papal Audience I headed off to the colonnade and joined the crowd. Much to my surprise and joy, the ticket gave me entry into one section, then another and then another, until I was in a reserved spot some thirty feet from the Papal dais. Lo and behold, I was privileged to meet Pope Francis. I was so overwhelmed that I could hardly speak, let alone hear him. He gave me a blessing and a pair of Rosary Beads.

That is the second ship collision in which yours truly has been involved and survived. That story is for another time. They say things go in 'threes' so I had better remain on "terra firma". I don't want to ask too much of my good friends, 'Jesus, Mary and Joseph'.

Fr Tom Brophy



SUNRAYSIA CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES FINANCE

Last week's collections	Mildura	Merbein	Red Cliffs
1st Collection (supporting Priests & Presbytery)	\$1399.80	\$ 67.70	\$181.25
2nd Collection (includes all EFT)	\$2146.50	\$214.00	\$390.00
Loose Plate	\$ 494.45	\$ 33.20	\$ 81.85
The Monaghan Centre	\$		

**Visit by
Fr Robert McCulloch
SSC**



On the first weekend of August, Fr Robert McCulloch will be celebrating the main Masses at Sacred Heart Mildura. His primary intention is to do some promotion for the Columban Mission Society.

However, Fr McCulloch has had an extremely interesting history of work among the people of Pakistan over many decades. He has made enormous contributions in the area of health, education and welfare, and has promoted extremely important dialogue between Hindus, Muslims and Christians in Pakistan. In recent years was awarded the Sitara-e-Quaid-Azam from the Governor of Sindh for his services to Pakistan, Pakistan's highest civilian award. This is a huge honor to be bestowed upon a westerner in Pakistan.

The release on bail of a young Pakistani girl Rimsha Misih, fraudulently accused of burning pages of the Koran, was assisted through mediation by Fr McCulloch, and marked a turning point in the way government leaders may be willing to protect minorities accused under the country's harsh blasphemy laws.

Fr McCulloch has been invited to give a presentation after the 5:00pm Mass on the 4th of August for those interested in listening to his fascinating story and his wonderful personal insights into Pakistan and the importance of interreligious dialogue in our world today.

**An Evening with
*Fr Robert McCulloch SSC***

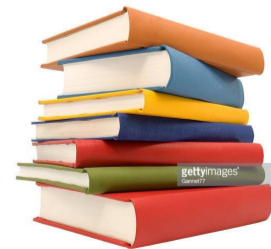
**4th August 6.30pm – Irymple Pub
(following 5:00pm Mass)**

Bookings Essential

**For catering purposes please phone
Sacred Heart Parish Office-5021 2872
by Wednesday 31st July
Limited places — book early**

**STRATEGIC PLANNING
WORKSHOP**

During 2019 Workshops will be held to help plan for our Diocesan Education Community 2020—2024 Fr Michael is strongly encouraging teaching staff, parents and parishioners attend one of the two Workshops to be held in the Monaghan Centre on Tuesday 27th August from 4.30pm—6.00pm or 7.00pm—8.30pm.



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

PARISH NEWS

Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place during the month of August commencing on Thursday August 8th from 7-8 pm and continue at the same time each Thursday until 29th August when the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated. Families with a child in Grade 4 or higher who would like their child to participate are asked to contact the School or Parish House to request an enrolment form. These children will then be able to take part in the Sacramental Programs next year when they will prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Eucharist.

REGIONAL GATHERING

On Sunday, August 11th immediately after the 10.30am Mass, the Regional Council Meeting will take place at Merbein. This date coincides with our Parish Council Meeting so we will have a combined Parish Council/Regional Meeting. As representatives from Mildura, Red Cliffs and Irymple will be joining our Parish Council members we will be using the Multi-purpose room at the school. All are asked to bring along some lunch to share.

SCHOOL NEWS:

This term class masses with the Parish on Thursday mornings at 9.15am will take place on the following days:- August 8th Yrs. 3 & 4; August 15th Yrs. 1 & 2; August 29th Yrs. 5, 6F & 6L. Classes will be holding a shared morning tea after each mass in the Multi-Purpose Room. Parents, friends and parishioners are welcome to attend.

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

Did you know?
Up to 90 per cent of the materials used in a mobile phone can be recycled, there are over 3500 public drop off points including all major mobile phone retailers, including Telstra, Optus, Vodafone, and Samsung stores. Don't send your mobile phone to landfill or leave it in the drawer - recycle it.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Fri: 9.30am, Tues, Thurs 5.30pm, Wed: 10am, Sat: 9am

CALENDAR

Sunday 28th July: Parish AGM. All welcome. Any agenda items please see Carmel Russo.
Monday 5th August: Jacaranda Village Aged Care Church service commencing 10.30am. All welcome.
Thursday 15th August: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

CUPPA AND TRADING TABLE-after Mass today.

Proceeds from the trading table this month will go to The Pope's Collection.



ST MARY MCKILLOP

Our junior grades will lead us in celebrating St Mary McKillop on Sunday August 4.

YOUTH-LED MASS

Our next youth-led Mass will be on Sunday, August 11



NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTERS AND READINGS 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time / 3rd & 4th August 2019

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23
Responsorial: Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17
Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.
Second Reading: St Paul to the Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11
Gospel: Luke 12:13-21



	Werrimull Last Sunday of each month 1:00am	Sacred Heart Saturday 6pm	Sacred Heart Sunday 9am	Sacred Heart Sunday 5pm	Irymple Sunday 8:30am	Red Cliffs Sunday 10:00am	Merbein Sunday 10:30am	Merbein Lay Led Assembly Last Sunday of the month
Leader / Reader		Anita Naray	Paul McErvale	Sue Hermans	J Keamey	D Eagle J Vines / L Grivec	Kevin Aston	
Music		M Guthrie All welcome	Italian Choir M Sullivan	M Hammond J Macri/J Ljubic		Guitar		
Offertory			Mary Gobbo			C Cavallaro	Piscioner Family	
Altar Servers		Volunteer please	Volunteer please	Volunteer please		GROUP 2 Ella Briggs	Volunteer Please	
Eucharist Ministers		Maria Cirillo	Elina Garreffa	Mario Zema	R Hill	B Pitt	Pat Sylvia	
		Christine Carmichael	Maryanne Modica	Josie Zema		C Russo	Julie Phelan	
		Ellen Frauenfelder	Lyn Welsh	Bernadette Avery	OASIS AGED CARE	J Strangio		
		Jacinda Deacon	Giuseppe Scopacasa	Trish Cirillo	W Schmidt	CUPPA'S		
		Katy Quinlan	Maria Scopacasa	Jeena Jose			CHAFFEY AGED CARE	
		Vince Pileggi	Susan Lewis	Christine Slattery	LAY LITURGY LEADERS		Vi Barling Margo Farnsworth	
		Minda Wright				FLOWERS D Eagle		
Counting Team		TEAM 7	HELEN KAY 0429 135 053			B Gardner/S Williams		
Church Cleaning		As per arrangement		As per arrangement	Volunteers	As per arrangement		